

Run off vote needed Wharton, Atkinson elected

Andy Wharton and Jeff Atkinson were victorious in the 1981 second semester student Mayor-Vice Mayor election.

Wharton and Atkinson won by a margin of 37 votes after voting in advisory period Wednesday.

At an assembly on Thursday student issues were discussed by the candidates in their campaign speeches. Teams included Bill McEntaffer and Jan Houck, Andy Wharton and Jeff Atkinson, and Luc Gooris and John Madigan.

A run off election resulted between the teams of Gooris and Wharton with the Wharton team winning. The run off was necessary because of elec-

tion rules which state that the winning team has to have 50 percent of the votes plus one. None of the candidates received a majority on the first ballot.

In their campaign speech Andy and Jeff said that they want to treat everyone equally. They also felt that sophomores and juniors are the ones that should give them the ideas for student council projects because, "they're the ones that are going to be here for the next one or two years."

They would work for a pop machine and a place where students can smoke and chew at school. They both plan to attend school board meetings and to give their support to student issues.



HAIL TO THE CHIEFS...As their body guards would say! Jeff Atkinson, Vice-Major, and Andy Wharton, Mayor, won the second semester student council race after a run-off election Wednesday.(Photo by Rod Holmes).

Governor

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A NEW FACE...Mrs. Judith Gettings has joined the Guidance office and will be in charge of schedule changes, sending grade transcripts and organizing the scholarship flyer.

Gettings joins counselor staff

A new face has appeared in the Guidance Office this month. Secretary Judith Gettings is replacing former counselor Gladys Carl.

Mrs. Gettings is the guidance secretary working with student records and transcripts. She will also be in charge of schedule changes, sending grade transcripts and organizing the scholarship flyer. Eventually she will be working with grade point averages.

Mrs. Gettings, a native of Philip, South Dakota and a graduate of the high school there, has moved to Pierre with her husband and two children from Germantown, Maryland.

Their daughter attends college in Maryland and their son attends Pierre Junior High. Mr. Gettings is employed by the Federal Government.

Mrs. Gettings enjoys such hobbies as snow skinning and reading.

Musical groups to compete in region

Musical groups from the band and chorus will perform in the Small Group Contest in Mobridge Feb. 11.

In the band contest, the different groups will be performing in 12 various divisions. These include: Trumpet Ensemble, Clarinet Quartet, Woodwind Choir, Brass Quartet, two Saxophone Ensembles, Percussion Ensemble, Flute Ensemble, Woodwind Quintet, Drum Ensemble, Horn Trio and Brass Choir.

The chorus will be performing in five divisions at the contest including: Girls Ensemble (9), Boys Ensemble (9), Madrigal Group (16), Sweet Adelines (4), and Miscellaneous Girls Ensemble (16).

Solos will also be a part of the band contest. As in previous years, only one person can take a solo, in each division. However, if the school receives a '1' rating, then two people are allowed in that section the next year.

Soloists for this year include: Mary Ann Schoessler, Chet Murray, Denette Eismach, Marianne Bassett, Kevin Coyle, Becky Smith, Tara Barker and Steve Catlin.

Solos positions were given to anyone wishing to work on one, with local elimination in the specific divisions: Soprano, Mezzo Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Baritone and Bass.

Twenty five other schools in the region will also be competing in the contest.

Flag exchange highlights assembly

A Monday morning flag exchange assembly highlighted the AFS weekend held in Pierre Jan. 25 and 26 for exchange students from all over the state.

Foreign students, Luc Gooris, Lutfiye Kutucuoglu and Horacio de Elizondo, exchanged flags from their homes for American flags and Miss Jackie Ewing played the national anthems from all three countries.



DIFFERENT CULTURES MAKE A RICH WORLD...Foreign students from the left, Horacio Elizondo, Mexico, Lutfiye Kutukcuoglu, Turkey, and Luc Gooris, Belgium, presented their country's flags to the student body at the AFS assembly Monday.(Photo by Rod Holmes).

Following a short break, the AFS'ers left for a tour of the capitol and meetings with Alice Kundert, Secretary of State, Vern Larson, State Auditor, and Governor William Janklow. The students were introduced to both houses and chatted with the congressmen, especially those with roots in the Scandanavian countries who were hoping to talk to the Swedish and Norwegian young people.

After a long day of walking, the group met again at the congregational Church for a Benefit Banquet. Mr. Jay Mikkelson interviewed each one of the students about their life in the U.S. The highlight of the evening came when Zehra Akarparinar, a Turkish foreign exchange student performed an oriental belly-dance and gave lessons to any interested parties.

The long day was topped off by a party at the William Sundermeyer residence where the students met again with Governor Janklow and talked of life in far-away lands.

About 11 o'clock groups of kids began leaving for their homes and schools throughout South Dakota, ready to face another day.

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Editorial

6 period day questioned

The 1981-82 school year at Riggs will see a drastic change. Classes will be scheduled into six periods instead of seven. They will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m.

The significant arguments brought forth by those favoring the measure were 1) convenience of transportation, 2) elimination of unnecessary study halls (rural, athletic) and 3) if this is not passed, it will be brought to the school board again next year.

We feel the basis for the decision has little educational value. It is clearly one of convenience. Furthermore, it will present more disadvantages than advantages.

First of all, the traffic congestion will become more of a problem with the two schools starting at the same time.

Second, students will be further limited as to their choice of courses.

And finally, our competitive band is needlessly threatened with less membership and incentive.

Although the six period day will be on a one-year trial basis, any chances of the band being put back into the school day seems almost nil. Mr. Paul Upsahl, band director, explained, "The only way we'll get the seven period day back again is if we fall flat on our face—but by then, the damage will have already been done."

Mr. Gary Snow, school board member, agreed, "Our educational goal is to expose our students to as much as possible—but if I had to make that extra effort, I don't know if I would bother. I think music is that important that we should encourage then (band members)."

June Hansen explained that, "AS a band member, I feel we got stabbed in the back with a feeling of apathy from the board and the community, even with the noticable improvement in the last five years."

Not only will band members be affected but so will other students. Take into consideration those who want to take advantage of the elective courses offered. This may be the last chance they have to try their hand at those subjects they want to explore to help them decide on their careers, be it home economics or business law or whatever. This is all free and no stigma is attached if they abandon the idea after one quarter.

To eliminate extra study halls is to take away the students' responsibilities. As Miss Jacki Ewing, chorus director, said, "Leave it up to the students to use their study hall as needed. If they don't want it, they can take an elective course in its place."

The question now is: Will this change have an educational impact? If so, will it be a positive one? How severely will the band be affected?

Perhaps next year this time the answers will be more clear. JHC

Proposed bill cited unfair for utilities

Dear Editor:

Everyone makes mistakes. Some little and some big and costly. We don't just close our eyes to them.

But that is what it seems the members of the South Dakota House and Senate are doing.

Most legislators are endorsing a retroactive bill proposed by Attorney General Mark Meierhenry retiring the multi-million dollar debt owed to utilities.

The state has been charging 4 percent tax on utilities even though the state law which raised the sales tax to 4% did not include public utilities. Thus an oversight by the law makers.

The state owes the utility companies anywhere from \$6 million up to \$50 million in tax overcharges from that period.

This amount, in turn, should be

returned to the customers who paid the tax on their utility bill.

We all face up to our mistakes, so the South Dakota Legislature should face up to theirs by paying for the mistake.

Dan Burttis

Congratulations to Val Carr for winning the first runner-up title in the Miss Holiday Pageant, held Dec. 29-30 in Huron. This is the third straight year that Pierre has won a spot in the top two places.

Shocked reaction to break-in

When the school safe was torn open and robbed after the Christmas concert Dec. 18, the student body reacted with mixed emotions.

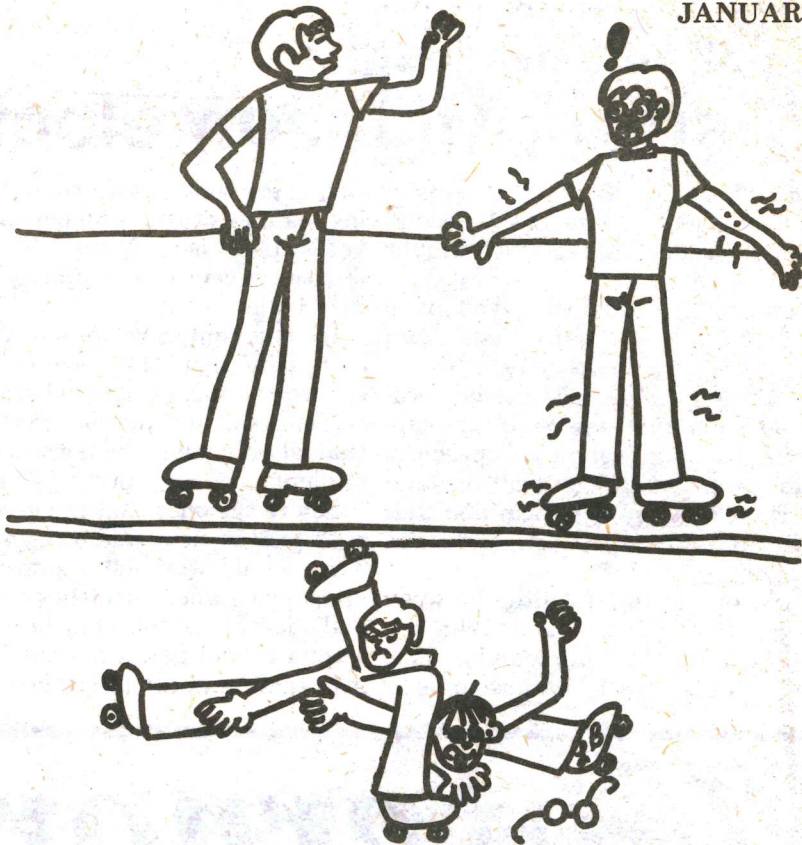
Some were shocked and dumbfounded. Some were merely curious. Some thought it was not to surpris-

Linda Kern and Jill Lundeen, two Riggs High graduates, have been selected to travel with the "Up with People" organization.

Linda, a 1980 graduate, will begin her travels this June.

Jill, a 1979 graduate, will not travel with the group until 1982.

Both the students were active in the Riggs High musical department.



Skating mishaps affect hospital

Have you been roller skating yet? If not, consider these facts before taking that first daring 'boogie' around the rink.

Since the rink opened, the emergency room at St. Mary's Hospital has totaled 17 people. The average is two or three a week. Most of the accidents occur on Friday night. This statistic does not include however, the number of calls from "flying aces" asking "do I put heat or ice on this bruise?". It also does not include the number of people who visit the clinics the day after.

Although most of the injuries have been fractured wrists, ankles and bruised knees, not to mention blisters, which are handled in the emergency room, some victims have had to be admitted to the hospital, as in the case of the fractured coxis.

And in case you are thinking "Oh, that's just the older folks who don't know how to skate," consider this, almost all of the victims have been students. Fifty percent of them are boys.

Emergency nurse Brenda Marian said that this rash of accidents had been expected at the hospital.

Most of the accidents have been the result of two skaters wanting to be in the same place at the same time, or a speedster getting impatient with a struggling beginner. Some skaters have been just plain rude.

So, before you take your free tour of the new hospital, slow down and watch out for others when you are on the floor. A little courtesy is all it takes.

Terri McCarty

Notes from all over

Orange & Black
Washington High School-Sioux Falls S.D.

Members of the Washington High School band will be given the opportunity to travel to Europe on a concert tour this summer. Approximately 70 band members will leave June 24 from Sioux Falls. They will travel through Holland, West Germany, Austria, Luxemburg and France playing concerts in all of the major cities.

They will be returning July 8. Members of the band will be chosen by audition.

Wilahi
Willmar Senior High-Wilmar, Minn

The Advanced World History classes recently performed skits pertaining to what they studied last semester. Students were able to choose a topic and present it any way they chose. This was also done last year and was videotaped. Classes were allowed to look at the tapes to get ideas. It seems like a great way to extend learning.

Rodeo
Winner High School

Mr. Naasz, football coach for the Winner football team, has been named Coach-of-The-Year for the second time in his career. He has been coaching for 17 years and has earned a record of 56 wins, 14 losses, and 1 tie. He received the award for the first time in 1974. This award is given on the basis of the 800 membership vote of all the high school football coaches in the state.

Vermillionaire-
Vermillion High School

Self-defense has been added to the freshmen and sophomore physical education classes. The self defense course will be taught by a P.E. student teacher. The faculty feels that it will be good for girls to know self defense in order to protect themselves from attackers.

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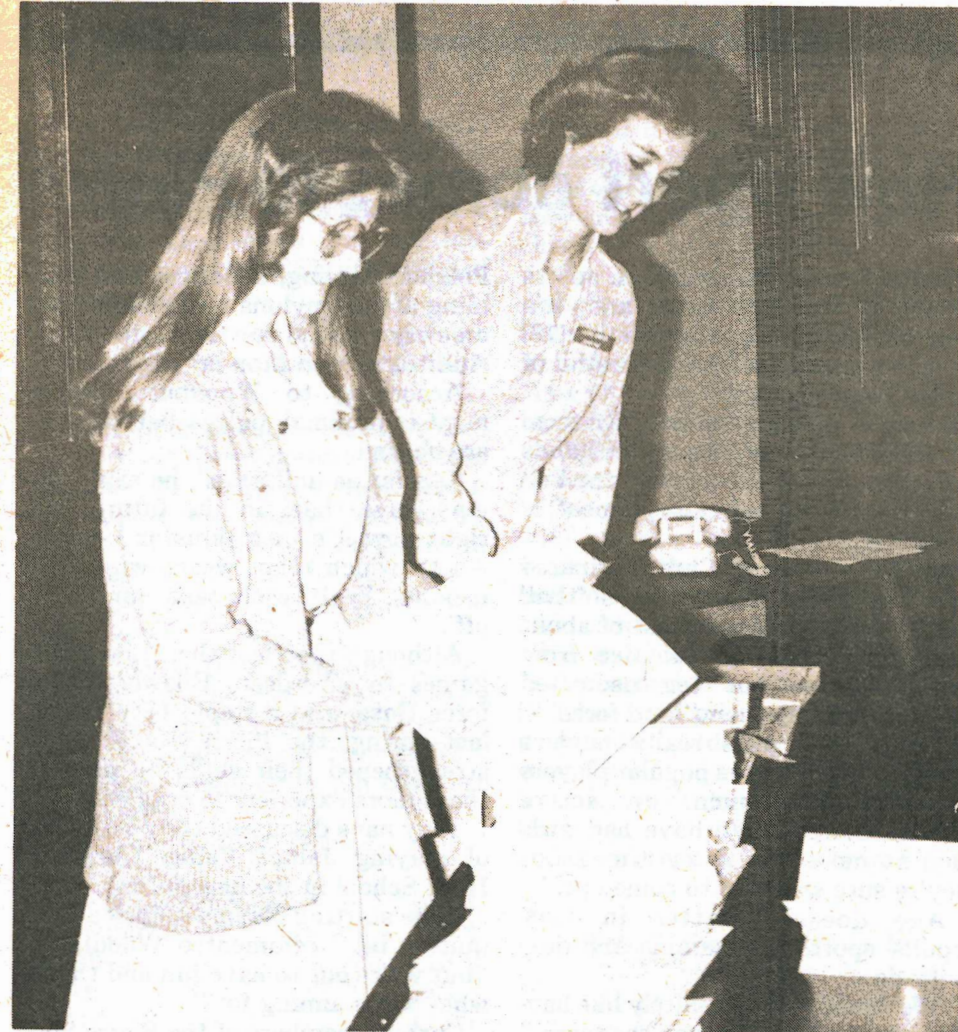
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KEEPING BUSY...*Jennifer Patitz, left, and Laurie Bonrud make good use of their time as they sort the day's bills for legislators—one of the many jobs each has to do as a page for the 1981 legislative session. (Photo by Rod Holmes).*

NHS tag day planned

National Honor Society's annual Tag Day is planned for Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Between 30 and 35 juniors and seniors will be chosen for the honor based on scholarship, leadership, service and character.

The activities scheduled for the week besides the tag day assembly, will include a pot luck dinner Thursday Feb. 19 and a formal initiation ceremony in the band room with a reception to follow on Monday Feb. 23.

NHS president Annette Helgeson, along with the other 35 members, will be in charge of Tag Day and the initiation ceremony.

To be eligible for membership, juniors must have a 3.0 grade point average and seniors must have a 2.9 grade point average.

Candidates are selected by a rating system with points given for scholarship, leadership, service and character.

Musicians try out for All-State band

Talented individuals from the band program earned the chance to "show their stuff" in the 1981 All-State Band tryouts Jan. 8 at Winner.

Participating in the event were: Mary Ann Schoessler, clarinet; Marianne Bassett, clarinet; Denette Eismach, alto sax; Tara Barker, tenor sax; Velette Walker, tenor sax; Kevin Coyle, French horn; Ken Anderson, trumpet; Chet Murray, trumpet; Becky Smith, flute; Steve Catlin, percussion; and three Junior high students, Mary Huckins and Marcia Sayler, flutes; and Calvin Jones, trumpet.

Students, chosen from the 1000 musicians across the state who tried out, will participate in All-State Band, to be held in Sioux Falls, March 27 - 28.

Those who win a chair in All-State will be revealed at the South Dakota Bandmasters Conference Feb. 12-14, in Brookings.

Leadership and service which must be 5% of the total points is based on the students participation in school activities.

Character is measured in terms of integrity, behavior and cooperation with students and teachers.

Mrs. Mavis Booze and Mr. Gary Schneider will be heading up the organization as the newly selected co-advisors.

Financial Aid plan discussed

The cost of post secondary education includes not just tuition and fees, but also room and board, books and supplies, transportation, and other personal expenses.

If this cost is too high for some students, financial aid is the answer.

This year's Financial aid meeting for seniors and parents interested in

Mr. Bill Jones, the School of Mines Financial Aid Officer spoke of what financial aid means, who is eligible and how to get it. Mr. Mark Koenig, loan officer at BankWest, and Mr. Mike Oakland, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, discussed guaranteed student loans.

Financial aid comes in a variety of forms: scholarships, grants, loans, and work-study jobs.

To get financial aid, a student usually has to show that he has a financial need.

Mr. Jones also stated that there are federal, state and private financial aid programs. He mentioned one particular program - the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG), which is the largest federal student aid program.

However, if the student does not qualify for BEOG or other programs, he may seek help from the South Dakota Education Association Corporation (SDEAC) Guaranteed Student Loan Program. This is a pro-

RHS girls act as pages

As the 1981 Legislature starts the Capitol takes on added life. Many different people come together to make everything work. One group of busy people are the pages. Two of the 20 pages are Riggs students Laurie Bonrud and Jennifer Patitz.

The pages job may seem insignificant and be overlooked, but they are the ones who hold everything together. The Legislature could not get going in the mornings without the daily calendar which the pages distribute every night, or without the bills put in the correct places every morning. The pages jump at the slightest wave of a note or at the beckoning of an empty coffee cup.

The two students are learning from different sides of the Legislature. Laurie, a senior, is paging for the Senate. Her sponsor is Senator Harding. She believes, "It's been a great experience to meet people from all over the state and to create so many life long friendships. To personally meet people who you've only read about in the papers is definitely memorable."

Jennifer, a junior, is working in the

New Bills will affect schools

Of the many bills passing thru this legislature session, three have been introduced which pertain to high school students.

A bill, introduced by the House Education Committee and amended, would require a hearing by the sixth day on a ten day suspension or expulsion from school.

The school handbook states within 2 school days a notice will be given to each board member, student and the student's parents on when the hearing will be held. The time limit is not specified.

The House committee on State Affairs has approved a bill that would allow schools to bar girls from participating with boys in contact sports like football and wrestling.

House of Representatives. Her sponsor is assistant majority leader Rep. Don Ham. Jennifer thinks, "Being a page is an experience I'll never forget. I've never worked so hard, or enjoyed anything so much. It's great!"

The pages are selected from all over the state. Many never dreamed that they would make it, but are glad they tried. Onie Neuharth, page advisor (who has been nicknamed mom) said, "I've really enjoyed working for the Representatives and the Senators, plus kids from all over the state. It's a good feeling to know that you can always rely on these students even though they carry a lot of responsibilities."

For some it's a chance of a lifetime, and for others it may be a political beginning. Which ever it is, it's something they'll never forget.

Each set of pages are allowed to serve for three weeks and Jan. 23 was Laurie's and Jennifer's last day. They will probably cram to get all their homework caught up, but they have probably learned more than class room work could ever teach them.

The bill grew out of a case at Newell high school in which a girl was barred from competing on the wrestling team. Her case is still pending with the state Division of Human Rights.

Riggs has not been confronted with this situation, but the possibility exists under the present laws.

The third bill would give South Dakota voters the opportunity to decide in the 1982 election whether some state colleges should be closed and converted to other uses, under proposals by Rep. Verne Thorstenson and Sen. Wendell Hanson. This would probably effect Dakota State College at Madison and USD-Springfield first.

Everyone of voting age would be asked to make a decision on this issue.

Debate team ready for new challenges

The debate team is having the most rewarding season they have had for several years, with an overall record of two third wins and one third losses according to coach Ken Larsen.

The Junior Varsity, consisting of Terry Treiberg, Lorne Hosman, Steve Wollman and Janet Chu, took the first place trophy at the Stevens Invitational at Rapid City Jan 3, while the Championship squad, consisting of Bryan Pogany and Dana Garrigan, won third place at the same tournament.

Another first place went to Dee Dee Butt in extemp at the Jan. 10, Central Forensics Conference Tournament in Mitchell, while Deb Alder took second in oral interpretation.

The debaters took fourth place in the Huron Holiday Invitation Dec. 19. At another meet Jan. 17, at Sioux Falls Lincoln, the squad failed to place in the top three positions.

Upcoming meets include the Midwest Tournament at Augustana College this weekend, where two-man squads will compete. At the junior varsity level, Terry Treiberg and Lorne Hosman will enter, and making up the squad at the championship level will be Kurt Bohn and Wade Pogany.

The Novice Debaters will also be in action this weekend as they advance to Chamberlain for the C.F.C. finals.

Candidates selected for upcoming dance

Eight candidates for the 1981 Sweethearts Ball have been selected by members of Pierre Ashley Chapter Order of Demolay.

They include June Schuetzle, Nancy Gordon, Jill Peterson, Annette Helgeson, Kelly Kayser, Shelley Henderson, Deb Thomas and Lisa Tigner.

The dance, to be held Jan. 31 at the Kings Inn Convention Center, will begin at 9:00 p.m. and run to 1:00 a.m. The 1981 Sweetheart will be revealed and crowned during the evening.

This annual event will have entertainment provided by the sounds of "Aaron's Baron."

Tickets are \$8.00 per couple and \$9.00 at the door.

Last year's Sweetheart was Sarah Pries.

Sports

New sport comes to Pierre

Pierre has something new in sports action. It is called soccer and it's been here since the summer of '78. Over two years and only a handful of people know about it.

Soccer is actually defined as a form of football in which the use of hands and arms, either for playing the ball or for interfering with an opponent, is prohibited.

The Pierre Soccer Club originated in 1978 after the close of the softball season. Its members consist of about twenty players who practice from time to time, but ten dedicated athletes make up their "hard force."

Women and girls really haven't made the headlines as popular players but Ron Woodburn, an active fullback stated, "We have had girls play, no more than a few times, but they're sure welcome to come out."

Age doesn't matter in this popular sport, but stamina and dexterity do.

"We would most definitely like having high school players on the team," said Woodburn.

In the past summers, two Riggs High grads, Bob Tinker and Sam Spears, have played with the group. Horacio Elizando, a senior attending Riggs, has also played with them.

Practice scheduling and drills are laid out by Sam Brandt and Andre Zawitkowski, their most experienced player who learned the sport in

Poland. Passing, shooting, and dribbling around pylons constitutes their weekly routine at the City Auditorium on Monday nights.

According to Woodburn, equipment is minimal, only a ball and net are needed.

"As far as uniforms," he said, "we may have them in the future, but right now it's just skins and shirts. As to which team wears what, it's usually 'Yeah, we'll take our shirts off'."

Although they lost their first three games to Aberdeen, Ellsworth Airforce Base, and a Rapid City league last spring, the Pierre Soccer team strengthened their skills by playing these more experienced opponents.

They have discussed the possibility of playing James Valley Christian High School in the near future.

"The starting players abilities vary quite a bit," commented Woodburn, "but we're out to have fun and that's what we're aiming for."

Current members of the Pierre Soccer Club are: Paul Kwiecinski, Bob Larson, Kevin Tviedt, Mike Hanson, B.S.B. Murthy and Horacio Elizando, forwards; Ron Woodburn, Don Templeton, Wes Shelton, Kerry Dille and Fred Boatz, fullbacks; Mike Meyer, Craig McIntyre and Andre Zawitkowski, halfbacks; Sam Brandt, playing both full and halfback and Bill Thompson, goalie.



FLYING LIKE AN EAGLE...Craig Bump goes up for an easy lay up Saturday night against Chamberlain. (Photo by Rod Holmes).

Govs improve their game plan

As the Govs pass the midway in the basketball season, they are bringing home a few more victories as they improve their game in hopes of earning a chance at the big one—the state tournament in March.

They will host the Watertown Arrows Friday in an ESD Conference game. The Govs go into the game with a 5-6 overall record.

The Govs defeated Chamberlain 54-34, at home Sat., Jan. 24. Pierre's leading scorers were Troy Schaefer with 21 points and Doug Smith with 18. Chamberlain's Loren Abernathy and Kevin Hieb had 8 and 7 points respectively, for the Cubs.

Pierre crashed the boards and came down with 25 rebounds. Chamberlain finished the game with one less rebound, 24.

In the department of turnovers, the Governors gave the ball away 10 times. Chamberlain lost the ball to Pierre 23 times.

The Governors traveled to Brookings on Jan. 22 to face the claws of the Bobcats. Brookings defeated the Govs 60 to 46.

Again Schaefer led Pierre's scoring with 12 points. Toby Crow put 8 points on the scoreboards for the Govs. Brookings had 3 players in double figures. David Shaskey made 17 points for the Bobcats. Bobcats Nelson and Glover contributed 14 and 13 respectively.

Pierre had 24 rebounds and Brookings 23. The Govs turned the ball over to the Bobcats 23 times, while Brookings gave up the ball just 19 times.

Pierre defeated the Yankton Bucks Jan. 16. Schaefer and Smith led the Govs scoring department at 12 and 7 respectively. Yankton's Grahm and Sohler led Yankton with 13 and 5 points.

In six games around the holidays, the Governors basketball team continued to battle their way up through the ranks in an effort to improve their record and gain the right to play in the state 'A' tournament in March.

By the time school had been back in session a week, the team had a 3-5 record for the season.

Pierre, hoping to improve their record, hosted Madison on Jan. 9 but were defeated 59-55.

Leading the scoring against Madison for Pierre was Troy Schaefer with 18 points. Also helping the Governors was Chip Clelland with 12 and Doug Smith with 10 points.

A very important game came their way Jan. 6 when they defeated Winner 62-45.

The Governors will have to contend with the Winner Warriors at sectionals to get into the State 'A' tournament.

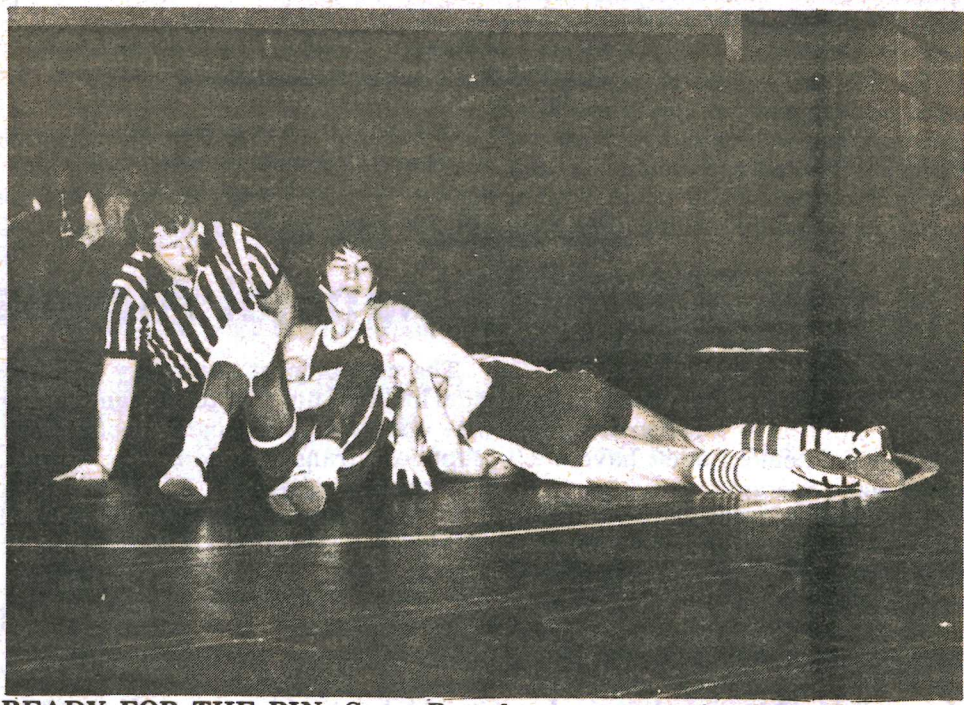
Clelland was the leading scorer for the Governors with 15 points against Winner. Schaefer was close behind, putting in 14 points to aid Pierre to victory.

Pierre got off to a slow start in their game Jan. 3 but they managed to beat Mitchell, and third ranked team in the state, 58-56 with Schaefer scoring 18 points.

Smith and Schaefer led the scoring drive when Pierre traveled to Huron Dec. 23 but the effort wasn't enough as Pierre lost 53-46.

Rapid City Stevens hosted Pierre Dec. 20 where they witnessed Schaefer's high scoring of 24 points which helped the Gov's win 48-40.

The Governors played Aberdeen at home Dec. 19 but were defeated 58-40. Schaefer, Smith and Curt Hartog led in the scoring department.



READY FOR THE PIN...Steve Rounds attempts to finish off his Winner opponent during the Jan. 10 home match. The Pierre team was victorious. (Photo by Luc Gooris).

Exercise class gets into shape

Exercise! Exercise! Come one every body do your exercise!

That is the chant of a group of sweat-shirt clad individuals who invade the halls after school, running, jump-roping and stretching out.

Who are they? A combined group of sophomores, juniors and senior girls who showed an interest in getting in shape, which prompted Mr. Don Shields to start the exercise class.

The group meets after school every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for 20 to 40 minutes.

The program includes stretching, development of flexibility, running and using jump-ropes. With this in

mind, the girls do as much as they can, at their own pace they set their own goals, whether it is losing a few pounds, or just toning up muscles and getting into shape for spring.

"It's not a boring as exercising on your own," one girl remarked, which makes it easy to see why the program is a success.

Mr. Shields plans to keep the program in existence for as long as there is interest or until he gets too busy.

One girl summed up why she likes the class and others agreed. "It's great as long as we aren't pushed and can go at our own speed."

Lady Gobs gymnastics team prepares for ESD

The Lady Gobs gymnastics team has been improving steadily since the beginning of the season. They have won their last two meets and are now preparing themselves for the last three meets and the ESD at the end of the month.

They have earned a 5th and a 7th place, plus two victories so far this season.

Cathy Greene placed 1st all-around at the meet here against Aberdeen Sat., Jan. 24. Angel Oscarson placed 2nd all-around. Mary Meierhenry came in 1st on the beam and Oscarson also received 2nd on the bars, beam floor and vault, Debbie Suiter was on the vault.

The Pierre Invitational meet was held Jan. 17. The Pierre team faired a 5th place standing, as Cathy Greene took a 3rd place on the floor and 6th all-around. Angel Oscarson took 8th all-around.

Here are the team results.

Sioux Falls Lincoln	118.7
Brookings	116.3
Mitchell	113.1
Sturgis	113.1
Pierre	111.25
Rapid City Central	103.4
Douglas	98.95
Hot Springs	87.65

A week earlier on Jan. 10, the squad took 7th place at the Brookings invitational.

Dec. 15 the Lady Gobs traveled to Miller and were beaten by a mere 5 tenths of a point.

Traveling to Douglas on Dec. 11, the team came home with a victory.

The team lost two valuable gymnasts this season, Sarah Pries, due to graduation, and Wendy Buechler, who has had to end her gymnastics career due to a back injury. Coach Stephanie Manson says that though these losses were bitter, everyone has made big improvements, and the team is doing quite well.

The team has a new strategy this year. right now they are working on more difficult stunts because points are awarded on the basis of difficulty as well a performance. As a result, the maneuvers they are practicing now are lacking a little in polish Mrs. Manson said.

J.V. team upholds undefeated record

"The real challenge to this year's J.V. team is to attempt to do as well as, or better than, last year's J.V. team, who ended the season with a record of only one loss," said Coach Skip Kurth.

The team has upheld that challenge so far this season with a record of 5-0 beating Stanley County and Sully Buttes twice, Pierre sophomores, and Miller.

The purpose of the J.V. program is to give the players more experience and playing time to help them prepare for the varsity team.

The members of the 1981 J.V. team include: at guard, Tony Miller, Steve Stein, Pat Stocking and Jim Hull; forwards, Jeff Broz, Dennis Eberhard, Mike Cox and Sean Burke. Playing centers for the team are Joe Peta and Mark Haigh.

The team traveled to Miller Monday, Jan. 19, and came home with a impressive win over the Rustlers with a score of 57-36.

The main goal they have set for themselves is to go back to Watertown this year and take first place, as they did last year. They plan to do this with a lot of polishing.

The members of the team are: seniors, Angie Herron who works the floor and beam, and Deb Thomas, who also works the floor.

The juniors include: Peggie Friman, bars, Jill Norman bars, floor and vault and Angel Oscarson, who is all-around.

The sophomores are: Donni Kuck, who works on the vault and sometimes the bars, Mary Meierhenry who is all-around and Cathy Greene, all-around.

The gymnasts practice from 4:30 to 7:30 five nights a week. Though this is 3 hours of practice, Mrs. Manson wishes she could have more. She feels that there is always something she wanted to get done but did not have the time.

Their upcoming schedule includes;

Feb. 7	Stanley County Invitational
14	Mitchell Invitational
16	Miller Dual
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GRACEFUL GYMNAST...Cathy Greene performs her balance beam routine during a home meet Jan. 18.(Photo by Luc Gooris).

Riggs graduate talks on running

When I arrived at John Smith's house that Saturday, not too many weeks ago, I was hoping that John would at least be awake. But, to my relief, he was up and ready for me.

John's dad, Carl, led me into the living room as he put more wood into the wood-burning stove across from the couch where I seated myself. In front of me was a coffee table where I set the tape recorder I was using.

A couple of minutes later, John came into the room, wearing a beautiful gray and white sweater, blue jeans and mocassin style bedroom slippers.

A senior at USD, majoring in political science and German, John is the only senior member of the University varsity cross-country and track teams.

John and I talked about many things in the two hours I was there. But the thing that dominated our conversation was John's running career and how he got started in running.

"I guess I got interested in running when I was in 9th grade. I was out for football that year and one day during practice we were doing some running as I saw some cross-country runners go by the field. I figured why should I wear all this equipment, sweating my life away when I could be doing the exact same thing in shorts and no shirt.

"During the summer between my freshman and sophomore year, I ran every chance I got. I ran once or even twice a day. That fall I went out for cross-country, and I've been doing it ever since."

Among his many awards and achievements, his most prestigious one is being named an All-American for placing 20th in the NCAA National Finals.

"The big difference between high school cross-country and the college level is the distance run. In high

school the course is 3.2 miles and in college it is 6.4 miles. In training for a meet I have to run a least 90 miles a week. If I don't I am not going to do very well."

For his final semester in college beginning this month, John is going to be an exchange student at Westfield State College in Westfield, Massachusetts.

"While I'm in Massachusetts, I would like to enter the Boston Marathon, but I don't know if I will qualify, because you have to have run in another marathon. The only marathon I've been able to find is one in Birmingham, Alabama.

In the midst of talking about marathons and Massachusetts, my tape player started to do weird things to the tape. John had to get his tape recorder before we could go on.

"I attended USD on an Army ROTC scholarship. Upon graduating, I am either going to go into the Army for four years or go on to law school."

The 1977 graduate of Riggs High School holds two of the school's track record.

He ran the mile in 4 minutes 26 seconds in his junior year. No Pierre runner has been able to break that time in four years.

When John was a senior he broke the record for the two mile run with a time 9:37.4. This is also still on the books as a school record.

He was class president as a sophomore and again as a junior. He served as Mayor of the student body and was awarded the Scholar Athlete Trophy in his senior year.

SUCCESSFUL ALUM-NUS...John Smith, 1977 graduate, was a record holder during his high school track days.



After 18 years of service, teacher resigns

A small percentage of Riggs High students have had the chance to learn about wood art, actually build projects and get to know the great instructor Mr. Arnold Schumacher.

Mr. Schumacher, who resigned at the end of the first semester, deserves recognition for his dedication to his classes and his concern for student craftsman.

Not many have the patience or understanding needed when a student has messed up a \$1 to \$100 project.

Laborious hours have been spent by Mr. Schumacher trying to help students undo what they've done wrong and guide them so other mistakes are avoided.

When asked about the most detailed and hardest project ever done in his class, Mr. Schumacher stated the roll top desk. There have been several desks made, but he said, it normally takes a student the whole year to do one.

The Schumachers are leaving Riggs to go into insurance in Eureka. Mr. Schumacher commented that it was a hard decision but it is one of those that had to be made.

Mr. Schumacher has taught classes in the Junior High as well as those at Riggs in the past 18 years. He has instructed Small Engine, General Woods I and II, Woodturning, Upholstery and Drafting classes.

Mr. Schumacher graduated from NSC and taught in McIntosh, before coming to Pierre.

Mrs. Verla Schumacher, who has taught at Riggs High before, returned just this year to teach in the English department. She graduated from BHSC and taught in Guam before coming to Pierre.

The Schumachers have two children, Mathew 10 and Kristine 8.

A replacement, Mr. Curt Olsen, has been named as successor for Mr. Schumacher. Mr. Olsen, who graduated from BHSC is a former Riggs student. This will be his first teaching assignment.

We are sorry to see Mr. Schumacher leave. We thank him for his many years of work and for all the caring he has given to his classes.

Patti Kuck



LOOKS CONFUSING... Adding life to an old chair, Mr. Schumacher adjust upholstery material over the wooden frame as members of the class observe and assist. Included in the picture are; from the left, Greg Lemieux, Mr. Schumacher, Jans Melby and Jim Scofield. (Photo by Rod Holmes).

Students direct one-acts

The drama department started 1981 with an evening of fine entertainment for students and the public.

Two one act plays, directed and produced by students, were presented on the Junior High stage Jan. 19-20.

The first play, "The Jealous Husband", by Jean-Baptiste Moliere, was directed by Kevin Coyle. The plot centered around the jealous husband, portrayed by Joe Sundermeyer, who became extremely upset when his wife, Shelley Gregory, slipped out to a party one evening. A very talkative scholar, played by Joe Hesse, kept the audience laughing as the domestic problems unfolded. Others in the cast were Dana Garrigan, James Echols, Karen Krogstad, Bob Rhine and Beth Sundermeyer.

The second play, "Monkey's Paw", recognition for another successful by W.W. Jacobs, was directed by Jim Kelley and Karla Gaarder. The

mysterious monkey paw provided the basis for this fast moving drama. When Major Morris (Eric Wharton) visits the White family he presents them with the Monkey paw as a gift. He warns them however to burn it. Members of the White family include Chet Murray, Jean Christiansen and James Echols. As the mystery thickens, Mr. Sampson, (Kenny Coyle) is the one who convinces the family of the evil when he announces the death of their son.

The costumes, sets, make up and props were taken care of by the cast members and the directors. Brian Agena ran the lights. The art for the programs was prepared by Kirk Hazeltine and Jeff Atkinson.

The drama department deserves recognition for another successful production.

Mary Lehecka



LOOKING THROUGH THE WINDOW... Joe Sundermeyer, the jealous husband, waits for Angelique (Shelley Gregory) as she devises a plan to persuade her husband to let her into the house. (Photo by Luc Gooris).

Drug counselor advises students

Some people use drugs to help regain their health, but others use drugs for pleasure, a practice which has been labeled drug abuse.

The use of drugs in the U.S. is rising. Most frequent users are between the ages of 18 and 25.

As guest speaker for the psychology classes last Thursday, Mr. Mike Coley, Drug and Alcohol Counselor for Area Counseling, discussed drugs and alcohol openly and informally.

As Mr. Coley began his discussion, he explained, "I'm not here to convince anyone to quit drugs, so don't tune me out. I can't 'fix' anyone. If someone wants to quit, it is a personal decision."

"The drug most commonly used is alcohol because it is legal and accepted in this country. Also, it can be obtained quite easily," he said.

Marijuana, another widely abused drug, is easily obtainable on the streets. The dangerous part of that is, "with street drugs, you don't know what you're getting. And it's probably in pure," he said.

"Phencyclidene (PCP or angel dust) is the easiest drug to get on the streets," Mr. Coley added, "because it is the cheapest to manufacture and sell."

"Teenage alcoholism is not uncommon," Coley Declared, "The youngest teenager I have dealt with was a 13 year old girl. She used no other drugs, but she was an alcoholic."

In summing up, Mr. Coley gave some alternatives to taking drugs. "There are ways to get the same effect without drugs, but it takes a little effort on your part. With drugs, you know you can get that feeling right away. Without them, however, there are no risks involved."



YOUNG DRAMATISTS... listen intently as Dennis Chandler, USD theatre arts professor, explains the techniques of lighting and scenic design. This was one of four workshops presented by the University Players while they were in Pierre for the performance of "The Robber Bridegroom". Pictured are members of Mrs. Douglas' theatre arts class. (Photo by Luc Gooris)

Research class proves challenging

"Twenty more note cards?...by Tuesday?!"

But I've never written a thesis before! I have typed page three over four times already.

Are the footnotes indented and the bib page reversed or the other way around?"

These familiar questions and cries from a typical research student show the intense problems of many seniors.

Research, a semester English course, is generally taken by college bound students in their senior year. The class is taught by Mrs. Carol MacNally, Mrs. Karen DeAntoni and Mrs. Candy Birhanzel. Within the semester a student is required to write two research papers and one theme characterization of a book.

There is much more to the class than the name implies, for the research is merely the beginning. First, a topic must be chosen, a thesis decided. The search for information is begun. Material has to come from a variety of sources such as books, magazines, newspapers, pamphlets. These may be obtained through the school library, Rawlins or the State Library.

The next step is the preliminary reading to decide what material to keep and what will be of no use in the paper. When all the necessary materials are gathered, the tedious and time consuming task of taking notes, formulating bib cards, quote cards and summary cards begins.

And then comes the writing. Most students have found that spreading notecards on the floor (where they remain for a couple of weeks!) according to their outline is the easiest way of beginning the composition. Much time is spent in placing and replacing information, creating good transitions and correcting grammatical errors.



CLUTTER AND CONFUSION...*The typewriter sits abandoned, surrounded by evidence of a long night's struggle against that final due date. (Photo by Rod Holmes).*

When the first draft is completed, the teacher looks it over, makes suggestions and offers helpful criticism.

The final step is one of the most frustrating parts of the whole process the typing. Some are lucky enough to have a talented mother or a dad's secretary, but most students are faced with the typing struggle themselves. The process may last long into the night since most typing isn't started until the day before due dates.

Once the paper is completed and a copy has been made, the paper is handed in.

For research students this is a glorious moment. No one can hold back a grin or the feelings of self satisfaction once the paper is finally completed. However, a week or so later, when the graded papers are returned, the moment is often not so happy or glorious.

Constitution class 'in session'

"The 6th S.D. legislative session will now come to order."

This is how we've started U.S. Constitution class since Jan. 5.

In my opinion the best part of the class is the mock legislature conducted for three weeks.

This process includes deciding whether you are a Democrat or a Republican, electing a speaker and various other officials, making rules, and writing, discussing, and voting on bills.

"I try to make the class as much like the real thing as possible," stated Mr. Dick Kennedy, teacher of the course.

Before the session begins we have to study five chapters out of the text in order for the students to understand the process.

Each student has to either write two bills or amend two S.D. laws which will go before the House.

The bills are then assigned to a committee, picked by the majority and minority leaders. The committee gives the bill a recommendation and sends it back to the floor.

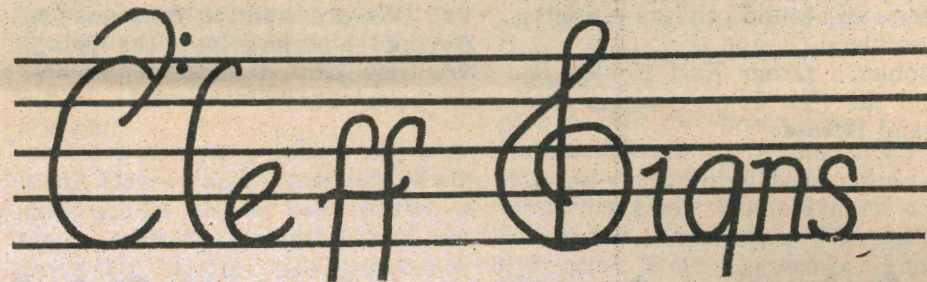
One back on the floor it is debated and sometimes amended. After being voted on it goes to the Governor, Mr. Kennedy, who will either sign or veto it.

The students are also assigned to attend four S.D. legislative committee meetings during their free time and to give reports on what they learned.

Johna Zeller

But the job isn't finished. A new topic must be chosen, and the whole process must start over again, this time for a longer, more important paper with more references. For a semester is a never ending battle.

The teacher keeps saying the hard hard work and experience will help tremendously in college. The students reply, "It better, or else...!"



'Starting Over' reaches top

1980 was said to be a poor year for the arts (music, movies, etc.).

In the music industry, 1980 was a year for the rebirth of old artists and the springing up of brand new ones. The Grammy nominees, musicians nominated for awards because of their contributions of music some of the heavy favorites for this year are Barbra Streisand, Christopher Cross, and your parent's favorite, ol'blue eyes, Frank Sinatra. 1981 is starting off to be a very good year.

Here are the top ten songs which will start off 1981, for the month of January. The late John Lennon has the No. 1 song for January in "Starting Over" and he's started off the year with the No. 1 album, "Double Fantasy". Unfortunately for Lennon, I don't think people are listening to the song for its produce. But the song and the album both deserve the honest recognition of a No. 1 rating.

From the movie the "Jazz Singer" Neil Diamond has created another masterpiece in "Love on the Rocks" which is No. 2 for January. Really it's typical Neil Diamond but it has a certain quality which out-shines his other works.

Streisand combined with Kris Kristopherson and Neil Diamond have produced a success. This time she's been creating with Barry Gibb and the result is No. 3 "Guilty".

No. 4 on the charts is Blondie's "Tide is High". Blondie uses interval slide, sharpening notes to give this song a unique style. Personally, I don't see much good about this song except for the lyrics.

A new comer in the music business is Bruce Springsteen who has hit No. 5, "Hungry Hearts". I'm afraid that like most artists, this was probably his one and only big hit. Let's hope not!

No. 6 is Air Supply's "Every Woman in the World". They also had the No. 1 single for all of 1980 in "Lost in Love".

This is followed by "passions" No. 7 by Rod Stewart. This song could be dedicated to Mrs. MacNally's English Lit. students who took the test over "Of Human Bondage".

Following those top hits is Heart's remake of "Tell is like it is" (No. 8). Kenny Rogers also had another winning song in "Lady" which was No. 1 for about 4 weeks and now is No. 9.

And finally No. 10 "De Do Do Do, De Da Da" by the Police. I think this is going to be one of those songs we're going to be embarrassed to tell our kids we ever sang, like I bet most of your parents can remember singing "Sha na na na, na na na na, get a job"!

June Hansen



DEDICATED GUIDANCE COUNSELOR...*Mrs. Gladys Carl was presented with a recognition plaque by the school board in honor of her 26 years of service to the school. She retired after the first semester.*

Roller skating craze hits Pierre

Roller skating first became popular in the 1800's, and since the 1930's, it has gained steadily in popularity.

This popularity has continued until today when over 20 million Americans enjoy roller skating each year.

Now roller skating has come to Pierre.

The Pierre Skating rink offers roller skating with music and lighting effects. This includes lights, red, white and blue fluorescent lights, two mirror balls, two blue spinning lights as well as four yellow spinning lights and two light spinning dispensers. The strange images on the skating floor when these lights are on produces a space age atmosphere and hieghtens the pleasure of skating.

Music is provided by two Technics turn tables, a 220 watt amplifier and four Base speakers that supply almost non-stop sound.

The rink also has space for one tennis court which can be set up in the middle of the rink floor.

An arcade is located near the front with various games of skill and chance. There is a snack bar and a little shop where one can buy skates ranging in price from \$60 to over \$100.

"Our rink is the largest in the state", said Roger Jacobs one of the rink managers.

Earl Bolen Jr. a native of Milbank and a graduate of NSC, helps run thing at the rink. Jacobs from Pierre, and a 12 year veteran of the U.S. navy, also helps around the rink and keeps things running smoothly.

Bohlen's father Earl Bohlen Sr. owns the rink in partnership with Orland Heinse.

The size of the rink is 150' by 65'. The building is 200' by 80'. Six inches of concrete with a eighth inch of polyerethane covers the rink floor. Jacobs remarked that, "A polyurethane floor is better than wood or concrete."

Gum is a big problem on the rink floor as is spread all over Bohlen explained. He also listed dirty street skates that tend to tear up the floor as another constant problem for the managers.

Jacobs added, "The floor has to be refinished with polyurethane once a year."

The rink has 650 pairs of skates in various sizes which can be rented. Customers can bring their own skates if they wish.

The rink not only attracts skaters from the Pierre and Fort Pierre area, but also from places like Murdo, Presho, Philip and Onida. The rink serves a 50-60 mile radius around Pierre", Jacobs claims, and he believes more advertising will draw customers from a larger area.

Guards are on duty around the floor to help prevent serious accidents. Bohlen commented about his by stating, "If everyone abides by the rules, then there shouldn't be any accidents except maybe some bruises and skinned knees."

Blisters are a problem for beginning skaters, and the managers recommend alternatng feet, especially around the curves as a method of avoiding this kind of injury.

As far as the future plans for the rink are concerned, the men explained, "We are working on plans for paving the parking lot in the spring. We also plan a skate-a-thon and later possibly a marathon."



Valentines Day is for sweethearts. But it is also a day to realease your inhibitions and reveal your admiration and friendship for someone you admire.

Valentines Day is your day to get acquainted with someone you really like. Send them a secret-admirer card or a candy heart that says "kiss me."

Girls like Valentines Day because they can hope for a bouquet of flowers or a box of candy from some boy.

Boys like to receive delicate valentines from love-sick girls.

This Valentines Day give your love to our sweetie!

You are My Happiness

You make me so very happy
Just to have you walk beside me
Or to look into your deep eyes
And see that spark of fire
Which endlessly reminds me of your love.

With you and without you,
I cannot think of anything else
For only you are constantly on my mind.

All day I dream about you
And wonder what you are thinking.
Maybe the same of what I am think ing of you.

You make me feel so wonderful
Just to see that smile upon your face.
C. Chu

Birds responsible for Valentine customs

Valentines Day is for the birds.

Geoffrey Chaucer, the 14th century English poet, was the first writer to mention that birds begin to pair off on February 14. This notion suggested that girls and boys should choose a mate then also.

From this poetic idea the word "Valentine" has been applied to people and gifts, according to World Book Encyclopedia.

Most customs of Valentine's Day, such as exchanging cards, are concerned with romance. At one time in history, girls would pin five bay

leaves on their pillow, one in the center and one in each corner. This was supposed to make them dream of their future mate.

At another period in history, a girl would put all of her boy friends'names on slips of paper and roll each into a tiny ball of clay, then place them in water. The first slip of paper to rise to the top would be her future mate.

If a girl wanted to know if she were going to be married during the year, she would get up early Valentine's morn, go to her door and peek out through the key hole. If she saw two

objects she would be married within a year. If she only saw one, she had little hope.

Customs of today are a little less fanciful. People of all ages give valentines with sentimental messages and canned verses. Children have parties and select Valentine queens. Husbands bring their wives flowers or candy, depending on how romantic they are.

But just think girls, we wouldn't be getting all those messages on February 14 if it weren't for those two birds back in Medieval England.

