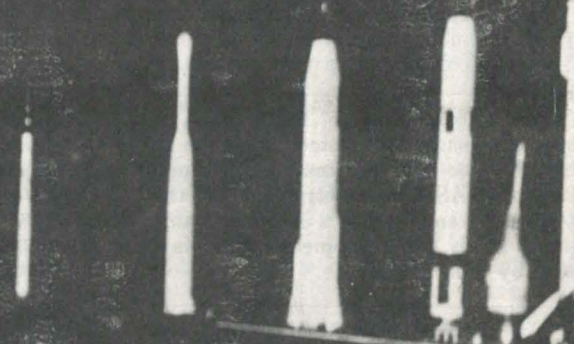
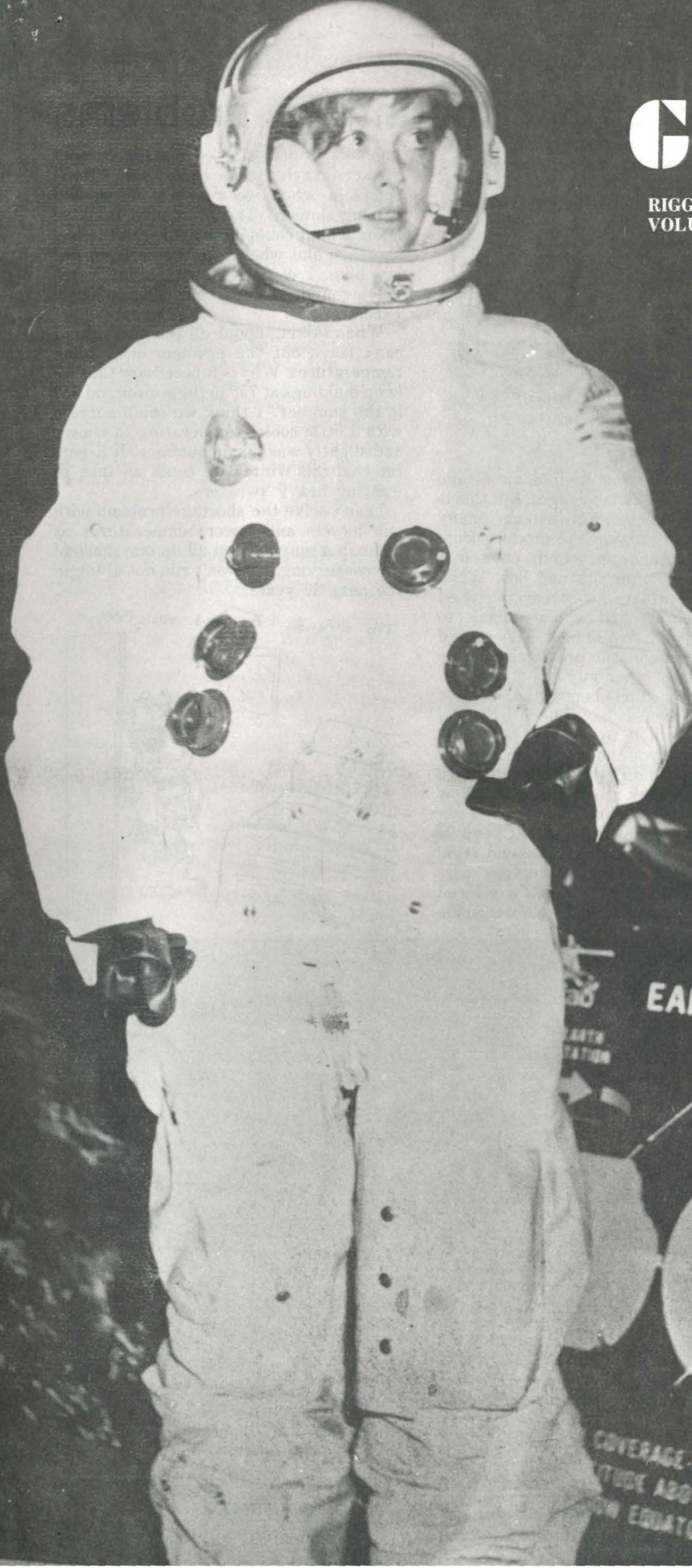


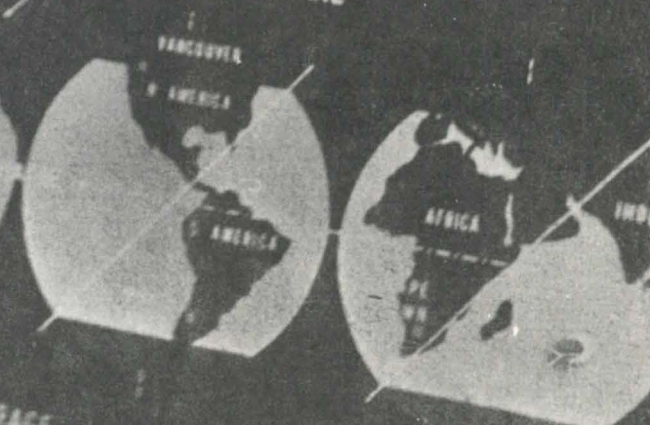
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75% OF EARTH'S SURFACE
90% OF WORLD POPULATION
80% OF...

'The other guy' can't solve country's problems

With the shortage of all kinds of commodities from gasoline and beef to long underwear, America is suddenly starting to realize that we're running out of everything.

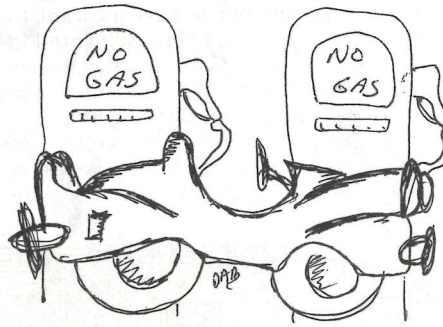
For the first time since World War II Americans are finding that having money doesn't mean they can get anything they want. This country is running out of the basic raw materials needed for life, and people are going to have to learn to live with that fact.

Some people are going to start hoarding everything they can get their hands on--food, extra large fuel tanks for home or gasoline--for their boats. These people are no help to the shortages, and they are going to find it difficult to accept the fact that they can't stock-up to live forever.

Other people may find they can't cope with the higher prices for less produce and start shrinking under the pressure. These people will probably stop buying everything except the essentials. By doing this they will hurt the economy, which is already hurting, and also have a very uncomfortable life.

We hope that most Americans can accept the problems, roll up their sleeves and face them as they come. We all must adjust some of our extravagant ways.

Cover Photo: Colette Pugh dons a spacesuit to show that women will soon be filling the boots of the male astronauts. After the NASA assembly, Oct. 26, the aeronautics and physics classes came down to study the equipment on display. (photo by Don Jacobs)



Everyone is trying to find an escape from their particular shortages. But this is causing problems too. For instance, many people took to canning the produce from their home gardens which caused a shortage of canning jars and lids. When the beef shortage hit everyone tried to buy freezers and whole animals to escape the rising cost of beef. This caused a freezer shortage. The problems can't be solved by the "other guy".

With motor fuel being the biggest present concern I have been thinking what could be done to partially help the problem. Have you thought of what might happen if you didn't drive up and down Euclid just to honk at other cars? Or how about walking to school?

As I was driving my little Chevy II home from Aberdeen last weekend at 60 mph and several larger "gas eating" cars passed me going 70 or 80 mph, I wondered how long it would take before some

ingenius printer started making bumper stickers saying something like "Don't complain when we run out of gas--I'm driving slower." Then I started thinking about what I could do to help with the fuel shortage and when I got home I got out my bike. I can cut down on my extra driving--and besides, bicycling is good exercise!

When talking about all the shortages I can't leave out the problem of building temperatures. Why is it necessary that we keep buildings at 75° in the winter and 65° in the summer? I think we could survive with a little cooler temperature in winter and slightly warmer in summer. If it gets too cold this winter we could all take to wearing heavy sweaters.

I can't solve the shortage problem with one bicycle and lower temperatures at home, but maybe if we all do our share of the conserving, we won't run out of life in the next 20 years.



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Parent conferences 'very valuable'

Teachers learn student hang-ups

The recent parent-teacher conferences were looked upon in many different ways with many opinions changing after the conferences were over.

Most parents like to be able to talk to the teachers and find out what their students are studying and how they are getting along in school.

Most teachers like to meet and talk with parents. It helps them understand the students' learning difficulties, hang-ups, interests and background.

Most high school students considered themselves responsible enough to bring their own report cards home and were insulted by the implication.

Some parents did not want to take the time or did not consider a conference worthwhile.

Some teachers were prepared for a lack of interest on the part of the parents, and some felt

reluctant to talk with parents.

Some students saw the bright side, no school for two days.

Now the conference time is over and everyone is better able to decide the value of the program.

Mr. Neiles commented, "It was very well done. We had about 85% turn-out which is very good, we are pleased with the response."

Mr. Jaeger said, "It was beyond anyone's expectations."

A lot of good can come from these conferences. Home and school can work more closely if there is more communication between the two. Students can see that getting the report card was not the real reason the parents came to school.

If we students are behind the program, we ought to be able to have 95% turn out for the spring conference.

Parent conferences innovated at Riggs this year

The parent-teacher conferences at Riggs High School Nov. 13-14 were rated a success by parents, teachers and administration.

The conferences in the upper grades were an innovation this year in the Pierre system. Both the Junior High and Senior High students were dismissed for the two days so parents could visit individually with teachers and get their children's report cards.

Nearly eighty five percent of the parents of Riggs High students took advantage of the conference time.

Mr. Neiles, principal, said the conferences were very successful and another is planned for the end of the third quarter.

The school and the PTA each took polls to determine parent reaction to the conferences. The school questionnaire asked the parents to evaluate the conferences as "very valuable"

Wilson receives excellent at state oral interp contest

David Wilson received an excellent rating in the State Oral Interpretation contest Saturday, Nov. 17 in Pierre.

Dave took second place in the field of poetry at the District Contest in Huron November 2, and thus won the right to

advance to the state contest. His reading included a cutting from Yegney Yevtuskenko's, "In the Wax Museum at Hamburg," W.H. Auden's satire on modern life called simply "The Unknown Citizen," and "The Ode to the Amoeba," a humorous satire by Arthur Guiterman.

Also representing Riggs High at the District Tournament were three Riggs students, Deb Hayes in the humorous division, Tanya Schmidt in dramatic and Laura Pottratz in oratory.

Band, chorus, glee club plan Christmas concert

The Riggs High band, chorus and glee club, under the direction of Mr. Cutshaw and Miss Hinkeldey, will present the annual Christmas concert on Wednesday evening Dec. 5 at Riggs High Auditorium. Elaine Harris will be a featured soloist, singing "Country Carol" with the glee club. Cammy Iseminger will be featured as flute solist and accompanist for the choir as they sing "The Manger of Bethlehem".

The Capitol Singers will present two Christmas numbers for their second appearance of the season.

The band will introduce the program with six Christmas selections including, "Greensleeves", "Quiet Christmas", "Great Songs of Christmas", "Contique de Noel", "A Song for Christmas" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas".

The Choir has six Christmas songs prepared for their portion of the program. The Glee Club will entertain with five numbers.

"valuable," or "not valuable". The majority voted for "very valuable".

The PTA questionnaire showed that an overwhelming number of parents want to continue the conference plan. 109 voted in favor and 9 against. This questionnaire also showed the parents consider the conferences more valuable than the traditional Back-To-School night. 83 parents voted to discontinue the Back-To-School night, and 28 voted in favor of continuing it.

Mr. Neiles commented that he was pleased to see that the parents took the time to visit with many of the teachers. He also indicated some minor changes would probably be made for the spring conference days. Among other things, he said, the seating arrangement of the teachers could be improved. Parents can locate a particular teacher more easily if the teachers are arranged alphabetically, instead of by subject as was done this time.



Mr. & Mrs. Carl Smith confer with Mr. Ball during the parent-teacher conferences last week. Over 500 parents took advantage of the opportunity to meet teachers.

NASA assembly speaker tells about telemetry, women in space, skylab experiments, food

"There will be a woman in space in the near future," exclaimed Mr. George Johnson, National Aeronautics and Space Administration representative during the NASA mobile lecture demonstration at Riggs High School Oct. 26.

A woman scientist is scheduled to be aboard the Sat. V module in the next space exploration.

Mr. Johnson travels throughout the midwest in command of a mobile demonstration unit informing students of the latest space projects. Utilizing various visual aids such as space craft and satellite models, Mr. Johnson explains space technology's relevance to everyday life.

He gave four reasons for the skylab project including the investigation of how man would function in space, conducting space manufacturing experiments, researching the sun, and conducting earth resource experiments.

Abroad the skylab there are experiments going on which were submitted by high school students. Of the 7,000 ideas suggested, 19 were chosen to be conducted in space, the most famous of these is the spider in space. This experiment will demonstrate a spider's capability of spinning a web in zero gravity.

One of the highlights of the talk was a demonstration on telemetry, the trans-

mission of data to a distant point with a monitor that can measure meteorite impact, show the location of the sun and give the temperature almost simultaneously.

Mr. Johnson explained the differences in food from the Mercury space ship to the present skylab. The food for the skylab has been made more to the astronauts liking. It is now in cans rather than packets and is stored in the skylab food tray which keeps the food both cold and hot.

How astronauts sleep, take showers and dispose of human waste for weeks in space was clearly explained and demonstrated. Ne also told of the problems with skylab which included the loss of one solar panel and the tying down of the other panel. The material used for the makeshift sunshade put up by skylab astronauts was made of mylor, a material originally made for bread wrappers, said Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson also presented the question to the audience, "Have you ever used a satellite?"

Many were surprised to discover that if they have ever watched TV they were putting a satellite in use.

Johnson left his demonstration equipment set up and remained after the assembly to accommodate aeronautics and physics classes.

RHS Debaters host Conference

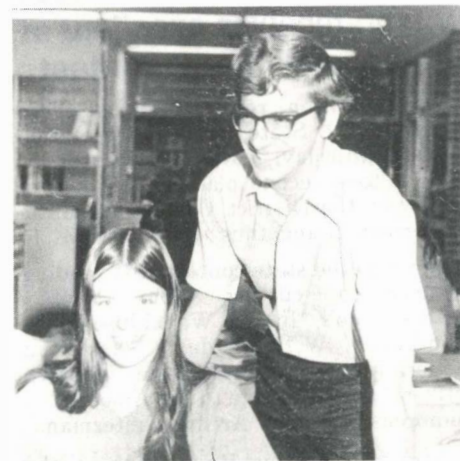
Nine high school students participated in the Central Forensic Conference which was held November 10 during SDEA week at Riggs High School.

Four RHS placed in the conference including Dave Wilson 1st place in A extemp, Laura Pottratz 2nd place in B extemp, Walter Zahaki placed 1st in original oratory and Dede Sahr placed 2nd in B original oratory.

Riggs High debaters hosted the event and the drama club served noon lunch for nearly 100 debaters who participated.

The week before Nov. 2-3, the debate team traveled to Brookings for the McCarthy Tournament.

The novice team that participated and their scores were: Elizabeth Sahr and Jim Butler 1-3 and Mark Johnson and Laura Pottratz 2-2.



Tanya Schmitt and Craig Holden were chosen as Students-of-The-Month for October and November by a committee of six teachers.



Brad Ibach and Corinne Engelhardt, chosen outstanding Citizen-of-The-Month for November, unresistingly accept the "tan glow" Mustang II Mach I, for the month, which is donated by Harding Motors, who fuel and service it.

FFA tops sales goal

FFA members have sold over 1100 boxes of fresh Texas oranges and grapefruit in box and half box sizes as their money raising project for the year. The fruit will be delivered the second week in December.

Last year they sold over 900 boxes for close to \$1200 profit. This year's goal was set at 1000 boxes which they easily topped.

The money earned is used for various community and chapter projects including sending delegates to the National convention, state contests and judging schools. Funds are also used in purchasing equipment and supplies for the chapter, in sponsoring the parent-member banquet, and in sponsoring Pheasants Unlimited.

'Impact' topic at state FHA workshop session in Miller

Tami West, Dawn Bullard and Mary Jo Petries, FHA members and Mrs. Bruhn, adviser, traveled to Miller, Nov. 15, for an FHA workshop on the new program of work "Impact."

Miss Van Overshelde, state FHA adviser, introduced the program to the students from Woolsey, Winner, Pierre, Stephan, Mission and Miller.

The purpose of the workshop was to introduce project possibilities for the students to do in local FHA chapters.

The students were divided into groups to investigate project ideas. Interesting and exciting plans for projects on the elderly were given at the conclusion of the discussion time.

Traditional Thanksgiving Sights and Sounds Change

Whistling can be heard as Grandpa hits the dusty trail into the woods to find the 'guest' for tomorrow's dinner.

"There he is. Ready? Aim!"

"Gobble, gobble,"

"Fire!"

Welcome Thomas Turkey!

Sights and sounds of Thanksgiving today differ from those of 50 years ago.

The yacking of busy shoppers can be heard as Mom enters the neighborhood grocery store to pick out her 22 pound bird, plucked, washed, cleaned and wrapped in checkerboard plastic; with all the old-fashioned trimmings of cellophane packed dressing, the colorfully canned cranberries, and the Sahra Lee pumpkin pie.

Grandma, without the conveniences of today, slaved over the stove the week before Thanksgiving to prepare for the festivities. Cleaning the turkey, drying the bread for dressing and baking the pie crusts were just a few of her many duties.

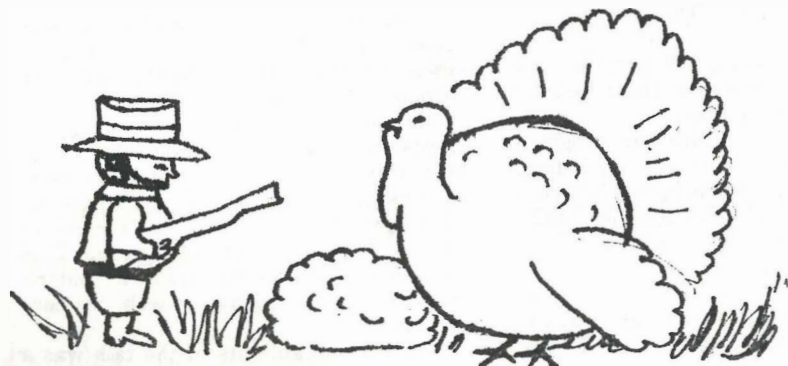
Today, with all of her conveniences, Mom still rises at 6:00 a.m. to mix the dressing, and stuff the turkey, which has to be in the oven early enough to be ready for the afternoon's dinner.

Grandma, also up at six, not only got the turkey ready, but she had to prepare all of the side dishes, which now come from the store in cans and boxes.

Dinner is ready and on the table. Grace is offered.

Everyone eats heartily and the conversation is lively.

The hint of yesteryear hangs in the air of both households. And as the guests depart, and the house is filled with quietness and serenity, then, and only then, the true meaning of the word of Thanksgiving is felt.





The "Andrew Sisters", from the left, Cathy Doyle, Lise Gray and Michele Huft, swing to the tune of "The Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B" to win the \$30 first prize in the Riggs High Variety show Oct. 30. (photo by Tom Wilsey)

'Andrew Sisters' win Variety Show

The "Andrew Sisters", a vocal duet, and two piano solos were the winning talent numbers in the third annual Variety show Oct. 30 sponsored by the RHS music department.

The "Andrew Sisters"-Michele Huft, Cathy Doyle and Lise Gray-did a parody song and dance routine to the music "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B" which won them the first place award and \$30.

Taking the \$20 second place award were Ginger Kleinschmidt and Steve Simet singing "Sandman" with Steve accompanying on his guitar.

Kathy Huckins played Mozart's "Sonata V" to win the \$10 third place prize.

Dave Wilson finalist in Seminar contest

David Wilson was one of the three winners in the essay contest as part of the Economic Seminar For Young Adults.

The seminar, which is sponsored annually by the South Dakota Bankers Association, was held in Pierre at the Kings Inn on November 7-8. Each of the seminar participants was asked to write an essay on "What a Bank Should Mean to My Community." As one of the two finalists, Dave received a plaque and a \$25 savings account in the bank of his choice. The other finalist was Richard Belatti from Madison. The first place winner, Lane Grounwald, Milbank, received a plaque and a \$50 savings account.

Attending the seminar from RHS along with Dave were Kim Berndt, Sue Ryan and Julie Ledbetter. The four were part of the approximate 195 students attending the seminar. The participants, who were divided into two groups, heard speeches on topics ranging from "The Challenge of Change" to "How to Plan Your Investments."

Fourth place award and \$5 went to Jenny Jorgenson for her piano interpretation of Beethoven's "Fur Elise."

This year's show had 12 acts, ranging from vocal solos, musical scenes, dance routines to mime. John Lamster and Gene Miller were the MC's.

Dickman wins All-State place

Tom Dickman who won a place in All-State Orchestra for the second year in a row was one of the 150 musicians performing in the All-State Orchestra and Chorus concert Nov. 3.

The requirements for competing for a position in All-State Orchestra include a 40 question test, the ability to sight read and to play excerpts from the music to be used by the orchestra.

Tom started to study the violin when he was in the third grade, taking lessons from Mrs. Gordon Hayes, who has been his teacher for six years.

FFA District elects Owens President

Mike Owens, Pierre Oahe FFA member was accepted as president of FFA District 6 by acclamation vote at the evening banquet during the Leadership school hosted by the Doland Chapter on Thurs., November 15th. He will face the responsibility of conducting the Leadership meeting in this district next year.

Pierre-Oahe FFA Chapter officers and delegates attended the District 6 leadership school.

District 6 is the largest FFA district in S.D. with 11 schools represented. Doland walked away with the contest by winning both the creed contest and the parliamentary procedure contest.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT VISITS

"Telling the Story of Vocational Agriculture" was the theme of a presentation given to FFA members at Riggs High Monday morning, during first period class.

It was different from a normal days lesson in Vocational Agriculture class because the National FFA President, Mark Magfield, Kansas, was the guest speaker. This was the first time a national president has personally spoken to the Pierre Oahe Chapter.

Mark was visiting three chapters in a quick trip through the state.

In June of 1973, he attended the U.S.D. music camp where he had some instruction from Mr. Leo Kusinski, and "Doc" Walker. In addition, he had private violin lessons from Usher Abell, from the U.S.D. music dept. He also attended the camp in 1971 and 1972. Tom plays with the Pierre Symphonette that performs for many social events in Pierre.

Although Tom likes to play the violin, he is not certain that he will make violin playing an important part of his future career.



WATCH IT!

Wandering Student Council members are trying to pawn off "Little Darling Candles"

Study by the light of a "Little Darling"

Give a "Little Darling" for a Christmas gift

Let a "Little Darling" keep you warm

when the fuel runs out

\$2.50 for each "Little Darling"

Governor grapplers ready to 'hit the mats'

While SDEA meant sleeping late and having a good time to most PHS students, it was a different story for the 39 guys out for wrestling this year.

Six a.m. workouts and new diets marked the beginning of the 1973 mat season as the Governors prepare for their first match, Nov. 27 against the Chamberlain Cubs.

Mr. Johnson is quite optimistic about the season as he has six returning lettermen, including last year's 112 lb. state champ, Kirk Simet.

Vermillion and Rapid City Stevens are tabbed by the Pierre mentor as being very strong this year, with Watertown and the Huron Tigers among the top ESD conference contenders.

Three of these teams, Rapid, Watertown, and Huron will be at the Huron Invitational, November 30. Pierre will face the Tigers in their first match as they work to retain the title they won last year when the tournament was held in Pierre.



Coaches Johnson and Lundeen have yet to determine a positive line up because of the great depth, especially in the middle

weight classes. However, here is a tentative line-up; the weight classes with the most depth are left open and some of the others are subject to change in the next couple of weeks.

- 98 lb. Dave Riis
- 105 lb. Kevin Snow or Mark Bryan
- 112 lb. Kevin Mernaugh, Gene Blake, or Bernie Linn
- 119 lb. Mike Stroup
- 126 lb. Mike Larson or Duane Simmons
- 132 lb. Kirk Simet
- 138 lb. open
- 145 lb. open
- 155 lb. Steve Simet or Ralph Flannery
- 167 lb. Gary Cromwell, Mike Donahue, or Jim Sigle
- 185 lb. Kevin Neuhauser or Scott Stabnow
- HWT lb. Kevin Weischedel or Gordon Van Ash
- Wally West, a junior, will take over duties as student manager.

Behind every good wrestler there's a mat maid

Twelve Mat Maids have been chosen by Coaches Johnson and Lundeen on the basis of a written test, and have begun to carry out some of their duties for the wrestling season.

This is the third year for such an organization at Riggs and several new responsibilities have been added this year.

Each girl will again draw the name of two "secret" wrestlers along with making and

keeping up a wrestling scrapbook. They will decorate the wrestlers workout room and keep score along with other tasks at all home matches.

The 1973-74 Mat Maids include: Sharon Linn, Jody Teske, Michele Rounds, Shane Karim, Tanya Schmidt, Willa Smith, and Desiree Darland, seniors; Shari Yocum, Julie Perry, Lori Snyder, and Eileen Walsh, juniors; and Kathy Conway, sophomore.

GYM SHORTS

Mr. Horning, former wrestling coach at PHS, is presently head coach for the Northern State College grapplers in Aberdeen. Their first home match will be Dec. 1.

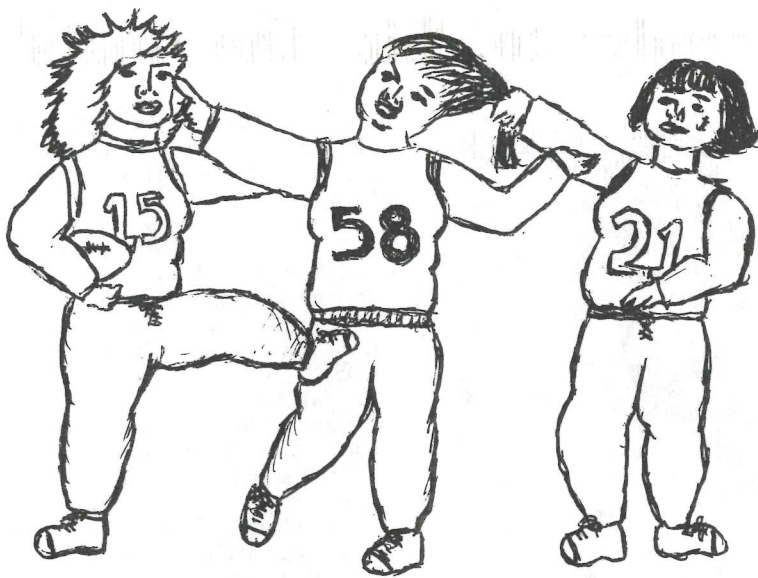
Dawn Henricksen, former editor of the "Governor", who graduated from PHS in 1971, recently became the first woman wrestling referee in South Dakota. She attends SDSU in Brookings. Chalk one up for the "weaker" sex.

Mike Madigan and Gene Miller had knee surgery in Sioux Falls this month. Both are back in school this week. Mike, a 185 lb. wrestler, will hopefully be back on the mat shortly after the first of the year. Gene hopes to be ready to join the Varsity B.B. team later in the season.

Team 5 is leading the girls intramural volleyball league. They support a 9-0 record. Members of the 1st place squad include: Roberta Barnes,, Clara Warne, Bobbi Shay, Tinny Sahr, Beth Thomas, Paula Fratzke, Kim Barnhart and Cheryl Engelhart.



Mat Maids who will be helping with the wrestling meets this season are, from the left: Shane Karim, Desiree Darland, Eileen Walsh, Cathy Conway, Michele Rounds, Tanya Schmidt, Willa Smith and Sharon Linn. Mat Maids not pictured include: Shari Yocum, Julie Perry, Lori Snyder and Jody Teske.



Football rules!! What rules?

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Juniors top seniors in annual 'jolly joust'

"Why do we have to use numbers to hike the ball? Can't we say 'boys' or something?"

"Hey, nobody better tackle me, I just washed my hair!"

These phrases aren't exactly a "coaches dream", but the Senior and Junior Powder Puff football coaches had to cope with these kinds of difficulties in the November 6 game.

The annual Jr.-Sr. battle found the Junior girls defeating the Seniors 6-0.

Riggs High gymnasts face several meets

The boys gymnastics program has gotten underway with several meets and performances scheduled throughout the season.

Mr. Ball is beginning his third year as coach and has six Senior High guys; Denis Rounds, Doug Rounds, Bill Harding, Bill Engeihart, Don Jacobs, Steve Nafus and Brian Hedman, plus several from Junior High competing.

The PHS gymnasts will compete on the parallel bars, floor exercise, vaulting, side horse, high bars and rings.

The gymnastics schedule for this year includes:

- January 19 Sioux Falls Washington
- February 16 Sioux Falls Lincoln Inv.
- March 9 Brookings (dual)
- March 23 SDSU Invitational (State)



Cagers prepare for ESD opener against Yankton

Five seniors and seven juniors make up the Governors 1973-74 basketball team. The five seniors, all lettermen, include: Bob Ashley, Todd Nelson. Mark Washachek, John Cowan and Warren Ice. 6'-10" Bob Ashley will be at center with Washachek and Ice both 6'-1" as forwards.

Two juniors, Jim Trimble and Ron Mann, 5'-9" and 6'-0" respectively, are probable starters at the guard position.

The Gov's open their season at Todd County this Friday night, Nov. 23, and return home to face the Chamberlain Cubs on Saturday.

The ESD opener will be the following week, Nov. 30, against the conference favorites Yankton Bucks at home.

Coach Roger Pries hopes to compensate for lack of height, by perfecting the outside shots. Rebounding could also be a problem for the Governors, but the quickness of the Pierre squad should make up for these weaknesses.

Line up for the varsity squad includes:

	POS.	HT.	YR.
Jim Trimble	G	5'9	Jr.
Russ Snyder	G	5'7	Jr.
Ron Mann	G	6'0	Jr.
Jeff Holden	G	6'0	Jr.
Mark Washachek	F	6'1	Sr.
Wayne Merwin	G	5'11	Sr.
Doug McLellan	G	5'6	Jr.
John Cowan	F	6'2	Sr.
Warren Ice	F	6'1	Sr.
Todd Nelson	F	6'2	Sr.
Jeff Brusseau	C	6'2	Jr.
Bob Ashley	C	6'10	Sr.

Quarterback Sandy Simmons ran for the only score of the game; the extra point attempt failed.

A spirited pep rally, including a competitive yell, led by male cheerleaders, ignited the enthusiasm of the players and their fans who turned out to support their class.

Coaches Ball and Kennedy led the junior girls to victory while Coaches Judson and Lundeen attempted to get the seniors out of difficulty. Dede Sahr was the captain for the '74s' while Kathy Zander was her junior counterpart.



These five senior guys were given special recognition at the annual Football Awards Banquet, November 5. From the left, back row, are: Chuck Snyder, best defensive player; Craig Holden, recipient of the "Governor" award; front row: Mike Madigan, co-captain; Cash Brooks, best offensive player, co-captain, and most valuable player; Michael Jaxon Finley, most improved. (photo by Don Jacobs)

Schools look to Riggs for leadership, example'

"The faculty at Riggs is a prestigious one and other schools look to Riggs for leadership and example," declared Mr. Darwin Tessier, superintendent of the Pierre schools, when he was asked to list some of the good points of Riggs High School.

Mr. Tessier feels that Riggs school system is an excellent one. He likes the open campus and feels that it gives the students a lesson in controlled responsibility which prepares them for college and adult life.

Mr. Tessier said Winner was the first school in the state to have open campus, started four and a half years ago. It has proven to be an educational learning experience for the students.

He says he will not make any major changes in the set up at Riggs except to try to get more girls athletic activities. He hopes to study the system and iron out any real bugs that can be corrected.

One change which Mr. Tessier hopes will improve parent-teacher relations is to have parent-teacher conferences every year on the junior and senior high levels.

On the subject of higher education Mr. Tessier feels that college isn't necessary for everyone. Some young people find trade school is for them.



New Pierre Public School Superintendent, Darwin Tessier, standing, confers frequently with Principal, Gilbert Neiles about administrative affairs at Riggs High School. (photo by Don Jacobs)

Mr. Tessier has come from Winner to be Pierre's new School superintendent. He

served as superintendent of the Winner School for seven years. Before that he was superintendent for two years at Highmore

and two years at Erwin. He also spent one and a half years in Germany, while serving with the Army Medical Corps.

He and his wife La Vila, both graduated from Huron College. He has an MA from SDSU, a BA from Huron College and a Specialist degree from U.S.D. The two Tessier Children, Todd, 10, and Tara, 7, both attend Washington school.

The city of Pierre, he thinks, is an active place because of the varying jobs.

He and his family are enjoying the many kinds of material available at the new Rawlins library.

Memorial held for Teenage fatalities

I was deeply moved. My eyes blurred.

All my senses were affected as I became involved in a solemn memorial service held for the 50 teenagers in South Dakota who were involved in fatal traffic accidents in the past year.

I remained motionless as the lights dimmed, and one by one, 50 names were slowly spoken. The continuous drum roll made me tremble. I suffered with the same agonizing grief that many friends and families of these young corpses had experienced.

A brief moment passed--the pangs of sorrow and sympathy lingered, and suddenly these names were no longer statistics. Each one was someone very much the same as me.

My mind wandered as one of these names became an individual very close to me. The vision of my older sister and my best friend flashed before me, increasing my terror.

I panicked!!

Irrationally I focused my anger on the cold lifeless object that destroys human lives.....

Automobiles, motorcycles and traffic safety were the topics of discussion at the 17th annual Governor's Teenage Traffic Safety conference Oct. 29-30 in Pierre.

Workshops, dramatic skits and speeches were designed to make teenagers more aware of the hazards of the highways. Workshop topics included: "A Day With the Highway Patrol", "Alcohol Safety Action Program," and "Emergency Medical Services".

Delegates were urged to plan traffic safety projects for their own school.

Representing RHS at the conference were Lois Tlustos, Pam Forney, Michelle Rounds, Hillary Bradv. Jim Linn, Doug Dvorak, Corinne Englehardt.

Lois Tlustos.

Child Care Aide students relate to children

"We are one of six schools in the state and 200 across the United States which are participating in a pilot project to field test material from the Education Development Center called Exploring Childhood." stated Mrs. Jensen, teacher of the Child Care Aide Class, with an air of enthusiasm.

This new semester course in the High School Curriculum which carries two credits, has 30 juniors and seniors enrolled for the year.

The major aim of the Child Care Aide course is to help students relate and understand pre-school children by practical experience and class study.

To attain this experience each student in the class works four hours every week at Head Start, AAUW Nursery School, or Buchanan or Lincoln Kindergarten. Students spend two hours each day in class when they are not with the children. On Friday, the whole class meets to discuss the weekly activities, share their experiences, and sometimes listen to guest speakers.

The students learn to identify with the children and to cope with the anxieties and frustration of childhood. Since a child attains half of all of his knowledge in the first year of his life, the goal of these students is to shape and develop this knowledge, according to Mrs. Jensen.

To relate to the children the students have been trying to look closer at the

children's viewpoint. Playing with water is one of many techniques used to try to experience the mind of a child. Students created their own water games as a four year old child might.

This new course is not only a learning process for the children, but also one for the students. The teenagers are enthusiastic in considering Child Care as a possible career.



Janet Wendell has tea with some of her students at Headstart as part of the Child Care Aide course. (photo by Tom Wilsey)