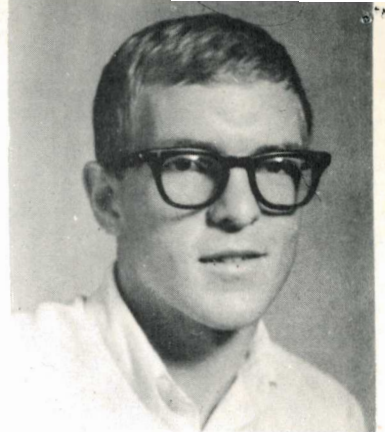




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Riggs High School 1967 Homecoming Queen Susan Gilkerson. Homecoming Royalty: Tom Olson, Marshall of the traditional Minnesosho Day festivities.

## SPECIAL HOME COMING EDITION

### Brief Briefs

# Susan and Tom Reign For '67 Homecoming

The first performance for the newly elected B squad cheerleaders was at the Coronation and pep fest Thursday evening. Linda Edzards, Marge Flannery, Pam Pugh, Linda Sampson and Jeanne Suiter, selected by a vote of the sophomore class from a group of 10 candidates, were honor guards for the royalty and led the cheers and school song at the Thursday evening festivities.

These five sophomore girls will lead the cheering at all the sophomore home football and basketball games and several out-of-town games.

The B cheerleaders will escort the royalty in the Homecoming parade today and will help with the School Spirit activities at the football games this evening. Miss Pickering is the school sponsor for the cheerleaders.

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Pam Neuarth is the newly elected President of the Future Teachers Association. Other officers for the 1967-68 school year include Bruce Neuarth, Vice President; Daphne Stertz, Secretary, and Marilee Corvan, Treasurer.

The club is planning to host the state FTA convention the last week end in October. Debbie Eleeson is State President and Mary Wilcox is State Secretary. Miss Jacobsen is the club advisor.

Although Declamation does not garner the publicity and plaudits that some other activities do, the value of speaking ability which carries over into later life is a tremendous asset.

Declam is divided into four divisions. Mrs. Leach, Declam advisor, is the oratory coach; Miss Jacobsen coaches the humorists; Mrs. Schumacher coaches all the up and coming poets, and Mrs. Ruzick, who has been connected with poetry in previous years, made the switch to the dramatic side this year.

The local contest, which will be held sometime in October, will determine who will go on to the sectionals, and from there to the state and national contests.

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District 3 Library Assistants Convention will be held at the SDEA Building in Pierre Monday, October 23. Mikelyn Hins is Vice President of District 3. In previous years the Library Assistants have held a state convention; this is the first time the state has divided into districts for their meeting. District 3 includes all schools surrounding Pierre that have library assistants. The day's program includes speakers, workshop activities, election of officers, a luncheon and a talent show.

Officers of the Riggs High School Library Assistants Club include Margie Walker, President; Denise Gray, Vice President; Mikelyn Hins, Secretary; Kitty Eich, Treasurer, and Debra Gould, Reporter.

- Sept. 30 - Area Student Council, Redfield
- Oct. 3 - Art Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 4 - Pep Club Meeting
- Oct. 6 - Football - Mitchell, There
- Oct. 7 - South Dakota High School Press Convention, Brookings
- Oct. 9, 10, 11 - ITED (Grade 11) Iowa Test of Education Development
- Oct. 12, 13 - SDEA-NO SCHOOL!
- Oct. 13 - Football - Bismarck - There
- Oct. 14 - PSAT (Grades 11-12) Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (Voluntary - National Honor Society Members and high ranking seniors for N. H. S. scholarship purposes). Fee of \$1.25
- Oct. 17 - Art Club Meeting
- Oct. 18 - College Day, P. M.
- Oct. 18 - Pep Club Meeting
- Oct. 20 - Football - Madison - There

Highlighting a week of frenzied activity for many Riggs High students was the traditional coronation of Homecoming Queen Susan Gilkerson and Marshall Tom Olson Thursday evening at the Riggs High auditorium.

The band signaled the entrance of the royalty with the familiar Indian rhythms. Leading the procession were Queen Susan and Marshall Tom, followed by Princesses Corky Haraldson and Val Mitchell, with their attendants Betty Frei, Bonnie Frei, Betty Pruess, Charles Adams, Robert Ellwanger, and Don Trimble.

A thunderous applause acknowledged the crowd's approval of the choices made by the student body.

Tom Olson, Riggs High Mayor, and Roland Erikson, Vice Mayor, emceed the program which included talks by Riggs High gradu-

ates Louis Harding and Mrs. Melvin (Betty Moore) Jensen.

Entertainment for the royalty was provided by Corky Haraldson, Marta Albertus, Mike Robinson, Alan Fleishacker, and Terry Ree, singing folk songs, and a girl's quintet, singing the "Indian Love Song," which has become a part of the Minnesosho Day tradition in recent years.

Queen and Marshall candidates, all members of the senior class, were nominated by the senior class and voted upon by the student body.

Identity of Queen and Marshall was kept secret until the night of coronation, and curiosity grew intense as the time of revelation drew nearer.

Following the pep fest, the Student Council sponsored a coke party for all Senior High students.

- Oct. 21 - ACT (Grade 12) American College Test. (This is part of the entrance requirements at all South Dakota colleges, except Yankton College). \$4.50 fee.
- Oct. 23 - District Library Assistants Convention, Pierre

Girl - A person who will scream at a mouse, but smiles at a wolf.

### Halftime Has Patriotic Theme

Riggs High School Marching Band and Chorus will be a special feature of the Homecoming activities this evening at Hollister Field. Mr. Ivers, Marching Band and Chorus director, announced that the pre-game show and half time entertainment will have a patriotic theme. The pre-game band concert will feature the combined Riggs High School and Stanley County High School bands in marching formations. Half time entertainment will be highlighted by the combined Jr. High, Riggs, and Elks Choruses singing the stirring "Battle Hymn of the Republic".

The band's first appearance during the Homecoming festivities was a pre-coronation concert and processional music Thursday evening. The Riggs High Marching band, along with the Jr. High and beginning bands, will be a part of the colorful parade this afternoon beginning at 1:30 p.m.

### Jr. Kiwanians, Rotarians Named

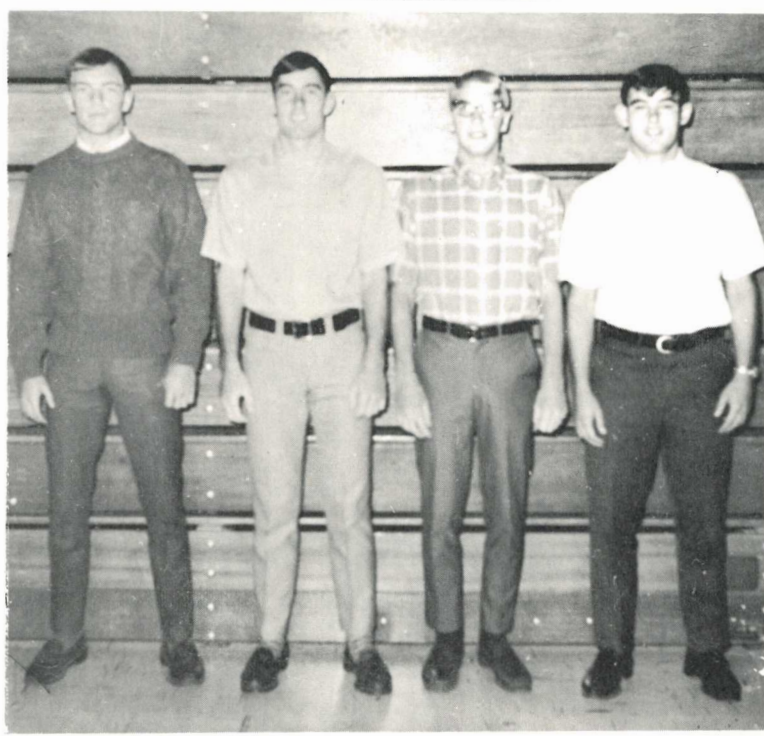
Junior Kiwanians and Junior Rotarians were selected by the Student Council on Wednesday, September 13.

Junior Kiwanians must be seniors. The senior class president is automatically a Junior Kiwanian. The Kiwanians are: Don Trimble, Nels Nelson, Alan Fleishacker, Tom Olson, Mike Robinson, and Charles Adams.

Junior Rotarians are: Jim Hunt, George Ledbetter, Jim Quinn, and Fred Lillibridge.



1967 Homecoming Queen Candidates: Betty Frei, Bonnie Frei, Susan Gilkerson, Betty Pruess, Corky Haraldson, and Valerie Mitchell.



1967 Homecoming King Candidates: Tom Olson, Bob Ellwanger, Charles Adams, and Don Trimble.

### Floats Highlight of Homecoming Parade

The making of the 17 floats in the Homecoming parade involved almost every student in Riggs High in the past two weeks. The students covered flatbed trailers with thousands of napkins. Work continued long into the night as homecoming approached. The results of these labors were prophecies of the fate of the Brookings Bobcats in the homecoming game. The productions did not last long, however. After a few brief hours of life, they were torn down and the trailers returned to menial service until next year.

Boy - Skin stretched over an appetite.

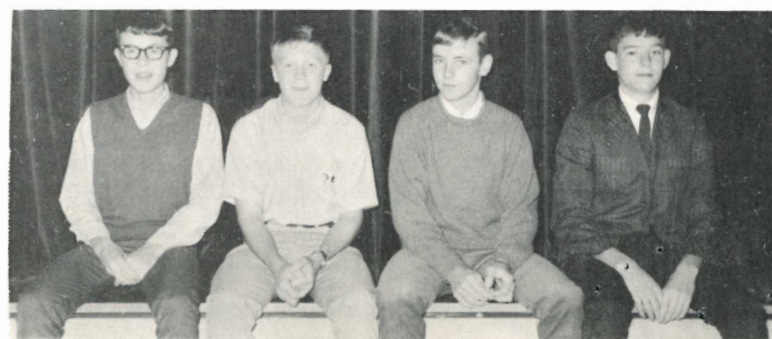
Chafingdish - A girl who rubs one the wrong way.

Flirtation - Wishful thinking. Ambition - get-ahead ache

Junior Kiwanians: Charles Adams, Alan Fleishacker, Nels Nelson. Not pictured: Don

Trimble, Tom Olson and Mike Robinson. Second picture shows 1967-1968 Junior Rotarians:

Jim Quinn, George Ledbetter, Jim Hunt and Fred Lillibridge.





## Five New Teachers Welcomed at Riggs

The four new teachers at Riggs this year are Mrs. Ledbetter, Mrs. Leach, Mr. Wahl, and Mrs. Grover.

Mrs. Ledbetter is teaching Jr. English. She majored in English at Colorado State College in Greeley, Colorado, and got her Master's Degree from the University of South Dakota. Mrs. Ledbetter has had nine years of teaching experience. Last year she taught Physical Education and English in the Ft. Pierre schools. Mrs. Ledbetter has four children, three of whom are attending Pierre schools.

Mrs. Leach attended Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, where she majored in speech and minored in Spanish and English. She has her B.A. Degree. Some of the places she has taught during the past 15 years are Lincoln, Nebraska; Sioux City, Iowa, and Ft. Pierre, South Dakota. Mrs. Leach has two boys. Pierre has been her home for nine years.

Mr. Wahl, who teaches job preparation, bookkeeping, distributive education, and directs the Adult Education classes, attended Northern State Teachers College in Aberdeen, South Dakota. He has 26 hours on his Master's at the University of Idaho at Moscow, Idaho. Previously, he taught one year at Hoven, South Dakota; two years at Bernard, South Dakota, and three years at Boise, Idaho.

Our new Home Economics teacher is Mrs. Grover. She attended college at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, where she majored in Home Economics Education.

## School Schedule Rearranged

Changes have taken place in Riggs High this year. Besides class additions and subtractions, there has been a complete revamping of the old seven period day to a shorter six period schedule with a half-hour noon "hour."

Classes begin at 8:30 this year, a half-hour later than last year. Teachers are on duty at 8:00, allowing time for the student to seek additional out-of-class help.

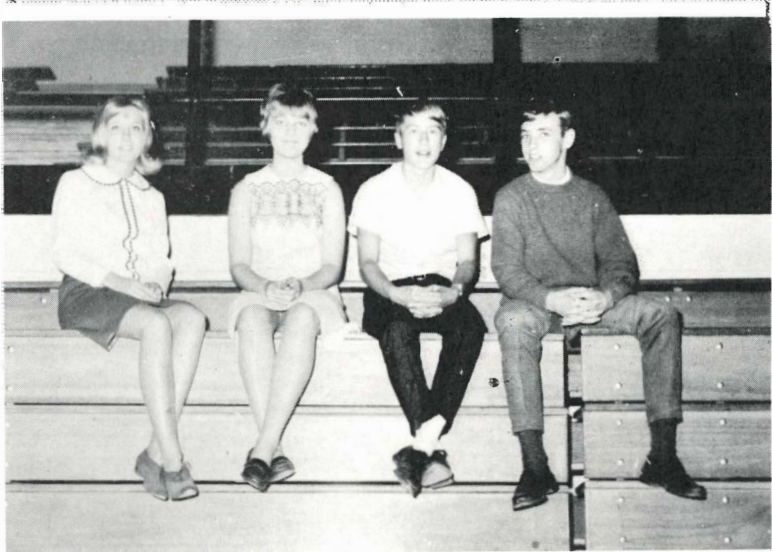
The student body is divided into sections A, B, and C for lunch, according to their 4th hour class. The day is over at 2:55, with a half-hour more allotted for extracurricular activities.

Several changes have been made

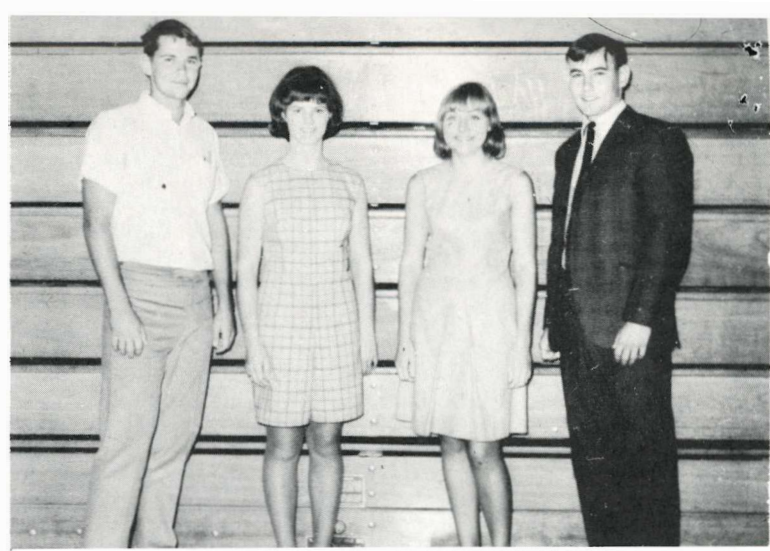
in the classes themselves. Music Theory and Advanced Speech have been added to the '67-'68 curriculum.

Music Theory, taught by Mrs. Spitzer, deals with music appreciation and theory of composition. Mr. Jones teaches Advanced Speech, which gives the student additional practice in giving speeches and develops self-confidence.

A two-hour experimental Senior English class, allowing students to work on projects of their choice and at their own discretion, was added, along with a change to a two-hour woods class.



1967-68 Junior Class Officers: Mary Neiber, Treasurer; Cheryl Erickson, Secretary; Gary Snow, Vice President, and Jim Hunt, President.



1967-68 Senior Class Officers: Mike Robinson, President; Pat Lamster, Treasurer; Jo Lehecka, Secretary, and Don Trimble, Vice President.

## Student Officers Are Elected

Mike Robinson was elected Senior class President; Don Trimble, Vice President; Jo Lehecka, Secretary; and Patty Lamster, Treasurer, in class elections September 8. Jim Hunt is Junior class President; Gary Snow, Vice President; Sheryl Ericson, Secretary; and Mary Neiber, Treasurer. Pat Suiter is Sophomore class President; Margie Flannery, Vice President; Jeanne Suiter, Secretary; and Nancy Shaw, Treasurer.

"Graduate" - That was the one word summary of the senior class' ambitions by President Mike Robinson. Mike played basketball and ran in track last year. "We might make a corporation and bring in a big band," added Robinson, reflecting interest in the project started by former Riggs High student, Bill Benesh.

The Juniors are looking forward to "the best prom in years," according to President Jim Hunt. Jim also mentioned the possibility of a memorial to Ron Reed.

Pat Suiter, Sophomore class president, participates in football, basketball, and track. He also is Consul of the Latin Club and is Vice Commissioner of his home room. The only thing he looks forward to doing as president this year is "winning the competitive yell."



Coach Judson and Manager Fred Lillibridge observe Governors practicing for Homecoming game.

## Yankton Bucks Beat The Governors 19-6

The Pierre Governors football team lost to highly rated Yankton by a score of 19-6 Friday night, September 22, at Yankton. The score does not indicate the closeness of the game, however, Yankton scored three times to Pierre's once, but Pierre was never out of the game. The statistics show how even the game was. In rushing Pierre had 134 yards to 109 by Yankton. The Governors had to start deep in their own half of the field most of the time because of the fine punting of Yankton's Jack Godfrey.

Pierre's only score came in the fourth period. Bob Ellwanger drove it in from three yards out after a 62 yard drive. The pass attempt for the additional point failed. Pierre's defense showed improvement since the Watertown game.

## Royalty Leads Parade

One of the big events of the annual Homecoming celebration, the parade, gets underway at 1:30 this afternoon. Homecoming royalty will lead the procession west on Capitol Avenue and down Pierre Street to Missouri Avenue. Riggs High School band, Junior High School band, 7th and 8th grade band and the Stanley County High School band will be on hand to furnish the music. The floats will be the star attraction of the parade. Seventeen floats are entered in the three categories: "most beautiful," "most original," and "spirit of the day." The winners of the categories will compete for the title of "Best of Parade," which wins the traveling trophy donated by the Pierre National Bank. After the parade, the floats will be dismantled in the Riggs High School parking lot.

## 34 Riggs Students Vie For All-State Chorus

Sixteen Pierre High School music students, under the direction of Mr. Ivers, will participate in the All-State Chorus and Orchestra at Huron, Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11. Thirty-four Pierre students are trying out for the event but only 16 will be chosen to take part. Each contestant must memorize 10 songs.

Fourteen hundred vocalists and 900 musicians will be gathered in Huron for the two-day workshop and performance. The schedule includes rehearsals and practices from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday. Rehearsals on Saturday are scheduled from 8 to 4. The finale will be a public concert on Saturday evening.

Mr. Robert Page, director of chorus activities at Temple University College of Music, Philadelphia, Pa., will be the guest conductor.



Sophomore Class Officers for 1967-68: Nancy Jo Shaw, Treasurer; Pat Suiter, President; Marge Flannery, Vice President, and Jeanne Suiter, Secretary.

## Pierre Cross Country Third

Saturday, September 23, in the Huron Invitational cross-country meet, our cross-country team placed fourth behind Sioux Falls, Washington, Watertown, and Clear Lake. The course was 2.05 miles. Mr. Lundeen, the cross-country coach, said he was quite satisfied with the performance of Steve Gregory, who finished ninth. Other runners placing were Jerry Coble, 20th; Charles Pietrus, 21st; Mark Hammond, 23rd, and Bruce Neuharth, 49th. Mr. Lundeen plans to take six or seven boys to the meet in Aberdeen tomorrow.

### REDFIELD MEET

The Cross Country team finished fifth in their first meet of the year at Redfield. The meet was held on September 7 on a 1.7 mile course. Pierre's score was 34, compared to Huron's winning score of 20. The first three runners in each event made up the team score. Pierre's score was made by Mark Hammond finishing ninth, Jerry Coble 10th, and Charles Pietrus 15th.

The team has also had two dual meets with Faulkton. Pierre defeated Faulkton 25 to 30 there, and 24 to 31 here. At Faulkton Jerry Coble took first and Charles Pietrus took third.

At Pierre Steve Gregory took first and Mark Hammond took third. In these two meets the first five runners figured in the total score.

## Go-Fight-Win

This evening the Governors face the crucial test of their competence as an E. S. D. team. Now, before a home town crowd at this special Homecoming game, Coach Glanzer is trying to show that we are capable of being winners instead of 'tough competitors.' If this one is lost, Pierre will be hard put to convince the E. S. D. of their ability. The team needs the support of every Riggs High School student. Enthusiastic cheers from the sidelines always fire a team. Keep on the spirit of the day.

On Saturday, September 16, the team traveled to Mitchell for a meet. The meet record was broken by Greg Stewart of Yankton.

Pierre finished third with 70 total points, compared to Yankton's winning score of 16. Finishing for Pierre were Jerry Coble, 12th, and Mark Hammond, 15th.

The team is coached by Mr. Lundeen, who said "we are improving with each meet. Most of the boys are getting into condition now and we are looking forward to a good year."

The next meet for the team will be September 29 at Rapid City over a 2.2 mile course.

### SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 30, Aberdeen (2.2 miles)  
Thursday, Oct. 5, Winner  
Friday, Oct. 6, Douglas (Rapid City)  
Saturday, Oct. 7, Timber Lake  
Wednesday, Oct. 11, Pierre  
Saturday, Oct. 14, Brookings  
E. S. D. Meet (2.2 miles)  
Friday, Oct. 20, Brookings, State Meet (2.2 miles)

## Enrollment Up 13

The enrollment in Pierre Public Schools has increased 45 students since last year's enrollment.

Riggs' shows a 13 student increase. The Senior class has 202 students this year and 203 students in 66-67. Juniors have 234 students this year, with 203 juniors last year. The Sophomore class have 226 students this year, with 233 sophs last year. Riggs had 649 students last year, with 662 this year.

Junior High School shows a 15 student increase. The 9th grade have 241 students this year and 225 students last year. The 8th grade class has 232 students this year and only 228 last year. The 7th grade had 228 students during the 1966-67 year and the 7th grade class this year has 231. Junior High has a total of 704 this year, with a total of 689 last year.

The grade schools have a total of 1443 students. Last year there was a total of 1426.

## Arrows Edge Governors

In their first football game in the E. S. D. Conference, Pierre was edged by the Watertown Arrows 13-6.

Following a punt by Greg Walpole, the Arrows scored in the first quarter. Fullback Steve Zirbel, of the Arrows, hindered the Governors' defense by hitting holes in the middle of the line. He carried it over from inside the ten for the first touchdown. The extra point kick was good and the

Arrows led 7-0. Halfback Pat Mer-naugh carried the ball over for the second touchdown of the game, making the score, after an unsuccessful extra point kick, 13-0.

On the last play of the third quarter, Bob Ellwanger brought the screaming Governor fans to their feet by returning the Arrows' 96-yard kickoff for a Governors' touchdown. The extra point run failed and the score was 13-6 for the rest of the game.

## Labor Day Takes Its Toll

The Labor Day weekend was a tragic one for Riggs High School. Two traffic accidents killed one Riggs student and severely maimed another.

Ron Reed was killed in a traffic accident on Monday, September 4. Ron had attended school in Pierre for several years. He had grown along with the present Junior class. "Ratty" was well known for his good disposition. He almost always had a smile on his face and was liked by all who met him. Ron was a dedicated athlete, especially in track. He was a strong distance runner and trained very hard for track. Because of his athletic abilities he neither smoked nor drank, and discouraged others from doing so. Ron's death has saddened us and we will miss him.

Cindy Dirks was severely injured on Friday, September 1, in a motorcycle accident. Cindy is a member of the Sophomore class. She, too, has come through the grades and Junior High in Pierre. Fortunately, she is now recovering. We wish you a speedy recovery, Cindy.

by George Ledbetter

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