

# Secret Diary Of a State A Fan

The main event at the State A Basketball Tournament is supposed to be the basketball games, but who wants to see Miller slaughter Rapid City Stevens at ten o'clock at night, or the Sturgis Scoopers battle it out for last place with Watertown?

If you happened to be staying in a good hotel, like the new Holiday Inn, you could have joined a group of five Pierre people for a sit-in on the ninth floor. This sit-in was strictly a nonviolent affair and was formed by accident. It began when three bored Pierre girls knocked on the door of two equally bored boys. Casual talk began and the group eventually settled down on the hall floor. This, however, did not give the people enough of a thrill, so they resorted to card playing and drinking Frostie Root Beer. A

line of ice cubes was also laid across the hall to ward off evil spirits and a new game called "pass the ice cube" was devised. This lasted until a few rowdies clomped down the hall, breaking the spirit line, tromping on the cards, puffing on stogies, and inquiring menacingly as to where this group of "zeros" was from. Since they insisted rather strongly that their school was 'numero uno' and was screwed out of coming to the State A, and that their cross town rivals had just wiped us out that afternoon, we calmly told them we were from Blunt (besides, they also smelled of demon rum or some other form of brew).

After the rowdies disappeared, we encountered a new problem--women. Down the hall from us were lodged a few young

chicks who were never heard of, except when one opened the door to peer around. Upon spying us men, she ran down the hall screaming, "Boys! Boys!" She was promptly tackled by a few of her friends and hauled back to her room. Later, after they got over the shock of seeing us, they took it upon themselves to inform us that there were grave problems between the two schools in their town. They told terrible tales of friend fighting friend, gang wars, and a town divided. Soon after this, we got a firsthand example of the friction between the schools. Two gangs chose our hallway for a "yell-in", with our noble group right in the middle. We tried to quell the disturbance, but it didn't work, so we had to listen to a medly of obscenities fly back and forth for about ten minutes. The police arrived and



The lucky ones got away. A familiar scene in the smoke-filled halls of hotels and motels during the State A Tournament was the "thin blue line" of the Sioux Falls police force in action. (Photo by Bill Thielen).

told us to quiet down, but we yelled "Police brutality!", which saved us from being maced. Some revellers were not so fortunate.

Our sit-in reluctantly broke up after the games ended and the crowds poured out of the elevators and trampled us.

## Spring Prom Is Swinging Right Along

Plans for the Junior-Senior Prom are off and running. The committees and chairmen have been chosen. Faculty advisers have been given their assignments. The three main committees are entertainment, banquet and decorations. Mr. Bauder, Mrs. Bruhn and Mr. Wahl are in charge of these committees. Tane Williams, Les Howard, Bill Porter and Daisy Hickman are the student chairmen

# THE GOVERNOR

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## Band Hosts Festival

Mr. John Colson, who is now finishing his PHD at the University of Iowa, will be the guest director at the Pierre High Band Festival at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, in Riggs High auditorium. Mr. Colson has taught in public schools, colleges, and has directed band festivals and camps in many states, including South Dakota.

Playing at the Festival will be bands from the Gettysburg, White River and Pierre High schools. The Festival will be recorded, and copies may be purchased for \$4.00 apiece.

The program will go something

like this: White River will play "Two Moods", a selection directed by Mr. Thomas Matthews. "Overture for Winds", directed by Mr. Stan Hanson, will be played by the Gettysburg band; and Pierre will play "Bataglia", directed by Mr. Gerald Cutshaw. Finishing the program will be nine numbers played by the combined three bands and directed by Mr. Colson. A few of these selections are "Bacharach and David", a medley, and themes from "Thus Spoke Zarathustra".

The cost of this festival is running high, so tickets are being sold by the Riggs High band members.

MARCH	
24	End of the Third Quarter
28	Band Festival
31	Easter Vacation
APRIL	
3	Easter Vacation
7-8	West River High School Press Convention
17, 18, 19	Spring Play
15	FNA State Convention
20	Career Day, p.m.
22	Parent - Senior Party
26	Riggs Band & Choir Concert
29	Jr.-Sr. Banquet & Prom
MAY	
4, 5	Ind. Arts - Home Ec Art Fair
17	Awards Night
21	Baccalaureate
25	Commencement
26	End of School

## 'Bad Seed' Moves Ahead On Schedule

"Bad Seed", an intensely moving drama is to be presented April 17, 18, and 19, at Riggs High Auditorium by the drama department.

The story revolves around Christine Penmark, (Nancy Sutton) a very pretty, gentle, gracious woman, and her "quaint" twelve year old daughter, Rhoda (Lynn Trautner). As the play opens Colonel Kenneth Penmark, (Bill Ellwanger) husband and father, prepares to leave for Washington and the Pentagon.

Neighbors enter in the persons of Mrs. Monica Breedlove, (Laurie VanderPol) a voluble, over-friendly widow and her brother, Emory Wages, (Bill Nagel) an elderly bachelor.

Leroy, (Pat Nickerson) the strange, psychopathic janitor of the building, appears on the scene and presents himself as a character

not soon forgotten.

A picnic for Miss Fern's school is planned. Miss Fern, (Kathy Musgrove) a prim old maid, arrives to take Rhoda to the outing.

Reginald Tasker, (Alan Hartman) an expert on the history of crime and a writer, comes for lunch and soon spices the conversation with tales of murder

The afternoon is disrupted with the news of the drowning of a small boy at the picnic. There is question if it is an accident.

Several days later Mr. and Mrs. Daigle (Wes Cavanaugh and Janet Hayes) pay a visit to Christine. Mrs. Daigle is extremely shocked and upset by the drowning of her son. It seems to have affected her stability, and there are several emotion-packed scenes.

The action keeps driving forward, building in conflict and tension until the stirring climax.

## Journalists Honored At Quill And Scroll Banquet

Fourteen new members were added to Quill and Scroll, International Society for High School Journalists, at the annual banquet held March 22 at the Steak House in Ft. Pierre.

Requirements for membership in Quill and Scroll include scholastic standing in the upper one-third of the Junior or Senior

class, outstanding work in some phase of journalism, and recommendation by the faculty adviser. There are over 10,000 high school chapters in the United States. Riggs high school has been a member of Quill and Scroll since 1947.

For their work on the yearbook, the following students were chosen: Mary Young, classes

section editor; Cheryl Victor, administration section editor; Melita Wolf and Carolyn Gunderson, features section editor; Nanette Tinker, sports editor; Linda Schuler, assistant editor.

Those from the Governor staff initiated were Deb Wald, page and art editor; Nancy Fittsimmons, exchange editor; and Janet Rose reporter.

Three students earned Quill and Scroll membership for having positions on both publications. Ken Fry is publications photographer, Jim Coull is a sports section assistant for the Gumbo and headliner for the newspaper. Bill Thielen is photographer for both publications and a reporter for the Governor.

Others attending the banquet included the old members, Kathy Smith, Gumbo editor-in-chief; Paity Jassmann, Governor page editor, Marc Miller, Governor assistant editor, Tom Ruffcorn, Governor sports editor, Jim Ledbetter, Governor editor-in-chief. Mr. Nieves, principal; Mrs. Donlin, yearbook adviser; Mrs. Ledbetter, newspaper

adviser, also attended the publications banquet.

## Schuler, Ledbetter Place At State Forensics Tournament

Lynda Schuler placed second in the "A" division women's extemporaneous speaking contest at the State Debate Tournament in Huron on March 20-21. She was edged out for the state championship by Lori Toffelmire of Madison. In "A" original oratory, Jim Ledbetter placed fourth in the state. The first place winner in each event wins a place in the National Debate Tournament to be held in Wake Forest, North Carolina, this summer.

In debate, the team of Marilee Fix and Daisy Hickman advanced to quarterfinals before being defeated by Madison. Jim Sahr and Jim Newell also participated in debate.

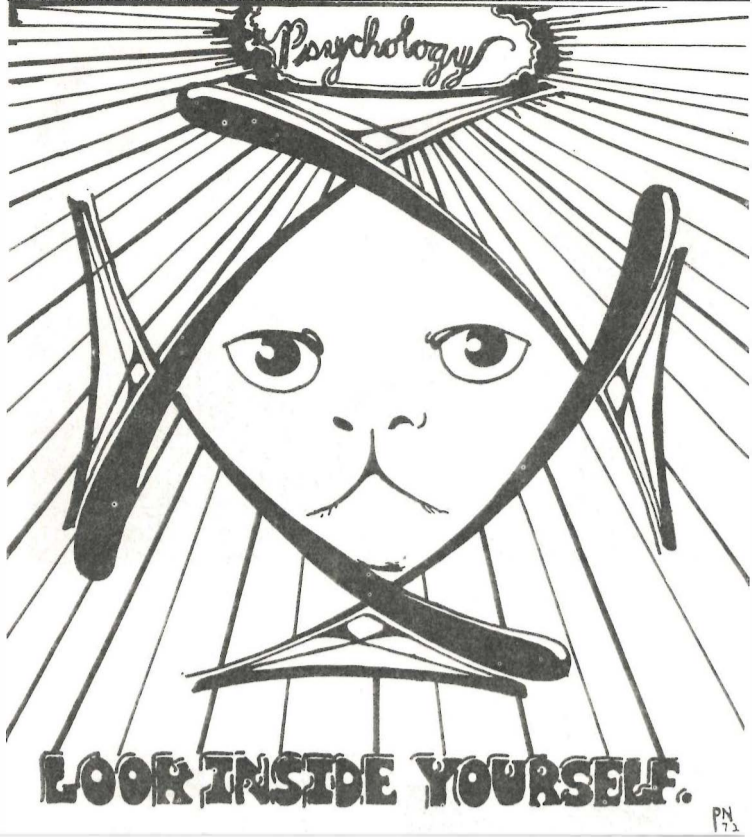
The six Pierre participants won the right to compete in the State Tournament after sweeping Division IV qualifiers earlier this month. Each of the four "A" divisions sent the top two contestants in each individual event, and four two-man debate teams.



New Members of Quill and Scroll, the national honorary journalism society, were initiated March 22, at a banquet in their honor. From left: Lynda Schuler, Marlys Stirling, Jim Coull, Nancy Fittsimmons, Deb Wald, Ken Fry, Carolyn Gunderson, Bill Thielen, Melita Wolfe, Nanette Tinker, and Janet Rose. Not pictured are Mary Young, Cheryl Victor, and Ruth Sander.



These Pierre debaters qualified for a trip to the State Debate Tournament in Huron. They are, from the left, seniors Jim Sahr, Jim Newell and Jim Ledbetter; and juniors Marilee Fix, Daisy Hickman and Lynda Schuler. (Photo by Ken Fry).



## Registration Set For 1972 - 73

Preregistration for classes for the 1972-73 school year will begin March 29, and registration sheets must be completed by April 10. After April 28, the choices by each student are permanent and cannot be changed. With the help of the Art Illustration class, the Governor is explaining several interesting classes to help the sophomores and juniors choose the right courses.

Some course changes for next year have been made. These included the following alterations: Farm Mechanics will be changed to Welding, Typing II will be offered the full year, Vocational Foods will be offered again, Tailoring may be added if there is enough Home Economics teaching time, Bookkeeping will include

some accounting, Spanish III may be added, and four years of Agriculture will be offered. In the music department, a full year course in music theory will be taught, Girls Glee will meet five days a week during 7th period, A-Capella Choir will also meet 5 days a week, during the 5th period. Some Art and Social Studies classes will be realigned.

For better understanding of certain classes, plans are being made so that the students can take two hours of class time and talk to the teachers about certain classes that they are not sure about.

In making student schedules, computers will again be used. According to Mr. Neiles, "We hope to have one run on the computer before school is out".

## Election Proposal Deserves Support

*The Student Council is currently investigating a possible alternative to the present student election system, and this proposal deserves the special consideration of every member of the student body. It was originated by Mr. Ball, for his Political Parties class, and is being prepared for the Student Council by a committee headed by Ray Davis.*

*Briefly, the plan is modeled after the national presidential election and would encourage greater student activity and interest in the election. Each member of the junior class would be arbitrarily assigned to one of two parties, with each party having an equal number of members. Any person desiring his party's nomination for mayor would circulate a petition among the eligible voters, which would have to be signed by 5% of the voters. Each party would then hold a "primary", in which each prospective candidate would be allowed to speak. No voting would take place at the primary, but it would give students a chance to see all the candidates for the nominations before the actual convention. After the primary, each party's slate party chairmen would meet to discuss the various proposals suggested by the prospective candidates, and the party platform would be formed. The convention would be held similar to the way it has been run previously, with each state party chairman managing his states. Presumably only students whose names were entered in the primaries, and who had gathered the required signatures on their petitions, could be nominated. When the mayor candidate has been chosen, he would make his recommendation for a running mate, and it would be voted on by the entire convention. Any persons desiring to form a third party would have to collect signatures of 20% of the eligible voters in order to have their names on the ballot.*

*It is obvious that this system has many flaws, and any system can work only as well as the students are willing to make it work. But it is the only viable proposal for election reform that has been presented to the Student Council, and some kind of change is needed rather urgently, before the spring elections take place. Therefore, all underclassmen should be concerned about the fate of this proposal. If someone has any ideas for different procedures, or improvements on this one, they should be brought to the attention of the Student Council. It could be a first step toward ending the rampant political apathy at Riggs.*

s/Jim Ledbetter

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## Burke, Oldaker Win Mock Election

"Ladies and Gentlemen, the candidate I am going to present to you is a person who cares about his country, a person who will do more than just talk, a person who..."

Spiro Agnew nominating Richard Nixon in 1968? Not quite, but something near that. The speaker was Bud Frei, campaign manager for Nanette Tinker, who was running for president of the United Class-States of Sixth Period.

United Class-States of Sixth Period is an imaginary country

## Readers' Rap Line

Dear Editor:

I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the National Honor Society for the selection of Teacher of the Year. It was and is extremely gratifying to know that what has been done was appreciated.

Also of importance to me was the fact that a year ago it was my misfortune to have been selected as Teacher of the Year by the National Dis-Honor Society. Hopefully, the award this year would indicate improvement on the part of the recipient.

It is my desire that we can all work together in the years to come to help make Riggs more responsive to the needs of the students. The time for all of us, faculty and students, to begin this labor is today. We must throw away the insignificant and petty complaints and concentrate on matters of significance. But, most important, we must all want to work together. My hope is that we will want to do so badly enough.

Again, I thank the members of the National Honor Society for the award and hope that I may someday feel worthy of the honor.

s/George E. Bauder

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my congratulations to Jim Louison and the people who put out the "Liberator". Jim's article, for those of you who didn't read it, was his experiences in finding God and how life is with God. Not many people would have the courage to write an entire article about their beliefs, and that is why I think it's so great to know that people like Jim can be proud of their faith and try to get others to improve their relationships with God.

I hope the students don't persecute him for his beliefs. Each person has a right to his own beliefs and Jim express them. We should be proud to know someone like Jim, and I think everyone should take his advise. Go to the Gallilean Koffee House! Talk to the people there! Look through some books! Maybe you'll learn a thing or two. Sometime, when you least expect it, you may need someone; and God will be there if you want him to be.

s/Kathy Beemer



consisting of several states or classes: American Political Parties Class, Economics Class, North History Class, South History Class, and the Study Hall states. These groups recently held a presidential campaign and election.

The election was part of the coursework for Mr. Ball's American Political Parties class. While planning the elections, the class decided to invite other sixth-hour social-studies classes to participate. Mr. Ball's class chose the names for the two parties: the Kegger Party and the Pot Party. The students in each state were then divided between the two parties.

The party members in Mr. Ball's class nominated the candidates. Kegger candidates included Nanette Tinker, Bill McFarling and Kevin Crawford. Pot party nominees were John Burke and Marc Miller. Each candidate, along with his campaign manager, went before all the class-states and presented his views. The talks were followed

by question-and-answer periods which turned out to be intensive cross-examinations. The voters, showing themselves to be interested in their country's future, tried to force each



## Comedy And Drama Offered At Theatre

Coming to the State Theater on April 19th is "Klute", a first-rate mystery thriller. The story takes place in New York during the investigation of a man's disappearance. Jim Klute, the detective in charge has only one clue to the man's disappearance, that of a suggestive letter written to a New York model. Ronald Sutherland is excellent as Klute, the perceptive and unyielding detective. Jane Fonda plays the part of Bree Daniels, the model, a would-be actress who is also a call girl, withdrawing from her fears

into her capabilities as a successful prostitute. In her role Miss Fonda shows her abilities as an actress of rich and maturing talents. The plot becomes very intense and

With the winding-up of the national conventions, the race was between Crawford of the Kegger Party and Burke of the Pot Party. For running mates, Crawford chose Mike Oldaker and Burke selected Carl Osterkamp. The candidates had one hurdle left, a national assembly in which all four politicians faced the voters in another rigorous question-and-answer period.

National elections were held on Monday, March 20. When the entire campaign was over and the dust had settled, two victors arose: John Burke of the Pot Party is President and Jim Oldaker of the Kegger Party is Vice-president.

candidate to declare and defend a clear-cut stand on various issues.

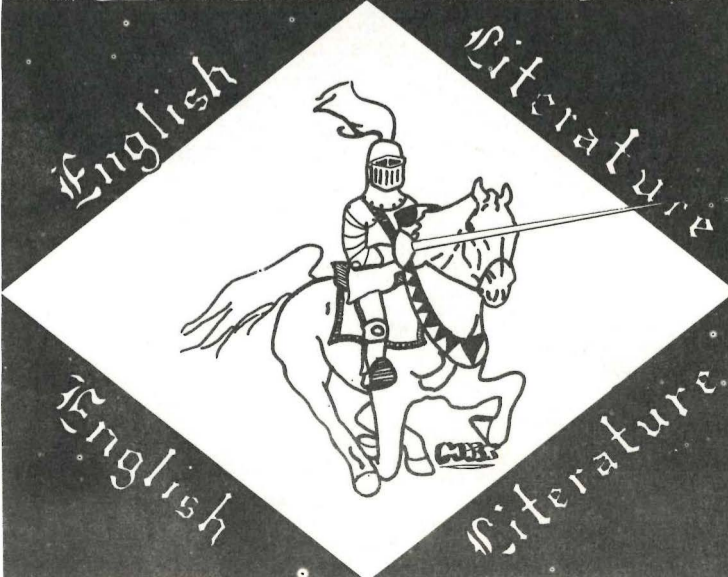
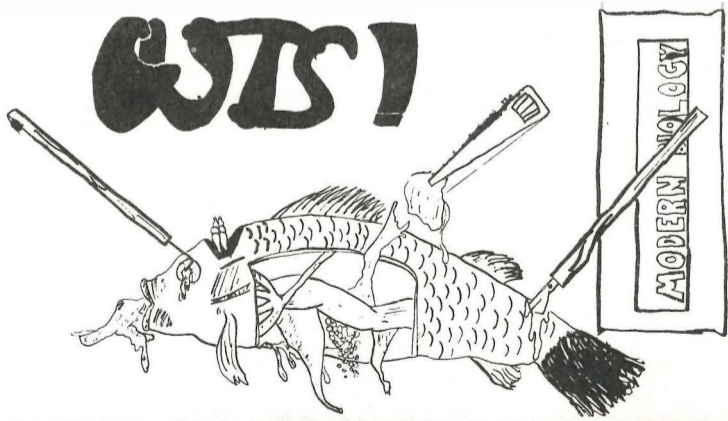
Primary elections were held in Economics, North History, and South History. At the national conventions a little later, party delegates from each of those three states were committed to the candidate who had won the primary in the delegates' state. The study hall delegates, who came to the conventions uncommitted, were assigned members of the Political Parties class as state party chairmen. These state leaders assisted the study hall delegations in selecting candidates.

goes into the past and present of the people involved. The mystery is solved in a shattering climax.

On a much lighter level there is "Harold and Maude" a pleasing comedy about an attachment between an 18 year old boy and an 80 year old woman. The film stars Bud Cort and Ruth Gorden. Harold's enjoyment is that of faking suicide for the enlightenment of his mother, and passing time by attending funerals. Maude's enjoyment is just life in general and the adventures of any new experience. The film is made enjoyable with keen satiric remarks ranging from motherhood to computer dating. In their roles, Cort and Miss Gorden are both perfection, along with the rest of the film.

Philip May

DIG INTO A BIOLOGY COURSE ==  
And Come Out With



# Governors Nab 'A' Consolation

After losing to the Aberdeen Golden Eagles 54-41 in the first round, the Governor's loosened up and won their last two games by convincing margins of 20 and 11 points to take the consolation honors at the 1972 State "A" basketball tournament.

Stunned by the loss to Aberdeen Central in the tournament's first game Thursday afternoon, the Governor's regained their composure and put together a 64-44 win over the Sturgis Scoopers in semi-final action Friday, and a 61-50 upset

over the Sioux Falls Washington Warriors in the battle for the fifth-place tournament spot on Saturday afternoon.

All-State forward, Pat Burchill, took the Governors to an 11 point win over the defending State "A" Champion Washington Warriors with 22 points. Pierre had a total of three men in double figures including John Hull with 13 and Larry Matson with 10. Chad Konop with 10 was the only Warrior to hit double figures against the rugged Governor defense.

## Pat Burchill First To Crack All-Tourney Team Since '67

"It was a well deserved honor. Pat has done the job all year long for us and he did as well and better against the best teams in



Governor Pat Burchill out maneuvers an Aberdeen Golden Eagle and puts an extra two on the board. Pat earned a place on the First State "A" All-Tournament Team. (Photo by Pat Miller)

the state," commented Coach Roger Pries about Pierre's All-Tournament basketball player, Pat Burchill.

Pat is the first player from Pierre to make the First State "A" All-Tournament Team since Bruce Bad Moccasin was honored in 1967. Dean Borth and Scott Fischer were each named to the second team in 1971, and Rollie Borth was named to the second team in 1970.

The other players named to the first team include Rick Nissen and Kim Templeton, both seniors from the 1972 State "A" Champion Miller Rustlers; Chad Nelson, a 6'11" sophomore from the runner-up Yankton Bucks; and Ralph Overton, a junior from the fourt place Rapid City Stevens Raiders. Pierre juniors John Hull and Larry Matson received honorable mention for their State "A" performances.

Pat not only led the Governors in scoring but was fourth in scoring for the three days of the gournament, with 54 points, trailing only Chad Nelson (76), Kim Templeton (62), and Ralph Overton (56). During the season he was also fourth in scoring in the ESD with a 16.1 point per game average.

# Soggy Pucksters Invade World of Warm Weather

What's more fun than tennis in a blizzard, skiing in the desert, or swimming in ice?

What's the true test of a hockey player?

Simple! Warm weather

hockey--soggy ice hockey--spring time hockey. Call it what you prefer, but it surely takes the boredom out of waiting for the next freeze.

The best time to play is when



Some of the holes in the ice tend to be a little deeper than others (Pat Miller photo)

Pierre 18 33 49 61  
S.F. Washington 13 29 37 50

In the second round of play the Govs handily put down the scrappy Sturgis Scoopers 64-44. Sturgis had managed to stay with the state's second place "A" team and the ESD co-champion Yankton Bucks for three quarters only to finally succumb 56-47 in the last quarter of the tournament's second game.

Pierre had four of its starters in double figures, while the Scoopers had only two men scoring 10 points or more. Pierre was led by Pat Burchill with 18; Larry Matson, 15; Dave Biddle, 11; and John Hull, 10. The Scoopers had Jerry McDermott with 13 and Larrr Pawlowski with 10 as high-point men.

Pierre 10 30 42 64  
Sturgis 7 17 32 44

A failure to hit free throws gave the Aberdeen Central Golden Eagles their first round win over the Governors, 54-41, as each team was even in the number of field goals made. Pierre hit only five of 15 free throws for the game while Aberdeen was hitting 18 of 21 free throws.

Pierre 6 13 23 41  
Aberdeen Cent. 12 26 36 54

The tournament results by rounds were:

Round One: Aberdeen Central-54, Pierre-41; Yankton-56, Sturgis-47; R.C. Stevens-53, Watertown-48; Miller-72, S.F. Washington-60.

Round Two: Pierre-64, Sturgis-44; S.F. Washington-85, Watertown-54; Yankton-62, Aberdeen Central-45; Miller-81, R.C. Stevens-51.

Round Three: Watertown-58, Sturgis-55 (Seventh place); Pierre-61, S.F. Washington-50 (Fifth place); Aberdeen Central-71; R.C. Stevens-69 (Third Place); Miller-68, Yankton-54 (Champions).

the ice has the consistency of Jello and feels like you are walking on your bed. (In other words, soggy.) You can't stand in one place too long or you will have water running over the top of your boots (skates aren't worn in this game).

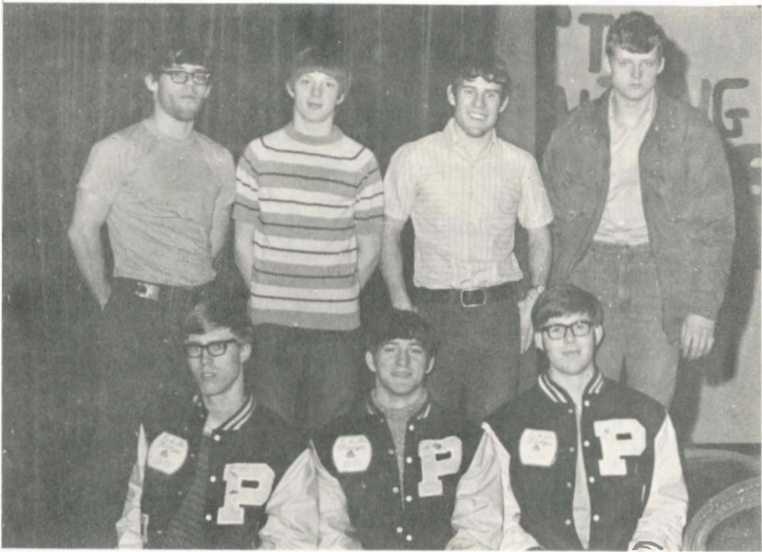
A special plastic fluorescent puck is needed because a regulation puck won't float. Floating goals are also needed, such as plastic buckets. Overboots are the best protection to wear on your feet. It is wise to have at least two players on each team equipped with normal hockey sticks.

There are few rules for this game. The purpose is to hit the puck through the opponent's goal.

The fun begins after a half hour of scrimmage. The ice is broken in (really broken in) and holes are hidden by slush. The ice in front of the goals turns to mush and the puck floats directly in front of, but not into, the plastic buckets. One team has sticks flailing violently, trying to prevent

a score, while the other team has its sticks flailing just as violently trying to knock the puck in. Of course, everyone who flails misses the puck. Goodly portions of mush starts flying and ends up on face, arms and jackets.

This new game was invented one dull Friday night when two juniors stood two seventh graders in a wet and wild contest. No, the teams weren't fair, but the object of the game isn't to see who can win, but to see who can fall down the least. That's the greatest danger of this new sport, drowning.



These seven wrestlers were honored for their special efforts on the 1971-72 wrestling team. Back row from left: Larry Parkinson, Kirk Simet, Jerry Parkinson, Monte Warne. Front row from left: Dave Driscoll, Ron Gunderson Jim Madigan. (Photo by Ken Fry).

# Grapplers Introduced As Team's Winning Formula

Seven wrestling awards were announced at the annual wrestling party March 4. The awards were: Most Improved-Kirk Simet, Most Pins-Monte Warne, Most Takedowns-Jerry Parkinson, sandbaggers-Jim Madigan and Ron Gunderson, Hardest Worker-Dave Driscoll, Most Valuable-Jerry Parkinson. Jerry and Larry Parkinson were awarded co-captains of the wrestling squad.

Entertainment of the evening began after a potluck supper. All matmaids, cheerleaders and wrestlers were divided into groups and each group performed a skit. Prizes were given to the top three

skits. First prize went to Jim Madigan, Mike Erbe, Kirk Simet, Mark Garber and Miss Pickering for their skit about the ugliest lady in the world. Cheerleaders Deb Simmons, Juanita Smith and Janet Rose received second prize for their skit about a cheerleader getting up on the morning of the second day at state wrestling tournament.

The secret of the matmaids was revealed towards the end of the evening. Each wrestler found out which matmaid had been decorating his locker during the wrestling season.

# Matmen Nail Third Place At State Wrestling Tourney

The Pierre Governors wrestling squad came from second place finish in regionals to a third place finish at State with 32 points. Pierre finished behind Sioux Falls Washington, who won the tournament, and Rapid City Central and Watertown who finished in a second place tie.

Pierre Governors had four placers at State, Jerry Parkinson, who took second at 126, Larry Parkinson took fourth at 132, Terry Beastron took 3rd at 138 and Ron Gunderson took fourth at 167.

The Pierre Wrestlers put on a good performance starting with Kirk Simet at 105. Kirk won his first two matches, his second match over Dopenberg 11-8, who at that time was undefeated. He lost to the 105 individual champion. Kirk also lost to Long of Parkston therefore not placing.

At 119 Ron Snyder lost a hard fought first match to Jones 11-6. Ron did not get a chance at wrestle backs.

Following Ron at 119 was Jerry Parkinson at 126. Jerry had an excellent tournament taking second behind Dunwoody from Spearfish in an over time refs decision.

Larry Parkinson won his first two matches, but lost a hard match to Novstrop. Larry lost his fourth match taking 4th in State.

## Govs. Finish 3rd. in ESD

A third-place ESD finish was the reward for the Governors after they humbled the Watertown Arrows 75-66, February 25, here at Riggs in their last regular season game.

The Governors' final record in the Eastern South Dakota Conference was 8-6. This put them right behind the conference co-champs, Yankton, and Aberdeen, who finished 12-2. Huron and Mitchell, tied with a record of 7-7. Brookings took sixth with a 4-10 record and Madison and Watertown shared a 3-11 record and last place.

At 138 was Terry Beastron. Terry lost his first match to the individual champion Shaefer from Yankton, but he came back in the wrestle backs to take third.

Steve Simet at 145 won his first two matches but lost his last two. Therefore he did not place.

Monte Warne at 155 pinned in his first match, won his second match and lost in the wrestle backs.

At 167 Ron Gunderson won his first three matches but lost his last two, which gave him fourth place in State Tournament competition.

## Govs. Take Sectionals For 3rd. Straight Year

The Pierre Governors grabbed first in the Section Six Basketball Tournament at Mission, March 8, for the third consecutive year.

Sectional action broke open as the Governors clashed with the Winner Warriors in the first game of the tourney on Tuesday, March 7. The Governors defeated the Warriors 59-47. Pat Burchill and Dave Parsons each had double figures, 17 and 15 respectively.

During the second game of the tourney, Oglala (Pine Ridge) walked away from the Todd County Falcons 71-49, putting themselves in contention for first place along with the Governors.

The next evening, March 8, the Governors defeated Oglala 68-57 for first place in the Section Six Basketball Tournament.



# Riggs Writers Win Ten Awards In Fall Contest

The Riggs High Governor staff placed ten stories out of 17 entered in the SDSU fall writing contest to win top honors in the state. The faculty and staff of the Journalism and Communications department at SDSU were the judges of the contest.

Sioux Falls Lincoln took second place with eight honors. Other schools winning honors include Sioux Falls Washington, Rapid City Central, Rapid City Stevens, Watertown, Yankton, Vermillion, Brookings and Spearfish.

Pat Miller took first place in the sports division with his story about the tie football game with Mitchell in the October 5 issue of the Governor.

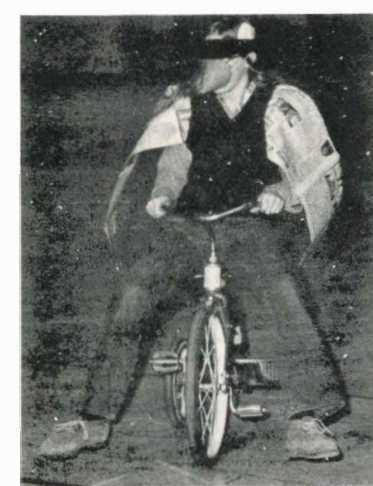
—Patty Jassmann took four

## Flit Jay Assembly Honors Debators, Writers, Actors

The climax of the Flit Jay assembly March 9 was the awarding of the Student Flit-Jay-of-the-Month honor to a few deserving students. Winners have free use of a used, non-polluting, three-wheeled vehicle for their personal transportation throughout the month. Specific names were not revealed at that time.

During the assembly, honors for new Quill and Scroll members, debate winners of District IV, superior acting award winners of the one-act play contest and winners of the fall writing contest were given by Mrs. Ledbetter, Mr. Bauder and Mr. Dick Johnson.

The assembly received its name from the code words for headline writing. When counting space for headlines, journalists give the letters f, l, i, t, and j a half-count less than the rest of the alphabet, and to succeed in the world of communications one must be able to tell a flit jay from an ordinary bird, according to the editors of the Governor.



The Official FlitJay Mascot presented this shiny new FlitJay car to outstanding Governor and Gumbo staffers at the annual Quill-and-Scroll Assembly March 9. (Photo by Ken Fry)

## Journalists Gather At WRHSPA Convention

Youthful journalists from around western South Dakota will be converging at Riggs on Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8, for the annual West River District High School Press Association. Jim Ledbetter president, and Patty Jassmann, secretary of the association, are in charge of planning and will be hosting the event. They will be assisted in their hosting duties by members of the Journalism II class and by staff members of the Governor and Gumbo.

The convention is open to all high school publications advisers, editors, and staff members in the West River area. Special invitations to attend the conference are being sent to all West River schools, particularly those which have not been active in the WRHSPA before.

honors: a 2nd on a Homecoming Feature, Oct. 5; a third with her editorial about a student lounge, December 12; and honorable mentions on an interview with Mr. Matsuyama, September 17; and a news story on the citizen-of-the-month, September 17.

Jerry Parkinson capped a 3rd on his prediction wrestling story, November 12.

Debbie Wald placed 3rd in features with her story about a candy Shakespearian theater, an English Literature project, November 12.

Janet Rose and Philip May received honorable mentions, Janet for her football preview. October 5 and Philip for his movie review column.

Deb Wald and Patty Jassmann in a joint effort placed honorable mention in News with their story on voting regulations for 18 year olds.

## Mines Students Display Talent

The South Dakota School of Mines and Technology treated the student body and faculty of Riggs High to an hour of fun and laughter on Tuesday, March 9.

The program, which was entitled “Tech Talent On Parade,” was designed to give high school students an idea of some of the different extracurricular activities that the School of Mines has to offer.

The forty-six member show representing Tech’s drama, music and ROTC departments was directed by Vivian Starr with aid from musical director, May Munson; Technical director, Bill Franks; choreographer, Julie Ward; and assistant director, Lois Maxson.

The group was beginning a four day tour of nine performances starting in Rapid City. They were scheduled for a performance in Mitchell four hours after finishing in Pierre.

## FFA Prepares For Contests

Future Farmers of America have a full schedule of training schools, contests, and conventions for March and April, according to Mr. Venner, F.F.A. adviser.

The District VI meeting will be held at Redfield on March 27. The speech and talent contests along with the judging in the poultry, crops, and dairy divisions will get the members ready for the State Convention competition. The winner of the Speech Contest in Presho on Saturday will represent Pierre in the District meeting.

Fourteen freshmen, thirteen sophomores, and eight juniors and seniors left at 6:30 A.M. Wednesday, March 22, to get in on the Dakota Winter Show in Huron. The ninth graders judged crops by identifying seeds, weeds, common crops, diseased plants and classes of seeds. The tenth, eleventh and twelfth graders judged livestock in two classes of swine, two of sheep, and two of

## Professionals To Speak On Careers

“What are you going to be when you grow up?”

Students have been asked that question many times and probably answered “I don’t know for sure” or “I think I might like to be a doctor, or nurse, or lawyer, or teacher, or scientist, or banker, or salesman, or technician.”

Students will have an opportunity to gain an insight into the field of their interest, listening to experienced adults from about 40 different



Ten juniors will be gaining practical experience in government during Boys' State in June. Back row, from the left: alternate John Hull, Larry Matson, Steve Haraldson, Bill Porter, Gary Dettman, Jason Fladeboe. Front row: alternate Dennis DuBois, Ray Davis, Les Howard, Bob McClellan, alternate Kelly Mernaugh, Doug Quenser. (Photo by Ken Fry).

# 14 Juniors Will Represent Riggs At Boys, Girls State

Delegates to Boys’ and Girls’ State, citizenship training programs for outstanding high school juniors, were announced on March 15. Lori Krier, Kathy Flannery, Marian Curran and Marilee Fix will represent Riggs at Girls’ State on the campus of Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell from June 4-10.

Alternates are Sheila Dodge and Paula Peters. Hedi Fassbender, Riggs AFS student, will be an honorary participant.

Those who will attend Boys’ State, which will be held on the campus of Northern State College from May 28 to June 3,

include: Larry Matson, Gary Dettman, Jason Fladeboe, Ray Davis, Doug Quenser, Steve Haraldson, Bob McLellan, Les Howard, Bill Porter and Tane Williams. Alternates are Kelly Mernaugh, John Hull, and Dennis DuBois.

Boys’ State is sponsored by the American Legion and Girls’ State is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Selections for the honor are made on the basis of scholarship, character, service,

citizenship and leadership. Students must be in the upper one third of their class scholastically to be eligible. Students and faculty vote for their choices from those scholastically eligible, and final selections are made by

## Jobbers To Enter Regionals

Pierre entrants in the regional DECA Contest will leave for Rapid City on Sunday, March 26, to attend the two day event, which includes various contests, a banquet, and the crowning of the DECA Sweetheart.

The five contests and contestants are: **Window Display**-Debbie Musgrove, Glenna Weaver; **Ad Layout**-Bill Hacker, Glenna Weaver; **Public Speaking**-Debbie Bucholz, Sue Metzinger; **Sales Demonstration**-Jan Gardner, Tom Spaid; **Job Interview**-Nancy Lehecka, Carolyn Gunderson. All contests will be judged by a panel of experts in that particular field.

The Window Display contest includes a short written test, plus judging certain window displays in downtown Rapid City. The Ad Layout contestants take a short test also and then draw up an ad, using original ideas and art work. For the Public Speaking contest, entrants are given a topic and are allowed a few minutes to make up a presentation. The entrants in the Sales Demonstration contest bring their own prop which they try to “sell” to the judges. The Job Interview contestants are

## February Student and Jaycette Announced

Two seniors won recognition by the Jaycees and Jaycettes for the month of February.

Terry Ness has been chosen by the Jaycees as Student-of-the-Month for February. He has been in basketball, football and cross country. He is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, Latin Club and FFA. Terry also represented Pierre at Boys State 1971. Last year he was a junior Rotarian and this year he is a senior Kiwanian.

Terry is now eligible for the Student-of-the-Year scholarship given by the Jaycees.

Debbie Wald is the Jaycette-of-the-Month for February. She will attend the Jaycette meeting and report on high school activities. Debbie is page editor and art editor of the Governor. She is also active in pep club and girls’ intramurals. She is a member of chorus and triple trio. She was recently named for membership in Quill and Scroll.



Learning about the American way of Government during Girls' State in June will be, back row, from the left: Lori Krier, Kathy Flannery, Marian curran, and Marilee Fix. In front are alterantes Paula Peters and Sheila Dodge. (Photo by Chuck Etzkorn)

committees of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

At the week-long sessions, delegates learn about government through mock elections and other activities at the local, county, and state level.

“interviewed” by the employment personnel.

In addition to the contests, each school attending will have an entry in the regional DECA Sweetheart Contest. Mary Lee was chosen to represent Pierre.

Regional winners in all categories will advance to the State DECA Contest, in Huron April 17 and 18. Winners of the State Contest will go to the National Contest in Los Angeles. Mr. Stan Wahl, DECA Coordinator, and Mr. Charles Fjelstad, Office Education Coordinator, will accompany Pierre entrants to Rapid City. The trip is being funded by the DECA Club.

DECA is also planning a banquet for their employers, to be held at the Falcon on May 2.

## Debaters Mop Up At Tourney

The Pierre Forensic League had another successful day at the Divisional Forensic tournament at Rapid City Stevens High School March 7.

In the individual events Jim Ledbetter placed first in original oratory and Lynda Schuler took a first in woman’s extemp. As first place winners Ledbetter and Schuler were able to participate in the State Forensic Tournament March 20-21 at Huron College.

Jim Sahr was in a threeway tie for first in men’s extemp. When it was resolved he was third.

The two man debate teams of seniors Jim Newell — Jim Sahr and Juniors Marilee Fix — Daisy Ann Hickman are two co-champion teams that also went to the state tournament.

Coach George Bauder said it is “Highly irregular” for a junior team to go to the state tournament. Seniors usually dominate the tournament.

