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Looking hopeful are the 1967 Miss SW candidates. They are (from left) Mary Ann Brancato, Pam Toenningsmeyer, Cathy Green, Sharon Hall, Linda Weyand, Chris Biederman, Cynthia Warner, Linda Held, and Darlene Johnson. They were presented to the school in the double Hello Day aud.

Miss SW to be chosen

Who will be crowned on Nov. 4?

Miss Southwest of 1967 will be crowned in the Southwest auditorium on Saturday evening, November 4th, at 7:30 p.m. Immediately following the coronation will be the Miss SW dance sponsored by Student Council and the Letterman's Club.

The Miss SW candidates were nominated by the members of the letterman's club late in September. The new queen will be chosen by the SW students on November 1st.

All of the candidates are active in SW organizations. Pep-filled Linda Held is busy as a SC officer and cheerlead-

er. Chris Biederman takes an active part as Vice-president of Pep Club and Co-Captain of the cheerleaders.

Petite Darlene Johnson is president of Cheerleading Club and a member of Pep Club. Linda Weyand, also a cheerleader, has been in bowling for three years. Both are active in G.A.A. and track.

Bowling and cheerleading interests Pam Toenningsmeyer, while Cathy Green and Cindy Warner have participated in G.A.A. and Cheerleading Club.

Sharon Hall is in the Dramatics Club, while Mary Ann Brancato takes part in the Distributive Education program.

All of the girls are busy preparing for the coronation.

Many said: "Just being put up for it was an honor, even when we know we all can't be Miss SW."

Sales go over

Pioneer went over with 1942 subscriptions. Miss Funk subscribed first. Miss Hyser's freshmen were the first 100% advisory. Other 100% advisories were Mrs. Bullock, Mr. Dappert, Mrs. Duhamel, Mrs. Kinderfather, Miss Murray, Miss Reinhardt, Mrs. Stuart, and Miss Turk. Class subscriptions ran: seniors 81%, juniors 66%, sophomores 63%, freshmen 54%. Mary Schabeck won the baseball; Gail Belt, the "peanuts 'n crackerjacks".

Officers to run big class of '68

"I hope to meet my responsibilities and do a responsible job", said Pres. Fred Borchardt.



V.Pres. is C. Biederman; Secy's.: B. Williamson, L. Borchardt Weyand; Treas.: R. Allen, N. Hamilton; Sgt.-at-arms: D. Vilani, B. Gilcrease.

Fred Borchart, John Klobasa, and Gary Porterfield were nominated for president; for vice-president, Chris Biederman, Debbie Doetzel, and Barb Witt.

Nominated as girls' secretary were Bev Nance, Linda Weyand, and Pat Winfrey; for girls' treasurer: Nancy Hamilton, Sherrie Kolseth, and Deni Whitworth. For girls' sergeant-at-arms: Barb Gilcrease and Terri Nischwitz.

Candidates for boys' secretary: Russ Becherer, Bill Loesch, and Bill Williamson; for boys' treasurer: Randy Allen, Bill Mignerone, and Wes Ulrich.

Hello Day follows Yellow Brick Road

Following the yellow brick road was the task of SC officers in the Hello Day double aud on Friday, October 6. The gaily costumed cast carried out the theme, the Wizard of Oz. The meek lion, Randy Mourning; the scarecrow, Don Schoenbeck; and the tin man, Dave Baylard; journeyed with Linda Held as Dorothy through the Hello Day acts. Holly Rodcay, the good witch, protected them against the evil witch, Jeanne Choquette, as they strove to reach the city of Oz.

On the way, the travelers met Phyllis Godsey, who was singing "Somewhere Over the Rainbow". The song, "Great Hello Day", was sung by Margie Marik, Liz Dubis and their group. At "Five Hundred Miles", sung by Barry LaLumondier, Dorothy and her friends still had a long way to go.

Another vocal number was "Georgy Girl", sung by Marty

Hansen, Brenda Morgan and Liz Herzog. Lola Watson and Jean Riemann sang "The Times They are A-Changing". "Go When You Want to Go" was the advice given in the song sung by Kathy Ousley and Linda Karberg. "Getting to Know You", sung by Ellen Bruner and her group, was directed especially to the freshmen. The Moore sisters concluded with their original composition, "Southwest".



Mike Prokopf (left) sets the pace as Dave Ballard, Don Schoenbeck, Linda Held, Randy Mourning, and Holly Rodcay (right photo) entertain you in the Land of Oz.

Johnson competes for Miss Teen St. Louis

One of twenty finalists in the Miss Teenage St. Louis contest Saturday, September 13 was SW's Darlene Johnson. The contest, sponsored nationally by Dr. Pepper, was held on the Crestwood Plaza parking lot.

Darlene was judged according to her scores on an intelligence test, and her responses to spontaneous questions such as "What would you do if you were chosen as Miss Teenage America?" The test involved politics, as well as literature and history.

The finals were held on Saturday, October 7. The judges looked for appearance, poise, personality projection, talent, and ability to answer two questions.

SC officers represent SW

Attending a conference on the subject of citizenship held in Washington D.C. from September 17th to September 20th was SW SC president, Randy Mourning.

One representative was sent from each of the public high schools in St. Louis to the national meeting. People from all over North America and one person from South America also attended.

Dave Baylard, SC executive officer, was elected vice-chairman of the St. Louis public high schools Safety Council.

Representing SW, Dave and alternate Jerry Reeves attend meetings once a month at Shaw School. They were appointed by Mr. Young.

Members of the Safety Council report safety hazards and the prevention of these hazards at their schools. Finding little improvement necessary at SW, Dave said, "From what I've seen, this school doesn't need it".

For her talent number, Darlene performed a Japanese dance. Her two questions were "If you had one wish, what would it be?" and "What would you do if your boyfriend wouldn't let you watch your favorite programs on TV?"

Stephanie Crane finally chosen as Miss Teenage St. Louis, attends Cor Jesu High School.

60 girls picked
In picking Miss Teenage St. Louis, judges chose 60 girls from over 1000 entries. The semi-finals were held on Sept. 9, 16, 23, and 30. Sponsored by radio WIL and Crestwood Shopping Center, this contest's semi-finalists were judged on an intelligence test, an oral interview, and on their general ability to be Miss Teenage St. Louis. The five top-scoring girls in each week went on to compete in the finals on Oct. 7.

SW girls compete
Four SW girls were in these semi-finals. Jeanne Daniels, a semester five of Miss Guenther's advisory, competed the first week. A junior of Mr. Forrest's advisory, Jeanne Kleinkemper, was in the second week of competition. Terry Piskos, a sophomore of Miss Mathae's advisory, and Becky Schilling, from Mr. Black's junior group, also represented SW. This is the second year Becky and Terry have been chosen.

'Brains' score in competition

Outstanding scores on the National Merit Scholarship Examination have brought 21 seniors high honors.

Semifinalists are Ray Horn and Shirley Sheraga. Letters of commendation have been awarded to M. Allen, R. Baehr, K. Buehre, N. Hamilton, S. Hepp, D. Johnson, R. Kinast, D. Kirk, L. Krause, L. Mahon, S. Moore, J. Nelden, B. Nesler, J. Reeves, J. Reinhardt, M. Schlunkmann, B. Thurman, W. Ulrich, and A. Walker.

Representing SW on KMOX Scholarquiz on Feb. 17 will be Shirley Sheraga, Ray Horn, Nancy Hamilton, and Randy Baehr, with Bev Nance and Wes Ulrich as alternates.

In the Wind

Jobs checked

- October 24 . . . Federal Employment Survey.
- October 24, Periods 2, 3 . . . Scott Air Force Band, double aud.
- October 24, 2:30-4:00 . . . GAA Coke and Cake Sale.
- October 30, 31 . . . DAT tests.
- November 2, 3 . . . No school, Teachers' Convention.
- November 4, 7:30 p.m. . . . Miss Southwest Dance.
- November 6-10 . . . Mid-semester exams.
- November 9, 7:30 p.m. . . . PTA card party at Kolping House.

Immune to drugs? English classes experiment

"Taking LSD is like playing Russian Roulette on a sugar cube," says Dr. James L. Goddard, Commissioner of the federal Food and Drug Administration.

However, according to recent statistics, some teenagers continue to involve themselves with drugs using excuses of "I was curious", or "I wanted to be more adult", or "I had to go along with the gang".

In some circles, smoking marijuana, taking pep pills, sniffing glue, and taking dangerous drugs is "the fad". But is taking drugs a fad or fashion as wearing Mod clothes, or Beatle haircuts, or stuffing telephone booths?

Fads are fun and usually harmless. Mod clothes can be packed away and long hair can be cut. But drugs can upset the brain, nerves, and muscles. Drugs can decrease the appetite causing malnutrition, or blur the memory.

Most teenagers do not know that they might not be able to stop. Nor do they realize that they will have to take more and bigger doses, or how sick they'll become without the drug.

No individual is immune to the addicting effects of narcotic drugs, regardless of race, age, education, or station in life. Doctors have found that addicts under the age of 21 have considerably less chance of being permanently rehabilitated or cured than those older than 21.

Advice to teenagers by former addicts is unanimous — Don't start! Taking drugs is a one-way street—downhill.



Because we are featuring several articles on drugs in this issue, we have included the following letters from students:
Dear Editor,

The use of drugs today is a serious matter. The government, schools, and parents should encourage these people to grow up.

William Struckhoff,
Mr. Wallach's advisory

Dear Editor,

Man was put on this earth to fight and struggle, not to find an easy way out through the use of drugs.

Diane Westphal,
Mrs. Lee's advisory

"It's merely experimental," explained Miss Hachtman, speaking of the trial books being used in some English classes.

Miss Hachtman, head of the English department, went on to say that the books are being used to get student and teach-

er reaction. "Some are being used in place of other books, while the rest are being used in addition to the regular course of studies."

F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* is being used in Miss Hachtman's English 12 class. This is the second year that it has been tried. Most people thought the book good but not as a substitute.

Miss Backer's English 11 class is reading *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. *Huckleberry Finn*, Mark Twain's famous adventure, is being used in Miss Bennett's senior English class. Meanwhile, Mrs. Corn's class is reading *Scope Reading I*, a collection of essays.

Alan Paton's *Cry, the Beloved Country* is being read by Mrs. Ryan's English 11 group. (An interesting sidelight is that the Tyro Club had Reverend and Mrs. David Paynton speaking on Oct. 10, at 3:20. Rever-



Reverend and Mrs. Paynton (seated), Mrs. Ryan, and Miss Hachtman after Rev. Paynton's speech to the Tyro Club.

end Paynton is a native of Natal, South Africa, and personally knew Alan Paton.)

After these books are read, they will be evaluated by the teachers and students. The teachers will fill out questionnaires about the literature, telling in what ways the different books might be used; the procedure used in teaching the material; and the strengths and weaknesses of the books. Through these evaluations, new books may be added to the present English curriculum.

Abigail Van Buren

Don't BE A PUNK PUMPKIN



Why not grow up?

Tiny ghosts, witches, spacemen, and gypsies scurrying from house to house . . . Excited cries of "Trick or treat" echoing in the early dusk . . . Bags heavy with candy and pennies . . . Bobbing for apples . . . Black cats . . . Full moon . . . Grinning jack-o'lanterns in every window . . . Pumpkin pie . . . These are some of the things associated with All Hallow Even, commonly known as Halloween.

But there is a minority which laughs at these traditional things . . . A group that cares only for themselves and the kicks to be gotten out of life. These people, mostly teenagers, plan just as carefully as the children for this night. For this is the time for broken windows, stolen hubcaps, "getting even with old man Jones", throwing garbage, defacing public property (especially statues), and scrawling obscenities on available buildings. Teenagers who indulge in this latter type of "sport" often laugh at the costumes and behavior of the younger set. But they fail to realize how mature teens and adults regard their type of "fun" — with a mingled pity and loathing. These are only destructive pranks by immature KIDS.

The long road from a fix runs downhill

by Carolyn Phillips

Recently I was in an auto accident. Because I suffered from a laceration of the forehead, I was taken to the emergency room at City Hospital. I was waiting in a long corridor. Several policemen stood near. Next to me, a man lay on a

police stretcher, groaning and writhing. When a nurse walked by, he called for a 'shot' in his right arm. The nurses walked on by; they had seen many like him. His body shook; he would scream, and then lie still. But the pain became so great that he slid out from one of the straps on the police stretcher. He had been dismissed from the hospital only the day before. But his life had become a cycle rotating between the street, his fix, and the hospital. He was in terrible agony. He was just coming out of a bad fix.

His name? It really isn't important, for he is one of nameless thousands who have sacrificed their identities to the new god of a growing cult. Dope!

Those who are like him wonder the streets in run-down neighborhoods of the big cities, trying to get a fix . . . at any price. They steal, murder, cheat . . . do anything to get hold of what they no longer merely want, but desperately need. They aren't happy with their lives . . . no one could

Abby meets St. Louis teens

"If Booth Tarkington had written *Seventeen* today, he'd have called it *Twelve*."

This was one of the many things Abigail Van Buren said during an interview with *Globe* "Spotlight" reporters at the Chase Hotel on September 14. She was commenting on the standards of today's teenagers which she feels are actually higher than those of their parents, considering the greater temptations of today. She added with a smile, "I've got a pretty good memory."

The interview developed into a casual discussion about things that interested everyone present such as drugs, hippies, drinking, dress codes, morals, and politics.

As dress codes were discussed, she said, "This responsibility belongs in the home. There should be no need for dress codes, unless things get completely out of hand."

She feels the hippies get too much publicity. "The trouble is you never hear about the decent teenagers — they don't make news."

As she rose to keep another appointment, Abby smiled at the group and said, "American youth are wonderful."

Exchange

Take a look at new ideas

Students at Central High School in St. Joseph, Mo. have set up a scholarship fund in the memory of Stephen Scott, an 18-year old graduate. The project was started in July after the hit-and-run accident which claimed Steve's life. The coaches at Central will award the yearly amount of \$100 to the boy they feel is best-qualified, according to athletic and leadership standards.

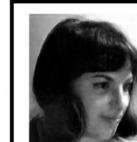
A school store, managed and run by selected students, has been opened at Lindbergh HS in St. Louis, Mo. Typing supplies, English reading assignments, papers, pencils, etc. are sold before and after school, as well as during the lunch periods.

The goal of University City HS students this fall is a student lounge, to be built with money earned from an all-school work weekend. Students will do odd jobs during designated hours.

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Kleiner's Korner

Better be careful of what you say—
Ghosts and goblins may creep your way.
And you might just watch for a witch in flight
Because this happens on Halloween night!

Kleiner

'Up with People' inspires SW

PTA holds big 30th



"Up With People" group performs before an enthusiastic SW audience in a special auditorium session on Sept. 21. The group (made up of various representatives from across the nation and across the world) encouraged SWerners to become aware of their freedom, and do all within their power to preserve it.

by Bob Kelly

That certain feeling was in the air again. Seniors had experienced it last fall. Juniors were to encounter it for the first time on Thursday, September 21.

One of three national casts of **Up with People** was at Southwest on that afternoon. The feeling they inspired was one of deep and sincere enthusiasm for the cause of world peace. Through original vocal and instrumental selections, they won the receptiveness of the crowd of upperclassmen assembled in the aud.

This was not unusual for these dedicated high school and college-age musicians, though. They have been winning audiences from Japan to Germany, Spain, Austria and all over the United States. The new members they have gained

ably best summed up the cast's feeling when he said, "We have seen that the true issue in the world is not color, but character."

World represented

Included in the more than 20 members who performed at Southwest from the total cast of 150 were young people from Thailand, Finland, South Africa, Puerto Rico and Jamaica. All of them hold the belief that the good in the world can and should be the dominant force in men's lives.

Otto Bulkinen, a Finn, came to America led by that force to join **Up with People**. He found that the news of riots in America is overplayed in many parts of Europe, and that most young Americans are willing to "pay the price of liberty" as one of their songs urged us to do.

Jamaican Mike Hart prob-

ably best summed up the cast's feeling when he said, "We have seen that the true issue in the world is not color, but character."

The gay and pleasingly informal show **Up with People** presented here was but a taste of the full two-hour performance. Many of the Southwest students who had joined in giving the cast vocal support and a standing ovation at school attended the entire group's presentation at Kiel Auditorium the next Saturday evening.

Steve Colwell, a Californian who had led the group at Southwest, and his two brothers were highlighted as a trio of folk-singers at Kiel. The Colwell brothers helped organize **Up with People** in 1965. They were selected for that task by a conference on Moral Re-Armament held on Mackinac Island, Michigan that summer.

Energy contagious

The support the Colwells received was fantastic. The brothers energetically wrote song after song for the cause. Their enthusiasm was caught by so many that there are now 150 members in each of the three national casts and thousands of local **Sing-Outs** throughout the world.

According to Steve, there are no vocal requirements for membership in a cast or a **Sing-Out**, yet the complete dedication of those who join makes them sound almost professional.

New Sing-Out formed

The latest innovation in this ever-expanding program is a **Sing-Out** comprised of Southwest students. Martin Laser, semester seven, is its organizer. He is receiving help from Fran Wirth and Joyce Fehr. All of them have been attending meetings designed to teach them how to make the new group successful.

September 19, 1967 is a date five members of Southwest's faculty will treasure for a long time. Mr. Young, Miss Hachtman, Miss Murray, Mr. Gerber, and Mr. Monachesi were recently honored at the PTA Thirtieth Anniversary.

Opening the meeting with the same gavel she used when she was president was Mrs. Kaufman, Southwest's first P.T.A. president. Mrs. Kaufman is remembered for her efforts to retain the name Southwest which at one time was almost named Riddick High School.

The **Early Risers** were first on the program. The five teachers honored received apples after the **Early Risers** sang "Apple for the Teacher." They also received three-minute timers to represent the sands of time.

The cheerleaders and pompon girls followed the **Early Risers** with several of their cheers and routines. Mr. Monachesi closed the program by leading the audience in singing the "Alma Mater."

Refreshments were later served in the Teacher's Lounge where the guests could view the displays arranged by Student Council. There was also an historical table containing the first **Roundup** and other historical mementos.

. . . Senior discovers her I.D. . . .

I happened to wander into the aud Sept. 25. There was quite a crowd up front, so I decided to investigate.

"Here's your card. Now get into line," said an efficient Nancy Hamilton, as she directed me to a line of seniors. Going up the steps to the aud stage, I was promptly equipped with a pen by Bonnie DeWitt and told to sign my card. I then joined another line, following a line of arrows taped to the floor.

"You know what to do, don't you?" said a rather fatigued Arlene Parisotto. Before I could answer, I was seated on a stool in front of a red backdrop. Edgar Vance was aiming

a dreadful machine at me and telling me to look at the "o" in "Polaroid" (which one?). All set to smile, I heard a derisive comment from Wes Ulrich, operator of a cutting machine. I was photographed with a lovely scowl.

I then sprinted to the end of the processing table, just in time to pick up my finished I.D. card.

And would you believe that



John Klobasa takes the ID picture for Bob Chavez on the aud stage.

2449 other SWerners went through the same thing in two days? Mr. Close noted this fact with, "And they said it would take us three days!"



With a new semester comes new activities, so our **Inquiring Photographer** reports on SW clubs.

Anne Sherwin, **Tyro Club** president, says, "We have recently had a minister from Africa who knew Alan Paton, author of **Cry, the Beloved Country**, and we'll have a great club this year."

"A cheering section for the boys is planned so they are particularly welcome," said Miss Turk, co-sponsor of **Pep Club** with Mr. Black. "We hope to have a large and enthusiastic club this year."

Mr. Monachesi, peppy and well-known Southwest sponsor of the **Italian Club** says the new officers are Barb Brueckman, president; Sandra Misuraca,

vice-president; and Robyn Costello, secretary and treasurer, Marty Hansen.

"**Science Club** now has interest groups for those studying the various fields of science," says Ed Vance.

"Selling confetti, having a rummage sale, giving a party for the residents of the home for the elderly on Arsenal St., and visiting the Gallaudet School for the Deaf will keep F.T.A. busy," said President Wanda Boken.

The **Mathematics Club**, affiliated with the Junior Engineering Technical Society, is organized for the "cultivation of an interest in mathematics."

According to Ray Zinsser, **Chess Club** is not planning outside tournaments this year.



Monachesi



Zinsser

Advisories give friendship kits

This year the Southwest advisories were asked by the Red Cross to contribute TET Friendship Kits for Vietnamese children ages two thru six. The TET Friendship Kit is a red drawstring ditty bag filled with useful articles costing a total of about \$3.00. The articles in the bags consisted mainly of clothing and small toys.

TET is a three day Vietnamese holiday corresponding to the American holidays of Christmas and New Year's. Southwest advisories collected 73 kits.

caught Knapping

Who says there isn't anything left to discover? After a few weeks of attending classes this year, I've discovered plenty.

Learning to use the microscope in biology was truly a unique experience. I was elated when I thought I had finally found my first "animal" in my Wilmore Park pond water. It looked almost like a miniature black spider. Unfortunately it turned out to be my eyelash.

That 600-yd. run has just got to go. I was practically dead the first couple of times I ran it. Then some expert on phys.

ed. informed me that the only way to relax my legs was to do the splits. However, I am unable to do the splits.

In math class I've found that a compass makes a cool sling-shot. The boys were delighted over my discovery, but I'm not going to wear pigtales in geometry any more. Rubberbands are now too much in demand.

All my discoveries, however, didn't seem quite so embarrassing after a freshman asked me whether a gold lunch check was worth the same as two silver ones.



Fred Borchardt SW wingback intercepts a hard-thrown Wolverine pass to take the offensive.

Steers stop Vashon 21-0 in PHL battle

In their first league contest of the year on October 7th, Southwest football Steers shut out the Vashon Wolverines 21-0. The game played at Soldan High School showed the Longhorns to be strong contenders for the PHL title.

The competition started with the Steers electing to receive after winning the toss. After a few unsuccessful drives, they jumped out in front, 7-0, on a three-yard run by Frank McCracken. The score remained the same into the fourth quarter as the SW defense held Vashon.

Next a pass from Gary Porterfield to Chris Papagianis and a run by Ron Kellam produced the second touchdown, which gave the Longhorns a comfortable 14-0 lead.

Porterfield was then given a breather, and Ted Brazell was sent in as quarterback. Brazell maneuvered his team to the Vashon ten-yard line. As the gun sounded, he passed

the ball to Papagianis for the touchdown. After having the extra point attempt called back, Papagianis scooped up the fumbled hike and scampered in for the conversion.

The Longhorns rallied twice, as they set McKinley down 32-13, on October 14th. They stretched their winning streak to three games in the see-saw battle at Roosevelt.

The Steers, who are undefeated in league play, trailed in the first quarter, when McKinley scored on a 72-yard touchdown pass. Early in the second period SW grabbed a 7-6 lead, but the Goldbugs came right back with a TD to make the score 13-7. Before the half ended, Porterfield threw to Papagianis for a touchdown pass that tied the game.

After the second quarter it was all SW. The offense built up a three touchdown lead, while the defense sparkled with key interceptions by Borchardt and Branham.

Band works

14 FM, TT RLP-RP, LP-LP, sounds like something from advanced algebra, but it's really part of a geometric pattern the band uses. Each symbol means something. And if it sounds complicated, it is! SW's band was given one week to learn routines that normally take three weeks. Eighty students, Pom Pon girls, and Majorettes worked very hard to prepare half time shows. The results of their efforts will be seen on Nov. 11 and Nov. 18.

Teamwork wins a pennant

1967 is the "Year of Yax" in Boston. One man boosted the Red Sox . . . Carl Yastrzemski. It was a co-ordinated team effort, talent, and spirit that made 1967 the "Year of El Birdos" in St. Louis.

Redbird effort was outstanding. Shannon's hard work in adjusting to his new third base position paid off handsomely, as did Briles' changes in pitching style. Gibson's comeback from a broken leg injury was inspiring.

Talent was not lacking, either. Great seasons were realized by Cepeda, Brock, Flood, McCarver and Javier, among others. "El Birdos" excelled in team spirit. Everyone pitched in when needed. Men like Gagliano and Tolan kept the drive going when others tailed off. The enthusiasm of Cepeda, Manager Schoendienst and the coaching staff was adopted by all Cardinals.

St. Louis and the entire National League can be proud that such a well-rounded club represented them in the 1967 World Series.

Steers clash at District

SW's harriers, fresh from a strong seventh place finish at the Beaumont Invitational, will vie for District honors today at O'Fallon Park.

Top competition should come from Roosevelt. The two south-side rivals split decisions in the past two weeks.

In the South Side Invitational, Wednesday October 11, SW was nosed out by the Riders, 49-51, but the team rebounded strongly the following Friday and overwhelmed the Roosevelt team in the Beaumont Invitational. SW crossed the finish line with 268 points, while the Rough Riders trailed some 100 points behind.

Steve Wilson finished third and Steve Ratajczyk 25th to

win individual medals. Other runners in the SW top five were Nestler, Blake, and Pisoni.

The harriers shut out the Bulldogs of Sumner, 15-50 October 10th. Top finishers for the Longhorns were Wilson and Ratajczyk, followed by Pisoni, Artale, Nesler, Buchrucker, and Blake.

SW defeated a very strong SLUH team 24-31 on Thursday, October 5th.

Strong finishes by Steve Wilson, Steve Ratajczyk, Tony Pisoni, Bob Nesler, and George Blake enabled SW to overcome a well-balanced Junior Bill team.

New mat unrolled

Matmen open season

Wrestling practices began in early October this year. Coaching the team will be Mr. Wallach, assisted by Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams will be heading the early practices while Mr. Wallach is coaching cross country.

Members of the team should be in good shape at the beginning of the season. Coach Wallach is requiring all wrestlers to go out for cross country or football this fall.

Optimism is running high on the squad this year. About the team's chances, George Blake commented, "We have a lot

of returning lettermen this year. We should have a pretty good team."

The team has a fine nucleus featuring ten returning lettermen. Their names with the divisions in which they wrestled last year are Rick Smith (95 lb.), Nick Papagianis (95 lb.), Jim Wells (103 lb.), Rick Marchand (127 lb.), George Blake (133 lb.), Dan Wegener (133 lb.), Gary Porterfield (138 lb.), Frank McCracken (145 lb.), Gino Pucci (180 lb.), and William Biggar (180 lb.).

The middleweights should be the team's strong point this year. In these weights the Steers are deep with experienced wrestler who can give anyone a good match.

The season's first wrestling meet will be December 1 against Ladue. League matches begin December 13 with the Longhorns taking on Vashon. Mr. Wallach believes that Soldan, Northwest, and O'Fallon will provide the Longhorns with the stiffest PHL competition. A possible dark horse this year could be Roosevelt.

Sports Schedule

Football

Oct. 21 . . . SW vs. NW at NW
Oct. 28 . . . SW vs. Roosevelt at O'Fallon
Nov. 4 . . . SW vs. Central at O'Fallon
Nov. 11 . . . SW vs. Beaumont at SW
Nov. 18 . . . SW vs. Cleveland at SW

Cross Country

Oct. 21 . . . District Meet at O'Fallon Park
Oct. 24 . . . NW at Forest Park
Oct. 26 . . . Roosevelt at O'Fallon Park
Oct. 28 . . . State Meet at Columbia, Mo.
Oct. 31 . . . Central at O'Fallon Park
Nov. 1 . . . "B" Championship Meet at Forest Park
Nov. 7 . . . O'Fallon at Forest Park

by Bob Nesler

In Public League meets, SW got off to a fast start with consecutive runaways against Beaumont, Soldan, and Cleveland. Steve Wilson and Steve Ratajczyk finished one and two in all three meets.

The Longhorns hosted the third annual SW Invitational Freshman-Sophomore Meet on Saturday, October 7th.

The winning team was Lindbergh. The Flyers placed all seven of their men in the top twenty. In second place was St. Louis U. High.

Individual honors went to Kelly McKeon from St. Louis. SW finished 16th in the 21-school meet. The top finisher for SW was Dave Owens, a freshman. Others running were Bruce Vierheller, Gary Wood, Bill Wendell, Dan Mueller, and Craig Jones.



GAA and Bowling have organized and elected officers for the coming year. Barb Pappas will serve as president of bowling.

The bowling officers for the 3:30 session are co-secretaries Marty Hansen and Ellen Bruner, with Liz Herzog as treasurer. Carol Pearson will be secretary for the early dismissal league with Angie Gustello as treasurer. Returning this year as officers are Marty and Liz.

New officers for GAA basketball were elected Tuesday, September 26. Barb Gilcrease was elected president; Mary Ann Acree, vice-president; Holly Rodcay, secretary and Kathy Kuba, treasurer. The other two candidates for office were Bev Nance and Deni Whitworth. All four officers are seniors.

Co-captains set quick pace

Bob Nesler and Bob Chavez are leading the cross-country team this season. They were recently elected team co-captains.

Bob Chavez is in his second year on the team. Last year he lettered as SW won the PHL championship. Bob has also been out for track for the past two seasons. Unfortunately bad luck has forced him out of action both seasons.

About the team, Bob says, "We've got a great team and a great team spirit to back it up."

Bob Nesler is also an experienced runner. He started running as a sophomore on the cross-country team. Later that year he lettered as a half-miler in track. Last year he won letters in both cross-country and track.

Bob also thinks the team will do well in the PHL. He commented, "With the returning lettermen and the depth of the team, we ought to be strong." Southwest should have a fine team if the two are right.

Pep is displayed in first pep session

"Pep sessions are ridiculous without pep," commented Mr. Gladstone, the coach of the SW football team, when asked his opinion of SW pep sessions. However, the first pep session of this year was certainly not ridiculous. Students and faculty showed more spirit than ever before. This pep aud was held on September 20 when the football and cross country teams were honored. Highlights included the appearance of the Pom Pon Girls in their new uniforms and the rousing cheers led by the cheerleaders. If SW goes into the state meet for cross-country, another pep session will be held on October 28.