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The 1976-77 Homecoming royalty candidates include from the left; bottom row, Jackie Briggs, Mark Nellermoe, Marsha Drummond, Cathy Cruse; second row, Rene Stoesser, Barb Rezac, Jim Martin; 3rd row, Randy Gullickson, Carolyn Porter, Steve Howard, Kent Kneip; top row John Smith, Mark Flannery, Shari Boe, Pam Welch and Steve Bender. [photo by Shelly Wooley]

Inside: Homecoming activities in full swing.

Students argue need for controversial Equal Rights Amendments

EDITORS NOTE: The ERA or Equal Rights Amendment (for women) is a topic of great interest and controversy throughout the country as well as at Riggs High School. The following articles represent the sides of this issue according to two Riggs students.

pro SUE COLE

The ERA guarantees all woman in the United States rights equal to those of men.

It lets a woman have the legal authority to choose; it does not push her into going to work or going to war.

The ERA does not radically change any woman's life. It simply means that all women are not created careerists nor are all women created homemakers. It doesn't mean women are better mothers than men are fathers.

Why would a woman want to do the same job as a man for less pay? Why should she stay home and wax floors when she's got a degree in nuclear physics?

50-50ism

The ERA stands for 50-50ism. It stands for equal pay, equal employment benefits and equal insurance rates.

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The policy of the "Governor" is to attempt to report on all phases of curricular and extra-curricular school activities from an unbiased viewpoint.

Through editorial comments the "Governor" strives to represent the majority of the student body's views on pertinent issues.

Through features, columns and art work the "Governor" attempts to entertain and inform its readers.

The staff encourages the student body and administration to present their opinions through signed letters. They need not agree with the opinions of the "Governor" editors or of the school.

The editors reserve the right to accept or reject letters for publication. Signatures will be withheld upon request.

And what about the men? The ERA equalizes custody of children in divorce cases. Custody will be awarded to the parent better able to take care of the child. Why should an alcoholic mother be considered a better parent than a father, just because she's a woman? The need for change is evident.

The fears of many dependant divorcees that they will be sent out to work are groundless. Each alimony case will continue to be reviewed individually, based on the wife's need and the husband's ability to pay.

FEMINITY PRESERVED

Most important of all, the ERA will not destroy femininity. The considerate man will still open the door for a lady. Women can still cook if they want, but then they can go out and fix the car.

Why is the nurse, the teacher, the secretary, the assistant always female, instead of the doctor, superintendent, executive director, or judge? I don't know.

I think it's time women wake up out of their safe little cocoons and start wondering why. Women must realize that they won't stop being female when they become equal.

Editorial in nature

Student opinions requested

One of the major objectives of the GOVERNOR is to provide a forum for student opinion, in addition to editorials, concerning school-related and other issues.

We feel that a school paper when used effectively by its readers is the most productive "voice" of grievances held by students.

A number of responsible people have in the past brought about constructive changes in the school through presenting the problem and offering a practical solution.

Unfortunately though, students have been few in bringing their opinions forth. Certainly every student at Riggs has an opinion on issues involving the school and community. Only by an increased awareness of the problems can they be solved.

Comments don't necessarily have to be negative in nature, those presenting the good side of issues are also encouraged.

Hopefully this year student input will be sufficient to bring about positive change in making Riggs a better school.

con PAT LOOBY

There is no question that discrimination against women should be eliminated. But clearly the ERA is not in any way necessary to achieve this.

The first impression a reader might get from this article is that I'm a male chauvenist pig. Despite any similarities that may exist, I can assure you that isn't the case.

REPETITIOUS PROPOSAL

Upon a close examination, one finds that the ERA does not authorize any new legislative powers but simply duplicates legislation which already exists. In other words, the changes desired by most women (equal pay, no discrimination in employment, equal credit availability, so on) can be, or have been achieved, through existing mechanism - for example the 14th Amendment to the Constitution says that no one can be denied "equal protection of the laws."

EXISTING LAWS AND DECISIONS

Proponents of the ERA assert that their amendment encompasses more than the equal protection clause because courts have failed to make "equal protection" work for women. But the December 1972 Supreme Court ruling in *Reed v Reed* states that the equal protection clause nullifies state laws which provide "dissimilar treatment (for men and women) who are similarly situated." In other words, discrimination is illegal, and there has been action to eradicate discrimination. Congress has passed legislation enforcing the provisions of the 14th Amendment.

The Equal Pay Act of 1963 makes it obligatory for employers to give equal pay for equal work and Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act prohibits discrimination against women in employment.

The problem is not that we lack laws to assure equal

treatment of women, but that they are not always enforced. That is part of the legal aspects of ERA.

INSTANT ACCEPTANCE?

But on a social basis, nobody believes that just because there is a constitutional amendment society will immediately accept women in what was formerly seen as a man's job. Even though she has every legal right to be one, not everyone is going to approve of a woman mechanic or ditchdigger; and just because "it's the law" won't change people's minds. If it would, black people would have never had to fight for some 100 years while trying to achieve equality.

The other important legal aspect of the ERA is just what it means. In its entirety, the Amendment is only 52 words long. Thus the whole direction the law takes will depend on the action of the Supreme Court, after the ERA becomes law. So nobody knows exactly what we would be getting and what it would accomplish.

Whether or not you believe that women should be drafted, whether or not you believe that a wife should be the breadwinner of a family if she is a better wage earner, whether or not you believe that a divorced woman should pay alimony if she is more

CLOSER LOOK AT THE ERA

affluent than her husband - none of these are reasons to support the ERA. Several provisions of the U.S. Constitution already authorize Congress to legislate action in any of these areas separately.

But, if the ERA fails to be ratified, don't blame men for its downfall. For, as a recent issue of Newsweek said, "It is thus shaping up as a battle, not of women against men, but of women against women - and that, say women, is the most distressing aspect of ERA."

NOTICE

Student pictures and identifying names will be printed in the Riggs High School annual and school paper and given to the local news media on those occasions that warrant it. However, any student, or the student's parent if the student is under

the age of 18, may request that his picture not be published in the media or in the school yearbook, such request to be made in writing to the principal of the high school. This does not cover pictures taken by the news media of school events.

Homecoming game, dance to climax spirit-filled week

Homecoming week will end on a high note Friday night with the homecoming dance following the Governor's contest against the Madison Bulldogs at Hollister field.

"Green and White Day" tomorrow will begin with the

Two Riggs High students advance in NMS status

Mark Leach and Todd Wilkinson have been named semi-finalists in the 1976 National Merit Scholarship program, according to word received by Principal Roger Lonbacken.

To earn the standing of semi-finalists, senior students must earn the highest qualifying scores in their state on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying test, given to over one million students across the nation last spring.

Mark is the News Editor of the "Governor" and is a regular sports reporter for the Pierre Times. He was a Boys State Journalist last spring.

Todd's major interest is airplanes, and he is now working on his commercial pilots license. Todd soloed at the age of 16 and received his private pilots license at 17. He was the recipient of the CAP Billy Mitchell Award last year for his outstanding activities with the Civil Air Patrol. He was a tuba player in the band for those years.

The semi-finalists will find out early in 1977 if they have advanced to the status of NMS finalists. Scholarship awards are announced then also. Besides the scholarships given by the NMS board, the finalists are eligible for numerous scholarships offered by private corporations and colleges.

annual pep club spirit breakfast at 7 a.m. which will honor all football team members.

School will be dismissed following fourth period so that students can add final touches to their floats. Judging of floats will begin at 1 p.m. and the parade starts down Capitol Ave. at 1:30 p.m.

Each class will be represented by two floats, one using a spirit theme and one unspecified theme. The parade will be lead by the Homecoming Royalty Float. Clubs which will be represented in the parade include the Foreign Language, Drill Team and D.E.C.A.

At 7:30 tomorrow evening, the Governors tangle with Madison in the homecoming game. The Riggs High Marching band, under the direction of Mr. Paul Upsahl, will entertain at half time. The Homecoming Queen, Marshall and attendants will be presented.

The 1976 Homecoming Marshall and Queen will be announced at the Minneshosho Days ceremonies in the gym at 7:30 p.m. this evening. The entire student body voted for the Homecoming royalty after the senior class nominated the following candidates: for queen, Shari Boe, Jackie Briggs, Marsha Drummond, Carolyn Porter, Cathy Cruse, Barb Rezac, Pam Welch, Lorena Stoesser; for marshall, Steve Howard, Mark Flannery, Steve Bender, Jim Martin, Mark Nellermeoe, John Smith, Randy Gullickson and Kent Kneip.

Mistresses of Ceremonies Terry Kuehl and Sally Skotvald will reveal the royalty winners.

Dress up days have kept school spirits high as most of the student body participated in "Crazy Days" on Monday, "Slicker Days" on Tuesday, "Senior Day" on Wednesday.



Mayor John Smith and Pam Welch do their part to complete the traditional Indian design backdrop for tonight's coronation ceremonies. [photo by Shelly Wooley]

S.D. Press Convention to feature announcement of contest winners

Highlighting the 52nd Annual High School Press Convention, Saturday, October 2, on the campus at SDSU will be the announcement of the 1976 publication contest winners.

Riggs High School yearbook and newspaper are both entered in the annual contest where they are in competition with schools of over 500 enrollment. Last year both the "Governor" and the "Gumbo" received All-State awards.

The "Governor" will receive recognition when Editor Pat Springer, 1976-77 All-State Journalist is introduced at the general assembly.

Workshops and lectures on newspaper and yearbook layout, photography and writing will be

offered to all the journalists attending the day long event.

Pat Miller, 1972-73 editor of the "Governor", will be one of the featured workshop leaders at the afternoon session. He will speak on picture composition.

Twenty Riggs students and adviser, Mrs. Mary Jewel Ledbetter and Mr. Terry Peterson, will be attending. Four students will be entering the writing and photography contests which are held during the convention.

"The convention offers workshops with practical application for high school newspapers and yearbooks," said Mrs. D.J. Cline, executive secretary of the South Dakota High School Journalism Association and convention coordinator.

Banks honor four Riggs students

Four Riggs High School seniors have been selected to attend the South Dakota Bankers Association 15th Annual Economic Seminar For Young Adults October 6 and 7 in Pierre. Representing Pierre are Mark Krebs, Steve D. Johnson, Molly Jahraus, and Cindy Lenners.

The Seminar will be held at the Kings Inn where the representa-

tives will be addressed by bankers and people from various colleges.

Each participant submitted an essay on "What a Bank Should Mean To My Community" which will be entered in the writing contest.

The four Pierre youths are sponsored by the Pierre National Bank and the First National Bank.



Mark Leach, left and Todd Wilkinson are the 1976 National Merit semi-finalists from Riggs High School. [photo by Mark Schuler]

Spanish and Norwegian students attend Riggs to observe education, way of life, and students in American high school

Else Marie Bernt, 18, an AFS student from Bergen, Norway is spending the next 9 months in Pierre with the Charles Martin family.

Her father is a branch manager for a company that manufactures trucks, buses and machinery. Her mother is a housewife. She also has two married brothers and now claims the five girls in the Martin family as her new sisters.

As all students in Norway, she studied English from fifth grade through the ninth grade. She also studied English in high school.

She finds several differences between American and Norwegian schools. Only 30% of the Norwegian students go to high school, which offers mathematics and natural sciences, languages, and economical courses. Some of the remaining students go to vocational schools.

She describes American high schools as a combination of Norwegian high school and vocational schools.

She also finds the diets of teenagers in the two countries are different. Hamburgers, salads, junk foods and pre-prepared food are unusual in Norway.

Cars, televisions and telephones are used much more in America. In Norway buses take the place of cars. There is one channel on T.V. and no commercials, and telephones are paid for by every three minutes of use.

Another difference concerns fads in clothing. Else notes that style changes in America aren't as rapid as they are in Norway.

Among her special interests are singing, volleyball, tennis, dancing, snow skiing and watching soccer.

Victor Piccione, is a new senior at Riggs this year from Madrid, Spain. Even though he isn't a real AFS student, the AFS club feels he is qualified as one.

In the 1968-69 school year, Victor's sister, Esther, was an AFS student at Riggs. The AFS club feels that because one member of the family was an AFS student, the whole family is AFS oriented, according to Jay Mickelson, AFS adviser.

It was because Esther told how much she liked it in Pierre that Victor decided coming to Pierre was for him.

Comparing schools, Victor notes the relationship between teacher and student is closer than in Spain. He has to get used to the idea that students change classes, for the teachers in Spain do the changing! He was amazed at the many courses and extracurricular activities he had to choose from.

From all the choice of classes, he chose Basic Composition, Western Expansion, Spanish(!), Speech, Government, P.E., Crafts, and Contemporary Literature for his year's study.

He has taken two years of French, three years of Latin. After attending his regular school he should attend a private school to learn English. Before being permitted to come to the United States, he had to take a math entrance exam.

In regard to athletics, Victor said that in Spain there were teams similar to basketball, but hardly much more. Victor is familiar with the game of baseball, but the game of football is completely new to him.



The foreign students attending Riggs for 1976-77 are Victore Piccone and Else Marie Bernt.

Victor belonged to a film club in Madrid. They would correspond with big movie companies like MGM and Paramount and ask to have films sent for them to view since they didn't see them at their city theatres. Then they would get together in a room and view the films.

Besides traveling to the United States, Victor has travelled to many countries in Europe, like Southern France, the Mediterranean Coast and Portugal.

The seventeen year old senior, who has a birthday September 30th, lives with the Albert Hartog family.

'Preview of Progress' presented at assembly

Lights flashed and girls squealed as John Pekarek and Reggie Harris gave the Riggs High students a "Preview of Progress" on Wednesday morning, Sept. 22.

The show, by means of dancing laser beams, rubber in 20 seconds, bouncing eggs and sun powered carts, was easy to watch and quite informative.

The students were entertained by an experiment featuring synthetic rubber made in a pop bottle in one minute. The men also demonstrated baking a polymer foam cake, and explained the catalytic converter used to reduce air pollution from gas combustion engines.

Dave Thompson responded to the call for a strong volunteer, but when he was asked to swing a suitcase back and forth in a straight line, he did not know that it contained a gyroscope revolving at 1300 rpm. After many unsuccessful tries, Dave was told that it was impossible because of the power of the gyroscope, a small device no bigger than the fist which can lead a satellite to the moon.

The most popular demonstration was an experiment in which a laser beam reacted to everyday sounds and music and was translated to a viewing screen as moving light rays. Mr. Pekarek explained that the laser is "a good

solution looking for a problem; the future of lasers is limited only by man's imagination."

Mr. Pekarek, a graduate of Ball State University, explained and executed the experiments as Mr. Harris, from the University of Wisconsin, acted as the assistant.

"Previews of Progress" is designed to encourage students to enter the fields of science, engineering or related careers for tomorrow's progress.



The American Musical Ensemble of Riggs High School rehearses for an appearance for the S.D. Library Association bottom left; Pat Rezac, Kristi Anderson, Daria Kosters, Cindy Neiland, Althea Fuoss, Brigitte Pfeiffer, Cindy Poile, back; Kathy Feldstein, Darrell Hartman, Clyde Linn, Andy Barton, Brad Vieth, Ron Hall and Becky Ricketts. [photo by Mark Schuler]



"Swing it straight, you say?" Dave Thompson says to GM's Public Relations man, John Pererek during the "Previews of Progress" Assembly on Sept. 22.



An all male foursome will be in charge of Senior activities for 1976-77. The reigning class officers are from the left: Steve Howard, treasurer, Jim Martin, secretary, Mark Flannery, vice president, and Bud Whitney, president. [photo by Rick Maas]



Junior class officers who will be directing the Junior-Senior prom and other class activities for 1976-77, are from the left: Joe Newling, vice president, Laurie Obenauer, treasurer, Cathy Cowan, secretary, and Dave Park, president. [photo by Shana Fliginger]



Newly elected Sophomore class leaders are from the left: Nancy Conway, vice president; Lonnie Badger, treasurer; Barb Nye, president; and Blake Thomas, secretary. [Photo by Terry Doran]

Choice option offers lunch variety

Students who eat lunch in the school cafeteria now have a say in what they want put on their trays and with new "choice option", more varieties of food will be offered.

In the past, the students have been given all parts of the A type menu. This year, students have the option of taking only those foods they like as long as their tray contains three of the four basic food groups. In other words, if a student does not like a particular food, he may refuse it.

Chef salads are also being offered in place of the day's main dish. However, students wishing salads, must sign for them before 10:30 a.m. and specify which of the six kinds they prefer: turkey, tuna, fruit, bologna, sausage or cheese.

To cure the "between class munchies" the snack bar is open from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. offering a variety of nutritious foods, everything from long johns to pickles. The prices are reasonable.

Springer qualifies as All-Stater

While attending the Institute for School Publications this summer, Pat Springer, editor of the GOVERNOR, qualified for the 1976-77 All-State Journalism staff.

During the 14th annual institute, journalism students attended lectures and were tested as to style of writing, composition of headlines, editorial comments, and page make-up, etc.

All of the students' writing was evaluated-the first three place finishers in every category receiving a commendation for their performance. Springer earned a first place in feature writing and a third in the headline composition division.

Students were also judged on their over-all performance, with the top 20 of the 112 in contention named to the All-State staff.

During the school year the All-Staters will spend a day with the state legislator of the their

choice and will be hosted to a day-on-the-job by a local newspaper. All-Staters will also contribute their writing and photographs to the EDITOR, the state high school journalism newsletter.

In addition, Springer will be recognized at the High School Press Convention, October 2 at SDSU.

Teen wreck rate increases

1975 S.D. TEENAGE ACCIDENT RECORD

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| AGE - 14-19 | - 57 killed | - 1,816 injured |
| AGE - 14-19 | - property damage accidents | - 4,560 |
| AGE - 14-19 | - 1 fatal pedestrian accident | - 18 injured |
| AGE - 16-19 | - 16 killed in 458 accidents due to teenage drinking | |

In 1975 the highest accident rate was in July.

In 1975 the most accidents occurred between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

The type of accident which rated the highest was "Ran off the Road"

First of five ACT's to be administered

Coming up on Saturday, October 9 is the first of five A.C.T. tests given in the Pierre area. Seniors who signed up and paid the registration fee of \$7.50 will report to the study hall Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. for the four-hour test.

The A.C.T. (American College Test) is voluntary but it is required for entrance into any S.D. college. It is advisable for seniors to take this test as early in the year as possible, according to Mr. Walter Flannery, guidance counselor.

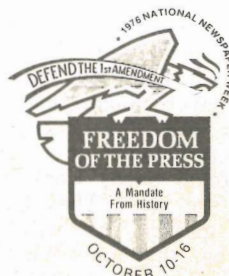
Any senior interested in ROTC training in college should take either the S.A.T. (Scholastic Aptitude Test) or the A.C.T. test by December.

Journalism students place well in contest

Two of last year's Journalism students, Sue Lee and Lisa Hickman, won U.S. Savings bonds in the 1976 Early Dakotan Interview contest for high school students sponsored by the South Dakota Press Women's association.

Sue placed second on her interview of Mrs. Edine Hodoval, an early pioneer of Fort Pierre and received a \$50 prize.

Lisa placed third on her interview of Mrs. Viola Kelly a Blunt and Pierre resident. She received a \$25 prize.



Pierre Governors Are One And One In ESD Conference Action

With the football season almost half over, the Pierre Governors football team is already doing better than last year. The Governors are 2-2 on the season so far and are 1-1 in the ESD Conference. The five remaining games are all ESD games.

The Pierre Governors fell to a strong Watertown Arrow football team last Friday night.

Watertown built to a strong 21-0 lead at the end of the first half and cancelled the Governors second half rally leaving the score 31-20.

Steve Bender had a one year stampede for the Govs first touchdown.

Tim Smith's six yard run raised Pierre's score to 14.

A pass from quarterback Mark Flannery to receiver Greg DuBois ended the Governors' drive.

The Governors took advantage of mistakes made by the Mitchell Kernels in the game played at Hollister field on Sept. 17, and finished 34-14, an Eastern South Dakota Conference win.

Tim Washechek scored on a 25 yard fumble recovery and Dave Gates had a 3 yard scoring pass from quarterback Mark Flannery.

Tim Smith, Steve Howard and Mark Benson also added on short TD dives.

A week earlier, Sept. 10 Winner Warriors took a look at defeat when the Governors upset them by a score of 28-14.

Mark Benson scored twice, once on a two-yard dive and the other on a one-yarder.

Tim Smith's five yard attack and Steve Bender's 42 yard touchdown pass from Mark Flannery were the other Governor points.

The first Governors home game on Sept. 4 against a tough Rapid City Stevens team found Pierre taking the loss by a score of 18-7.



Mark Benson narrowly eludes a pair of Winner tacklers for a TD during the Sept. 10 home game. The contest ended as a Governor victory with a score of 28-14. [photo by Terry Doran]

Lady Govs Enter Second Year Optimistically

The Lady Govs basketball team is looking forward to their second exciting year of interschool competition and have two wins to their credit so far.

With three of their 16 games already played, Coach Felderman feels that the team is 102 percent better than last years.

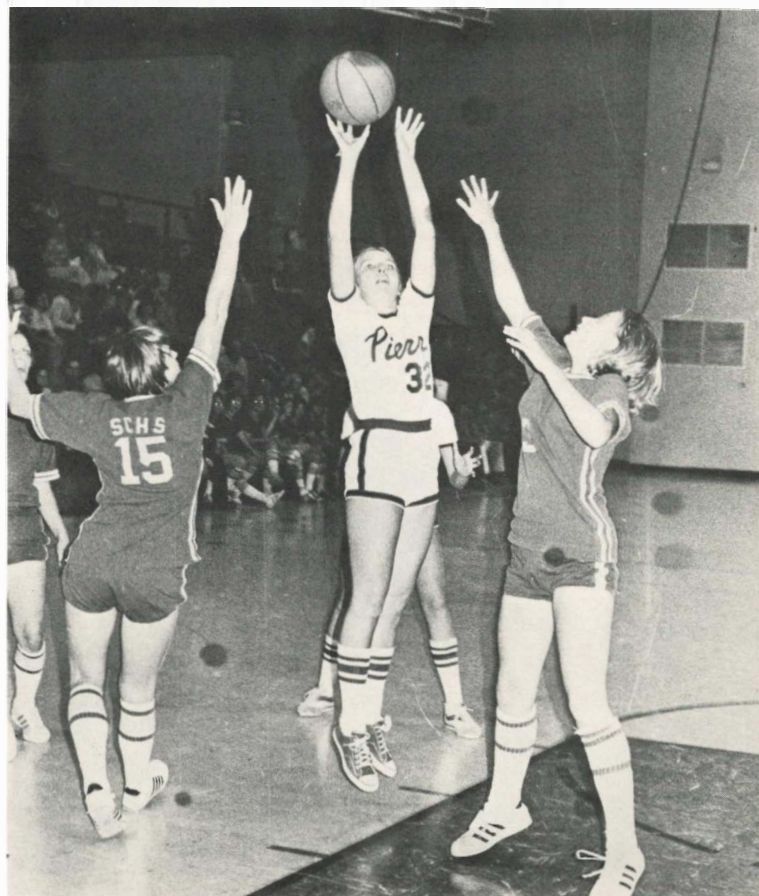
At this time the Lady Govs are ranked 2nd in the state, in ESD standings.

In the only conference game, against Mitchell, on Sept. 17 at Mitchell the score was a close one ending at 41 to 45. Pierre's free throw percentage of 60% made the girls proud.

The first game, played against Gettysburg on Sept. 7, ended up a Governor victory with the score of 59 to 22. Twenty-four goals and 7 out of 14 free throws made up the score.

Next, the victorious Governors traveled to Fort Pierre, Sept. 14, winning once again against the old rivals in a score of 48 to 33. Fort Pierre games resulted in Paula Keller fouling out and three Fort Pierre players fouling out. Cindy Lenners was leading rebounder with 13 rebounds.

The team needs work on the offense the most. They have no trouble getting the ball to the inzone, and they know what to do but tend to get excited, commented Coach Felderman.



Carrie Burke dodges a Fort Pierre defender in the Sept. 14 home game. The game ended as a Pierre victory, 48-33. [photo by Shana Fliginger]

Boys Golf Team Expects Strong Competition Oct. 4

The Riggs High boys golf team, under the direction of Coach Terry Hofer, has been in full swing for the past three weeks. The team has so far compiled a record of two 1sts, two 2nds, and one 5th in the five meets held thus far.

Returning this year as seniors are: Joe Krogman, Don Sheppard and Bill Thelen.

Brady Marone, Mark Schuler, Derek Hazeltine, Keith Kneip, John Buhler, Pat Doyle and Mike Jahraus make up the junior section with Joe Linn, Trent Thompson, Mark Perry and Sam Gilker-son as sophomores.

The team's next competition will be the Regionals in Chamberlain and Coach Hofer is expecting tough competition from the Miller and Winner teams.

Coach Lundeen Expresses Optimism For Both Cross Country Teams

Coach Larry Lundeen feels optimistic about this year's Cross Country season for the boys.

With his first three runners chosen, John Smith, Paul Mer-nough and Keith McGruder, he is looking for the 4th and 5th runners to fill out his team for conference and sectional competition next month.

Team standings so far show the boys with a win, three 3rds and a loss.

They started the season at the Redfield Invitational on Sept. 4 where they defeated Huron to win the event.

The following week Sept. 11, they came in 3rd behind S.F. Washington and R.C. Stevens for 3rd place at the Mitchell Invitational.

At home on Sept. 17, they were defeated by Cheyenne-Eagle Butte and R.C. Stevens, and the following day, they placed 3rd again at Huron behind S.F. Washington and R.C. Stevens.

Last week, Sept. 21, at the Huron Dual they lost 26-29.

The Sophomore team has also had a good season with a 1st at the Mitchell Invitational, a 5th at the Huron Invitational and a 1st at the Huron dual with a score of 38-8.

The team faces three contests between now and the ESD contest. They will travel to Mission on Saturday for the Todd County Invitational, then a two day trip to R.C. Stevens on Oct. 18 and Black Hills State Invitational on Oct. 19.



John Smith cruises across the finish line to place 4th in the Pierre Invitational Cross Country Meet Sept. 17 [photo by Terry Doran]

"We're probably the favorite for winning at sectionals. The girls are coming along just fine," said Coach Larry Lundeen when asked about the girls Cross Country team. The girls have participated in five meets so far this season and have two more ahead before Sectionals in Huron on Oct. 22.

The girls team has doubled in size since last year as well as improving in skill.

The runners for the 1976 season are: seniors, Ahlene Stillwell and Jacque Gardner; juniors, Kim Paulson; sophomores, Dianne Bullard; Junior High, Kristi Hoenscheid, Terri Lautenschlager, LaRie Nelson and Rhonda Pier.

The girls won the dual with Huron on the Huron Elks Golf Course, Sept. 12, with a score of 34-21, placing Lautenschlager 1st, Nelson 2nd, Pier 4th, Hoenscheid

6th, Stillwell 8th and Paulson 12th.

The Pierre team faced seven tough teams on the Pierre Golf Course the week before, Sept. 17 coming out with a 3rd place victory and placing Lautenschlager 6th, Nelson 8th, Pier 9th, Gardner 25th, Stillwell 33rd and Paulson 43rd.

In their first two meets this fall the girls placed 2nd each time. Their first contest on Sept. 4 was the Redfield Invitational where they came in behind Huron. The following week at Mitchell they were aced out of top position by R.C. Stevens.

Future meets will include the R.C. Stevens Invitational Oct. 8, the Black Hills Invitational Oct. 9, ESD at Brookings Oct. 15, Sectionals at Huron Oct. 22, and the State meet at Brookings on Nov. 1st.

Girls Tennis Team Ends Year With 6-5 Record

by Beekley and Werthman

We (the 'Big Seven' Pierre Racquetters)* are looking forward to the State Tournament in Brookings which will close our '76 tennis season, after a 6-5 record.

It all started as we, in a state of apprehensive frenzy, arrived in Rapid City for our first match. This was not quite as simple as it may sound, for there were numerous factors working against us - four hours of treacherous driving, the boys golf team to accompany us, six hours of

strenuous playing and no Pragmatic Pick to 'firl us up'. But we 'Super Seven' pulled through with a 5-4 win over Rapid City Stevens and 7-2 over Rapid City Central.

Our next match, Sept. 10 was not as expressly eventful - a trip in intermittent rain to Huron - we arrived just in time to greet the first drops of rain Huron had had all day. They were not the last so the result was a 5-1 victory for Pierre in singles with the doubles completely rained out.

Aberdeen was the scene of our first defeat - Coach Pick deemed part of the loss to poor playing - and to better opponents. Aberdeen Central came through with a better score (7-2) than did Roncalli (6-3).

Suddenly our first at home tournament was upon us. We hosted Huron and Rapid City Central, Friday, Sept. 17. The outcome was quite favorable - an 8-1 win over Huron, 6-3 on Rapid City Central.

Of course we aren't that perfect-and we did try to be optimistic all the way to Bismark. For our doubleheader there the 21st of Sept. For five dusty hours

the car squeaked and creaked northward. As we cruised into N.D.'s capitol city at twilight, Coach Pick decided it was a good time to inform us that Central had cancelled out. Therefore we would play Bismarck twice.

"Oh yuk - are you kidding, Pick?" "Well, do you want to go home?" "Nice timing Pick."

Although the team made a good overall effort and gave Bismarck the best competition they'd had that year - the scores turned out 8-1, 8-1.

We put that one down for experience.

Two days later (Sept. 23) Pierre hosted Rapid City Stevens and Aberdeen Roncelli - again Rapid City was downed 6-3, and again Aberdeen blasted Pierre 7-2.

Pierre came in 3rd in the ESD match held in Pierre on Monday, Sept. 27. Aberdeen eased 1st and Brookings 2nd. The doubles teams of Cindy Beekley-Sue Lee and Sigrid Werthman-Cathy Cowan both lost first place to Aberdeen.

*Cindy Beckley, Sue Lee, Sigrid Werthmann, Carolyn Porter, Cathy Cowan, Carleen Corcoran, Collen Huntley.

by Pat Springer

Favoritism Of Athletes Or Congestion In Gym?

Some students and faculty have expressed concern over the apparent favoritism shown athletes in preparation for their extra-curricular activities.

In past years all varsity athletes, with the approval of their coaches and consent of the administration, were placed in 7th period study hall to facilitate practicing.

This year however, only athletes in varsity basketball (both boys and girls) are allowed the privilege of

practicing during the 7th period. All other athletes (those not involved with varsity basketball) who have 7th period free are merely coincidental.

The reason for the change is that other sports, such as football or tennis, have easy access to practice fields.

The problem, then, is one of facilities. During the period of time when the girls' and boys' basketball season overlap, the congestion in the gymnasium is severe. In addition to the

varsity basketball programs, there are also the junior varsity, sophomore and various intramural activities.

But, it is argued that if an exception is made, and the basketball players are given time during school to prepare for their extra-curricular endeavors, then those in other non-academic activities should be given equal consideration.

For example, debate, declam, drill team or drama students, should be given free time with their instructor, to

work on their respective activity, as do the basketball players.

Though sympathetic to the students' concerns, the administration holds that the objective during regular school hours remains to provide an academic and/or vocational education for the students, not to cater to extra-curricular activities.

The exception for athletics is due to lack of facilities and not as extra support for basketball.



Sophomore Cheerleaders for the '76-'77 school year are from the left; Jill Lundeen, Debbie Nellermore, Ann Burchill, Jackie Ivers and Leesa Savage. [photo by Shana Fliginger]

1976-77 school year brings ten new staff members to Riggs High

Nine people have joined Riggs' teaching staff this year. They are Mr. Mike Engels, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Peterson, Mrs. Candace Birhanzel, Mr. Myron Bryant, Mr. Robert Bozied, Miss Pamela Freemore, Mr. Robert Farrell and Mr. Paul Upsahl.

MIKE ENGELS

Mike Engels is the new sophomore biology teacher, head wrestling coach, and assistant coach for sophomore football. Originally from Watertown, he graduated from SDSU with a M.S. degree in Physical Education in 1975. He served as a graduate teaching assistant and assistant wrestling coach at SDSU. Engels taught and coached at Northwest Community College in Powell, Wyoming for a year before moving to Pierre.

Asked what he thinks of Pierre, Coach Engels replied, "We had a real warm welcome (almost 105° everyday). Seriously, though, I like Pierre. Everyone has been very helpful."

TERRY PETERSON

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Peterson, formally of Winner, have joined the Riggs High faculty this year. They have both had four years of teaching experience, three each in Winner. Mr. Peterson has a Master's degree in Speech from SDSU where he was a graduate teaching assistant for one year before going to Winner. He taught English along with being the debate coach and adviser of the yearbook and school paper at Winner High School.

SANDRA PETERSON

Mrs. Sandra Peterson has a B.S. in Sociology and Art from NSC and has also taught one year in Chester. Because she could only teach part-time in her major subject at Winner, the couple decided to apply for positions on the staff at Riggs High School.

Mr. Peterson now teaches English classes, is assistant debate coach, and adviser to the "Gumbo". Mrs. Peterson handles the art classes. Both like Pierre and hope to stay.

CANDACE BIRHANZEL

Mrs. Candace Birhanzel has joined the English Department on a part-time basis. In the morning she teaches English at Riggs, and in the afternoon she teaches remedial reading at St. Joseph's under a program administered by the Pierre Public Schools.

She is a graduate of the University of North Dakota, Ellendale, where she received her B.S. in Education.

Prior to moving to Pierre, she taught three years in Minnesota and two years in Montana.

Before teaching at Riggs, Mrs. Birhanzel was a substitute teacher and taught remedial reading in the elementary grades in the Pierre system.

Commenting on her initial reaction and general impression of Riggs, Mrs. Birhanzel said, "I am very impressed. It (Riggs) appears well run and the students seem enthusiastic, but the year has just begun."

MYRON BRYAN

Myron Bryant is the new Business Dept. teacher. He graduated in 1975 from Northern State College, and is presently working on his Master's degree. He is a native of Watertown.

Mr. Bryant teaches Typing I, II, III, and General Business I, II, III. This is his first teaching experience.

ROBERT BOZIED

Robert Bozied comes to Pierre as a Physical Education instructor and the new head football coach.

Bozied graduated from SDSU and has been teaching and coaching at Laurel, Nebraska for the past two years.

In addition to the three PE classes which Bozied teaches at Riggs, he also teaches PE at Washington Elementary School.

As a football coach, Bozied calls himself a positive thinker and believes that attitude and enthusiasm counts just as much as size and speed. Bozied also feels that good play execution is important, explaining that it is better to run a few plays well, than

many plays poorly.

"I really enjoy, Pierre, and I enjoy working with the young people here. My overall opinion of Pierre and Riggs High is great."

PAM FREEMORE

Joining Riggs High faculty as a new Home Economics teacher is Miss Pam Freemore.

Pam Freemore was born in Mobridge and spent most of her school years there. She moved to Aberdeen and went to Aberdeen Central High School. After finishing high school, her next objective was college. Miss Freemore attended Northern State College for her first year then transferred to South Dakota State University for the remainder of the four years. During her last year at college she was student teaching at Brookings Senior High. She is now a first year teacher at Riggs High. Miss Freemore's comments about Riggs were, "I'm glad to be here. I like the school, my students, the helpful faculty and the town."

As hobbies, Miss Freemore enjoys swimming, reading, cooking, sewing and traveling. She also loves to attend plays, football and basketball games.

ROBERT FARRELL

Also new this year is Robert Farrell who will be teaching in the Riggs High School's Agricultural Department.

Mr. Farrell brings to Riggs a colorful background of experiences. He is a graduate of SDSU

with a B.S. degree in Animal Science. Although Mr. Farrell has no previous experience in the school field, he taught his specialities in the Army where he held the rank of First Lieutenant.

Other than his two classes of Freshman Agriculture I, Mr. Farrell is instructing the adult classes of Irrigation of Range and Pastures.

When asked what impression Riggs has left with Mr. Farrell, he responded, "Good students; they seem to have adequate goals and everyone seems to get along fine."

PAUL UPSAHL

A University of North Dakota graduate, Paul Upsahl, joins the Riggs High staff as band director for the new school year.

Upsahl, married and the father of two children, has two years of vocal and instrumental teaching experience at Drayton, North Dakota and Valders, Wisconsin. He gives the improvement of balance among the various sections of the band as his major goal for 1976-1977.

Mrs. Upsahl, also a teacher, is currently giving private piano lessons in her home.

LAURA OSTREM

Another addition to the Riggs High staff is Ms. Laura Ostrem, the library assistant, working under Mr. Townsend.

She received her MA in history from USD last spring after having taught art for two years at Lake View, Iowa. Her home is Columbus Junction, Iowa, and she received her BA degree from William Woods College, Fulton, Missouri.



The new Riggs High staff beam at the prospects of a great first year in Pierre. From the left, Candace Birhanzel, Terry Peterson, Mike Engels, Pam Freemore, Robert Farrell, Paul Upsahl, Robert Bozied, Sandra Peterson and Myron Byron. Not pictured, Laura Ostrem. [photo by Mark Krebs]