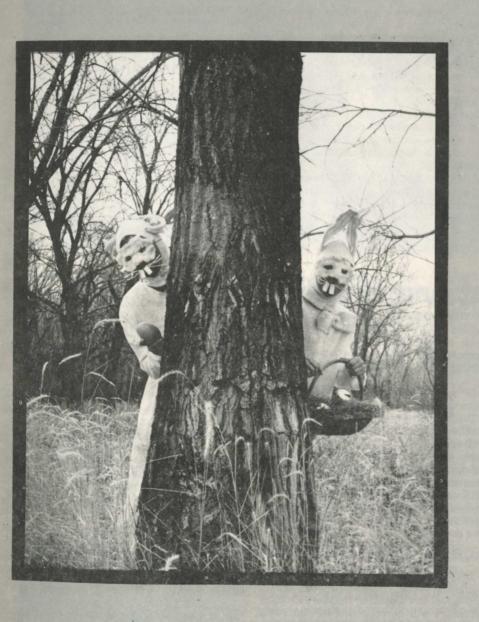
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'We try to report the good news'

"We report the good news" is a statement used by a Denver TV station in a commercial to promote the network's news broadcasts.

The first few times I saw the commercial I became very agitated. A big booming voice says "We report the good news" while in living color, flashing across the screen, are shots of fires, riots, and starving children. Good news?

But the more I pondered the matter the more I realized that TV as well as newspapers must appeal to the public's desire for sensationalism.

The newsreading public, which is a great concern to the Governor staff can be divided into three groups:

1) The violence fans. The people who glance over the front pages for the freak accidents, killings, death, fire, sex or anything that can be classified as human interest.

2) The intellectually lazy class (which includes myself). They flip to page 12 to read the comics, then back

to page 6 to read "Dear Abby"; then skim through the other pages.

3) The intellects, educated, and curious people. They read from page 1 to 101 in order. The only people I have ever known who fit into this class are the typists and proofreaders.

The **Governor**'s main concerns are groups 2 and 3, and we hope to increase the size of these groups.

Although we don't expect anyone to read from front to back, nor do we have comics or "Dear Abby", we try fard to offer something for everybody in high school.

Instead of throwing the paper away or stuffing it under the desks, why not take it home and let your parents find out what is happening on the high school scene?

After putting in over 1,500 hours a year to produce nine issues of "good news", the staff would appreciate it.

Sherrie Spilde

Well done!

We congratulate the 24 members of the Pierre First Ladies for their excellent performance at halftime of the championship game March 5 at the sectional and basketball tournament in Pierre.

The drill team then traveled to Sioux Falls to perform at the Friday afternoon game of State "A" where they gave another outstanding performance to a very appreciative audience.

Want Ads:

WANTED: Sophomores and Juniors who wish a challenging and rewarding career in journalism apply in person to Glea Krueger about working on the '75-'76 Governor. Positions to be filled are: reporter; news, feature, and sports; photographers; typists, proof readers and page editors.

WANTED: Students interested in helping with the 1976 Gumbo. Juniors needed for section heads and sophomores needed for editor of the 1977 Gumbo. Pick up an application from Mrs. Donlin on April 1 in room 105.

Elizabeth Sahr 1976 Gumbo Editor

Thomas' editorial wins first in contest

We the **Governor** staff salute Beth Thomas for taking first place in the South Dakota Women's Press Association editorial writing contest.

Her editorial "Students Urged to Seek Adulthood" won first place from twenty-six entries. Beth's article will now be placed in national competition.

The contest was open to any high school girl whose editorial had been printed in her school paper at any time during the school year.

In case you missed the prize-winning editorial, take a look at the February issue of the **Governor**.

'All Creatures Great and Small'

All Things Bright and Beautiful by James Herriot, is a warm and joyful sequel to All Creatures Great and Small. To this date it is number five on the New York Times Magazine's best seller list, has remained on this list of ten, for 22 consecutive weeks.

In this continuation of James' story, he is now married and lives on the top floor of Skeldale House, while his former boss, now partner, Siegfried lives downstairs with Siegfried's brother Tristan. James continues the rich and rewarding day-to-day life of a small-town veterinarian.

Herriot's book is more than a collection of well-told anecdotes and sharply drawn personalities. Laced through it is the author's growing awareness that he is in

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THE GOVERNOR IS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM ASSOCIATION AND QUILL AND SCROLL the right place doing the right thing. We journey with him across dales meeting a whole cast of unforgettable characters-humans, dogs, horses, lambs, parakeets-all of them drawn with the same infinite fascination, affection and insight that have made Herriot one of the most beloved authors of our time.

The author James Herriot grew up in Scotland and went to Glasgow Veterinary College. After graduating he went to work in the Yorkshire Dales (small valleys) of northern England. Except for time served in the R.A.F. and a brief trip to America he has never left Yorkshire and he still works with Siegfried and Tristan Farnon, the characters in these two books.

Deb Bessert

'Ice Water' offers something for everybody

Because I am one of many record freaks, I hound the record counters in and out of town looking for new, exciting sounds. I will be reporting my interests in music in this column each month in hopes you will enjoy them, too.

Are you tired of listening to hard rock-n-roll? And that same old country beat? And would you like something different for a change? Try Leo Kottke! For those of you who have never heard of him, his music makes you feel good all the time. His album Ice Water is the best I've listened to.

Side 1 immediately shows you how versatile Kottke is with selections of his own. "Pamela Brown" (written by "Sneaky Snake" Hall) is a typical Tom T. Hall, but it has Kottke's touch. "All Through the Night" is an offering of "off key" arranging that you may not enjoy

when you first hear it. You keep reaching but you never grasp the original melody.

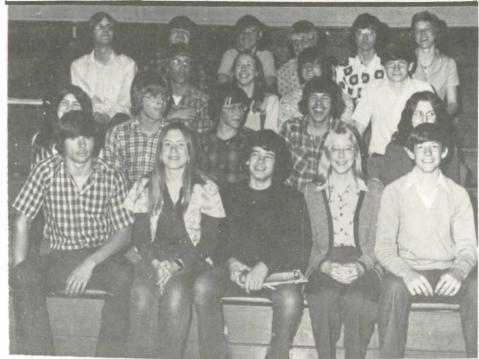
On side 2, Stories, in my opinion, is the finest selection in this album. A nostalgic, moody, deep in thought piece, that puts you at Kottke's feet, listening. Another one of his great guitar instrumentals is "A Child Should Be A Fish."

Leo Kottke has depth in his playing that is matched by few. His guitar stands out but does not overshadow his voice. There seems to be an undertone in his playing that reminds you continually of Andre Segovia. Kottke's voice is clear and stable. Along with it his guitar makes this album an asset to any collection.

This album by Capital Records was produced by Denny Bruce, Tacoma Productions Incorporated.

Theresa Knighton

Delegates announced to attend Girls & Boys State



The 1975 Boys - Girls Staters and Alternates are from left: 1st row - Bill Bullard, Carmen Corcoran, Rusty Butler, Dotta Jo Trembly, Kevin Kneip; 2nd row - Barb logan, Doug Gullickson, Mike Trautner, Terry Robinson, Jody Badger; 3rd row - Todd Barker, Deb Hayes, Doug Rounds, Charlie Jansen; 4th row - Mark Johnson, Brad Fawcett, Gary Sundahl, Jeff Van Klompenburg, Tom Dickman and Beth Popowski.

All-State Band performs at Riggs

The 1975 All-State Band has proved to be an unforgettable and enjoyable experience for all 167 musicians and their band directors from the first two-hour rehearsal on March 20, to the grand concert on March 22.

At the first rehearsal Dr. W. Francis McBeth, guest director from Ouacheta University, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, was absent due to a delay in airline connections. So Riggs High Band Director, Gerald Cutshaw, and Dr. Warren Hatfield U.S.D. music professor,



From Dickman, second from left, played in the tuba section of the All-State band which performed in Pierre this past week end. [Photo by Les Traut] conducted for the first two-hour session.

Things finally got into full swing Friday morning. Dr. McBeth had arrived, and at 8:30 a.m. the band started with the usual tuning procedure. They practiced the All-State repertoire until 8:00 p.m. that evening with intermediate breaks and time off for lunch and dinner.

Saturday was the third and final day. The group had a shorter practice session, approximately four hours, to eliminate the finer mistakes so the band could perform to the best of its abilities.

The zenith of all this hard work and concentration came at 8:00 p.m. Saturday night when the musicians assembled for the Grand Concert. Here the All-State Band displayed to a large audience what they had accomplished as individuals and as a group working as a whole.

Dr. McBeth concluded at the end of the concert, that in all his 13 years experience of directing All-State Bands, that South Dakota's All-State had one of the best rehearsing technics he had ever worked with.

Sixty-eight high schools were represented in this years All-State band.

"Capriccio Concertante" was the featured number for this year's concert. Written by Dr. McBeth especially for the All-State Band, the number is to be made available for all bands in South Dakota during the 1976 year in commemoration of the Bicentennial in South Dakota.

Riggs High School delegates to Boys State and Girls State were announced at an all school assembly Tuesday. Ten boys and four girls were chosen by the Pierre American Legion and Legion auxillary after the Junior Class and faculty had made preliminary nominations.

Two journalists, Elizabeth Sahr and Tom Dickman, will also be representing Riggs High School at the annual

government workshops.

Girls selected to attend the week long session on the campus of DWU, Mitchell, June 1-7, include Debra Hayes, Beth Popowski, Carmen Corcoran and Dotta Jo Trembly. Alternates are Jody Badger and Barb Logan.

The delegates to Boys State on the campus of NSC, Aberdeen, May 25-31 include Rusty Butler, Todd Barker, Doug Gullickson, Doug Rounds, Mark Johnson, Kevin Kneip, Bill Bullard, Charles Jansen, Terry Robinson, Mike Trautner. The alternates are Gary Sundahl, Brad Fawcett and Jeff Van Klompenburg.

Selection for the honor is based on scholarship, character, service, citizenship and leadership. Students must be in the upper one third of boys or girls scholastically to be eligible.

During the week long session the students will get the opportunity to see the democratic process in action as they elect local, city and national officers and manage the business of city, state and national governments.



Regional finalists in the DECA contest in Aberdeen this month are from the left: standing, Pam Richards, Sig Ryland; seated, Barb Biggs, Lori Lower; not pictured, Doug Rose [Photo by Les Traut]

5 DECA finalists advance to state

Riggs High had five finalists in the Regional DECA contest held in Aberdeen March 17-18 out of 13 contestants from Pierre.

Finalist from Riggs in the Central Region contest were Sigard Rydland, Pam Richards and Barb Biggs in the window display division, Lori Lower in the advertising division, and Doug Rose in salesmanship. These finalists will attend the state DECA contest in Spearfish on April 7-8.

The 13 contestants from Pierre were accompanied to the tournament by advisers Charles Fjelstad and Stan Wahl.

Spanish & German Aides head for home

Last November, the students and staff at Riggs were privileged to host Giglia Barrios from Chile and Rose Marie Mueller from Switzerland. After five months of work in the school system as active teacher's aids as well as students, they departed last weekend.

Giglia aided Mrs. Leach's Spanish classes in Junior and Senior High and enjoyed it very much. She was impressed by the system of students choosing their own classes. This way, she says, the students are interested in what they take. Giglia was enrolled in American Indian Culture last quarter, and this quarter in Basic Composition and American Literature. She has learned more about American language and culture through these classes. Giglia commented that her hosting family, the Pietruses, have been very kind and she will never forget this experience.

Upon leaving, Giglia will travel to Ohio and New York, and get back to Chile before the end of April, when she would like to find a job. "The worst part is when

you have to leave," she stated. Giglia would like to return to America someday, but admits that it is expensive to live here, and that Chile is her home.

Rose Marie Mueller has been living with the Lenners family since her arrival from Lucerne November 2. She found the

Pierre schools easy to adjust to because both the students and teachers were open friendly. Commenting on the educational opportunities for students, Rose Marie said she was a bit disappointed in the fact that some of the

students didn't take as much interest in their classes although it was their choice to take them! Going on, she explained that in Switzerland they hadn't as much choice as in Pierre.

Contemporary Literature, Basic Composition, Indian Culture and Recent American History. She also helped Mrs. Mickelson's

German classes. Although she said the daily schedule did get a bit monotonous (she was used to a weekly schedule) she felt the school system was something to be admired on the whole.

Considering the entire adventure, Rose Marie believed she discovered new ideas and said that it was good to know different things.

"Where-ever you go, there are things you like and don't like, it's usually a mixture," was her conclusion.

Rose Marie departed March 21 for a tour of the Southwest and then returned to New York for her trip back home.



"The Singing Engineers" from South Dakota School of Mines presented an hour long program of songs and dances early this month for Riggs High students. A highlight number, "Once Upon a Time", featured Mary Jo Rezac, chosen from the audience by the singers, to aid them in producing a romantic mood. [Photo by Steve Corcoran]

After long treacherous days of toil and hardship, we have reached a welcome glimpse of the near end.

We, prisoners of Pierre High School and its shadowy snow blanketed environment, have found new hope of escaping the cruel clutches of our habitat. How?

IT has come! What is IT?

IT is warmth seeping through the frosty outline around us.

IT is faded color bursting to a bolder shade, and it's IT that brings freedom thru the wind. IT has winter turning tail and running, catching it's cold breath behind.

IT is Spring. And Spring is the Beginning.



A few of Mr. Shield's gym class help clean the back school grounds as part of spring house cleaning.



Five students were chosen to attend the VICA Skill Olympics on March Watertown where they competed in the auto mechanics, electronics, and display contests. Those participating include from the left: Mr. Robert Clough, adviser, Brian Schaunaman, Leroy Uhrig, Bob Lipetsky, Halona Hall and Dan McFarling.

We Roll Along

Senioritis transforms Lee

I've heard senioritis defined a thousand various ways, but I, myself, call senioritis a human metamorphose, a time when the cocoon has been pushed away, but the wings have not yet dried.

Numerous transformations occur in one's home when one reaches the twelfth grade. During this time, there seems to be a great desire by the Senior to get out of the house. This need may be explained in many ways.

First, a Senior's room suddenly develops into a pollutant dynasty due to one's absence, caused by a demanding schedule of activities. Thus, the room has that "lived in" look to such an extent that one is practically forced to "live out" of it. Now, I think it is necessary to point out to my fellow Seniors the old saying, "You can judge a person by her own backyard". If a backyard is trashy, it can only indicate that the person in charge has been too darn busy to bother with it.

Another reason why a Senior may want to leave is the embarrassing re-occurance of the memorable grade school clumsiness. This causes a Senior to do such things as pull towel racks off doors, and awkwardly walk through the entire house with mud, rocks, or whatever else sticks, on the bottom of her shoes.

Third, a Senior may want to leave simply because there is nothing to do. With no Barbie dolls, Tonka toys, or coloring books, a growing mind is apt to search outside the home for enjoyment.

And fourth, not only does a Senior want to leave, but the parents want

It seems like arguments are at an all-time high in the home of a senior I guess, though, a transformation occurs in parents as well as their children. And I guess it is this entire experience that makes senioritis so catchy. While a senior is trying to dry her wings as quickly as possible, her parents stand by holding the cocoon.

Prom preparations underway

Preparations for the 1975 Junior -Senior Prom are well underway as the date, April 26 draws near, according to Rusty Butler, Junior class president.

The theme has been selected and committees appointed for the detailed work including the banquet, the entertainment, invitations, decorations, and waiters and waitresses. The band, has been booked for the dance.

The evening begins with a banquet for the seniors followed by the dance for both seniors and juniors. All will be in Riggs High Gym.

Eighteen sophomore waiters and

waitressess have been selected for the banquet by vote of the Junior class members.

The two receiving the most votes were appointed head waiter and waitress. The waiters include Mark Flannery (head), Greg DuBois, Randy Gullickson, Eric Johnson, Kent Kneip, Ed Lipetzky, Greg Sibson, John Smith and Greg VanKlompenburg.

The waitresses are Barb Rezac (head), Sherri Boe, Jackie Briggs, Calhy Cruse, Marsha Drummond, Deb Gordon, Sue Lee, Pam Welch and Sue Wheeler.



The 1975 Junior-Senior Prom waiters and waitresses are from left, waitresses, Sue Wheeler, Barb Rezac, Jackie Briggs, Sue Lee, Marsha Drummond, Pam Welch, Sherri Boe, Cathy Cruse, and Deb Gordon. Waiters are John Smith, Kent Kneip, Greg DuBois, Randy Gullickson, Greg Sibson, Ed Lipetzky, Greg VanKlompenburg, and Eric Johnson. Not pictured is Mark Flannery.

Spring Play To be held in Choir Room

The Riggs drama department will present the spring play, The Miracle Worker, April 7, 8, and 10 at 8:15 in the choir room at Riggs High, under the direction of Mr. David Shelp, drama coach.

Tammy Winkler and Susan Parr play the lead parts of Annie Sullivan and Helen Keller. Pat Looby will portray Helen's father Captain Keller and Shelly Wooley portrays Helen's mother. There are eight supporting cast members.

Because of the complexity of the play, there are two student directors, Jenny

Jorgenson and Hyrma Zakahi.

The play has presented many problems in costuming, set design and props. The setting of the play is in the 1880's which means all costumes must represent that period. This play has hundreds of props, which take time to assemble even though they are common and easy to find. The prop crew is searching for a water pump, the kind used at most homes before electricity and city water systems.

The set design calls for all levels of the house to be seen by the audience at once so the bedroom must be built six feet off

the ground.

Besides that, it has the ordinary problems of when to schedule practice so everyone can come, forgotten lines and not enough time for rehearsals.

The performance has been moved from the stage to the choir room because rehearsals have been there. This change will limit the audience to 80 each performance. Tickets will be sold in advance so as to assure seats for those wanting to attend.

Sheppard, Lipetsky chosen March winners

Susan Sheppard and Bob Lipetskzy have been chosen the citizens-of-themonth for March by Harding Motors and will have the use of the 1975 Maverick until April 1.

This is Bob's first year at Riggs. He played football, won the state championship for wrestling at 155 and was selected King of Hearts. His part-time job is at the Pierre Farmers Elevator. His motto is "take it as it comes" and that's precisely what he's doing with the car. When asked about the award he said, "I was surprised and happy about it."

Susan, the other winner, was selected for her scholastic record, worthy citizenship, and tolerance toward inexperienced, ambitious reporters. Susan is one of the First Ladies drill team, who, incidently, did a fantastic job at Sioux Falls. Susan is also a member of the pep club. Hr t employment is at the larket. Sooper

Track season to begin April 1 at Redfield



Coach Larry Lundeen gives some of the distance runners a short pep talk before their work-out. Track men have been conditioning for over two weeks now in preparation for the spring season.

[Photo by Les Traut]

The Riggs cindermen, hindered by untavorable weather conditions, are doing their best to ready themselves for their first dual meet at Redfield on Monday, April 1.

With 45 boys out for spring track, coaches Vern Miller, Larry Lundeen and Don Shields are looking forward to this season with much optimism. They feel that their first meet with Redfield should be a good indicator of how they will do in the remainder of the season.

Shaping this year's team are six returning lettermen including: seniors,

Phil Thomas, Ron Mann; juniors, Russ Harrison, Tim Axtman, Doug Rounds; sophomore Tom Stalley.

The track schedule for April lists ten meets including four Tuesday meets and three Saturday meets.

Three meets will be at Hollister Field in Pierre including the big annual Pierre Legion Relays which draws nearly 50 schools from around the state. The Legion Relays started in 1924 and has only been canceled once because of

underway; 55 try out

"I think the girls are going to do fairly well this year" quoted Miss Carol Kendall, Pierre girls track coach.

Track

There are presently 55 girls starting the track season, but Miss Kendall expects to reduce the team to 40 this week.

The team's first meet will be April 1 in Redfield, where the girls will compete in the 100, 200, and 440 yard dashes, and the half mile and one mile runs; the 440, 880 medley and mile relays; 180 low hurdles, 80 low hurdles, long jump, broad jump, shotput and discus.

The team started training before Christmas and are presently working out for about 2 hours a day under the direction of Miss Kendall and assistant

coach Mr. Don Shields.

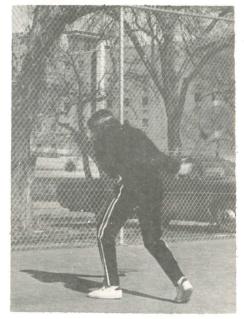
Girls

Six senior high girls are second year team members including Sandy Simmons, Beth Popowski, and Ahlene Stillwell who took first in the 880 relay at the State meet last spring. The other Riggs High tracksters are: Sandy Kloiber, Cathy Kloiber, Joni Opbroek, Roberta Barnes, Deb Hayes, Jackie Gardner, Nena Nelson, Sue Wheeler, Carlene Corcoran and Deb Kosters.



Junior Roberta Barnes, a member of the girls' track team practices her shot but form during a workout at Hollister Field. She is one of the 55 girls starting the season. [photo by Les Traut] The probable meets for April are

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8	Huron	H
11	CEB Invitational	\mathbf{T}
15	Miller	\mathbf{T}
18	Pierre Legion Relays	\mathbf{H}
19	Track-o-rama RC	
23	Mobridge	H
26	Black Hills Relays	T
29	Mission	T



Senior Jim Thielen works on his ground strokes during a practice session at the Griffin park courts.

Racketmen attempt better record

The Pierre tennis team is busily preparing for the upcoming season which begins with a dual match at Huron on April 8.

This year's squad is expected to be very tough with five returning lettermen.

Leading the team will be Mike Trautner who won both the ESD and State singles titles last year. Other returning lettermen include seniors Jim Thielen, Ralph Flannery, Alan Olson and sophomore Mark Flannery. Other members of the team include Steve Likness, Brad Blow, Pat Springer, Tim Cronin and Mike Hemmelman.

This year's schedule includes the ESD Conference tourney which will be held in Pierre on May 12 and an invitational

tournament on May 17.

Coach Phil Trautner is very optimistic about the season. He feels "that we have just as good a chance at the State title as any of the other schools."

The netmen finished last year's dual season with an undefeated 9-0 record and took a second place finish in the ESD

tournament.

Student angler struck with fever

The warmth of the sun and the new spring air gave me an outdoorsy feeling. Fishing reports said that the walleyes were biting down by Farm Island. Having no work or errands that needed to be done immediately, I set out to go fishing.

My first job was to check out the equipment. Upon opening my tackle box, I found myself staring at an interwoven mass of stringers, fishing lines, hooks, leaders and lures. The struggle began. While undoing the knots and sorting the parts, I became lost in my work. When I found myself, and removed the hook from the back of my pants, I got right back into the challenge. An hour and a dozen or so sharp points later, the mess was cleared and I was ready to go.

When I got outside and peered into my boat, the odor knocked me back on my heels. There in the six inches of slimey leaves and water were the 17 dead rabbits I had abandoned three months ago. I parked the pick-up beside the boat, grabbed a snow shovel and scooped the rabbit carcasses into the back of the pickup. Leaving the gas mask on, I got into the pickup and drove to the dump where I quickly disposed of 17 unwanted rabbits, smell and all.

Now, after washing the bed of the pickup, came the challenge of what to do with the water in the boat. I couldn't dump it out in the driveway for the stench might last forever. So it was back out to the dump. There I tipped the boat over and raked out most of the slime. I got the rest of it out at home with the hose.

Only the final details were left. I went downtown, got my license, filled the truck with gas and bought some minnows. Going home and hooking up the boat again was all I had left to do. While doing this, I hadn't noticed that the air had turned cold and the sun was very low on the horizon.

Well, at least I'm all ready to go next weekend.

John Hayes



Members of the Boys' Intramural "A" division championship team display their enthusiasm after winning the title. McLellan's team includes from the left: Kevin Neuhauser, Jay Curry, Doug McLellen Larry Steffan and Mike Donahue. [photo by Les Traut]



Winners of the Boys Intramural "B" division basketball tournament chat about their season. They are from the left:Todd Solberg, Mike Laird, Tim Wilsey, Mike Shaw and Don Templeton.

McLellan, Templeton nab titles

McLellan's and Templeton's teams won the finals of the boys intramural basketball season.

McLellan and Templeton are cochampions for the season. On March 6, McLellan's team **cut down** Thomas' Tall Boys by the score of 42-35. With Captain Doug McLellan missing, Mike Donahue led the team with 20 points, Larry Stephan followed with 8 points, Jay Curry with 6 points. Phil Thomas led his team with 11 points while Darrell Jundt scored 6 points.

For 3rd place in the upper bracket, Lehecka's team squeaked past Merwin 69-65. Gary Cromwell, surprisingly, led the team with 25 points, followed by Lehecka with a respectable 18 points. Big T followed with 12. For the losers, Wayne Merwin bagged 25 points while Jeff Curry got 10 points.

For the championship in the lower bracket, Templeton's team felt the thrill of victory while Hayes felt the agony of defeat in a thrilling overtime win 49-45. Bill Hofer scored 18 points followed by Don Templeton with 10 points.

Mike Shaw controlled the boards with 18 rebounds and 6 points for the losing team, Russ Ball scored 20 points, with Pat Brown scoring 9 points.

For 3rd place Ralph Flannery's team whipped Tillman's team 62-48. With Tillman's team ahead 23-20 at the end of the first half, Bernie Linn went in and hit 21 points all in the second half to help his team win. Bruce Baker followed with 17 points, while Ralph Flannery got 12. For Tillman's team, Terry Merwin scored 25 points with Dave Tillman following with 12.

Highlight of the season was Wayne Merwin's 61 points in one game.

Chink (Mike Laird) broke his personal season scoring record and came through with 10 points for the year.

The final standings in regular season found Lehecka and McLellan tied for first with 8-3 records. Second place was taken by Thomas' team with a 7-4 record.

State 'A'--- vacation or basketball?

While sitting in Western Civ before going to the State "A" basketball tournament, I was quizzed by a sophomore, "Why would you go to State "A" if Pierre doesn't go?" and before I could answer the question myself, Steve Likness said "When is State "A" never fun?"

Precisely!! We went and, as usual, had the time of our lives -- seeing friends from around the state, watching the tournament, shopping in Sioux Falls and socializing in our motel room. And we were there to support our First Ladies who put on a tremendous performance.

The state basketball tournament is

probably the biggest three day high school social event in the state. Why miss it?

The eight of us, spending approximately \$50 each on room/board etc. tallied up \$500, which was well worth the experience, although we could have bought a car or something for that price.

Since I moved to Pierre in 1969, our team has always gone and it has been tradition to support the team at State "A". Now, as the competition gets tougher Pierre may not always get in the competition, but I'd say to all high school students, especially seniors—go anyway and have a great time.

Ron Barnes

YMCA offers summer camp in Minn. Wilderness

Camp Menogyn in the Minnesota lake wilderness will be the summer vacation spot for 14 Pierre YMCA members from July 18 to 26.

Čamp Menogyn is located on the Minnesota-Canada border in the Superior -Quetico Forest and is not accessible by any roads. This means the campers will have to get to the camping area by canoe.

The campers will be divided up into co-ed groups of 6 to 9. Since the kids plan their own canoeing and hiking routes in the backwoods, this could be described as "an exciting and wild experience."

The camping trip costs \$105 plus transportation for cipht days of backpac' noeing, and camping primitiv lighout the Superior-

'Y' Director Tom Beernsten chats with reporter

Today was the day of my interview with Mr. Tom Beernsten, executive director of the Oahe YMCA. The Y, located in the basement of the Masonic Temple, includes a main office (reception area), Mr. Beernsten's office, and the Y Center.

I decided to interview Mr. Beernsten for the "Governor" because I felt high school students should know what the

YMCA has to offer them.

I had barely gotten my left foot through the door of the Y when Jacque Bedsaul, one of the high school employees, stopped me. She explained that today was Junior-High day at the Y and no way could a senior high student enter.

It took some strong arguments to convince her that I had an appointment to interview Mr. Beernsten and that it would upset his schedule if I didn't get in.

I found Mr. Beernsten in the Y Center playing pool with some of the boys. Behind by 7 points, he decided it was time to be interviewed.

He showed me into his office which adjoins the Y center. I sat in a folding chair, and he took his place behind his desk.

Mr. Beernsten, leaning back in his chair, related, "The Y provides legitimate activities for high school students in a wholesome environment. It gives them the opportunity to participate in what they like to do."

As he began his next remarks someone in the Y Center started the juke box. The music echoed through the building. Mr. Beernsten raised his voice to explain that the Oahe YMCA is aimed primarily at senior high school and junior high school members. He reported that 350 senior high students have joined the Y and between 60 and 100 students use the Y Center each day. He admitted that more



Ed Briggs, left, watches as partner Steve Boe taps the ping-pong ball at the YMCA.

[Photo by Tiny Sahr]



The team of Steve Howard and Greg Dubois, left, battle Jeff Holden and Mike Stroup in a foosball game at the YMCA as John Lehecka, center looks on.

[Photo - Tiny Sahr]

boys than girls use the Y "probably because the games it offers are traditionally boys' games."

Just then there came a rumble from the Y Center. It sounded like a fight. Mr. Beernsten excused himself and went to see what was happening.

"Just a friendly scuffle," he announced

upon his return.

"Where were we?" asked Mr. Beernsten. "Oh, yes. The fact that we haven't had any damage or vandalism at the Y speaks well for the high school students. They are willing to police

themselves and take care of the Y Center."

There was a knock on the door. Jacque Bedsaul entered and asked if she could shovel the walks.

"Of course," replied Mr. Beernsten.
"Do people like Jacque who are willing

to put in extra work help insure the Y's future in Pierre?" I asked.

"Certainly," Mr. Beernsten answered. "The key to the Oahe YMCA's success is in Pierre's hands. Its growth will be determined by how badly the community wants it."

CHS students adjusting to move

With High School classes being held in six different buildings at Chamberlain since the Egleston building was condemned on Feb. 23 the faculty and students are adjusting to the change with varying degrees of tolerance and sympathy according to CHS HI-LIFE, the school newspaper.

Student reaction to the change is varied with the major complaint being that there is a big hassel getting between classes on time. Some students like this way better than before — it puts an interesting change in their school life. One student commented, "Good excerise and the fresh air is good."

Most of the faculty find it difficult to adjust to the change but they are getting used to it. Lack of facilities - water, gas, electricity - for science classes in the most unanimous complaint. Some faculty find the arrangement more satisfactory than in the old building.

It was on Feb. 23 that KELO-TV announced that the Egleston school building at Chamberlain was temporarily condemned because of cracks in the foundation, and there would be no school Monday or Tuesday. Later it was decided that Wednesday would also be needed to complete the evacuation. Students, faculty, administration and custodians joined in the moving process, according the the Hi-Life.

The building is closed except for the principal's office and the typing room on the first floor and the teacher's lounge in the basement. English classes have been moved to the County Court house. Social Studies, Home Ec., business classes and Church. Shop classes are in two other buildings in town.

The editorial in the March 13 issue comments "We are adjusting, though. Each day gets a little better — it looks as though we are still a unified school even though we are scattered around town."

The students at Riggs H h School congratulate the students at Chamberlain for meeting the emergency with positive action and cheerfulness. We hope your school will be back to normal next fall.

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