



Michele Newberger, left, was elected Sophomore class president for 1978-79. Other officers are, from the left: Bill McEntaffer, vice president, Susan Beemer, secretary and Annette Helgesen, treasurer.



Junior class officers include, from top: President John Pohlman, Treasurer Dana Eismach, Secretary Jill Powell and Vice-President Michelle Schneider.

1978-79 class officers lead Riggs forward into year full of victories



Class officers chosen by the senior class are, from the left: President Barry Johnson, Vice-President Blake Thomas, Treasurer Jill Lenecka and Secretary Jim Ness.

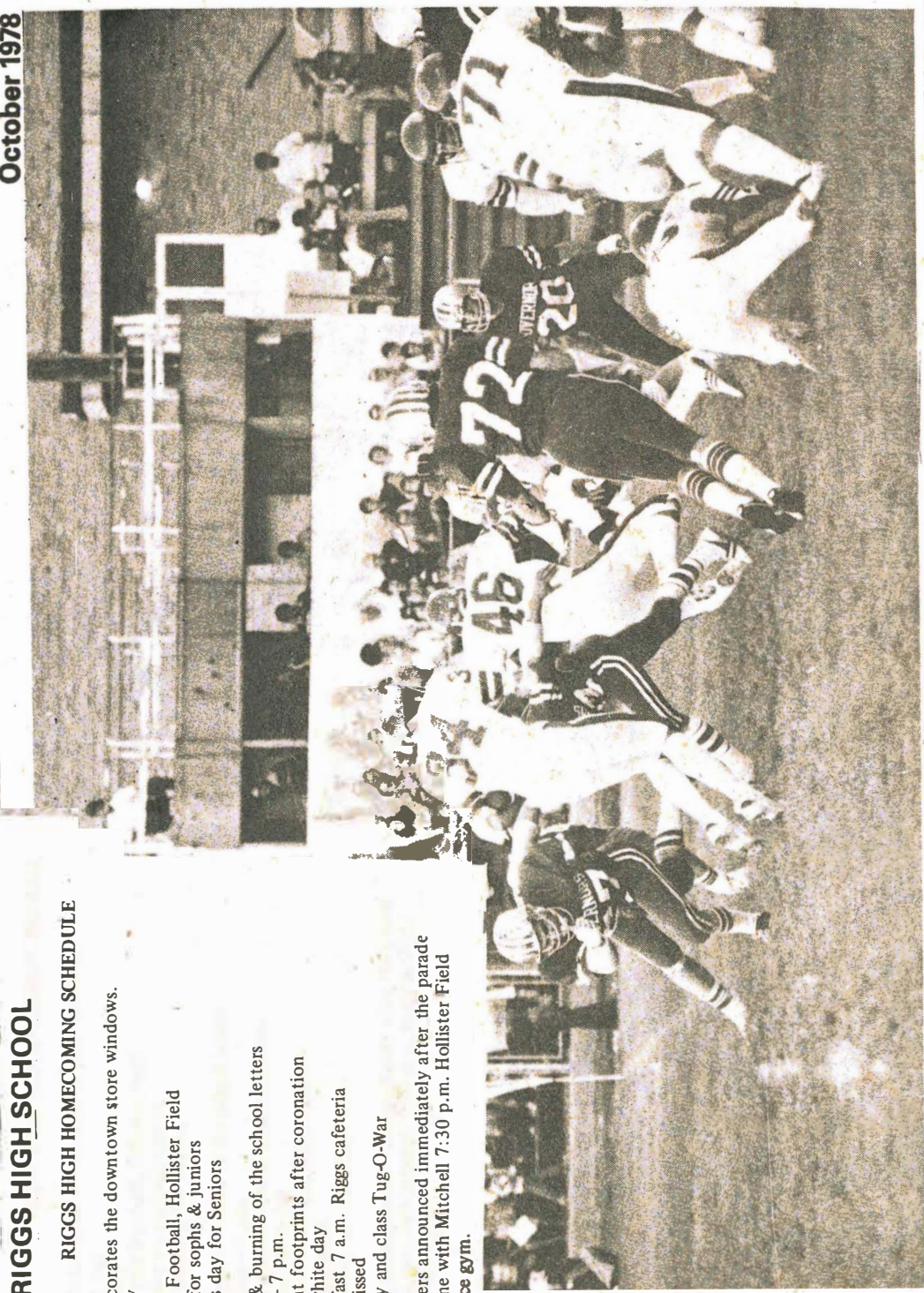
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RIGGS HIGH SCHEDULE

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- Sunday: Pep Club decorates the downtown store windows.
- Monday: Cowboy Day
- Tuesday: Grease Day
- 7 p.m. Powder Puff Football, Hollister Field
- Wednesday: Picture day for sophs & juniors
- Formal dress day for Seniors
- Slob day
- Thursday: Coronation & burning of the school letters
- 7 p.m. Riggs Gym - 7 p.m.
- Friday: Painting giant footprints after coronation
- Green and white day
- Spirit breakfast 7 a.m. Riggs cafeteria
- Classes dismissed
- 6:00 p.m. Pep assembly and class Tug-O-War
- Parade
- 6:30 p.m. Parade winners announced immediately after the parade
- 6:30 p.m. Football game with Mitchell 7:30 p.m. Hollister Field
- 6:30 p.m. Victory dance gym.

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The Governor's awesome defense scrambles to rip the ball from the clutches of the Golden Eagles No. 34. Governor's shown from left are Dave Victor, Shane Cowan, Jeff Jacobs, and Chad Anderson. (Photo by Tim Stocking)



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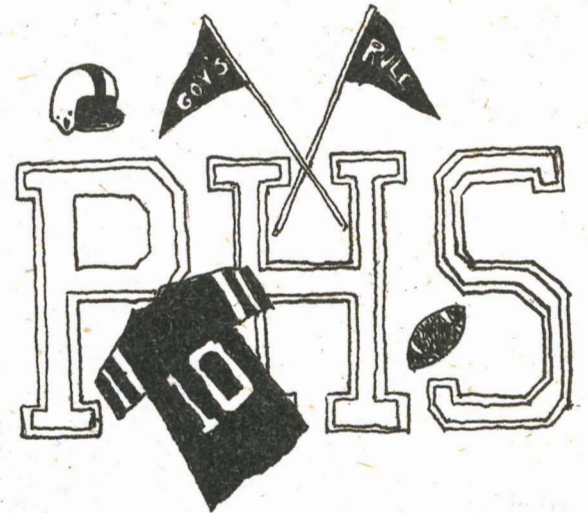
Crazy costumes spark Homecoming

As tradition goes, its Dress-Up Week once again. The lively spirit of Homecoming is sparked with crazy costumes-everyone trying to look better than anyone else.

Going 'all out' for dress-up week will get you fired up to work for a great parade and a Homecoming victory game.

WEDNESDAY

Senior Formal and Picture Day comes Wednesday where Seniors will look their best in suits (tuxs) and formal gowns. For Juniors and Sophs it will be a day for pictures for the annual. The pictures become a permanent record of what you wore to school on Oct. 5, 1978.



MONDAY

Red Neck Day starts the week so get out your cowboy boots and hat plus a red neckerchief and practice the greeting of the day, "Howdy pardner!"



FRIDAY

Green-and-White Day will top it all on Friday with green and white, mix and match sportwear, a real spirit rouser.

And...if you don't dress-up...the Seniors are going to get you! A kangaroo court will be held on Friday for those unspirited "few" who don't dress up.

Club paints pep in form of feet

Painting downtown store windows, marking the route to the football field and sponsoring the traditional spirit breakfast will be the Pep Club's contribution to Homecoming.

The club chose a central theme for decorating the store windows and spent Sunday afternoon painting lively pictures and encouraging words on the store windows on Pierre street.

The giant foot prints will make their appearance late Thursday night as Pep Club members with a few pails of whitewash step off the trail from Riggs to Hollister Field.

Caramel rolls and hot chocolate will be the menu for the annual spirit breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday morning in the lunch room. The cooks will prepare and serve the breakfast. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Members of the Pep Club led by President Loretta Baade, will also be actively participating in dress up week, float building, and other homecoming activities. The other officers who will lead the club projects are Vice-President Jody Rowen and Secretary-Treasurer Michelle Finley.

THURSDAY

Thursday is Slob Day so throw away your nice clothes and put on your rags.

Parade features class spirit floats

Classes will be dismissed at 1:10 on Friday, Oct. 6, enabling students to put the finishing touches on their floats for the annual Homecoming Parade which begins at 3:00 that afternoon.

Parade lineup begins at 2:00 p.m. on Jefferson Street, where the floats will be judged upon completion of the lineup. Trophies will be awarded for Best of Parade, Spirit of the Day, and Most Original. The decision of the judges will be announced after the parade and also at the evening football game.

The parade will follow the usual route, starting at Jefferson and Broadway and breaking formation at the Legion Cabin. Immediately following the parade students are to report to the Riggs parking lot for the dismantling of the floats.

Minneshosho highlights festivities

Coronation holds the royal point of second annual Hilaritarians directed by Ms. Bormann.

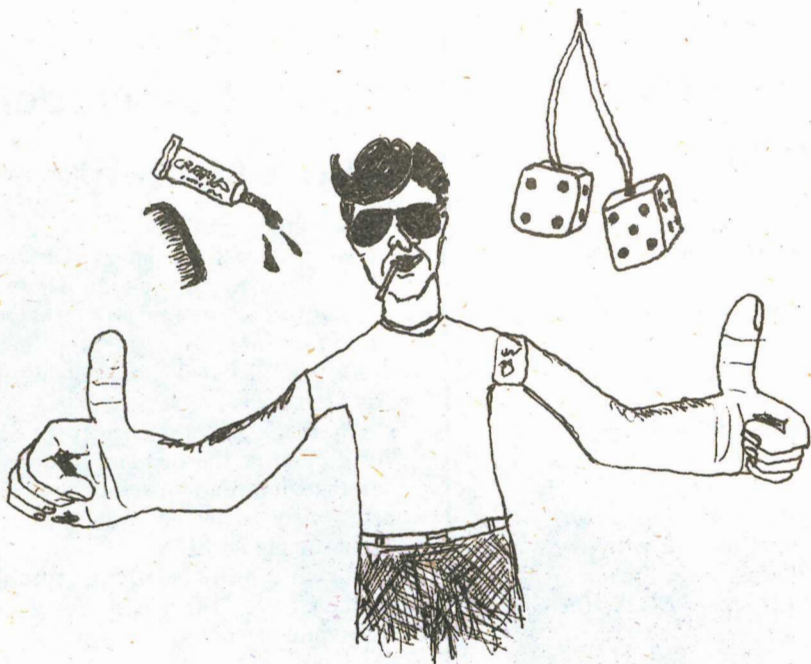
Coach Bob Bozied will introduce the undefeated football 40 and his coaching staff and their families. To inspire the team and fans coach will encourage and predict a Governor victory over the Mitchell Kernals.

The football cheerleaders will lead the crowd in the annual Minneshosho victory dance. Then they will lead cheers as the crowd moves from the gym area to the shop parking lot where the newly crowned homecoming royalty will preside over the burning of the PHS.

TUESDAY

Tuesday is Slicker Day, our "Grease" day, so slick down and bob your hair, dig out a 50's fashion outfit and practice the "jitterbug."

Cartoons By Perry Trantner



Editorials

Activities devised encourage spirit

S-P-I-R-I-T!! We've got Spirit, so let's hear it.

Spirit is the word, as well as "Grease," and another Governor victory.

These next few days are probably the most significant and fulfilled days of the school year. You will not only be tested all week in classes but you will also be tested for participation in Homecoming events.

You are being counted on to dress up every day this week. As history has it, you will be better off dressing up. Sometimes the consequences are more fun for the rest of the school than they are for those who disobey the Student Councils rulings.

The floats are proof to the people in Pierre that Riggs High students are creative, ambitious and cooperative. You will be needed during the building of one or more floats and you will have fun.

A special Powder Puff football game is planned between the Senior and Junior girls. You should be there to see the action of the female football teams and those sexy male cheerleaders!! If you aren't participating in some way, come out and cheer your favorite team.

The Queen and Marshall will be crowned Thursday evening to reign gloriously over the Burning of the Letters, the parade and other Homecoming festivities. The ceremony is great, with lots of musical entertainment and fun.

During the pep assembly Friday, classes will have the opportunity to prove through the second annual Tug-O-War which class is strongest. Here is another chance to be where the action is. Join in the "tug" or yell for your class.

The stimulating game against the Mitchell Kernals Friday night will top off a week of spirited fun. If we are expecting to win, which we are, we have to get in the spirit of homecoming and get pepped up.

At the Victory dance after the game, you will have a final chance to see how exciting it is to be involved.

With all these activities going on this week, spirit should be pouring out of every crack in Riggs High School!

Homecoming grows up

First memories of Homecoming were of giant floats that amazed us with their lifelike movements along with big high school kids in Indian outfits riding in convertibles with cheerleaders walking beside them, and the endless waiting for the bands to pass by so we could see more floats.

But probably the highlight was that we got out of school for the afternoon, and we made the most of our freedom.

As we became the upperclassmen of grade school, we had to show our power by shooting peas from the railroad overhead onto the participants and onlookers below and by running up to the floats and pulling off the tissue paper to see what was under it. We went to the football games so we could chase each other around the stands and cars. We seldom watched the game.

In Jr. High, we were cool, really cool. The parade and football games were alright, but the real fun was later. Main

street was soon covered with shaving cream -- along with several high spirited students.

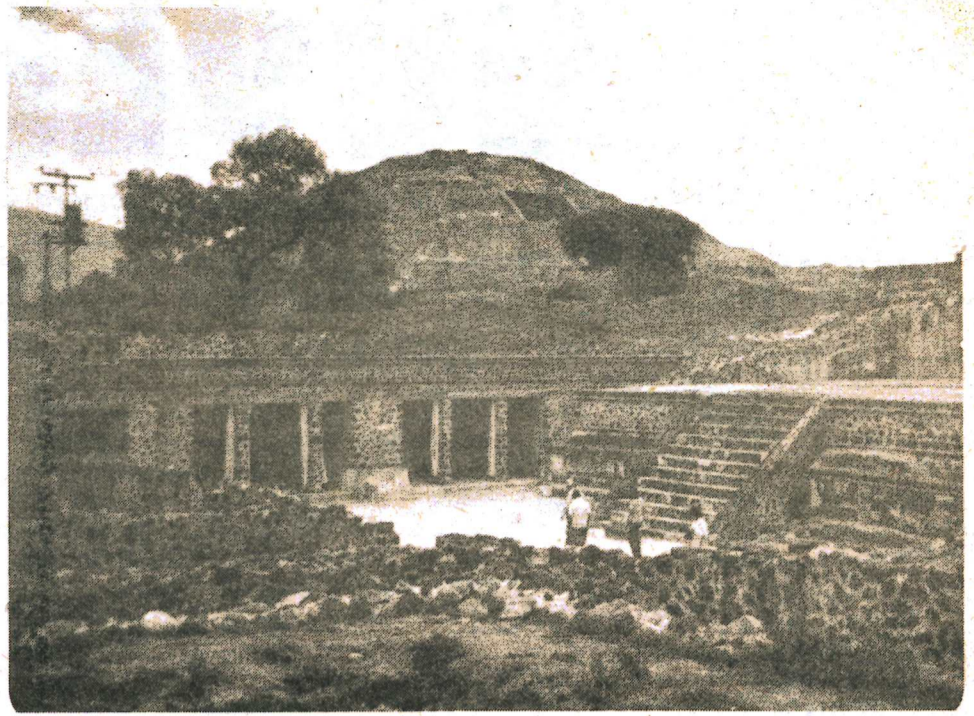
After the game, anyone who was walking home, which at that time was our only mode of transportation, was the target for kids in cars who thought it was neat to throw eggs and tomatoes at us poor kids, or, worse yet, we were chased down Capitol Ave. urged on by the fear of being thrown into the lake.

Now Homecoming week is here. For some it is the last.

As seniors, we lose our cool during coronation and the burning of the letters. The giant feet from the school to the football field will have materialized by Friday morning, along with the paint jobs on special cars. As youngsters we were always surprised to see such wild tricks.

The floats, no longer objects of awe or objects to be ripped apart, are now our pride and joy. The big kids waving in the parade are no longer just faces but friends and classmates. The band has matured, along with the rest of us, since the first time they performed dressed as Hobo's, many forgotten years ago. The football game which before was just a social gathering, has become the climax we have waited for. It will remain a never-to-be-forgotten evening.

Stephanie Sommer



Visitors to the Mexican Pyramids explore the ruins of Teotihuacan while in the background stands the pyramid to

Pyramids, a full fight and language problems

Student recounts summer trip

After months of planning and anticipation, we were finally at the Mexican International Airport in Mexico City ready to spend 13 summer days touring through the central part of the country. There were nine of us from Pierre, Sandy Nelson, Terri Jacobs, Mary Peta, Becky Dryden, Marylenn Winkler and myself, along with our counselors, Mrs. Phyliss Leach, Mrs. Sylvia Moisan, and Suzanne Taylor, Mrs. Leach's niece from

sore the next day, but the climb to the top was a real challenge.

Language proved to be an obstacle for our Pierre group, but we were usually able to convey our meaning. There were times, however, when this was not the case -- little things such as asking the maid for more "retretes" (toilets) instead of more "toalas" (towels). Another time we managed to insult a young man by asking him if he had "gusanos" (worms.)

Through all the difficulties and excitement and startling new experiences, we had a great time and we all hope to return to Mexico some day for another chance to practice our Spanish.

Jill Lehecka

Algona, Iowa. We were part of the Intra-American Student Program, a group of 175 students from all over the United States who flew from Minneapolis to Mexico City in June to experience first hand what we had been studying in Spanish classes.

We visited small villages and enjoyed sightseeing at national buildings and cathedrals. We shouted with the fans at "Un Corrido De Los Torros", the bullfights.

Somehow we got separated from the group one day and found ourselves alone on the Mexico City subway system.

Through an acquaintance of Mrs. Leach, we were guests at a Mexican family's home.

We all agreed, however, that our favorite adventure occurred the day we toured the pyramids where we ventured to the top of both. The pyramids were built by the Teotihuanos Indians nearly 2,000 years ago to worship the sun and the moon. It was a long way up and it seemed worse coming down. The stone steps are very worn and slick from centuries of use. A little careless walking and we might have tumbled the 200 feet to the bottom. We were stiff and

Mixin'-up a little Grease

Take a native Australian girl, mix her into a large All-American high school, add to this the coolest guy in town, stir in a dash of song and a pinch of dance, and you'll have one of the best recipes for entertainment in a long time -- Grease is the Word.

Oliva Newton John (Sandy) plays a sweet innocent senior who falls in love with sexy John Travolta (Danny) on their summer vacation at the beach.

Of course, by coincidence, it just happens that Sandy ends up going to the same high school as Danny this fall. After Sandy realizes she's "Hopelessly Devoted" to Danny and he decides Sandy is worth more to him than his image, they are reunited and drive off happily ever after into the sunset.

Steph Sommer
Jill Powell

RHS cheerleaders thank students

Dear Editors,

We commend the spirit and loyalty of the students to stay up until the wee hours of Saturday morning to escort the Governors who were traveling homeward from the deflated homecoming to the Yankton Bucks.

We thank all those Riggs High Students for decorating the cars and school grounds for the Victorious Governor football team after they defeated Yankton at their homecoming 14-12.

It was a really neat idea, especially the police escort! Thanks again for your time, effort and ingenuity.

Thanks,
Pierre Football Cheerleaders

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Pierre Governors are victory bound

Y-E-L-L, Everybody, yell to show we've got spirit, so let's hear it. S-O-C-K-I-T, sockit to me baby, to get that Governor beat. Let's stand up and stomp our feet.

Let's get fired up for a really great tip top team. Pierre Governors are victory bound because we like our TEAM! We're from Pierre High and we couldn't be prouder, Gov's are DYN-O-MITE and we want them to win tonight.

Green power all the way to a Governor victory. What do we got, we got alot, we got a team that's No. 1. G-O-V-E-R-N-O-R-S move it on down to a V-I-C-T-O-R-Y.

Pep, pep, show your pep, so lean to the right, stand up, sit down, fight, fight, fight. Let's go Goves let's go; now let's defeat 'em, fight 'em, beat 'em, and we'll win by golly, we'll win.

This is Governor country, you beware, so Governors DO YOUR THING!!!!

Leesa Sivage

Steph Sommer

Meet the Homecoming Candidates for 1978

Tradition goes on . . . but many changes in the procedure make homecoming an exciting event every year.

Thirty five years ago (1943) the Homecoming Marshall at Pierre Riggs High School was elected from the Student Council by the Student Council to organize Homecoming festivities. Then the Queen and two attendants were chosen by the student/body to reign over the events.

Through the years the method of selecting Homecoming royalty has been adapted.

This year, four senior boys and four senior girls were selected by vote of the senior class. For the past several years, the number had been four boys and six girls.

The entire student body made the final selection this year and the 1978 Homecoming Marshall and Queen will be revealed at the Coronation ceremony Thursday evening. The other six members of the royal party will serve as attendants as they preside at the burning of the letters and lead the Friday afternoon parade.



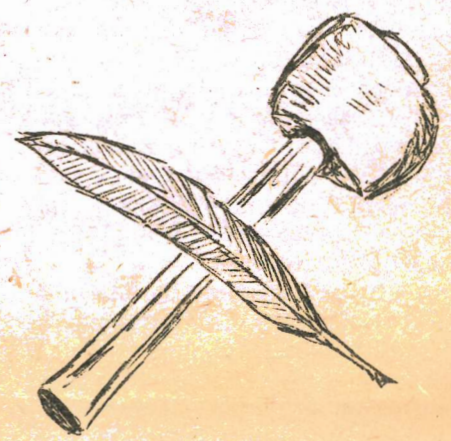
Crystal Sue Hall has aroused enthusiasm as a football cheerleader for the past two years. She is a "prima ballerina" and attended ballet classes at the University of Utah this past summer. Among other assorted hobbies, she excels in talking to her house-full of plants!



Besides being a cheerleader for four years, Debbie Lynn Nellerhoe also participates in intermural sports and is a great trackster. She was a waitress for the '77 Prom, and has been active in the YMCA. Debbie enjoys doodling, likes to read and jog, and is also an avid lover of kitties!!



In between intermurals and track, Joe Allen Linn's life is centered around golf. Many-a-day one can see him driving, chipping, and putting on the greens. He is also good at bowling and has proven to be lucky at cards. He also likes animals . . . especially bunnies.



Todd Wade Schuetzle has lettered in three sports. He enjoys participating in basketball, football and track. He likes to be outdoors, and seems to like animals (he has two dogs). Todd is also active in the YMCA and he is a great jitter-bugger! "Be there-Aloha!"



Jackie Jean Ivers has boosted school spirit as a cheerleader for four years. She has sprinted many miles each spring to the State Track meet, as well as being involved in intermurals. She was a '77 Prom waitress. Jackie has proven to be a wonderful letter-writer (two a day) and is a good friend of "Ma Bell."

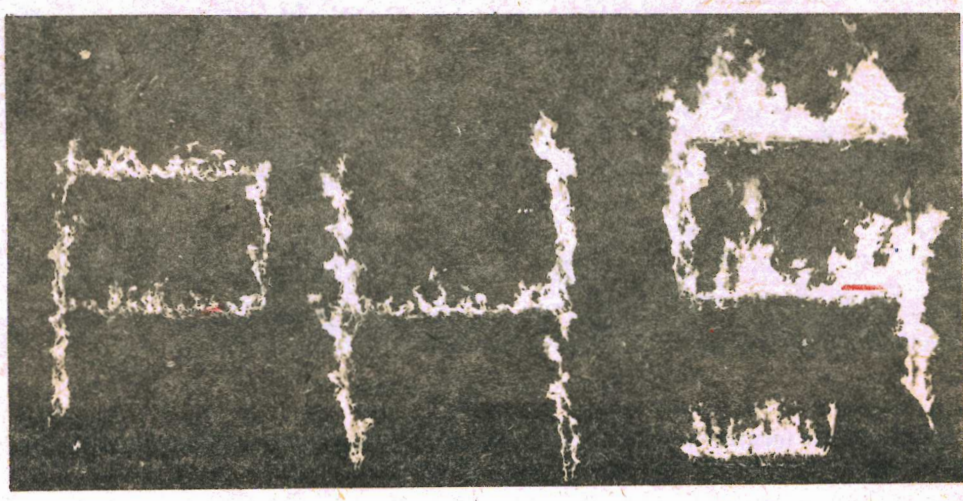
Senior-class Secretary Jim Ivan Ness has lead the class of '79 many times. Besides being Junior High mayor, he has been a class officer for two consecutive years. He participates in year-around athletics (but has a strange fear of water!) and is the president of both National Honor Society and the YMCA Youth Council.



Between dribbles of basketballs and volleys of tennis, Tim Paul Flannery, "Flanno," spends time running from dogs -- big ones especially! He has been a class officer, and was voted Head-Waiter for the '77 Prom. He was chosen as Lt. Governor for Governors Day, 1978.



Anne Maureen Burchill, a basketball cheerleader of four years, was chosen as Head-Waitress for '77 Prom. She participates in intermural sports and has taken dance instructions for 12 years.



It all started seventy years ago

by Perry Trautner

Stocking caps for helmets and hunting boots for cleats seem like odd equipment for football, but when Charlie Hyde played on Pierre's first coached football team 70 years ago that was all they could afford.

"In 1908, we didn't have buses, planes, or interstate highways so we had to reserve a car on the train," said Hyde. "The trip to Deadwood by train was so long that we had to stay overnight in the homes of the opposing team's families."

Before Pierre had organized a team, other schools around the state such as Sioux Falls, Rapid City and Aberdeen had already started interscholastic football, thus having a head start on Pierre. Aberdeen was the first team that Pierre played. Hyde seemed a bit agitated when he confessed that "they beat the pants off us."

When asked about football equipment, Charlie replied, "We didn't have helmets for protection. I was the envy of all my

Ladies headed for state tennis meet

After capturing third in the ESD conference meet, the Lady Gov Tennis Squad heads for tougher competition at the state meet.

Commenting on the 7-2 regular season record, Coach Carol Pickering said, "We've had a really good season so far, the girls have played well against some very tough competition." She added, "They've progressed very nicely throughout the season."

Heading the Lady Gobs this season at number 1 singles is Lisa Brinkman, a senior. Liz Miller, a sophomore, is number 2 singles; Cindy Brabander number 3, senior, Patty Parrott number 4 singles, 9th grader, Lori Badger, number 5, a senior, and rotating at number 6 singles are two juniors, Celeste Corcoran and Heidi Werthman. Rounding out the squad is Esther Park, senior, Nancy Thelen, junior, Gretchen Delon, 9th, Jackie Clark, 8th and Shelley Nelson, 8th.

Highlighting the ESD tournament for the Lady Gobs' was Liz Miller and Lori Badger who finished 1st in the 2nd flight doubles. Lisa Brinkman placed 2nd in first flight singles and Liz Miller won 2nd in second flight singles.

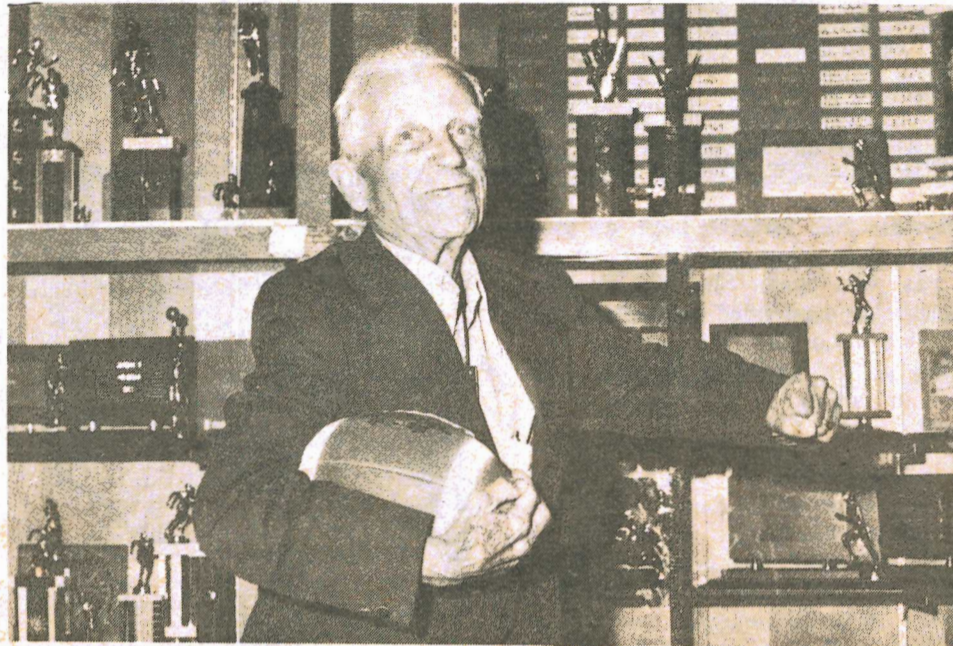
teammates because I had a stocking cap to wear over my head." He chuckled at this remark and then went on to say, "some players were even lucky to have a uniform. Pierre didn't get uniforms until two or three years after I had graduated."

"You had to be pretty tough to play football in those days," proclaimed Hyde, the only survivor of the 14 man football squad. "Some players used the stuffing from ragdolls for padding. I wore hunting boots like most of the players. There was no such thing as football cleats."

The football itself was made from cowhide and was similar in that respect to present day footballs. However, the ball was much softer, rounder, and fatter back then. "The ball had to be thrown side-armed," Charlie said. "You couldn't hold onto it with one hand."

The rules of the game have changed considerably through the years. "We had only 3 downs and 5 yards for a first down, not 4 downs and 10 yards like they use now."

Playing time went by halves. nct



"You had to be pretty tough to play football in those days." -- Charlie Hyde.

Sideline Views

by Mike Springer

With the hunting season underway, high school hunters should observe the laws and limits.

Too often, young hunters in the field "shoot anything that moves," probably because he feels he must bring something back.

Remember why you went out in the first place. Hunting is a sport. Like all sports, it has its strategies -- and its rules.

Saying that the real deliberate violators are adults, Conservation Officer William Shattack commented. "High school hunters just get involved in all hunting abuses more than people of other ages. There's nothing mean or deliberate about it. They just get carried away."

"Ignorance is another part of it," he continued. "Sometimes they don't know what they're shooting and we find things like seagulls and less desirable ducks left laying in the field."

Shattack said there is no preventing it. "It's generally something they outgrow. 17 and 18 is the cutoff point when young hunters begin to act older -- it almost never fails."

Quarters. A touchdown was only worth five points and the extra point kick was nonexistent. The drop kick was the style of kicking and was often "very essential in a game."

The first football field was where River Crest Manor now stands. The playing field was grass and very hard to keep up, especially when the football season stretched into November. "The Armistice Day game in November was the big one," Hyde stated. Since Pierre's population was small in the early 1900's, the crowd that turned out for the games wasn't much. "Not as many people showed up then, but they were interested in the game because of the competition."

Charlie, as he is affectionately called by young and old alike, is probably one of the biggest boosters of athletics in Pierre. He still attends nearly all sports events and has been important in the growth of local Athletics for nearly half a century.

Basketball squad winless in ESD

The Lady Gobs suffered many frustrating moments as they went through the first round of their ESD competition winless, leaving only Mitchell yet to play.

The Ladies experienced cold shooting from the line, which in many instances "won or lost" the game. Thus far Karen McDonald is the team rebounder in the shooting and rebounding categories. These marks leave her in top ranks in the ESD. Susan Larson also is in the rebounding charts.

When asked about their season so far, one player had this to say, "I feel we're improving with every game. ESD competition is very tough, but I feel we are always a threat and I expect to see our win column filled in much more this time through." Several other team members praised their coaches, the cheerleaders and the supportive fans.

The team record now stands at 6-2, with two wins over Fort Pierre and Miller. The Miller battle was a significant one since the Rustlers are one of the teams the ladies must beat to earn State A tournament playing honors.

The Lady Gobs next game will be in Mitchell Oct. 7.



Carrie Burke (center) and Jerri Thorne (right) concentrate on getting the jump on two Yankton Gazelles during a recent home game.

(Photo by Mike Springer)

Govs on top

The Governor football team has changed from a losing team to a winning team and they're enjoying it.

"I think the recognition we're getting is great. The players deserve it," said Coach Bozied. The Govs are rated 2nd in the state behind Sioux Falls O'Gorman.

Why the dramatic change from last year? "The overall team attitude is better," said Bozied. "This team is very unselfish."

The undefeated Govs have beaten Rapid City Stevens, Winner, Aberdeen, Yankton, and Brookings.

The Yankton victory was a record-breaking one for the Govs. It was the first time Pierre has beaten Yankton in football. It also stopped a 24 game ESD unbeaten streak by Yankton, and was the first homecoming loss for the Bucks in 17 years.

The Govs came back after a slow start to beat Brookings last Friday 14-7.

"It was basically the same type of game we've played all season," said Bozied. "Our offense was pretty consistant and our defense took care of their offense."

Coach Bozied expects Mitchell to pass frequently in next Fridays' homecoming game.

"They lost alot of players from last years team," continued Bozied. "But I expect a good ballgame."

The Govs have thrown the ball an average of less than two times per game this season. "We haven't had to," said the coach. "Because our rushing has been so constant. I feel we're ready to throw if we have to."

Sports

After winning season

Golfers host Regionals

After a tough loss in Aberdeen at the ESD tournament the boys golf team came bouncing back for some stiff competition in the Regional meet in Pierre, Oct. 2.

ESD tournament, Sept. 25 "proved to be a tough challenge for the boys. Aberdeen has a difficult course with narrow fairways. To top it off, we had to shoot into a 40 mile per hour wind," explained golf coach Myron Bryant.

The golfers placing in the top 10 at Regionals will go to the State Tournament in Brookings Oct. 9-10.

The boys began their golfing season Sept. 7 with the Pierre Invitational. Riggs walked away with a decisive victory,

shooting a team score of 310. Perry Wilson was top individual medalist with a 1 over par 73. Penn Williams added to the victory with a 2 over par 74.

Pierre also won the Winner Invitational shooting a team score of 343. Outstanding golfer was Joe Linn with an 83 for 3rd place and Perry Wilson in 4th place.

Just squeaking by Huron, the golfers shot a 335 against Huron's 336, in the Huron dual. Glen Norum and Penn Williams tied for 2nd shooting an 80.

Pierre was victorious in the Miller Invitational on Sept. 20, with Perry Wilson 2nd place and Trent Thompson and Penn Williams tied for 3rd. Also traveling with the team was Dave Lowenstein who has shot consistant golf all season.

Powderpuff football

at 7 p.m. tonight

"Let's go," exclaim the junior girls Powderpuff team members as they prepare to beat the Seniors at Hollister Field tonight at 7 p.m.

Junior coaches Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Bryant are ready to gather a victory while Senior coaches Mr. Bozied and Mr. Shields have been giving their team a crash course in football techniques, hoping to uphold the superiority of the Senior girls!

Male cheerleaders have been chosen to "root" the girls on. Juniors are Mark Cichos, Jeff Parker, Curt Kuehl, Ron Wagner, Greg Axtman, David Victor, and Paul Zimmerman. Seniors are Kirby Welch, Noel Solberg, Barry Johnson, Bill Curly, and Ted Lautenschlager.

Tuesday night is a good chance to show class loyalty and support.

Sophomore

cheerleaders

chosen

Ten Sophomore girls were named cheerleaders for the 1978-79 sports seasons by vote of the class.

The fall cheerleaders supporting the Sophomore football team and girls basketball team are Kris Hartford, Laurie Bonrud, Wendy Buechler, Suzi Beemer, and Maria Russell.

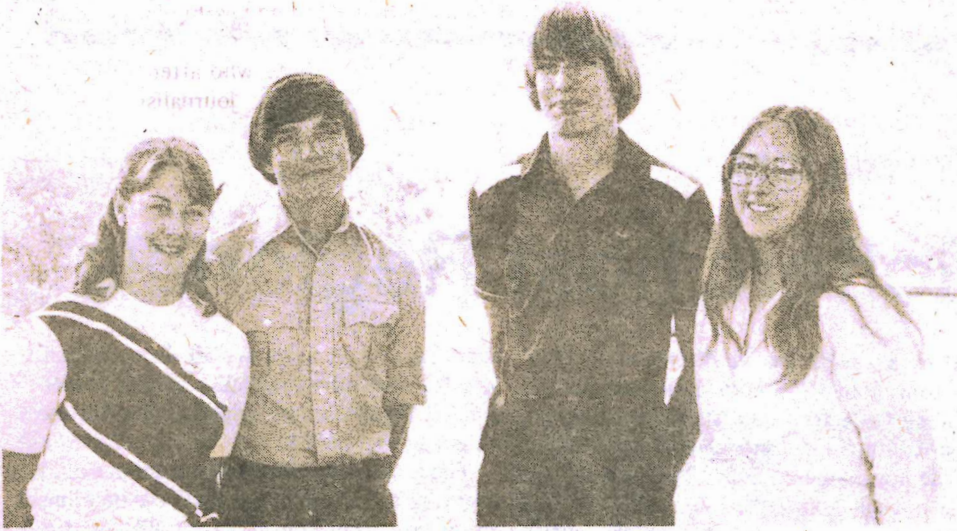
The winter cheerleaders supporting the Sophomore basketball team and wrestling team are Nancy Gordon, Marilee Nold, June Schuetzle, Lynette Kautz, and Lisa Tigner.



Governor Cross Country runners on their way to a 1st through 5th place sweep over Huron at the Pierre golf course last week. Gov. runners from left are: Darrell Hartmann, Damon Hartmann, Jerry Whipple, Troy Hutchings, Todd Mortenson, and Kerwin Merrill. This wasn't the order at the finish line, however. Darrell Hartmann was first, followed by Whipple, Damon Hartmann, Mortenson and Hutchings.

(Photo by Mike Springer)

Four students commended



National Merit commendation winners for 1979, from left, are: Glenn Norum, Susan Solem, Trent Thompson, and Anita Fuoss.

Anita Fuoss, Glenn Norum, Susan Solem and Trent Thompson have been named Commended students in the 24th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. This honor recognizes each student's outstanding performance on the PSAT/NMSQT test which was administered nationwide to Juniors in October 1977. Almost 35,000 Commended students throughout the U.S. are being honored by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Students in this group represent the top five percent of more than one million participants in the Merit Program. Although Commended students scored slightly below the level required for Merit Program participants who were named

Semi-finalists, each Commended student has demonstrated exceptional academic promise. A spokesman for NMSPT stated that the corporation believes "the high standing of Merit Program Commended students is an attainment that deserves public recognition, because the nation as well as these students will be benefited by continued educational and personal development of their talents." It is hoped that recognition of the Commended students will serve as an encouragement to able youth and will assist them in obtaining whatever information and assistance they may need to pursue their educational plans.

First Ladies win trophies

The Pierre First Ladies won first place in the dance division and second place in the marching division during Drill Team Camp at SDSU in Brookings July 24-28. During Creative Night they won one of two trophies. Heather Engel earned three ribbons and was first runner up for the Outstanding Girl award. Chaperones for the Drill Team were Cindy Neilan, PHS graduate and former drill team captain, and adviser Mrs. Karen De Antoni. The Drill Team's plans for this year

include participating in the Homecoming Parade, performing at two football games, one girls' basketball game, four boys' basketball games, and possibly one wrestling match. They have also applied to perform at State A. This year's officers are Tami Voeltz, Captain; Candy Neilan and Marge Feldstein, co-captains. Mrs. De Antoni remarked, "I'm really happy with the Drill Team. They worked hard at camp and we did better than we ever had."

'Jim Thorpe' viewed as 1st class entertainment

"Jim Thorpe-All-American," presented by the Performing Arts Repertory Theatre, provided an hour of first class entertainment for all that viewed it. Thorpe, regarded by many as the greatest athlete of all time, was portrayed by Nigel Reed as a simple Indian boy longing for his freedom. This freedom is constantly denied him by the white man who is shown trying not only to "civilize" Thorpe, but stripping him of his Indian heritage. Thorpe's heritage was portrayed to the audience in a variety of colorful and original ways. The play was set on an Indian ritual ground, with Black Elk an ancient Indian Chief, played by Bob Mollock, performing a variety of interpretive dances in the stage background. The musical score, written by Harrison Fischer, provided the audience with a feast of Indian music, and demanded amazing timing and precision of the actors who portrayed much of the play thru their beautiful interpretive dancing. Each of the other five actors involved in the production played a variety of characters.

attempting to destroy any pride the Indian could retain. "Jim Thorpe" was a great piece of artistic interpretation. Nothing as profound

as this production has graced the Riggs stage for quite some time and the school will better from it. John Pohlman



Five great Indian leaders come from the spirit world to help Jim Thorpe in his quest for freedom in a white man's world in the play presented to Pierre students last month. (Photo by Tim Stocking)



This year's Junior class Rotarians, are from left: Sarah Pries, Mark Cichos, Jayne Parker, Jeff Parker, Karen McDonald, and John Pohlman.



Kiwanians for the 1978-1979 school year are, from left: Joe Linn, Nancy Conway, Barry Johnson, Julie Hiem, and Lonnie Badger, not pictured Tim Flannery.

Riggs students to represent school at Rotary, Kiwanis meets

Twelve Juniors and Seniors have been selected by the Student Council to represent Riggs at the weekly meetings of two downtown service clubs. Chosen to attend the noon luncheon meetings of Kiwanis are Nancy Conway, Julie Heim, Lonnie Badger, Tim Flannery, Barry Johnson and Joe Linn. Juniors who will attend the Rotary International Monday noon meetings are Sarah Pries, Jayne Parker, Karen

McDonald, John Pohlman, class president, Mark Cichos and Jeff Parker. These students will each attend the club meetings for a month and report on the activities at the school including clubs, music drama, debate, art, publications and athletics. PART troupe performs

Pierre students were shown the Indian heritage of Jim Thorpe when "Jim Thorpe-All American" was performed by the Performing Arts Repertory Theatre in the Riggs High gym Sept. 19. The New York City based company performed for elementary students in the morning and Riggs High students in the afternoon. "Jim Thorpe" opened in South Dakota Sept. 17 in Mitchell. The troupe then performed in Vermillion before coming to Pierre. In Pierre they gave two performances before traveling to Mobridge. They plan to perform in the Dakotas for one month and will be traveling through the Midwest until Christmas. John Henry Davis, director of the production, practiced with the troupe in New York City. Alan Easterby, stage manager and tour director, is in charge while the company is on tour. The actors of the company are from all over the U.S. but their homebase is in New York City. The majority of them have attended the American Academy in New York. Three-hundred actors auditioned at the PART company and these seven were chosen for the play. "Jim Thorpe-All American" is just one of many plays about famous people which PART produces and sends on tour each year. The S.D. Arts Council and the Pierre Public Schools sponsored the performances given in Pierre.

Expert on press laws to speak

Mike Simpson, Assistant Director of the Student Press Law Center in Washington, D.C. will be the keynote speaker at the 54th annual High School Press Convention Oct. 7, on the SDSU campus.

Simpson, will address the student journalists on problems of students' rights, teachers' rights and the responsibilities advisers and staffs have when they publish material.

Approximately 20 Riggs students will be attending this convention and will participate in the usual smorgasboard of mini-workshops on newspapers and yearbooks. All-State journalists and photographers will be recognized along

with the displays of award-winning publications. The announcement of the All-State newspapers and yearbooks will be announced at this time also.

The three journalists who attended the weeklong institutes in journalism and photography last summer at SDSU will be among the Riggs High delegates. These include Stephanie Sommer, co-editor of the Governor, Mark Tieszen, assistant editor of the Gumbo, and Tim Stocking, head photographer of the Gumbo.

Advisers, who will make the trip with the journalists, include Mary Jewel Ledbetter, governor advisor and Terry Peterson, gumbo advisor.

All-State Photographer named

Mike Springer was named an All-State photographer at the Journalism workshop at SDSU in June and will be recongized at the High School Press Convention in Brookings Saturday.

Mike is the sports editor and head photographer for the Governor.

By submitting a portifolio of his photographs and a letter of recommendation from the newspaper adviser, Mike won the honor even though he was unable to attend the workshop.

One of the seven All-State photographers, Mike will participate in special All-State activities during the year. These will include spending a day with a Legislature during the Legislative session, being hosted for a day-on-the-job by a local

Newspaper and writing and photographing for the High School Editor (the monthly publication of the Journalism Division of the South Dakota Activities Association and SDSU) throughout the year.

Band Plays at Contest; 'Powerhouse' of Music

The 84 member Riggs High marching band directed by Mr. Paul Upsahl competed in field and street marching at NSC Gypsy Days in Aberdeen Saturday.

This group captured an unofficial third in Class "A" cx field competition although places were awarded for first and second only. They used the same routine they will be presenting at half time for Homecoming Friday. They performed four numbers "The Winner's Circle," "Theme from 'Chips'", "Moon River" and "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" arranged by John Higgins.

The street marching results proved extremely disappointing for the band as they failed to place. According to one Aberdeen area radio commentator, the Pierre band looked very sharp, reaching the mark of excellence, and clearly outshone the number one ranked Sully Buttes band.

The band marched to "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" by John Lennon and Paul McCartney.

The official rating will be mailed to Mr. Upsahl later this week.

Mr. Upsahl received a number of comments regarding the great improvement of the band over last year's group. Pierre's playing was described as "A power house of sound."

Library Aide begins work with books



The new lady behind the desk in the library is librarian aide, Mrs. Susan Pibal.

The new face seen at the Riggs School Library since Sept. 21 is Mrs. Susan Pibal, from Mitchell.

Her work as a library aide from 9:00-3:30 involves processing books, typing book orders and a variety of other jobs assigned to her by Mr. Townsend, librarian.

Her previous experiences includes two years as a librarian at the Public Library in Big Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. Pibal and her husband have lived in Pierre for four years,



National Merit semifinalists for 1979 are, from left: Kristi Christensen and Dace Liepens.

Christensen, Liepins named

Kristi Christensen and Dace Liepens have been awarded National Merit Semi-Finalist ratings by the National Merit Corporation for 1979.

These two will now compete for finalist status and the \$1,000 scholarships that will be awarded by the corporation and other businesses, foundations and associations.

To advance to finalist standings, semi-finalists must be fully recommended and endorsed by their school, showing their high academic performance and confirming their high test scores by a second examination.

Kristi and Dace were among the nearly one million students who took the NMSQT/PSAT test last spring.

Kristi plays the saxophone in the band, and she is a member of Pep Club. Her

Julie Heim selected DAR Good Citizen



Julie Heim has been chosen D.A.R. Good Citizen for 1978-79.

Julie Heim is this year's D.A.R. Good Citizen for Riggs High School.

She was selected by vote of the senior class who nominated four girls and four boys who possess the qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. From these students, the faculty selected the winner.

Julie now has a questionnaire to complete for entering competition-first for the county, then state and finally national. Each county winner receives a Good Citizen's pin. The state winners recieve \$75 bonds for first and \$25 bonds for second and third place winners.

The Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.) conduct the Good Citizen contest for boys and girls in the senior class of all approved public, private and parochial high schools in the United States.

choice right now for college is USD, where she will major in computer mechanics.

Dace plays a baritone and oboe in the band. She has been in chorus for three years. She was active in the drama departmentt last year and played on an intramural volley ball team. She plans to major in vocal music at college. Dace's tentative choice for her higher education is Overland College in Overland, Ohio.



These seniors will be attending the Economic Seminar for Young Adults in Mitchell Oct. 18-19. The four from the left, Esther Park, Suzi Solem, Barry Johnson and Tom Olson, were chosen from the upper five percent of the Senior class scholastically. The Social Studies faculty made the final decision.

The Pierre National Bank and the First National Bank will each sponsor two of the students at this annual seminar on investments, personal budgeting, banking as a career, and the Federal Reserve Bank.

Foreign language clubs combine

German Club and Spanish Club became a joint organization for this year as the first meeting came to order last Tuesday. The clubs discussed their plans for the upcoming year.

The Latin Club is also considering joining to make it a Language Club. According to Mr. Mickelson, Latin Advisor, the Latin II and former Latin students could belong but Latin I would remain as a Latin Club.

Paula Rivore will preside as president, Terri Jacobs, vice-president; Danna Eismach, secretary-treasurer, and Acting

co-chairpersons who are in charge of entertainment are Karrie Hurlbert, Spanish and Anita Fuoss, German. The advisors of the club will be Miss Judy Flagstad and Mrs. Phyliss Leach.

The Spanish and German Club decided upon entering the Homecoming parade with a car decorated with posters rather than a float. German candy will be sold by German, Spanish, and Latin students and the profit will be split or spent on an activity for everyone. A committee was assigned to locate a flatbed for a possible hayride later this month.

Fall production to be presented

"A trivial comedy for serious people" was the way the English writer, Oscar Wild, explained his drama "The Importance of Being Ernest," the fall production to be presented November 14-18 in the chorus room.

Pulling the production together is Ms. Bormann, director and Jan Cavanaugh, assistant director, along with the cast: Mike Wollman as John Worthing J.P., Neal Thompson as Algernon Moncrief, Jeff Crowell as Rev. Canon Chausuble, Tim Hanson as Merriman, Murray Schatz as Lane, Carla Bates as Lady Bracknell,

Debbie Bump as Hon. Gwendolen Fairfax, Greta Hesse as Cecily Cardew, and Cara Snyder as Miss Prim.

The crews working to give the play realism will be headed by: Steve Leach, master technician; Carla Bates, technical director; Mark Crowell and Bob Tinker,

lighting; Kathy Spencer and Linda Kern, make-up; Beth Van Epps, costumes; Cara Snyder, publicity; Mark Tieszen and Ann Van Epps, sound; Kristie Smalley, props; Sarah Gilkerson, stage manager and Shana Fliginger, house manager.