

# The Governor



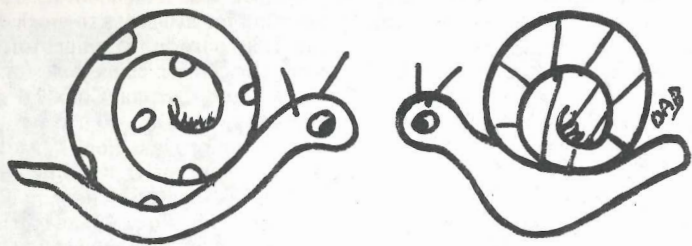
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Computer scheduling—

# Registration could be worse!



ya know, I bet we'd have had those schedules done before that COMPUTER!

You are a computer reject. Yes, dear friend of mine. No matter what we classmates may think of you, that cold hunk of electronic circuitry has relegated you and your schedule 'print-out' to the trash bin. But don't feel alone, for you're not. 188 Riggs High School students received the rubber stamp of rejection.

On the face of it, those figures may be horrifying, but allow us a closer look. Last spring at scheduling time, this year's 'Riggs' High School student body made 9,000 individual course selections. Now, rare indeed is the person who would take

**The biggest break through for the Goves occurred when they were returning to the field after halftime of the Homecoming game Sept. 21.**

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it upon himself to satisfy those 9,000 different requests. But the ungrudging computer did just that, and with a surprising batting average. In only 292 of those requests was there a conflict. If my grade school division still serves me, that works out to only 3¼% of all the requests made. I feel that this is indeed a respectable tally of hits.

Don't get the impression that I'm rubber stamping the results of the work of the people running the school, for I'm not doing that. Neither am I unequivocally condemning the scheduling process. Yes, there were problems with the way scheduling was handled this year. Yes, there are things I would like to have changed before we recreate this year's fiasco. But before we do anything, let's not automatically jump on the computer's back. The computer is only a part of the whole process of determining where you go and when.

The essential elements of the process lie elsewhere. And, I think that if we take a long hard look at those other essential elements, that's where we'll learn, why you were rejected.

## Award winners coming soon

Two of the coming feature shows in October are the Academy award winning **Oklahoma** and **Run Wild, Run Free**.

**Oklahoma** is another of Rogers and Hammersteins great musical comedies. This one is set in the late 1800's in the great state of Oklahoma "where the wind comes sweepin' down the plains" and where they travel in a "shiny little surrey with a fringe on top".

**Run Wild, Run Free** has a great line of stars including John Mills, Sylvia Syms, Bernard Miles and Mark Lester. **Run Wild, Run Free** tells the story of a ten year old boy who has grown up in England's west country side and is unable to speak any language. His only communication is through a girl his age and a retired Colonel.

Linda Mayer

## I'll never give up being me!

And that's where I stand. I really don't want to be what other people want me to be. I have made up my rules and regulations that conform loosely to most rules made by society.

I see society as a bunch of cubes, stacked in a neat and efficient manner.

These cubes are made of different types of material, as a fluid cube, a cube that can be any shape or size it wants. If I find a "hold" in this machine, I try it, if I don't like it then I'll look some place else. I don't go where I don't want to.

Your uncle wants you to be a doctor, your father wants you to be a lawyer. Doesn't it reflect on them if they can say, "... my nephew, a doctor, or my son, a lawyer..."? If I wanted to join the Peace Corps, and my uncle was asked "What does your nephew do?" He'll mumble something about my going overseas and helping in Africa.

Now sure, I want my son to grow up to be something besides a crook, but I don't feel I should "guide" him towards a chosen profession. You can't put anybody in a certain job. You must let him find it himself, as I am doing.

I've been a paper boy, radio announcer, courtesy boy, janitor and a cook. Maybe I'll like being a cook, but then again I may find another job.

Isn't it good to find out what you don't want, and what you do want, before you choose?

I close with, ... I will not give up being me, and I will become whatever I want to, ... and will do whatever I want, ... and I will find me.

Bruce Michael

## RC tries college scheduling

After reading the August issue of the Rapid City Central **Pine Needle**, I discovered that R.C. Central has an excellent answer to the problem of registration.

The registration procedure, which is designed on college registration policies, allows the student to arrange his own schedule and choose his own teachers and class periods, as class schedules permit.

Central High students pre-registered last spring for the classes they wanted this year. Then, a few days before school started, they went to school to arrange their classes into a schedule they wanted.

This program was started because, last year 75% of the students ended up changing their schedule in some way.

It is hoped that if the students pick their own schedules in the first place, they may be more satisfied with their schedules.

Student reaction was varied concerning registration, according to the article in the school newspaper. The general consensus was that the new registration program was a good idea.

I feel that Riggs High would greatly benefit from this type of registration. It would probably cause some headaches, but I'm sure computer registration used up its share of Excedrin.

Corinne Engelhardt



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# Homecoming generates excitement

"The agony of defeat" reigned over the last vital moments of the 1973 Riggs High Homecoming as the Governors were conquered by the Aberdeen Eagles, 14 to 32.

The mounting excitement grew with each event leading to the September 21 Homecoming game.

Opening the activities was the crowning of Homecoming Queen and Marshal, Lois Tlustos and Cash Brooks, Thursday evening. Candidates for Queen and Marshal included Deb Fawcett, Marva Norman, Peggy Olson, Warren Ice, Gene Miller, and Doug Mortenson. Homecoming Princesses were Peggy Olson and Vicky Barnhart.

The coronation program was MCed by Mayor Dave Wilson and Vice Mayor Julie

Denton. Charles Thompson, Homecoming Marshal of 1960, was the guest alumni speaker at the ceremony.

Coach Don Shields was honored with a standing ovation. He introduced the football squad and expressed confidence in the team's determination to win Friday's game.

Governor and Mrs. Kneip were recognized as special guests at the ceremonies.

The band and chorus provided the musical entertainment for the ceremony. The cheerleaders performed the traditional Minneshoso Boom-Boom routine. Les Howard, 1972 Homecoming Marshal led the procession and crowned the 1973 royalty.

School was released at 10:45 Friday morning for students to work on floats for the 1:30 parade. Winners of the parade were the Senior class float for the best of classes and Drama Club for the best of clubs.

The Senior class float "The Endangered Species," featured a fallen golden eagle with the headstone "Rest in Pieces." The Drama Club float "Don't Play Around, Act" used the background of the theatrical smile and frown with the smile in the governor colors and the frown in the blue and gold of Aberdeen. Featured on the float was a curtained stage on which three members presented mime scenes.

Six clubs has entries, each featuring their activities. They were Governor Staff, Future Nurses, Future Homemakers, Future Farmers, Art Club, and International Club.

Three bands provided music; the grade school and Junior High bands under the direction of Mr. Sampson and the Riggs High marching band with the new flag team under the direction of Mr. Cutshaw.

The 7:30 p.m. game remained scoreless till the second half when the Golden Eagles started showing their claws and racked up 32 pointed to the Gavs 14.

The planned victory dance still took place in the Riggs High Gym after the disappointing game. The dance, featuring "White Rock", brought an end to the 1973 Homecoming Activities.

## Fall one-act festival offers wide variety

Take one 'old lady' reciting "Mary Had a Little Lamb", add several blood curdling screams, mix well, and you will come up with the tryout sessions for the fall One-Act Play Festival.

For the fall play this year, director Mrs. Ann Thompson will produce three one-act plays instead of the traditional three-act play. The plays are *I'm Herbert* by Robert Anderson, *The Sandbox* by Edward Albee, and *Sorry, Wrong Number* by Lucille Fletcher. October 23, 24 and 26 has been set for performance dates.

There are twenty-one acting parts, plus one musician, and three student directors. Casts and directors have been selected and rehearsals are being scheduled.

"The Junior High Auditorium will be used because the High School theater gym has necessarily been over scheduled, causing the increased possibility of interruptions during rehearsals and a delay in constructing a stationary set for the production," according to Mrs. Thompson.

Technical director, Mr. David Shelp, will be working closely with Mrs. Thompson on the set and props. They plan a stylistic set, using multi-media, visuals and sounds.



Leading the 1973 Minneshoso Royalty in the recessional are Queen Lois Tlustos and Marshall Cash Brooks. They are flanked by Princesses Vicky Barnhart, left, and Lori Stoesser, right. In the center is 1972 Marshall Les Howard. [Photo by Tom Wilsey]

## Wilson ranks in top 1 percent

David Wilson was named semi-finalist in the 1974 National Merit Scholarship program according to word received by Principal Gilbert Neiles this week. David therefore ranks in the upper one percent of the graduating seniors in the United States scholastically.

Semi-finalists received the highest qualifying scores in their states on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying test which was given last October to over one million students in 16,600 schools nationwide.

David is the fall semester Riggs High School mayor. He is on the varsity debate team, a member of *The Governor* staff, was a Boy State Journalist last June, is a member of National Honor Society and has a part in the fall play. He is also an announcer for one of the local radio stations.

Mike Wiles, who has transferred to Rapid City this year, was also named a National Merit Semi-finalist.



Dave Wilson is the only Riggs High School National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist for 1973-74. [Photo by Ray Duhon]

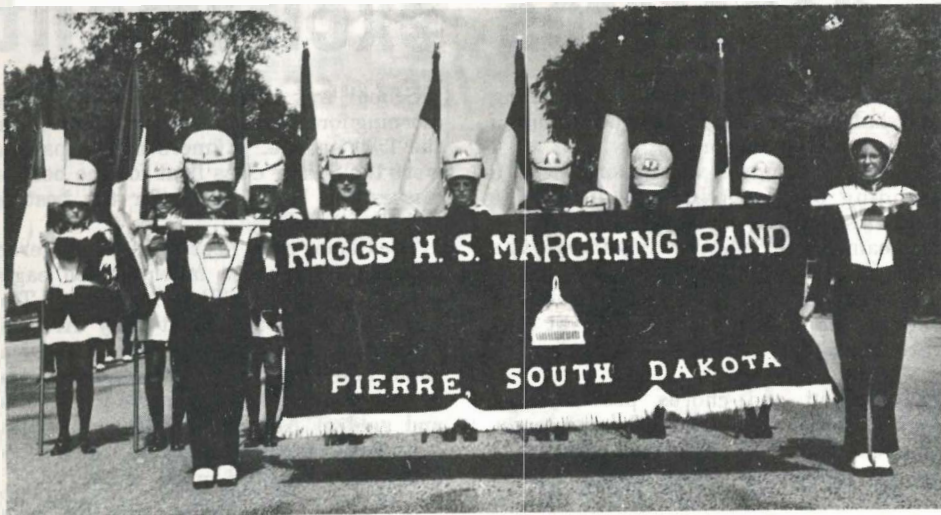


## Marching band goes to Fair; will compete at Chadron, Neb.

After a week of rehearsals, the Riggs High School Marching band was on the road heading for the South Dakota State Fair at Huron on Friday, August 30. The band gave two performances at the State Fair grandstand in the afternoon and evening.

The band can now be heard and seen at 7:30 a.m. truckin' purposefully on the practice football field in hopes of winning the band competition at Chadron State College, October, 13. The competition will

consist of marching field band competition and parade competition. The Riggs High Band will also participate in a mass band performance during half time at the afternoon football game.



Riggs High Marching Band is led in the Homecoming Parade by the banner carriers Julie Denton, left and Kathy Wold, on the right.

## Riggs High acquires five new teachers this year

When students received their schedules in August some noticed new names in the column marked teachers because Riggs High acquired five new teachers this year. Four were replacements for teachers who resigned or retired last spring and the fifth was an addition to the Riggs staff.

There were two changes in the English department one in the physical education and science department, one in the vocational education department and an addition in agriculture.

### KAREN DE ANTONI

Teaching at Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, is one of the many accomplishments of Mrs. Karen DeAntoni, the new American Literature teacher at Riggs.

Mrs. DeAntoni, a 1957 Pierre High graduate (Karen Thode) attended SDSU, where she earned her B.A. in English.

Upon completing her education, she joined the Peace Corp where she met her future husband. She taught for two years in Turkey during which time she was married and traveled throughout much of the Middle East.

Upon her return to the U.S. she resided in Roseville, Minn. where she taught for 3 years. The following years were filled with raising her 2 children, Marc age 6 and Christopher age 4.

Besides American Literature, she will be teaching Poetry, Shakespeare mass media and research this year.

### GARY GREY

Gary Grey, a 1973 graduate of SDSU, is the new Vocational Agriculture and Home Maintenance instructor at Riggs High. Students will remember him from when he was a student teacher in the Voc. Ag. department the second semester last year.

Mr. Grey whose home is in Miller, received his B.S. degree and is now enrolled in graduate school at SDSU.

He chose his position at Riggs because of adequate room provided by the

expansion to the new building, the quarter system, the open campus and the quality of students.

For recreation he enjoys hunting and fishing. While in school he participated in football, wrestling and intramural sports.

### PAUL HARENS

Drama and speech are Mr. Harens specialties in the English department at Riggs this year. He is also the debate coach.

Mr. Harens, a former resident of Huron, earned his B.A. in Speech and Drama at Huron College. His wife is also a former resident of Huron. This is Mr. Harens first year of teaching.

### GLEN EVENSON.

Glen A. Evenson is the replacement for James Engle as Director of the Exemplary Project in Vocational Educa-

at Riggs High this year.

His duties include implementing of new curriculum courses, vocational education courses together, and making the move to the new building when it is ready. He is also a part-time instructor in building and carpentering.

Mr. Evenson, a Sisseton native, holds a B.S. degree from Northern State College and an M.A. from Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

### ROBERT JUDSON

Mr. Robert Judson replaced Mr. Horning as the boys physical education teacher. He is also teaching sophomore biology, coaching sophomore football, in charge of the boys intramural sports program and will be assistant track coach in the spring. A full story appears on page 7 about Mr. Judson.



Five teachers joined the Riggs High School faculty this fall including from left, standing: Mr. Judson, physical education, Mr. Harens, speech; seated, Mr. Evenson, vocational education director, Mrs. DeAntoni, English, Mr. Grey, agriculture. [Photo by Ray Duhon]



## Nationaltheater comesto Pierre

Thomas Jefferson comes to life when the Performing Arts Repertory Theater puts on its production of **Young Jefferson** in the City Auditorium Sunday, Oct. 3.

Having already played to over 2 million young persons, the PART group brings itself to Pierre with a play for all ages.

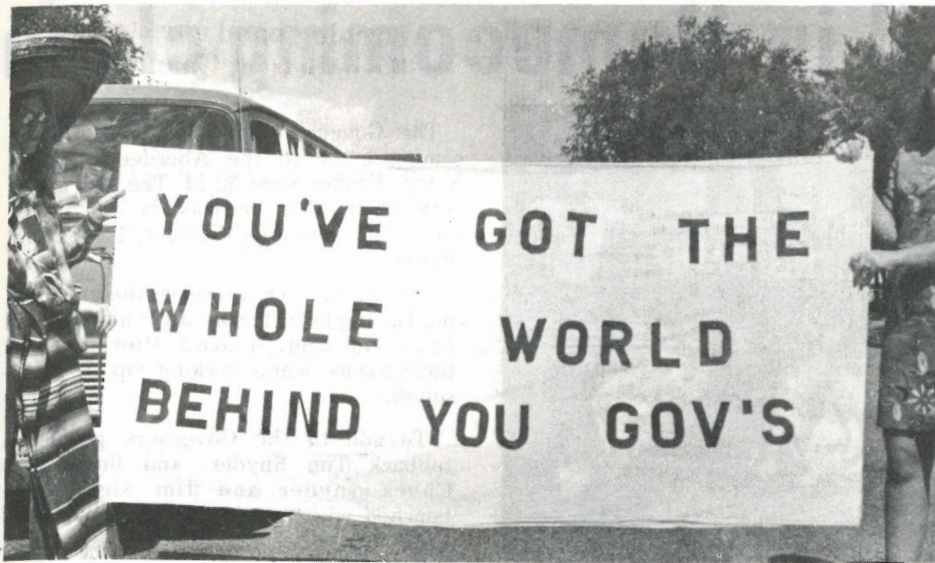
As the play opens, young Tom and his Negro slave, Jupiter, are on their way to William and Mary College. The play focuses on the trouble Tom meets for having taught his black friend to read and write. Because of his "dangerous" teaching, Tom is accused of having aided Jupiter's brother in his escape. The two men stand beside each other in the face of the injustice and come out friends as before.

"Young Jefferson" reveals a good deal of the seething turmoil over the slavery issue, which prevailed in early America. Likewise, it reveals much of the character and conviction of the young man who later framed our constitution.

The climax of the play brings out the social and political mood of the times and the attitudes toward slavery.

The production comes to Pierre through the combined efforts of the South Dakota Fine Arts Council and the Pierre Players. To bring **Young Jefferson** to this area required a financial backing of \$1,000 as well as providing a stage and dressing rooms for the nine members cast.

Admission price for this Broadway Calibre production is 75 cents for high school students and \$1.00 for adults. Tickets will be available from Drama Club officers or Mrs. Thompson.



This banner preceded the International Club float in the Homecoming Parade Friday.

## Paper wins international 1st award

**The Governor** won an International First Place award for distinctive achievement in scholastic journalism in the 1973 Quill and Scroll newspaper evaluation.

The 1972-73 staff, under the leadership of Pat Miller, editor, and Kathy Musgrove, assistant editor, produced a newspaper which scored 850 points out of a possible 1000 points. "Although the staff changed size and format from a four page newspaper to a tabloid size, eight page news-magazine, they edited a quality publication and earned this top national rating," according to Mrs. Ledbetter, adviser.

**The Governor** placed high in five of the six categories of achievement. They received 200 points out of a possible 250 as "a medium to inform"; 164 of 200 points as "a medium to influence readers"; 130 out of a possible 150 points as "an entertainment medium"; 181 of 200 points as "a physical product" (which included

the photography and art work); and 119 out of 125 as "a business enterprise".

Although this is the first time **The Governor** has received an International First Place award in Quill and Scroll competition, it scored 787 points in 1970 which is only 13 points from a first place rating.

The judging is done by professional journalists who have had experience in advising scholastic publications and in working for professional newspapers.

**The Governor** has been a member of Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society for High School Journalists since 1947 and honors top staff members each year with membership in the organization.

## Three FFA members chosen to attend national convention

Three members of Pierre-Oahe FFA chapter were selected as delegates to the 46th National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 16-19.

Brad Bonhorst, Alan Etkorn and Mike Sahw will join FFA members from all over the United States in a week of convention activities, including round table discussions, workshops, exhibits, meetings and speeches.

The chapter has also applied for a \$1,000 loan for the "Building Our South Dakota Communities" project. Last year the FFA chapter received a BOSDC loan and used the funds to sod and landscape the lawn at the Junior High School. They have not decided on their project for this year.

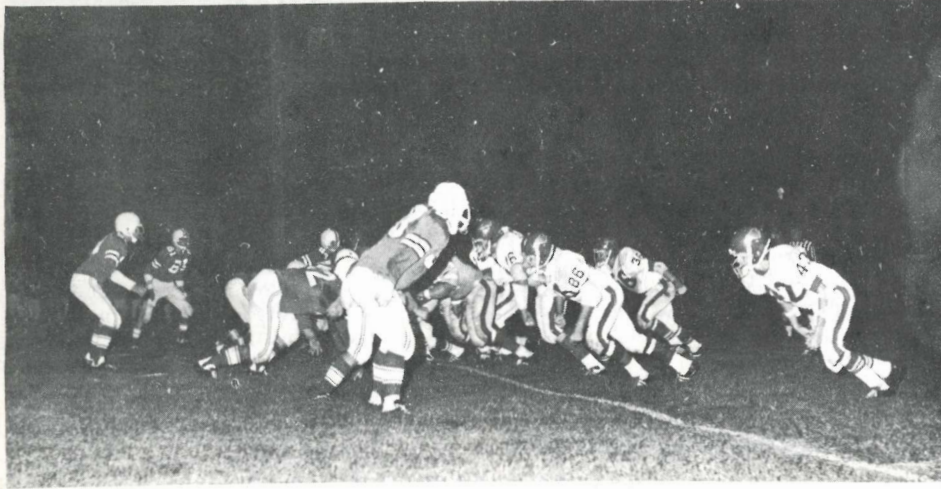
Over 30 ninth-grade boys who attended the first fall meeting were guests at the watermelon bust after the meeting.



Young Jefferson dances before his college friends, in a scene from the play "Young Jefferson" to be presented in Pierre Oct. 3.



# Govs defeated in Homecoming clash



A strong Governor defense held Aberdeen scoreless for the first half of the Homecoming game Friday, Sept. 21. [Photo by Ron Brabander]

## Swim team takes championship

Nine Riggs High School students joined the 70 member Pierre Swim Team and discovered a fun, though strenuous, way of keeping in shape this past summer.

PST is placed in the "summer division" teams, because they can practice only from June - August. But for those three months, grueling workouts, groaning swimmers, and shouting coaches occupied the municipal pool three hours every day.

The team has become the best "summer team" in the state. PST came home with the trophy for first place in that division in the State A meet at Sioux Falls in August. Points were not tabulated at the State B & C meet at Brookings, but PST members received a majority of the ribbons.

Other meets this summer were the Aberdeen Relays Carnival, Lewis & Clark (Yankton), Mitchell, Mission, and the Pierre Elks Invitational.

PST had to get in shape very quickly, because the first meet of the season was held in Rapid City after only 10 days of work-outs. Pierre has some members, including Riggs sophomore Deb Hayes, swim in the State Jr. Olympics held in Sioux Falls. This year none of the swimmers went to the Regionals in Billings, Mont. but the team felt that they did a fine job in Sioux Falls, according to their coach Tom Ball.

PST closed their season with the annual banquet. Co-coaches Tom Ball and Ellen Huckins said they were proud of the team's showing during this season.

The Riggs High swimmers included Michele Rounds, Kathy Huckins, Dennis Rounds, Deb Fawcett, Colleen Hinkley, Deb Hayes, Anne Gomez, Cheri Peterson and Pam Forney.

The Governors dropped their Homecoming game to the Aberdeen Golden Eagles Friday night 32-14. The loss gives both teams 1-1 records in the ESD Conference and puts Pierre at 1-3 for the season.

Both teams were scoreless the first half, but the Eagles came out after half-time all fired up and limited Pierre to 2 touchdowns while racking up 5 themselves.

To add to the Governors problems, fullback Tim Snyder, and linebackers Chuck Snyder and Jim Sigle were benched with injuries during the second half.

Aberdeen made the first two touchdowns; a 39 yard run in the 3rd quarter and a 1 yard plunge in the 4th. The Eagles were unsuccessful in both points after plays.

A 6 yard pass from Jeff Holden to Carl Mathews put the Govs on the scoreboard, and Ron Mann made a successful pass to Russ Snyder for the 2 point conversion.

The Golden Eagles scored three more times the 4th quarter, one a 34 yard pass play with the kick point being good.

Bill Shay ran an 87 yard kick-off return for the last touchdown, but the point after plan failed.

The Govs will travel to Yankton this Friday to take on the conference-leading Bucks.

## Riggs High Governors acquiring experience; home opener Victory

The Pierre Governors opened their 1973 grid season with 2 disappointing losses, but came back to win the home opener 7-6.

The first loss came in non-conference game with Rapid City Stevens, there, on Aug. 31. The score at halftime was 14-0, but Wayne Merwin ran 35 yds on a return punt for the Gov's, making the final score 14-7.

The Winner Warriors handed Pierre their second defeat as five Governor fumbles took their toll. Both teams remained scoreless until the 3rd quarter when Winner scored. The Gov's couldn't quite put it together and the final score was 7-0.

ESD action the following week saw Pierre nipping Huron 7-6 on Sept. 14, on their home field. Trimble intercepted a

Tiger pass and ran 30 yards for a touchdown and the extra kick point was good. Huron scored in the 4th quarter, but they were unsuccessful in their try for the extra point.



The sophomore cheerleaders, chosen by their classmates for the '73-'74 school year, are; [left to right] Susan Jahraus, Cindy Larson, Kim Barnhart, Mary Jo Rezac, and Bobbi Shay.



# C C stacks up good record

"Over the hills and through the woods, our Cross Country team must run.

Their day begins at 6:00 A.M., with a three mile chilly run.

Oh! Over the hills and through the woods, our Cross Country team must run.

The cold wind blows as it bites our toes, but over the hills we run."

It's not exactly the song the Pierre Cross Country team will sing, but it's a song Coach Larry Lundeen sings as he opens the fall season with a running sport known as Cross Country.

The Pierre Cross Country Team has already had six meets and are getting an idea of how they and other teams are shaping up. South Dakota sports writers have indicated that the biggest threat will come from the Madison team.

## August workouts

Beginning in late August, and running a three to five mile daily workout, Pierre opened it's season with the Redfield Invitational, held on Sept. 1.

Leading Pierre to a second place finish in the first meet was senior Doug Mortenson placing 2nd. Following behind Brian Knox with 6th. Brad Ibach came in next with 9th, while Dennis Rounds captured 10th.

The next week the harriers traveled to Mitchell where Doug Mortenson still paced the runners with 7th place. Sioux Falls Washington High School won the title while Pierre was 5th.

Crazy weather interfered with the Huron Invitational held Sept. 15, but it didn't stop Doug Mortenson as he raced in with 8th place leading Pierre. Brian Knox ran in with 34th followed closely by Brad Ibach 37th. Pierre placed a disappointing 8th.

## Huron meet

Pierre next dualed Huron on Sept. 18th. Huron won over Pierre 19 to 44. Mortenson captured 2nd. Rounds 8th, Ibach 9th, Knox 10th, and S. Mann 11th.

There are 13 upperclassmen competing for varsity positions including: seniors—Brad Ibach, Doug Mortenson, Steve Simet; Juniors—Dennis Rounds, Brian Knox, Steve Mann, Phil Thomas, Andy Neuharth, Mike Wilson, Erwin Werthmann, Kirk Simet.

The S.D.S.U. Invitational proved to be a better day for the Harriers. With 23 teams and 250 runners, the competition was at its best. A longer three mile course was run. Doug Mortenson was Pierre's top runner placing a hard earned fourth Place. Other Pierre runners were Dennis Rounds 42nd, and Brad Ibach 43rd, Brian Knox 54th, Steve Mann 58th, Phil Thomas 96th.

Pierre took a sixth place in the High School division.

Mr. Miller, who is coaching the 20 sophomores and freshmen out for the sport for the first time, has entered his team in three meets so far this year with a good showing.

Friday Oct. 21 - 22

It was a busy week-end for the Pierre Cross Country team. The Harriers had two meets, one on Friday at Todd County and again on Saturday at Brookings.

At the Todd County Invitational they ran a hilly two and a half mile course against Winner, Flandreau, and Todd County. Pierre's best efforts were Brad Ibach 12th, Steve Mann 13th, and Brian Knox 16th. Pierre placed a disheartening fourth place.

## Sophs dump Philip in second opener

The Pierre Sophomores opened their football season by handing Philip an impressive 32-7 defeat, Monday, Sept. 17, on their home field.

Touchdowns came on an eight yard run by Tim Wilsey, and a 30 yard run by Charlie Jansen. Russ Harrison scored twice: on a 40 yard run and a 40 yard pass from Rick Rowen.

The Gov's rushed 33 times for a total of 188 yards. They also made 3 of 8 attempted passes.

Tim Canaday, Russ Harrison, Bill Bullard, and Del Padgett led the defense with 3 tackles each.

The next home game for coach Judson's Governors will be on Oct. 1 against Mobridge.

## Player of the Week

Russ Snyder, Cash Brooks, and Jim Trimble have been chosen "player of the week" for the first three weeks of football.

Chosen by the coaches for their performance in the game each week, the guys will receive a trophy from the Tradehome Shoe Store.



Diane Parsons, Pam Smith, and Mary Thelen line up for the Homecoming parade in new drill team uniforms.



Robert Judson has resumed teaching and coaching duties at Riggs High this year after four years when he was on the staff at Huron High School. [Photo by Ray Duhon]

## Former teacher returns to Riggs

A former teacher of Riggs High, Mr. Robert Judson, has returned this year from Huron High School to teach Biology I and physical education. He is the sophomore football coach, in charge of boy's intramurals and will be assistant track coach.

Mr. Judson's athletic career began in Custer High School when he earned 11 major letters in the 4 years he was there, as a football and basketball player from Custer High School.

From High School Mr. Judson went on to Huron College and broadened his athletic career, winning another 11 major letters in the next four years. He earned his B.A. degree in physical education, and his M.A. from S.D.S.U.

His first teaching assignment was at Sisseton High School.

After teaching physical education and biology at Riggs he moved on to teach at Huron and while there coached the varsity basketball team, winning the basketball State Title in 1973.

Philosophically speaking, Mr. Judson says, "There's only one way to win at any sport. If you're going to win, you've got to work harder than the other guy."

## Pierre Drill Team elects '73 officers

Drill Team officers have been elected for the 73-74 school year. Miss Pickering, advisor, will be assisted by Julie Pirnat, pres; Pam Smith, v. pres; and Abbie Burke, sec.-trés.

The First Ladies are now working on a new routine which they will perform at half-time during the Pierre-Watertown football game on October 16.

Other activities include fund raising for the new outfits which they wore in the Homecoming parade.



# Imaginary barbells fly in acting class

Eating a growing peanut butter sandwich with chocolate sauce on it, or operating on an undefined body adds variety to Mrs. Ann Thompson's Techniques of Acting class, a new course in the English department.

Mrs. Thompson, who has her masters degree in theater, started the budding actors and actresses with very simple concentration exercises. With a little practice and a lot of imagination the students found they could pass an imaginary ball that changed sizes from as small as a pea to as large as a basketball at which point it became a set of barbell weights. After this practice in concentration, the class was ready to start simple acting routines. Thus far most of the acting exercises have been pantomime.

Soon the class will progress into more difficult assignments using dialogue. They will get into controlled voice training and read a wide range of plays from classical to modern. They will see how history affects acting styles and try some Shakespearean dialogue. Mrs. Thompson also hopes to do serious mime.

Learning the basics of acting is the aim of the class. To successfully portray a character, an actor must be highly developed in his own senses, have physical strength, good mental attitude and a strong sense of self awareness.

The nine weeks course will make the students more appreciative of the acting profession and more aware of themselves and their feelings.



Working hard at the placement of the pep club feet on Thursday night is Corinne Engelhardt. [Photo by Don Jacobs]

## Spirited pep club ignites student body

Trooping bleary-eyed to school at 6:00 a.m. Friday morning were the members of Riggs High Pep Club. Reason: The Annual Homecoming Spirit Breakfast.

The menu consisted of a roll, juice, and milk served in a decorated cafeteria. This breakfast helped encourage school spirit for the game. Spirit may have been a little hard for some, after painting big white feet on the street late Thursday night after Homecoming Coronation. These feet started at the high school and led to the football field.

Then the pep club members had a few hours of 'rest' before the big game. At half time, our Governors ran through a spirit hoop made by Pep Club.

Pep Club members were up early Sat. morning. This time they were scrubbing downtown windows which they had decorated last Sunday to raise the spirit of Homecoming.

## 8 member flag team added to Riggs High marching band

While gazing out of the window during first period students may be surprised to see eight girls marching around the "Uee," each carrying a flag pole.

These girls, known as the flag team, are the new addition to the Riggs High marching band.

During these eight o'clock practice sessions, the flag team practiced marching and such drills as the "V" and the "diagonal," which they performed during the homecoming parade.

The flag team members are: seniors Dawn Bullard, Corinne Engelhardt; Doreen McBride; juniors Barb Biggs, Nancy Towne, Cindy Markwed and Caroline Burtts, with Lori Snyder as team captain.

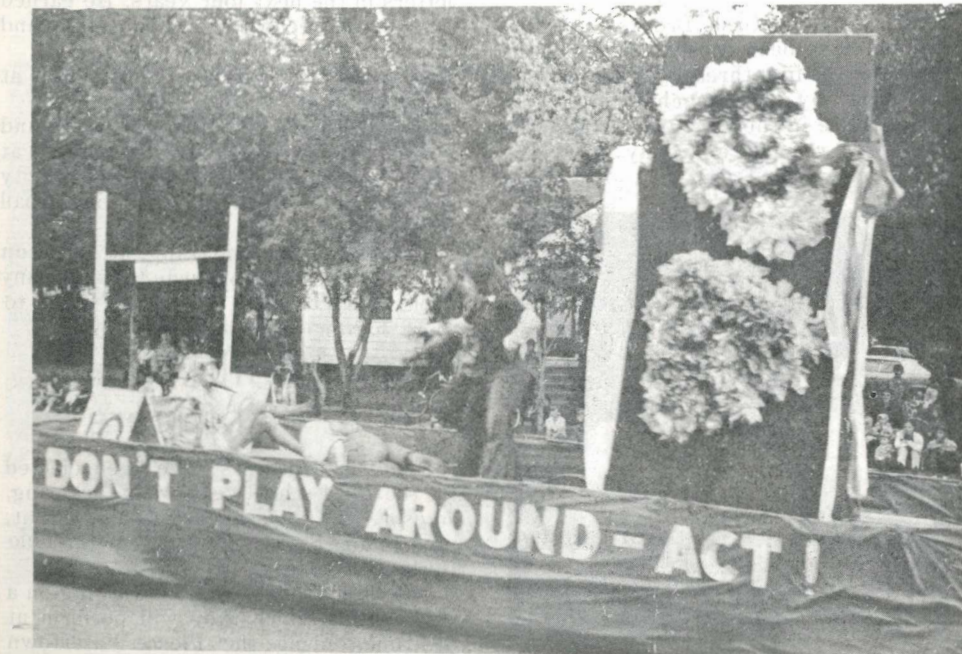
Lori spent a week this summer at a flag team workshop at Hastings, Nebraska, to learn the drill and procedures of a flag team.

The flag team, along with the Riggs High band, plan to go to Chadron, Neb., October 13th to enter in the marching band competition sponsored by Chadron State College.

## Seniors win Parade Contest



A dead Eagle was displayed on the senior class float which won best of classes in Friday's parade. "Rest in Pieces" was on the headstone. [Photo by Ron Brabander]



The winning Drama Club float featured mime acts by LeAnn Anderson, Julie Ledbetter and Randy Weischedel. The 'Eagle' at the left end of the float is Jenny Jorgenson.