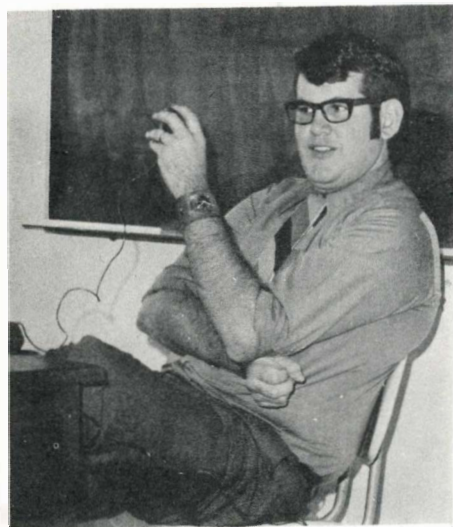




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Shelp Joins Riggs Staff



Mr. David Shelp uses the tape recorder as part of his speech class work.

The teaching staff at RHS has undergone the annual change bringing Mr. David Shelp to Pierre to teach theatre arts, mass media, speech and film study.

Mr. Shelp taught in a small rural school south of Faith before he and his wife moved to Pierre.

Mr. Shelp plans to encourage creativity in his theatre arts class and put less emphasis on the history aspect of the course. His students will be required to choose, cast and produce a play to be presented in the classroom. They will also build a model stage for their production.

By assisting Mrs. Thompson with the fall play, "Arsenic and Old Lace", Mr. Shelp is beginning his involvement in RHS drama.

He intends to make a good showing at the One-Act play contest next spring. This year's productions for the play contest must be comedies. Therefore, Mr. Shelp feels that the spring play should be different—"something heavy, a drama".

Dramatic production is not the only extra-curricular activity Mr. Shelp has undertaken. He and Mrs. Thompson will coach this year's declam team, dividing the categories to allow more time for practice with each competitor.

Black Hills State College is Mr. Shelp's alma-mater where he earned his degree in theatre arts.

"I must do something" will always solve more problems than "Something must be done."

Bits and Pieces
Readers Digest Jan. 1972



Mayor Ray Davis looks foreword to a good year as head of the Riggs High School student body.

School Is What You Make It

With a jittery start, the 1972-73 school term has become a reality bringing with it a certain feeling of wonder and excitement among the sophs, a feeling of relief among the juniors (knowing that they won't be picked on as much as last year); to a feeling of power among the seniors who have finally received their opportunity to push everyone around. (not to mention that they have control of the sacred Senior Bench.)

So with much anticipation of the great times we will be having in the next nine months, as your Mayor, I wish each of you a super year. But please remember that the only way you can have a super year is if you make it that way.

Teachers can teach and preach till they are blue in the face, but they can not make you a student. Only you can make yourself a student.

Coaches can work the seat of your pants off but that is not going to make you an athlete. Only you can make yourself an athlete.

Likewise when you find faults within this school system (I will guarantee you will find some) complaining will not help the matter, nor will apathy cure the fault. The only way in which that fault can be corrected is if you in a positive way do something about that problem.

I dare every person in this school to do something positive in order to make Riggs High a better school and to make this year a super year for yourself.

Ray Davis, Mayor

Presenting New Gov.

The "Governor" staff has decided to change the style of your school paper, we hope for the better. The idea is to bring more interesting stories to the students in a more interesting form.

Less attention will be given to the old news while more feature stories and pictures will be added. We have not changed because other school papers have but because we feel that the students will derive more reading pleasure from this type of publication.

We do not want anybody to feel that their activity is being left out. The "Governor" will continue to cover every important event, although the stories may not be as lengthy.

If you would like to criticize the new paper or praise it (which I'm sure you will) please feel free to write a letter to the editor.

Patrick Miller

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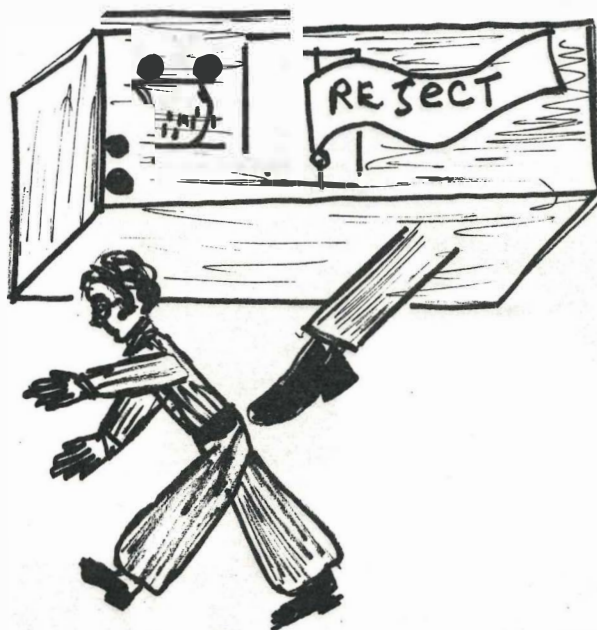
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ERROR, ERROR, YOU DO NOT COMPUTE!

Teachers and the Guidance counselors agreed scheduling went more smoothly than in the past. (But students insist they're joking.)



Thompson To Direct "Arsenic And Old Lace"

Mrs. Ann Thompson has high hopes for her first dramatic production at Riggs High. She has chosen, for the fall play, the well known comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace" by Joseph Kesselring, which calls for a cast of eleven males and three females.

Mrs. Thompson, who holds a masters degree in drama, has been interested in this play since high school when she had hoped the play might be produced in her school. Therefore, she is excited at the prospect of producing it.

This unlikely comedy deals with two very charitable elderly ladies, Martha and Abby Brewster, who consider it their duty to poison lonely gentlemen with homemade elderberry wine to put the poor men out of their misery.

They are assisted in their good doings by a not-so-ordinary nephew in his forties, who believes himself to be Teddy Roosevelt. Teddy, always concerned with the affairs of his nation, lends a willing hand to bury his aunts' "yellow fever victims" in the Panama Canal, otherwise known as the Brewster cellar.

Gladly enough, there are even a few "straight" members in Joseph Kesselring's masterpiece.

Mrs. Thompson emphasized that she is interested in beginners as well as the experienced actors and actresses and is anxious for a big turnout at the tryouts for "Arsenic and Old Lace," which is scheduled to show October 30-31 and November 1. Tryouts will be held Wednesday and Thursday, September 13 and 14.

Remember—wear your picture taking duds on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19. Ping-pong and group pictures will be taken—these will appear in the Gumbo next spring—Look happy, be happy on Tuesday.



The FFA project involved many people from the area as well as the FFA members. Five of the people who were very active in the "Day-of-Bread" project included standing from the left: Mr. Venner, FFA

advisor, Mr. Jackson Finley, Hughes County Farmer, Mr. Harold Obenauer, Coordinator of the project. Kneeling from the left, Tane Williams, president Pierre chapter FFA, and Mike Finley, FFA treasurer.

Wheat Harvest Display For "Day Of Bread"

For promotion of the wheat industry in South Dakota, Pierre Future Farmers of America hand cut and tied 800 sheaths of wheat during the month of July. These loads of wheat were hauled to the auditorium at Dayton's Department Store,

Minneapolis, Minnesota, to be used in decorating for the "Day-of-Bread" scheduled for October 3. This has become a national event sponsored by the milling, baking, and allied industries to further the nutritional qualities of bread.

The Chapter received cash for their club treasury for carrying out this project. The Jack Finley and Hollie Olson farms were harvested by the members, Arney Green, Tane Williams, Mike Finley, Larry Steffen, Ron Leafgreen, Brad Garrett, and Galen Keller.

Helping to coordinate the project was Harold Obenauer, manager of the P.V. Co-op. Others who helped were Jack Finley, John Cowan, Marty Finley, Steven Venner, Marty Venner, and Warren Miller of the South Dakota Wheat Commission.

Band Travels To Huron

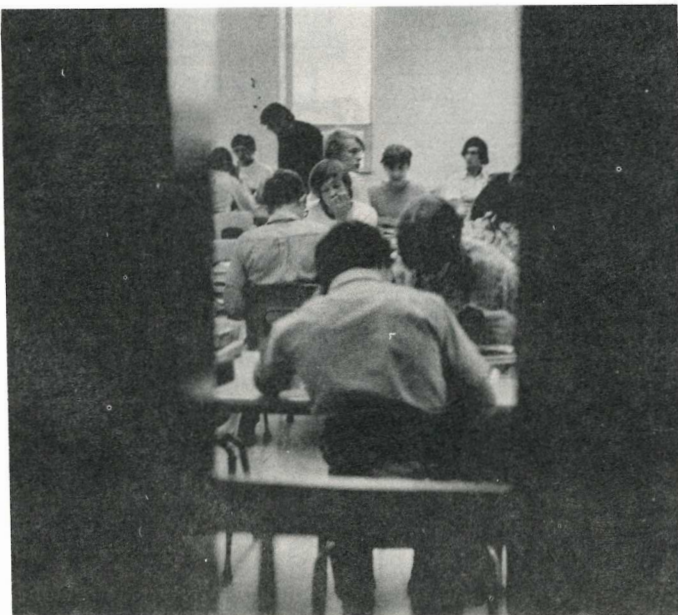
"Your kidding!" was the reaction of the Riggs High Band when our director, Mr. Gerald Cutshaw told us we were to play a Grandstand performance at the State Fair. But sure enough we found ourselves playing before horse races in the afternoon and before car races in the evening of August 31.

Beside free admittance to the fair and grandstand, we had four free hours to spend on the midway although we weren't exactly overjoyed to find that we would get home at 12:35 on the night before school started.

After being asked to prove we were the Riggs High Band, the only other problem we had came at the evening performance. Oh, we played beautifully when nobody could hear us because of cars packing down the track. Then it finally came to the big song which Mr. Cutshaw had warned us about—the National Anthem. Everyone was silent, no cars roaring, no people shouting. So naturally this was the song we blew.

In trade for 3 weeks of practices (some at 7:00 in the morning) the fair was a real treat for the 75 band members.

Gary Fitsimmons



This sad sight confronts many seniors—sophomores and juniors packed into a study hall. This year's seniors have won the privilege of staying out of all study halls, but this may be revoked if seniors abuse that privilege.



Mike Brown (No. 25) endeavors to breadout of a tackle while other defensive players (in white) move in for a "kill" on the offensive back. This action occurred during an intersquad scrimmage one week before the Rapid City Stevens game. Other players surveying the action are Tom Zander (55) and Jim McMahon (41).



The Pierre summer swim team consisted of, back row from the left: Mona Warne, Kathy Huckins, Colleen Hickley, Deb Hayes, Ann Gomez, Dennis Rounds, Jeff Putzier, Scott Huckins; middle row - Tracy Beck, Andy Barden, Brian Huckins, Marc Huckins, Carol Mernaugh; front row - Ahlene Stilwell, Gloria Alburtes, Roxie Misterek, Michele Rounds, Tim Rounds, Steve Beyer, Brenda Laurence, Brenda Stevenson, Shelly Wooley, Kathy Thustos.

Pierre Swimmers Prosper

The 23 Pierre Swim Team members had a prosperous summer under the coaching of Tom Ball. This was Mr. Ball's first season with the Pierre team.

As a team they took 1st at the Aberdeen Relays early in the season (as pictured above) and 3rd in the State meets as a final victory in August. They had meets almost once a week in pools all around the state.

Many medals and trophies were won by the swimmers. Steve Beyer received the "Swimmer of the Year" Award by vote of the team.

The Riggs High swimmers were Scott Huckins, Kathy Thustos, Michele Rounds,

Gloria Albertus, Kathy Huckins and Dennis Rounds.

Govs. Beat Stevens

The Pierre Governors rallied in the second half to defeat the Rapid City Stevens Raiders 8-6 for their first game of the season, Friday, September 1.

The Governors only touchdown came in the third quarter when Terry Beastron, Kevin Weischedel and Randy Pawlovich opened a terrific hole in the Raiders' defensive, and half-back Ray Davis scampered 54 yards for the touchdown. Then Tom Anderson scored the all important extra point giving the Governors the lead, 8-6.

The Governors had 187 yards rushing on the ground, but no yards passing. The Govs defense held the Raiders to only 22 yards rushing in the second half. The Raiders in all had a total of 105 yards rushing.

Locker Room Spiffy

Have you ever seen a "spit-polished" locker room?

During the summer months Coach Horning and the G Club members, decided that the money raised from last spring's magazine drive should be used to put all weather carpeting in the boys locker room, and that they would clean the place. Now it looks like a palace with wall to wall carpet, freshly painted benches and even carpet in Mr. Trautner's office. The project cost about \$900 but Riggs High athletes are proud of their luxurious lockers.

Football Schedule

September

8

15

22

29

October

6

13

20

29

Winner, here

Brookings, there

Mitchell, here (homecoming)

Watertown, there

Madison, here

Huron, there

Aberdeen, there

Yankton, here

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1972

Depends Upon Linemen Governors Hope For ESD Football Title

"If our linemen come around, we have the potential of winning the ESD (Eastern South Dakota) Conference Football Title," says line coach Jon Horning.

This statement seems to agree with a recent poll taken by the coaches of the ESD who rank Pierre third behind Yankton and Aberdeen. All the coaches agreed that the ESD Football Crown will be a four-way dog fight between Yankton, Aberdeen, Watertown and the Governors.

The Gobs are being picked as an ESD contender for a number of reasons. First there are thirty seniors on the team, and, as Coach Shields says, "Any time you have this many seniors on a squad, you're going to have a good team." Hopefully the seniors, with their experience and leadership, will march the team to victory.

Another reason Pierre is picked as a contender is the "wishbone" offense. This offense was first used by the Governors last year; now with a year of experience the Gobs should be racking up the points. Also most of the offensive backs are returnees so they should be used to the option-type offense and this, too, is a big plus for the Gobs. However, the team has "veteran" backs, but it is the offensive line that holds the key of success in the scoring

game. If they don't block, no scores; but if they do block, as they have the ability to, the "wishbone" attack will be monstrous.

On the other side of the football coin is the defense. This defense will be trying again to be the best defensive team in the state as it was last season. They will have to fill in for some very fine persons who were lost at graduation.

Of the various defensive departments, the secondary appears to be in the best shape with all of its positions being filled with lettermen. However, among the linebackers and defensive linemen there are some new faces, and it is upon these individuals that the pressure will be placed as whether or not they can plug the opponent's scoring.

Basically, this is the story; the Gobs have potential of winning the ESD Crown, if the linemen come around and if leadership is provided by the seniors.

When Coach Shields first took over as head coach of the Gobs, he made a goal that the Gobs would win the ESD Football Crown in his third year at Pierre. This is his third year, and it is this year that the Gobs plan to fulfill that goal.

No More Two-a-Days!



The Gobs. all stood up and cheered when it was learned that two-a-day practices were over on August 29.

Harriers Begin Successful Season

Saturday, September 2, was a great day for the Riggs Cross Country as they captured 1st place in the Turtle Creek Run at Redfield. With 34 points, they beat out Huron, Redfield, and Chamberlain.

Pierre had three runners in the top 5. Taking honors for Pierre was Dennis DuBois setting a new Riggs High record with a time of 11 minutes 31 seconds. Right behind him was Mark Simet, 3rd, running the course in 11 minutes 40 seconds. Fifth spot went to Doug Mortenson with a clocking of 11 minutes 43 seconds.

The others finished as follows: Ki Karim, 11th; Keith Krull, 13th; Doug Quenzer, 15th; Mark Erickson, 17th; Brad Ibach, 24th; Reed Abbott, 26th; Larry Plant, 27th; Mike Wilson, 29th; John Hayes, 30th; and Pat Brown, 32nd.

Thirty-two runners raced over the 2.1 miles course with medals going to the first ten.

Coach Larry Lundeen was pleased with the team's efforts.



The 1972-73 cross country squad that is getting a good start on a successful season include from the left kneeling: Pat Brown, Kirk Simet, Dennis DuBois, Doug Mortenson, Mark Erickson, Mike Wilson. Standing from the left: Warren Ice, Keith Krull, Todd Nelson, Reed Abbott, Larry Plank, Mike Rounds, Phil Thomas, Ki Karim, Doug Quenzer, Brad Ibach, Mark Simet, John Hayes.

Eighty-degree temperature struck the Riggs Cross Country Team as they took in the 5th Annual Bristol Road Race at Bristol, August 26. Five Riggs runners raced over the rugged four mile course.

Taking honors for Pierre was Mark Simet grabbing 24th in a time of 24 minutes 37 seconds. Ki Karim was right behind him taking 27th place with a time of 24 minutes 42

seconds. Fifty-seventh place went to Mark Erickson with a clocking of 28 minutes 42 seconds. Michael Wilson, a sophomore, placed 68th with a time of 29 minutes, 52 seconds.

Taking 71st was Larry Plank running over the course in 31 minutes 12 seconds.

There was a total of 80 runners with 30 shirts and 10 trophies given as awards.

Cross Country Schedule

September

- 9 Mitchell Invitational
- 16 Huron
- 19 Dual Huron at Pierre
- 22 Rapid City Central
- 23 Brookings
- 29 Douglas

October

- 3 J.C. Invitational, Pierre
- 11 Chamberlain
- 13 Rapid City Stevens
- 14 Black Hills, Spearfish
- 21 E.S.D. Brookings
- 27 State AA Brookings

ASF Summer Program

Curran, Inman Spend Exciting Vacation Abroad

Marian Curran, left,
and Julie Inman glow
with news of their
summer trips abroad.



The endless beauty of Switzerland's flowers, the lovely Swiss Alps and the breathtaking view of Norway's Midnight Sun are the most vivid memories of Marian Curran and Julie Inman, seniors who spent two months in Europe as A.F.S. summer exchange students. Marian visited Sins, Switzerland and Julie stayed with a family in Osker, Norway.

During their stay Marian and Julie encountered a few different customs and life

styles than that in the United States. An average meal in Switzerland according to Marian might consist of such foods as cheese fondue, other cheese dishes, yogurt, bread and wine.

Marian had to find ways to occupy her spare time because there was no television in her Swiss home. Marian filled her spare time with swimming and occasionally flute playing.

Julie filled her spare time with knitting and clockwork.

Both Marian and Julie found difficulties in the languages spoken in the countries they visited. Marian, who has studied German in High school, found that Swiss-German is almost a different language than the German taught in school.

During her two month stay Julie could do little but pick up bits and pieces of the Norwegian language, having never even so much as heard it spoken before.

Marian, when asked about the life-style of the Swiss people, said that it was not a bit uncommon for the Swiss people to just pack up the necessary tools and go for a hike on the

Swiss Alps. Marian went on a hike on the Alps which lasted two days. A two day hike to the Swiss people is just about like what we would consider an hour hike. A two day hike is considered to be rather short.

Julie said that two major differences in the Norwegian peoples lifestyle are their more formal manners and their relaxed schedules.

As far as differences in the school systems, since it was summer vacation, Julie and Marian found it difficult to observe any real differences except that the Norwegians, Julie observed,

have a school system as most colleges do in the United States. Rather than going to every class, every day of the week, you would only have a certain class on certain days.

Along with what amounted to almost two months of time spent actually visiting the countries, there was one week of preparatory study, called "beginning of stay", which was a preparation of what the stay would be like

including things the A.F.S. students might need to know. There was also a week after the stay, "called end of stay", where the A.F.S. students from all over the U.S. who were visiting different countries got together and discussed their experiences and what the different countries they visited were like.

Here you see Marian
on her two day hike in
the Swiss Alps. She is
standing on a slope
before ascending the
vertical cliff in the
background. She said
that half way up the
cliff the fog set in and
she could hardly see the
rope holding her up.
She admitted she was
"really scared!"



"Tak" And "Mak" Enjoy The Informality At Riggs

Julie Ledbetter

Boys cannot wear colored shirts in the summer. But they can in the winter. Girls wear navy blue suits, and boys usually wear black suits. That is the dress code in Mr. Takaaki Maki's and Mr. Makota Yoshida's schools.

Mr. Maki (Tak) is an English teacher in a junior high school in Nagoya, Japan, a city of about 2 million people. Tokyo is Mr. Yoshida's home, where he teaches in a small private senior high school. "Mak's" school is a private school supported by a large shoe manufacturing company in Tokyo. It is very unique in that it is a four year high school and has only 100 students, most of whom go on to work for the company upon graduation. Both Mr. Maki and Mr. Yoshida teach English in all forms grammar—writing, speech and reading. Some Japanese schools split English classes into these areas.

"Tak" and "Mak" are traveling with a group of 40 Japanese English teachers. There are eight groups now in the United States. Upon arriving in the States on July 25, the group went sightseeing in New York, Washington, D.C., and Detroit, after which they went to Michigan State University, at East Lansing, for four weeks of intensive study in English. Before coming to Pierre the Japanese teachers spent two nights in Nebraska. "Mak" and "Tak" arrived in Pierre on Friday, September 1, for two weeks of observing classes at Riggs. After they leave Pierre on September 14, they will travel to the West Coast for more sightseeing. The group will return to Japan on September 24.

When asked about the difference between our schools and Japanese schools, "Mak" commented that he noticed a problem with

punctuality. In "Mak's" school they have ten minute breaks between classes. If the bell rings and the teacher is still talking, everyone remains seated until the teacher finishes instead of getting up and leaving as these students do at Riggs. "Mak" also feels that there is a more

relaxed and liberal atmosphere here at Riggs than in Japan where the students must observe strict rules of behavior.

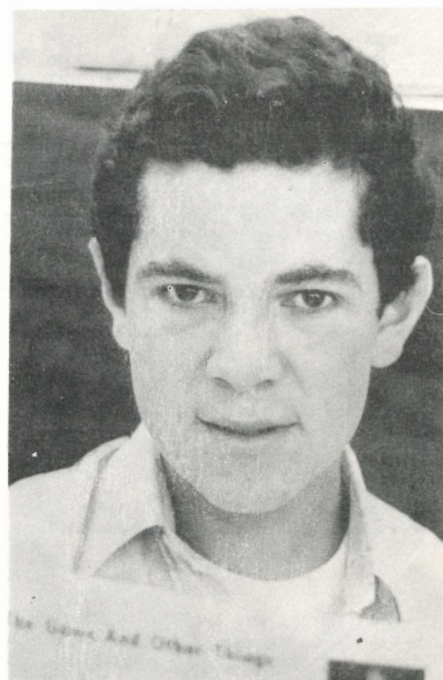
"Tak" had two main comments about Riggs and U.S. schools. He was very impressed at the absence of school bags. In Japan all of the pupils carry 'very heavy' book bags. He also

noticed that Riggs classes are much smaller than in Japan. In one of "Tak's" classes he has 50 students. He thinks the smaller classes are much better.

There are not many visual aids in a Japanese classroom. They do have a visual aids room which is somewhat like our resource center.

The huge land and the racial problem in the Eastern states are a couple of the things that have impressed "Tak" and "Mak" so far during their stay in the United States. They commented on the huge and beautiful land in South Dakota. The river is so large and the people are kind and friendly are comments about Pierre.

After asking them to write a name in Japanese this reporter discovered that there are three ways to write the same thing. One method is especially for writing names. The second method uses Chinese letters, and the third method is with Japanese letters.



Cesar LaTorre, the foreign exchange student from Peru, is spending the year with the Lowell Glover family.

Cesar LaTorre To Re-Graduate

Barb Hill

Cesar LaTorre, the AFS student from Piura, Peru, received his high school diploma in December of last year. He liked graduating so well he wanted to do it in the U.S.

The school year in Peru is from April through December because January to March is summer south of the equator. The highest temperature during the summer is 95 degrees in Piura. The temperature never drops below 60 degrees during the winter months of June, July and August.

Although Cesar's school day started at 8:00 in the morning, everyone goes home at 12:00 for lunch and siesta until 3:00 p.m. Then the students return to the classroom for three more hours of work. The students do not move from their classrooms except chemistry and physics, only the teachers move. Courses change according to school grade. For instance, physics can only be taken in the Junior or Senior year.

In the majority of high schools in Piura, the boys and girls are segregated.

Cesar comes from Piura, a city of 100,000 people, located on the coast of Peru. Cesar is living with the Lowell Glover family this year as he attends Riggs High School.

Literature, philosophy and history interests Cesar. He has taken English as a school subject for 5 years. He also enjoys basketball and ping-pong.

Cesar, the youngest in his family, has 3 older brothers and an older sister.

American food, according to Cesar is "very delicious." Some food is prepared different here than in Piura. Most of their food is homemade. Rice is eaten almost everyday according to Cesar.



Mr. Makota Yoshida, left, and Mr. Takaaki Maki, Japanese English teachers visiting Pierre, read last year's homecoming issue of the Governor between classes at Riggs.

Teachers Experience Shattering Summer

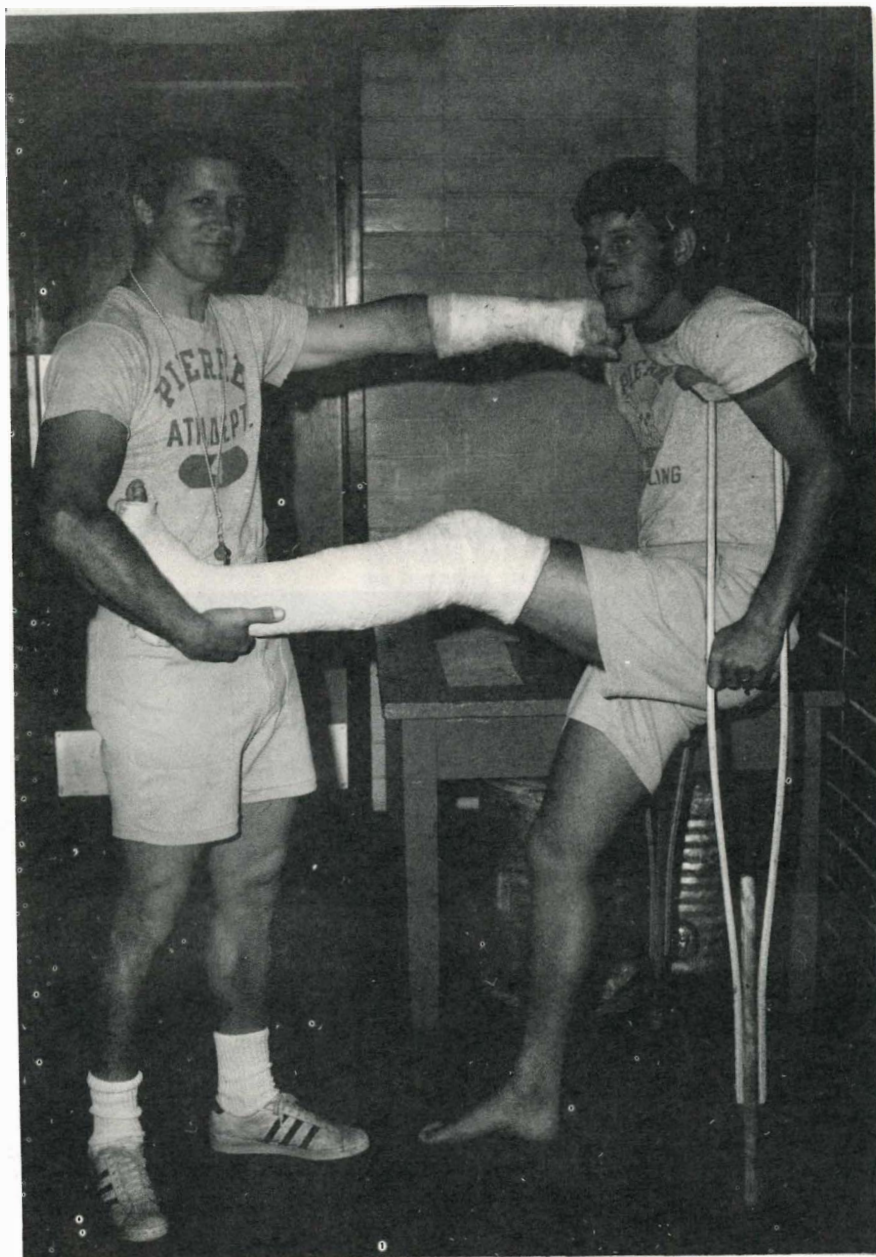


Miss Hess used her broken arm to good advantage as she played the part of Lucy in the summer production of "Your a Good Man Charlie Brown," presented by the Pierre Players in August.

Miss Hess, chorus teacher and part-time actor, was busy part-time acting for the play "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" when she became so carried away with the acting she "cracked up."

Actually the former Clark County Snow Queen was helping direct a scene and was walking backwards when a step got in her way and she fell for it. Results: She broke her wrist.

It seems that the Riggs High teachers are setting a bad example for the students of this school. Three of them are cracked.



Timing was the key factor in the bone shattering experiences suffered by coaches Johnson and Horning. Perhaps the Pierre coaches are too old to compete in rough contact sports, such as softball.

Coach Horning's big break came when he decided to steal second base, the opposing team thought that it would be easier to knock him off course with the ball instead of waiting for him to reach the base where they could tag him. They nailed him in the wrist.

Dean Johnson got a break, too. While sliding gracefully into second base, he broke his leg.

Of course coaches are stalwart souls so neither Johnson or Horning have stayed off the football field. They are both driving the lucky Gobs on to an ESD championship.

by Patrick Miller