

SENIOR SPECIAL

THAT WONDERFUL YEAR 1966

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AUGUST

Aug. School started

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 7 - Gero Schachthoefler, foreign exchange student from Bonn, Germany, enrolled as a senior.

Sept. 10 - Pierre opened its 1965 cross-country season with a 13-23 win over Sturgis. Sturgis defeated Pierre 31-0 in the Governor's first football game of the season.

Sept. 11-15 - Parents pulled out their hair as float building took place in well-guarded garages all over Pierre.

Sept. 16 - Sharon Moser and Bill Flannery were crowned Homecoming Queen and Marshall at Coronation ceremonies in the Riggs gymnasium. Princesses included seniors, Geri Misterek and Janice Zarecky. Attending the Queen were Cheryl Cowan, Lois Snow and Kay Cameron. Attending the Marshall were Stewart Cassell, Gary Ellwanger and Dave Hanson.

Sept. 17 - "Expecting Victory" was named as the Best Float in the parade of 17 entries. As Homecoming came to an end, the Watertown Arrows defeated the Pierre High Governors 13-6 at Hollister Field.

Sept. 27 - The Soph squad's second win came when the Sophs defeated the Cheyenne Eagle Butte J. V.'s 27-6, behind the running of Mike Robinson and Don Trimble.

OCTOBER

Oct. 11 - Twenty-four students initiated into drama club.

Oct. 12-13 - Dalene Moore, Peggy Carl, Fred Pehler, and Bill Flannery attended the fourth annual Economics Seminar in Huron.

Oct. 15 - The Pierre Gov's defeated Bismarck, 7-6, thus retaining the traveling trophy for the third consecutive year.

Oct. 18 - Virginia Bartlett was selected state president of the South Dakota Library Assistants Association.

Oct. 27 - Ten finalists out of a field of 17 vied for the title of Junior Miss, with senior Connie Smith being selected as Riggs Junior Miss for 1965.

NOVEMBER

Nov. 1 - Approximately 250 parents attended classes at Riggs annual "Back-to-school" night.

Nov. 5 - The high school band provided music at the dedication of the new Pierre Federal Building.

Nov. 5 - Huron was held to a -4 yards rushing during the first half in Pierre's last football game of the season, with Pierre coming out on top, 20-0.

Nov. 12-13 - Mike Robinson, Nancy Askwig, David June, Bill Olander, Karen Lerdahl, Vada Trimble, John Fritz and Dalene Moore attended the Ninth Annual Governor's Teen-Age Safety Conference.

Nov. 19 - Mr. Brown and his drama department presented the Fall production of "Murder Takes the Stage" at the Riggs gym.

Nov. 27 - The '66 Governors opened their basketball season with 12 players, two returning lettermen, Gary Ellwanger and Dave Ellwein.

DECEMBER

Dec. 6 - The Winner Warriors defeated the Governors in Pierre's first wrestling match of the season by a score of 30-18.

Dec. 7 - The Governors rallied over the Lead Goldiggers in a close battle which ended 51-49.

Barbara Iverson, senior, was named Riggs High 1965 Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Dec. 8 - PHS choir and glee club, directed by Mrs. Helen Spitzer, presented a Christmas concert, which included "Living Pictures" directed by Steve Brown.

Dec. 23 - Christmas Vacation !!!!!!!!!

Dec. 27 - Pert, brown-haired Jeanne Barrett was crowned "Sweetheart" by Master Councilor Dan Engebretson at the annual Demoley Sweetheart Ball.

To complete the month, Crest was found to be the most popular toothpaste, and Mr. Schumacher's homeroom to have the most cavities!!!

JANUARY

Jan. 13 - James Douglas, senior, was elected second semester mayor.

Jan. 18 - Mrs. Helen Spitzer, 18 years a music instructor at Riggs, was announced as "Teacher of the Year" at the initiation ceremonies for the National Honor Society candidates.

Jan. 18 - Eighteen juniors and 18 seniors were "tagged" with navy blue ribbons by the ten 1965 members of National Honor Society.

Jan. 19 - Riggs drama students received an excellent rating for their presentation of "The Curtain" at the Division 5 one-act play contest in Moberidge.

Jan. 27 - Miss Mary Arnold became a member of the Riggs high faculty.

Jan. 28 - Students named Dan Davis, Governor; Linda Hall, First Lady; Bruce Bad Moccasin, Lt. Governor; and Linda Douglas, Secretary of State for the annual Governor's Day royalty.

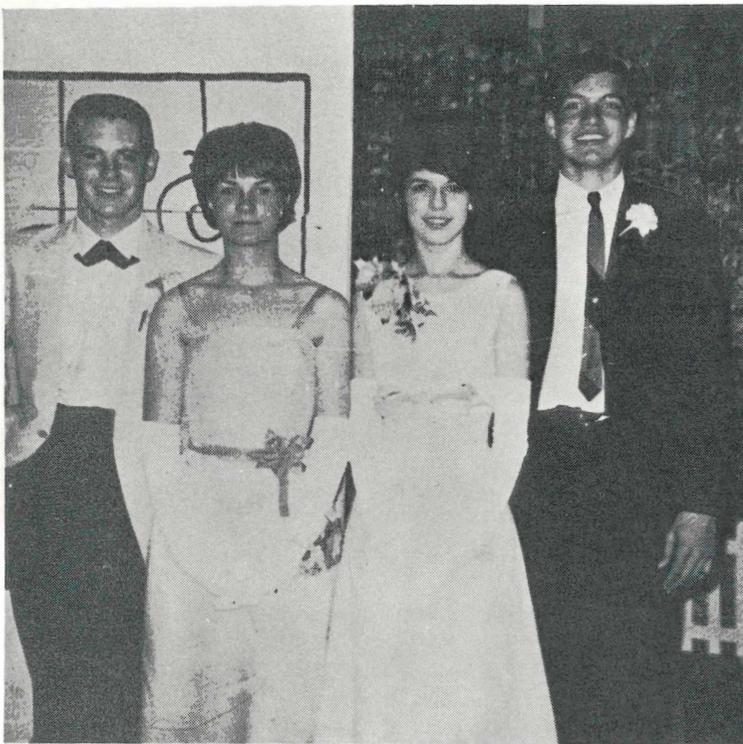
FEBRUARY

Feb. 1 - Journalism and civics students took field trips to the State Capitol to see the legislators in action.

Feb. 2 - Trophies were awarded to Ernie Steffen, Bob Schmidt and Kay Singer for high games in the major division of the Youth Bowling Association.



Two ducks "take a break" after their swim in the teachers' parking-lot lake.



Senior class president Bill Flannery and junior class president Comet Haraldson pose with their dates, Dalene Moore and Kay Cameron, during prom-night festivities.

March 26 - All State Band Concert took place in the Riggs gym.

March 30 - The choir and band presented their annual spring concert in the school auditorium.

APRIL

April 2 - The Pierre Latin Club was host to the District Latin Convention held in the SDEA building.

April 8 - Easter Vacation!

April 16 - Fifteen girls left for a two-day field trip sponsored by the Riggs FNC Chapter.

April 19 - Career Day was again sponsored by the National Honor Society.

April 30 - And who could forget the biggest event of all, the prom. Candyland was featured by the junior class who worked many long hours perfecting it and finally coming up with the best prom yet!!!!

The 1966 track season was opened with a 133-76 trouncing of Redfield, and Riggs miler, Jan Fladeboe, broke the Class A mile record at the Corn Palace Relays.

MARCH

Feb. 4 - Over 300 high school students attended the Bismarck game with a day-filled schedule to make Governor's Day one of the greatest ever.

Feb. 5 - "B" debaters took first place with an 8-0 win-loss record at the General Forensics Debate Conference held in Pierre.

Feb. 10 - The Magnificent Seven won over Gero's Arrows to take the volleyball championship by a narrow 15-13 margin.

Feb. 11 - Governor grapplers were aced out in a close match against the Miller squad, 21-17.

Feb. 12 - Miss Dena Hedman was chosen D. E. C. A. Sweetheart at a Valentine dance held in the study hall. Other candidates included: Judy Huebner, Marilyn Knutson, Fay Parlin, and Louisa Engelhaupt.

Feb. 25-26 - Vince Olson was crowned State wrestling champion of the 165-pound class at the State Wrestling meet held in Watertown.

Feb. 25 - The Governor's snapped a two-game losing streak when they defeated Madison 75-62 at Riggs. Bob Riter, senior, was crowned King of Hearts at the annual Job's Daughters Ball.

March 3-4 - The month of March started out with one of the worst storms in the history of South Dakota. Some Riggs students found it ENJOYABLE....

March 10-11 - Pierre took the Section 6 crown by defeating the Gregory Gorillas 86-35, and Winner Warriors 63-49, thus winning a berth in the State Tourney.

March 15 - The junior girls rolled over the senior girls 14-6 in the girls pep club basketball game. Linda Douglas was high scorer with 6 points and Cheryl Cowan pumped in 3 for the seniors. Sharon Lehecka, junior, had four fouls, for the leading fouler.

March 17-18-19 - State "A" - The Governor's fell to a stocky Sioux Falls team, 47-43, in the first day of State "A" competition. During the second day, the Gov's couldn't pull through with a win as Rapid City won 64-60. The Governor's captured seventh place honors when they defeated Belle Fourche 71-56.

March 25 - Students from all over the state gathered in Pierre for the All State Band practice. Included were Ken Bruno, Linda Hall, Peggy Carl, and Linda Hattervig from Pierre.

MAY

May 3 - The spring musical "The Boy-friend" was presented to the largest audience ever to attend a Riggs play.

May 12 - D. E. C. A. and the office occupations students held an Employer-Employee Banquet at the Falcon Cafe.

May 14 - The senior parents sponsored the annual Senior-Parent party in the Riggs gym.

May 18 - Awards Night.

May 22 - The beginning of Graduation, Baccalaureate!

May 25 - The Senior Class of '66 will hold their fun and games day in the city park at the annual senior picnic.

May 26 - The end of a long, wonderful road, for some 170 seniors. Commencement, a time when sophomores become juniors, juniors become seniors, and the Class of '66 lives in the book of history.

The end of that "Wonderful Year"
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