



JOURNALISTS . . . Chris Shaw (left) and Rich Birhanzel (right) analyze a Mitchell High School paper at the annual press convention held at South Dakota State University. (Photo by Doug Potter)

Publications win awards

Riggs High publications earned All-State awards at the annual South Dakota High School Press Association convention held recently at South Dakota State University.

Governor newspaper and *Gumbo* yearbook staffers accepted awards at the general session which also honored All-State journalists Michelle Ulmen and Robbie Miller. Michelle was recognized as the top All-Around journalist in yearbook. Student awards are based on accomplishments during the Summer Institute for Journalists at SDSU.

In addition to All-State honors, the Governor was awarded a third-place certificate in the fall First Edition con-

test. Editors for the current paper are Sarah Adam and Shelly O'Day.

Editors for the 1984-85 All-State paper were Connie Hudson and Michelle Scarborough. Page editors were Karen Powell. Thea Miller, Sarah Adam, Shelly O'Day, Kellen Levison, Mari Ward, Dan Fischer and Liz Porter. Photographers were Keith Barth, Brett Owens and Levison.

Judges of the 1984-85 paper included these comments: "Definitely one of the more interesting papers in the state. Expand on significant, even controversial topics, to enhance content."

The *Gumbo's* All-State marked the yearbook's third consecutive superior rating, according to adviser Terry Peterson. Peterson presented three workshop sessions at the convention. He was also elected vice president of the SDHSPA supervisors.

Judges commended the *Gumbo* for its theme development, division pages and overall content coverage. The editor for the book was Lori Adams. Section chiefs were Kendra Jorgensen, Kevin Bowers, Amy Vanderziel, Bob Sahr, Tina Olson, and Tara Watson. Pat McKeever and Trish Smith were photographers.

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Students question state's assessment testing

Student comment and some criticism resulted from class time spent recently taking State Department tests.

High school students throughout the state spent nearly a day of classroom time taking tests on Sept. 24-26 and Oct. 2. The tests, required for students in grades 9-12 in South Dakota, were the Differential Aptitude Test (DAT) and Ohio Vocational Interest Survey II (OVIS II).

Many students and faculty members have been questioning the purpose of the test. Senior Steve Maxwell said, "They were a waste of time, and the results are going to be useless for me."

Teacher Mrs. Birhanzel commented, "I felt it was more testing than necessary with very little preparation for it. In order for these tests to be of any value, the dissemination will have to be effectively handled."

Others didn't take the test seriously. One was senior Jason Kaul, who said, "I just filled in the circles."

Officially, the purpose of the tests is to help students in career selection. Riggs counselor Mavis Booze said, "The test took time out of the school day. I hope the students use them, and then the time taken will be worthwhile."

The State Department of Education also requires all juniors to take the Stanford Achievement Tests in April.

A number of other tests are available through various sources. Three college entrance exams are taken

outside of school time: the American College Testing Assessment (ACT), the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), and the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). The PSAT was given October 22, while the SAT and ACT are given on various dates throughout the year.

About 20 percent of Pierre students take the PSAT, with 72 percent taking the ACT and approximately 5 percent taking the SAT.

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) and the General Aptitude Battery (GATB) are also given in Pierre, according to Mrs. Booze.

Pierre guidance counselors Mrs. Booze and Gary Schneider administer these tests. They also do a number of other things for the students.

According to Mrs. Booze, adminis-

tering the tests is not the most time-consuming activity. Making sure all students have the required credits to graduate takes the most time. This is especially difficult now because each class has different requirements.

Counselors can help in other ways as well. Students can discuss educational concerns, such as decisions on courses or any problems. They can also discuss career or vocational decisions. Counselors also help students with personal problems.

The Counseling and Guidance Services says, "The goal of counseling is to help you understand yourself so you can learn to make a better decision about your life."

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November 2 Cross Country

State Meet—here

SAT Test

7-9 J.H. Musical—

Riggs Theatre

8 End of first

quarter

11 Veterans Day—

no school

14-15 Elementary

Parent Teacher

Conferences

28-29 Thanksgiving

Vacation

29-30 Riggs fall play—

Riggs Theatre

30 Girls Varsity BB—

District III

December 2 Girls Varsity BB—

District III

Bond issue goes to voters

by Brian Weiss

Pierre voters will go to the polls Dec. 10 to decide the fate of a proposed \$4.85 million school bond issue.

If passed, the bond issue, which is for building purposes only, will finance radical changes in the Pierre elementary school system including the abandonment of Lincoln school and the adding of a gymnasium, library, and a computer room to those remaining schools which do not yet have them.

Jefferson and Buchanan schools would each be expanded to have three classrooms of each grade from kindergarten through sixth. Jefferson would also add numerous rooms in order to accommodate most of the special services offered by the Pierre school systems such as the early childhood program, and the ungraded classrooms.

McKinley and Washington would add no new classrooms, and they

would thereby support only two classes of kindergarten through sixth grade, except Washington which would have three sixth grade classrooms.

These two schools would also undergo some interior rearrangement in order to provide for some more administrative offices.

The plan is an answer to growing special services, a shift in the concentrations of elementary children, and an overall shortage of space.

Mrs. Logan, principal of Washington and McKinley schools and member of the special elementary building needs committee, says that, "we have an overcrowded situation in the elementary buildings and in order to alleviate that, this plan would be ideal."

If passed, bids will be taken in the spring with building started in the summer. The construction should be finished by the start of the 1987-88 school year.

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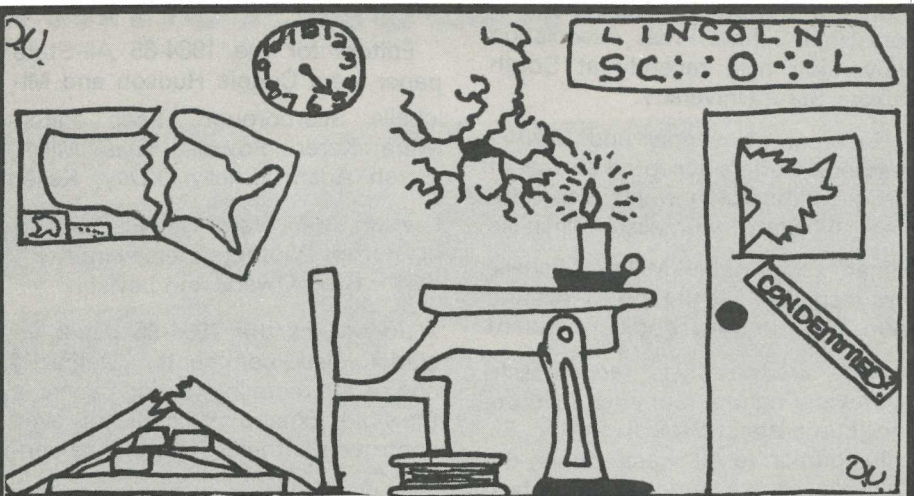
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Elementaries need better facilities

Is education important? Such a question may insult your intelligence, yet the fact needs to be stated. Education is vitally important in today's society.

The purpose of an education is always headed toward the ultimate goal of learning. Throughout the learning stages of life, many factors influence what, how, and to what extent we learn and comprehend the facts presented to us. One such factor is the very environment in which we receive the most direct methods of an education—our schools.

In Pierre, however, there is some question about the physical environment provided for students. Many grade schools are too small and therefore crowded. One elementary, a victim of Father Time, has even been declared unsafe. These unsatisfactory conditions aren't the fault of anyone, but they are the problem of many.

Staying on top of these issues, the Pierre Board of Education recognized that urgent solutions were needed. After much deliberation, research, and planning, they recently passed a resolution giving Pierre voters a chance to vote Dec. 10 for a bond issue which would provide the money to construct new or add to old facilities.

Building more classrooms and a safer, new school building are the obvious and only answers.

Hopefully, the Pierre voters will give time and careful consideration to the pros and cons of the proposals. Grade schoolers should be enjoying a better, safer learning environment. Since the educational process is a progressive process, better facilities on the elementary level are vital to insure the necessary stepping stone to overall educational excellence.

Another Voice . . .

by Rob Miller

The Riggs High Class of 1985 was an exception to the rule. Seniors from last year's graduating class left South Dakota in hordes this fall to start their freshman year in out-of-state colleges.

In a survey taken last April by the Riggs guidance office, 41 percent of seniors planning to go to college were to attend a school outside South Dakota. Eighteen percent of those attending a vo-tech were also leaving the state in pursuit of an education.

Watertown High School saw similar patterns. Although not in the proportions seen at Riggs and Watertown, students across the state attended out-of-state colleges in record numbers.

Most of these students attend school in Minnesota. Schools there are well within price ranges most can afford. In fact, some Minnesota schools are cheaper for South Dakotans to attend than for Minnesotans. Cost is not the only factor pushing Riggs students out of state.

The South Dakota Board of Regents is another.

The Board of Regents determines policy for all of South Dakota's state supported colleges. They hold much responsibility in the fates of high school students, yet they consistently make decisions based on ignorance. If Regent Bill Srstka is any indication, the Board is insensitive to the reality

of getting into a South Dakota college.

In a recent telephone interview, Srstka said he was unfamiliar with the mass exodus of Riggs students to other states. This man is one of a select few who decide what it takes to get into a state college, yet he did not know about increasing out-of-state numbers. If the entire board is like Srstka, they cannot possibly make decisions which will affect

students for years to come. Bill Srstka had little knowledge of the situation at Riggs. By his example it can only be assumed that the entire Board is insensitive to the facts.

I would challenge Mr Srstka or any Regent to speak before our student body. They could see, first hand, how the decisions they make in their vacuum affect grass roots. Maybe then they will come to their senses.

What the people say: A good teacher is . . .

Pierre Schools and Pierre Education Association will be joining the nation to celebrate American Education Week Nov. 17-24. Pierre students at all levels will be asked to share their thoughts about education through the local newspaper, on local radios, and via displays of various types around town.

Most comments will be built around the 1985 theme "Educational Excellence," or the topic "What Education Means to Me." With these thoughts in mind, the Governor this month asked students about the qualities of a good teacher. The question: "In your estimation, what makes a good teacher?" The responses:

Thad Bothwell (Sr.): "Hieb!"

Senior Boys of third period study hall: "36-24-36, brunette, rich, single, about 24 years old, and intelligent."



Charmion O'Day (Jr.): "A good teacher is someone who is easy to understand and tries to make the work interesting and a little bit of fun at the same time."

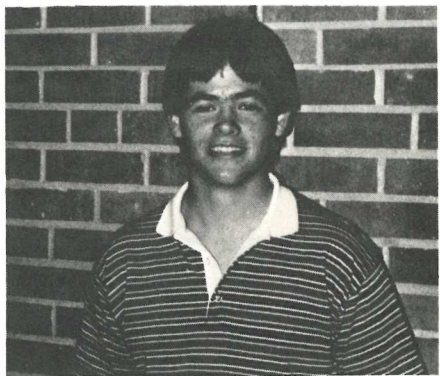
Bridgette Banks (Sr.): "Somebody like Mr. McCrae who if you want to learn he would give you his undivided attention. We all liked him."

Jolene Mews (Sr.): "A good teacher is someone who understands the kids' needs and spends the extra time if you need it."

Lisa Hyde (Jr.): "A good teacher doesn't just know what he's doing, but also knows how to communicate this with his students."

Craig Howard (Sr.): A good teacher is one who is knowledgeable about his/her subject, explains the material to be learned well, listens to his/her students' thoughts and ideas, helps with the individual needs of the students and sincerely cares about teaching effectively.

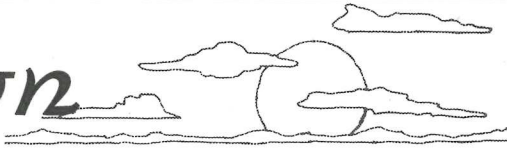
Cheryl Whiteaker (Sr.): "Someone who grades by your work and not whether or not they like you."



Rick Gordon (Jr.): "A person who will work out problems with you individually. He/she also will explain clearly what is being taught and will answer any questions at any time. It would be nice, though, if they also let you have a little fun!"

Dusk to Dawn

By Dawn Jackson



Everyone tells me that writing the first column is always the toughest, but it's not getting easier!

A lot of little details go into producing a good column, and it's usually those little things that are the most important. One example is the name. When I decided to write this column I had no idea what to call it. I got sev-

eral different ideas that were as wild as "Jackson's Junk" to "D. J.'s Jottings." But a friend gave me an idea with a little ring to it that stuck in my mind. Today my column is known as "Dusk to Dawn." If you're wondering how I got that you'll have to ask the person that actually named it because I'm sure Heather Lowery could tell you more.

Another person who should be recognized is Andy Talley. He was asked by Mrs. Laitala to draw a sunset for the standing headline. He is the one person responsible for adding the finishing touch—a design—to my column. Thank you to the both of you, and to others for all the needed help (and also unneeded help) I get.

As the end of October approaches, so does the tradition of Halloween. For me, every Halloween is made memorable because of a certain house in the neighborhood. This house used to be the climax of the fun and always left everyone so scared they would run home. You always felt like you were walking into a haunted house.

The residents greeted you in costume with cob webs dangling and live black cats to add suspense. You heard eerie, scary noises and a truly transformed home. It became a mysterious dark environment lit dimly often by jack o'lanterns. You would be taken on a haunted journey by some rather "haunted" people. It was scary, but so exciting that it continues to draw a large crowd each year.

Who says the fun has to end just because we're high school students? This is a great holiday to have fun and enjoy the excitement. A lot of us can even get crazy enough to participate in the "Trick or Treating." So have fun, but keep it safe! Happy Halloween!!

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Hilding names All State Chorus; Huron to host practice, concert

Twelve vocalists will represent Riggs at the 1985 All State Chorus Nov. 7-9 in Huron.

Selected to the prestigious honors choir were Sandy Kern, Sue McIntire, Eric Lundeen, Stuart Stofferahn, quartet one; Jonette Wellhouse, Darla Eisnach, Lowell Gordon, and Loren Cass in quartet two; and Stacey Stofferahn, Marcie Lyngstad, Sean Califf and Jim Linn in quartet three. Trish Feltman, Tani Keenlyne and Dave Valentine are alternates.

"Only 12 people out of 600 possible are chosen to represent Pierre at All-State," said Mrs. Jackie Hilding,

vocal instructor. She commended the All-Staters for their many hours of hard work.

Among the selections the quartets are preparing for the chorus event are "Your Voices Tune", "Johny, I Hardly Knew Ye," and "This Train."

Guest director will be Stephen G. Hobson.

The honors choir consists of the best high school vocalists from South Dakota. After two days of intense practice, the group presents a public concert as the highlight of the annual event.

News Briefs

Yearbook sales to begin in November

The 1985-86 Gumbo will be on sale Nov. 20—Nov. 22. The Gumbo will cost \$10.00 for students and \$11.50 for seniors who want to have their name on their Gumbo.

The Gumbo will be sold in the ticket booths across from the cafeteria.

Judging teams enter contest

Pierre placed sixth in land and eleventh in range judging at the Oct. 3 state contest held in Wall.

Lance Howe was top man for the Pierre land judging team, and Rich Trautman was the top local placer in range judging.

Ag adviser Jerry Thelen said the cold wet weather affected the amount of time the team members spent on judging. "It was a good experience for the students none-the-less," Mr. Thelen said.

Team one for land judging included Howe, Tanya Huck, Royal Elwood, Bob Fratzke, and Marit Rolland.

Team two included Scott Hunsley, Deanna Seager, Karen Stephen, and Tom Mullivan.

Range judges were Mark Gran, Casey Cowan, Trautman and Lori Shryver.

Advancing to Oklahoma for the National Contest will be Eagle Butte in land judging and Presho, range judging.

FFA fruit sales begin

Riggs chapter of Future Farmers of America (FAA) has begun its annual fall fruit sale which will run through Nov. 5, according to Jerry Thelen, adviser.

FFA members are selling apples, two kinds of oranges, grapefruit, and mixed boxes of the fruits. Costs run from \$7.50 through \$10 a box.

"We hope to have our best sales in years, because we have some very active FFA members selling," Mr. Thelen said.

Proceeds fund the various FFA activities and the spring banquet.

Celebrate
EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE
American Education Week
Nov. 17-24



LA, LA, LA . . . All State Chorus members are: Top (left to right), Marcie Lyngstad, Darla Eisnach, Stuart Stofferahn, and Jonette Wellhouse. Middle, Lowell Gordon, Eric Lundeen, Stacey Stofferahn, Sandy Kern, and Loren Cass. Bottom, Mrs. Hilding, Sean Califf, Sue McIntire, and Jim Linn.
(Doug Potter photo)

Students participate in economics seminar

Nine Riggs High students were selected to attend the 24th Annual Economics Seminar for Young Adults.

Salley Backlund, Jason Cool, Kristin Erickson, Paulette Gates, Michelle Lovell, Michelle O'Day, Teresa Pesicka, Steve Schwartz, and Jill Tobin attended the seminar on Oct. 16 and 17 at the Holiday Inn in Mitchell.

The students were selected by Riggs High School authorities. The American State Bank, BankWest, and First National Bank in cooperation with the South Dakota Bankers Association sponsored the seminar.

Over 250 seniors from all parts of the state attended the two-day conference. The purpose was to stimulate the interest of young people in building financial security and to give them a greater understanding of modern money and banking systems.

In addition to hearing talks by a number of financial experts, students joined in workshop sessions and discussions on various aspects of money management. South Dakota Bankers Association Education, Personal, and Operations Committee members acted as discussion leaders for the workshop sessions during the seminar.

Cool receives honor

Senior Jason Cool has been named a Commended Student in the 1986 Merit Program, according to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Cool will receive a Letter of Commendation in honor of outstanding academic promise, demonstrated by placing in the top five percent of over one million participants in the 31st annual National Merit Scholarship Program.



EMERALD REGIMENT CELEBRATES OPTIMIST VICTORY . . . (left) Band director Paul Upsahl and Stacey Stofferahn hug after returning to Pierre. (right) Band members display trophy. From left: Karla Palmer, Shauna Draper, Renae Howard, Debbie Kern, Karla Steele, Kerry Nowak, Wendy Knight, Sandy Kern, Jim Linn, Paul Upsahl, Ronnie Sines, Stuart Stofferahn, and Ken Cash.



Regiment wins Optimist contest

Screaming fire engines escorted the Emerald Regiment marching band into Pierre after they won first place in the Class AA marching band competition Oct. 5 at Brookings.

Pierre's marching band surpassed two schools that had beaten them in Luverne, the two schools being Brookings and Brandon Valley.

The Regiment won second place overall. The flag corps earned the Outstanding Auxiliary Award out of all of the twelve bands that had participated.

"The band members performed better than they've ever done

before," said Mr. Upsahl, band instructor.

In gratitude for their exciting escort, the Regiment gave an impromptu performance by the light from the fire engines for the people who welcomed them home.

"Band members were excited about their performance," Marcie Lyngstad said. "From what happened the week before, I felt really good about what happened in Brookings, because we got what we deserved where awards are concerned. I was proud how the band had im-

proved with only a few rehearsals. I'm also happy about the way the sophomores responded."

It's a perfect way to end my senior year in marching band," Ronnie Sines stated. Drum major Sandy Kern added, "I thought we did really well. We sounded great. I was impressed. I was really proud of the flag corps, they did exceptionally well, too."

The contest ended the marching band season. Riggs concert band will perform in December.

Teacher, ranger-man for all seasons

by Michelle Podhrasky

He was Mr. Larsen the teacher during the school year, but as summer rolled in to the picture, he was thought of by many as "Ranger Ken." Speech instructor Ken Larsen's summer job was working with the public as an interpreter ranger at Farm Island.

This wasn't Mr. Larsen's first experience as a ranger. "I worked in North Dakota at Theodore Roosevelt National Park for six years," he said. "Five of those years I was an interpreter, and for the last summer I worked as a campground supervisor, and that included law enforcement."

Why would Mr. Larsen enjoy this type of work? "I'm an outdoors person, and enjoy working with people," said Mr. Larsen, "I really had fun with it because it was a free chance to exercise creativity."

As an interpreter ranger, Mr. Larsen worked independently. He usually spent one day planning the different activities to put in the weekly written program put out via both radio and newspaper. Research writing and program presentation occupied other time during a week.

Activities were the "See, Touch, and Talk" shows, movies of entertainment, and the guided walks. "Some walks concentrated on former campsites, Boy Scout camp location, the Old Isaac Walton site, where the old sawmill stood, and other items of interest on Farm Island," said Mr. Larsen. "Others concentrated on edible plants and on flora and fauna in the island area."

Mr. Larsen spent a lot of time with the Junior Ranger program. "About 100

young people between the ages of 7 and 12 participated. We would go on walks and study and talk about nature. This program trained the children to conserve nature. Each child then received a patch and a certificate declaring them an official Junior Ranger."

Another interesting activity Mr. Larsen conducted was the Night Stalking program. "It usually took place at least once each weekend around 11:00 p.m. It was a 45 minute to one hour quiet walk to observe all the creatures and sounds of the night."

Recently Mr. Larsen wrote a story about these evening walks entitled: *Creatures of the Night or Night Stalking on Farm Island Trails*. It will be published next spring by the South Dakota Conservation Digest.

If being a ranger sounds routine and predictable to you, you may be wrong, as Mr. Larsen points out in one of his eye-opening experiences. "It was the last Junior Ranger program of the summer and as the group and I were walking we came upon a rattlesnake nearly three and one half feet long, and only about six feet away from a 9-year old in the

group. I grabbed the child out of the way and then clubbed the snake over the head and threw it into the river. Another time on a Junior Ranger program a young boy fell off a long log into a pond and needed a heroic rescue job."

Mr. Larsen intends to be a ranger again next summer. Some of his other interests and hobbies include jogging, cross country skiing, City Council, camping, fishing, reading, writing and hunting when he finds the time.



RANGER KEN . . . taking a breather at a stopping site at Turtle Lake on a trail hike, Mr. Larsen discusses vegetation at the Farm Island pond.

HALLOWEEN

by Ken Larsen

It is the time
of ghosts, ghouls
and goblins . . .
Pumpkin faces
glow
on porch steps
as
glowing children
ruddy faced
brave
the darkness . . .
Skeletal trees
Clack in the
breeze.
Children
Filled with fear
feel knees knocking
Heart racing
Teeth chattering
Sacks rustling . . .
Fright filling
THE
NIGHT
for ghosts,
ghouls
and goblins . .



AUTUMN LEAVES

by Ken Larsen

They're in a hurry now . . .
In the golden glow
Of Sunset . . .
In the gentle breeze
The leaves
Seeking release
Are tumbling to rest
On the golden
tresses
Of gentle mother
earth
Covering her head
From the cold
winter blasts
soon to come.



OFFICIAL DUTY . . . Mr. Larsen; in front, second from left; a Fort Pierre City Commissioner waits for the beginning of the festive Buffalo Chip-Flip contest. Each year the twin cities' councils challenge each other at the contest held as part of Oahe Days.

(Doug Potter photo)

Scary Night

by Dawn Jackson

A night of excitement
a time for fun.
A dreary wish sent
for just anyone.

A haunted house
to walk slowly into
Be quiet as a mouse
or scream from a "Boo!"

A journey of chance
to explore on your own.
All the stories they tell
for you on your own.

To dress up in costume
get ready for fun.
To play games and laugh
to hide from everyone.

The night is dark
the feeling of fright.
But one you start
it's a fun filled night.

The time has a name
full of scary scenes
It's not just a game
it's, of course, Halloween!



HALLOWEEN

BY Heather Duggan

Haunted
Allusions

Luminate
Lights
Ostentatious
Witches
Eerie
Exciting
Night

Poetry Corner

HALLOWEEN

by Dawn Jackson

The time has approached
get the costumes out.
The stories with ghosts
and kids that shout.

Ghosts and goblins
witches and brew.
Creepy dungeons
fairytales that seem true.

It's part of tradition
a time for fun.
A scary mission
the race has begun.

A time to trick
and one to treat.
But sometimes sick
from too much to eat.

Dark haunted houses
black scary cats.
Neighbors aroused
from kids coming back

A joyous occasion
a happy scene.
So keep it a safe
and happy Halloween!



HALLOWEEN FRIGHT

by Michelle Podhradsky

It was a moonlit night
And the stars were bright
Ghosts and witches roamed
The land.

Frightened as I was I started
Up the steps and something
took me
By the hand.

"Come into my house, come in,"
it said
The house was huge and
Painted red.

"Well . . . what do you say?"
It screamed with a grin.
Now was my chance so I stuck
Out my chin.

"Trick-or-Treat-Trick-or-Treat-
Trick-or-Treat," I said grandly
And I opened my bag and
Said, "Toss in the candy!"

Quietly, it stood there—
it stood there—
looking at me,
and it wasn't candy,
on it's mind, I could see.

So I ran out the door and
Let out a scream, and so was
the end
of my frightening Halloween.



MEETING THE STARS . . . Junior Jodi Randall met country western singers David Frizzel and Shelly West when they appeared in concert at Fort Pierre. The concert was sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police. At right of Miss West and her daughter in an on-duty police cadet, junior Brian Hines.

THE POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING

by Heather Duggan

"Everybody in the world is seeking happiness—and there is one sure way to find it. That is by controlling your thoughts. Happiness doesn't depend on outward conditions. It depends on inner conditions."

Dale Carnegie's formula for happiness is thought provoking: happiness is a chosen mind frame. You create it within yourself. One can maintain happiness by controlling his thoughts, by thinking positively.

Abe Lincoln added to the same effect when he remarked, "Most folks are about as happy as they make their minds to be." How happy are you? How do you see yourself? Does life seem hopeless or full of promise?

"There is nothing either good or bad," observed Shakespeare, "but thinking makes it so."

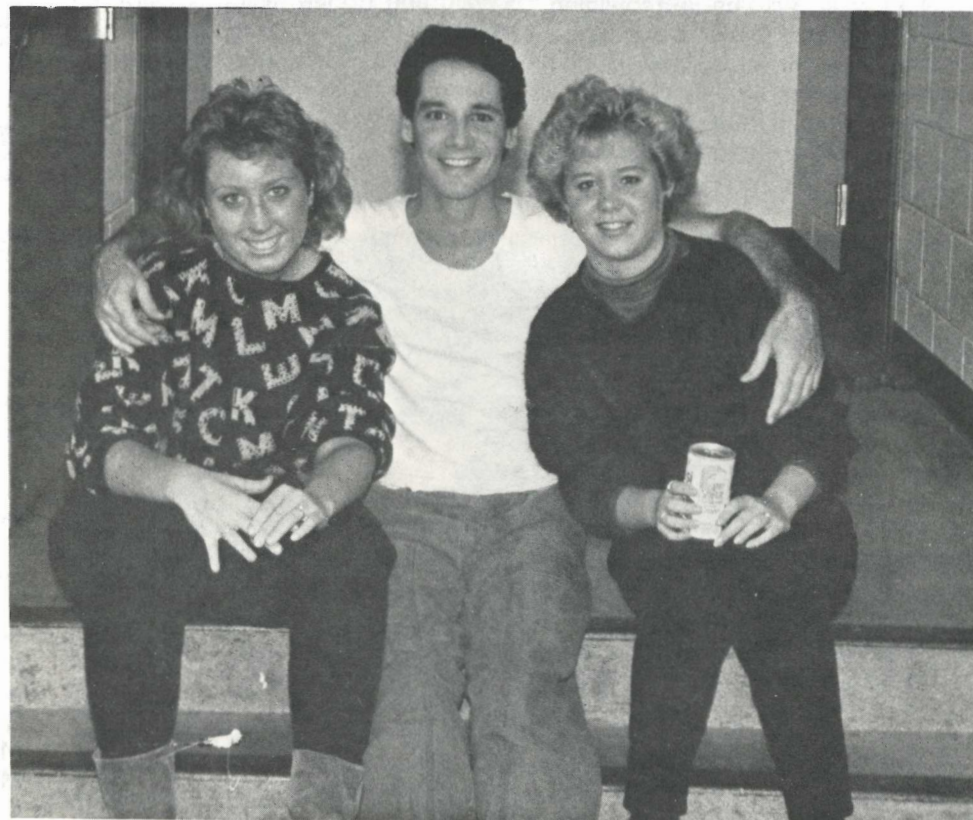
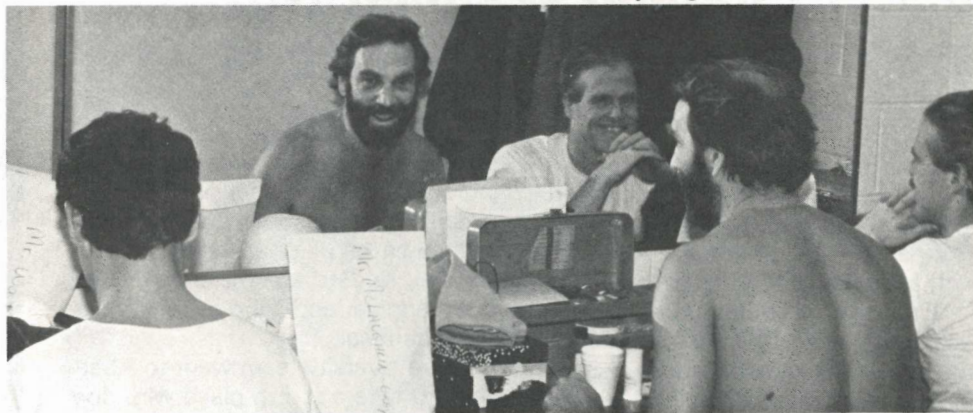
We live in a critical society. Evaluate is a synonym for picking out all the negative qualities. We exploit weakness, finger faults. Even in education, the focus is on the number of errors. This negative, critical trend ferments in our minds. We become slaves to our erroneous zones, mastered by our own self doubt.

"Inferiority and inadequacy interfere with the attainment of your hopes," wrote Norman Vincent Peale, "but self-confidence leads to self-realization and successful achievement. Remember the story of 'The Little Engine That Could'? The engine was able to climb the hill because he "thought he could."

Who you are, how you feel, and what you become are all determined by you. Emerson declared, "They conquer who believe they can." Your mind can deface mountains or build them into defeating barriers. Believe yourself capable of overcoming, and you shall overcome.

"Learn to expect not to doubt," stated Peale, "In so doing you bring everything into the realm of possibility." It is all a matter of mental conditioning. Program hope instead of dismay, anticipation instead of fear, belief in place of disbelief. Let failures be regarded as learning experiences, disappointments as opportunities for growth.

In the words of Norman Vincent Peale, "Develop powerful faith in yourself. You will learn to know yourself, your own ability, your power to do things. To the degree to which your attitude shifts from negative to positive, the mastery of accomplishment and success will come to you."



STAGE IMAGES . . . Guthrie Theatre actors (top picture) before the mirror are getting made up for the Oct. 16 evening performance of *Great Expectations*. Riggs students assisted behind the scenes with the crews before and after the performance including striking the set after the evening show. Shown below, the main character, 'Pip,' from the Dickens' story visits with seniors Susan Axtman and Missy Schuetzle.

(Doug Potter photos)

Basketball three-class system goes into effect

(Editor's Note: The following story edited for the Governor by Brian Weiss was written by Kevin Bowers in the spring Journalism II class.)

What does the future hold for basketball in the state of South Dakota? The answer to this question is a simple one—a new three class system which goes into effect for the 1985-86 season.

The answer may be simple, but the new system isn't.

The old two class system will be replaced by three classes: Class "AA", Class "A", and Class "B". Class "AA" will include the 16 high schools in the state with the largest enrollments. It will be divided into four districts of four teams each.

Pierre will be in District 3 along with Aberdeen Central, Huron and Mitchell. According to Pierre coaches Bob Judson and Don Shields, this will probably be the toughest of the four districts. Seven of the last 15 state champions have come from among these four teams.

However, under the new system, it is possible for as many as three teams from a district to make the state tournament.

District champions will automatically advance to the state tournament as has been the case in the past. But, under the new system, the second place team from each district will play the third place team from the other district in its region, with the winners also advancing to the state tournament.

Districts 1 and 3 will form one region and Districts 2 and 4 will form the other region.

This system will produce four teams from each region that will participate in an eight-team state tournament. No first-round games will involve two teams from the same district.

Golfers defend regional title . . . are disappointed at State Meet

by Shannon Brooks

Pierre golfers after winning regionals and being ranked in the top 4 in the state, went on to the State Golf Tournament in Aberdeen to finish with a disappointing 7th place.

"Our team's outstanding ability was not justified by our efforts at the state tournament in Aberdeen," Senior Robert Williams said.

"Next year will be a rebuilding year," said Ray Klinger, "because we will lose all of our seniors who helped the team this year."

Pierre defended their title at regionals, they took first place, winning by

Class "A" will include the next 64 largest schools in the state and will be divided into sixteen districts of four teams each. District champions will advance to the regional tournaments, and district runner-ups will also advance provided there is no challenge game.

Under the new format, the third place team in a district can challenge the runner-up in its district, but only if the teams hadn't previously met in the district tournament. The winner would then advance to the regional tournament.

Eight regional tournaments of four teams each will have regional pairings based on cross-bracketing. District champions will be paired against runner-up/third place teams, and only regional champions will advance to the state tournament.

Class B

Class "B" will include all of the other high schools in the state and will be divided into 16 districts of seven or eight teams each.

At least the top two teams in each "B" district must be seeded for first round teams, and in districts with only seven teams, a bye will go to the number one seed. As is the case in Class "A", Class "B" district champions will advance to the regional tournaments.

District runner-ups will also advance provided there is no challenge game. Regional pairings will be based on cross-bracketing, and only regional champions will advance to the state tournaments.

Effects of Three-Class System

According to the president of the South Dakota High School Activities Association, Marlon Goldhammer, "This new system was brought about because of the efforts of the smaller schools and the declining school enrollments."

29 strokes. Williams was the outstanding player of the day by shooting a superb two under par 70.

Earlier this season the team record included a 1st place at the Pierre Invitational; a 2nd at the Rapid City Quadrangular and a 3rd at the Mitchell Invitational.

Pierre's varsity team went to Aberdeen to take a fourth place win. Jon Wald and Robert Williams were the top golfers. The last regular meet of the season was again in Aberdeen. Pierre came up with another fourth place finish. The top golfer was J.D. Reis.

As far as Pierre coach Don Shields is concerned, the new system is "worth a try to satisfy the complaints of the smaller schools; but he, along with several other coaches across the state, wonder what effect it will have on basketball in general.

The effect is difficult to ascertain because this three-class system is an original plan devised by the South Dakota High School Activities Association and the schools of the state.

The exact same system has never been used before, and this raises several questions. Goldhammer feels that the new system's effect on the game financially and its effects on fan attendance are foremost among these questions.

The SDHSAA is a private non-profit organization which means that it has to support itself financially, and basketball has always been its biggest source of income.

In the upcoming budget, Mr. Goldhammer is projecting 62% of all the SDHSAA revenue, or approximately \$430,000, to come from high school basketball. In order to meet these figures, the Association may have to

take a larger percentage of district and regional profits because it is likely that revenue from the state tournaments will be reduced.

Fan interest is also difficult to project. The quality of basketball should be high in Class "AA"; consequently, "AA" attendance should remain high. However, coach Don Shields feels that with only 16 "AA" teams, a problem could arise from teams having to play each other so many times in the season.

In Class "A" this won't be a problem, and attendance could be strong. In Class "B", however, Pierre coach Bob Judson feels that the quality of basketball could be slightly reduced due to the fact that it will only have schools with small enrollments. This could lessen fan interest.

At this point, one can only speculate on the effects the three-class system will have on basketball in South Dakota. The answers to the questions hopefully, will be positive ones. If not, the three class system won't be around long because basketball in South Dakota is more than a game . . . it's a tradition.

Lady Netters Finish Fifth

Lady Govs tennis team recently placed fifth at the state tournament in Brookings.

During the meet, junior Shannon Schneider placed second at the second flight singles. Freshman Kara Fridley placed fourth at third flight singles and junior Anissa Rauscher won the consolation championship at fourth flight singles.

Coach Don Rogers was pleased that the team placed fifth, since only

one of the seven girls on the team had any state tournament experience.

He is also very optimistic about next season as six of the seven members will probably return to the state meet.

Action at Brookings saw Sioux Falls Lincoln repeating as state champions, Huron placing second and Rapid City Stevens finishing third.



TENNIS ANYONE? . . . Members of the 1985 tennis team are (front, left to right) Anissa Rauscher, Wendy Garber, Kara Fridley, Linda Regynski, (back) Nicolle Anderson, Shannon Schnieder, Mandy Gregory, and Coach Rogers.

Riggs student involved with local polo league

Polo at Riggs? Believe it or not besides the common, everyday events that students do, there are the unique.

Senior Tammi Volmer is a student with a unique interest. Encouraged by her parents and older sister, Tammi has been playing polo for five years.

Polo is unusual in South Dakota, and Pierre is the only polo team in the state. The polo season begins in May, weather permitting, and runs until October. The team plays teams from Minneapolis, Cheyenne, Chicago, Memphis, Kansas City, Winnipeg, Canada and Norman, Oklahoma.

Tammi said the best thing that has happened to her involving polo was a month-long trip to Memphis and Norman playing polo matches.

The polo team is organized and

under the leadership of Leroy and Jean Volmer. Other members on the team include: Terri Volmer, Brad Tiler, Bob Williams, Nathan Ward, Jeff Putzier, and Tammi.

The team is a respected team. Competing in tournaments in Canada, Minneapolis, and at the Farm Island polo field this summer, they compiled a record of six wins, two losses, and one tie.

Playing polo, Tammi has suffered some minor injuries such as a broken wrist and a blow to the back of her neck from a polo ball. However, she maintains, "It's no more dangerous than any other sport."

Tammi practices two or three times a week at the Farm Island polo field. She enjoys polo and says she'll be playing as long as her family has horses.



PAR . . . was the goal for this years golf team which took first place in the region and seventh in the state. Team members include (left to right) Jon Wald, Robert Williams, JD Ries, Jason Young, and Jim Benham.

(Doug Potter photo)

Lady Govs hope to avenge Gazelle loss

by LeAnn Holmes

Lady Govs will be on the road to Yankton Friday where they meet their rivals and hope to even the score for the 63-33 loss the Gazelles handed the Ladies during their third game of the season.

In addition to playing good basketball, the Lady Govs are planning to "not be intimidated by them," according to junior forward Keren Higgins.

"We need to handle their pressure. They play a man-to-man defense, and our guards will have to handle the ball," said Sheli Bowers, a junior starter.

"They'll probably wear their war paint in Yankton—they do for home games—and they'll try to be tough," Higgins said, adding, "of course, they are good."

After a high-scoring victory over Lyman County, and a disappointing loss to Huron, the Lady Govs' season record stands at an even 6-6.

Although Huron and Pierre are both in District III, Coach Don Shields is confident that his team will be able to beat Huron when the Regionals roll around. Shields says the team missed "pizzaz" from the player of the week Jolene Mews as she was battling the flu.

He cited another senior, Sarah Adam as having her "best game of the season" against Huron. Shields commended both Mews and Adam for showing more senior leadership.

After 11 games, Mews leads the team in both rebounds and points, having 77 rebounds and 125 total points. Following Mews in rebounding are Adam with 45 and Cynthia Beck with 40. Adam also has 89 points followed by Sheli Bowers with 88.

Dawn Witte leads the field goal percentages at 59, with Mews and Higgins also having top percentages of 46 and 45 respectively. Higgins leads the free throw percentages with 78. Beck at 68 percent and Stephanie Griffith with 58 percent are also top on the list.

At a point in the season when many teams begin to feel discouraged, Shields says, "We need to guard against complacency, overconfidence, and not being fired-up."

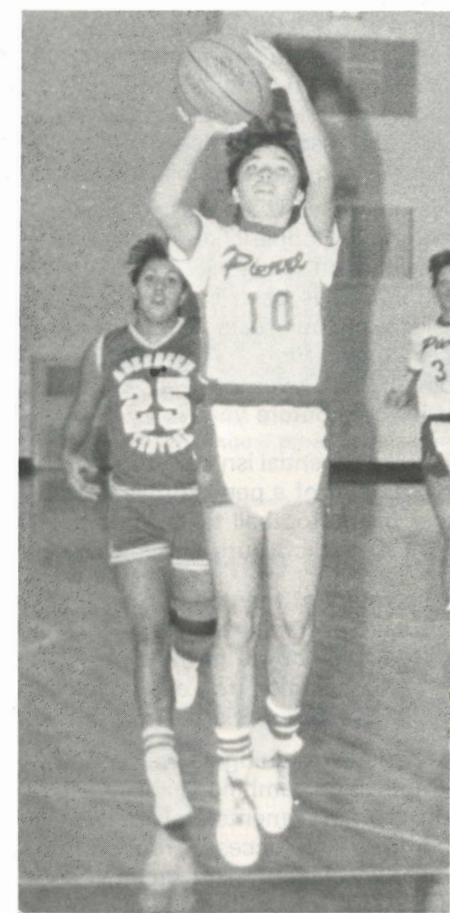
Junior center Cynthia Beck sums up many of the team's thoughts in saying, "We have to stay fired-up, and go out and play our best."

Next up for the Lady Govs are ESD conference teams Rapid City Stevens, and Brookings.



Struggling . . . Senior Sarah Adam struggles with a Lyman County Raider for possession of the ball.

(Doug Potter Photo)



FOR TWO . . . Steph Griffith goes for two points for the Lady Govs when they played Aberdeen Central.

(Doug Potter Photo)

Govs Face Yankton

by Rich Birhanzel

Pierre meets Yankton for the first time this season when they face the Bucks Friday night at the Parents Night game.

According to backup quarterback Chris Shaw, the team has been looking forward to the game since summer. "Beating Yankton is one of our goals this fall, because they are so good," Shaw said. "They seem to be the biggest rivalry for our school."

Shaw noted that Yankton has one of the best running backs in the state in Kevin Neilson. "They're a strong team, and to win we will have to play the best we ever have as a team," Shaw said.

After a win against Watertown and successive losses to Rapid City

Stevens and Huron, the Governors have a three and three record. Their game against Aberdeen and the upcoming Yankton game will determine whether or not they compete in post-season competition.

"It is a must situation for us. If we win both, we would be assured of making the playoffs. In order to do that, we are going to have to execute things correctly. If somebody is not doing his job, we are going to have to find someone who can," said assistant coach Jerry Schlekeway.

Commenting on Pierre's chances of winning both games, he said, "If we can beat Aberdeen, our challenge would be to be the first team to beat Yankton this year. They are always a

good team. They are usually on top of the conference and rated in the state. We are always able to compete

with them, but we lose to them because of our own mistakes. I think we can rise to the occasion."

Sophomores end season

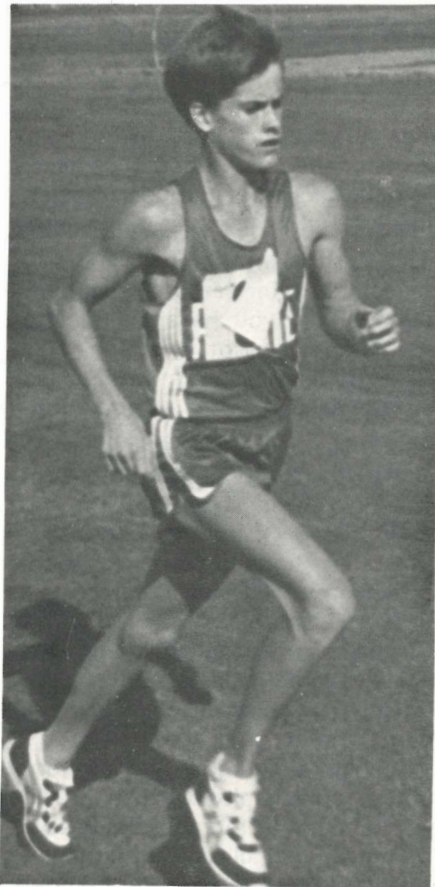
by John Forney

With a victory over Aberdeen, the Pierre Sophomore football team finished their season with a 4-1 record.

Their only loss was to Chamberlain, 6-18, while they defeated Mobridge 12-6, Winner 13-12, Huron 18-0, and Aberdeen 6-0. Coach John Hoover said that the team was really competitive throughout the season, and that they surpassed what he expected them to do.

Jason Ley led the team in rushing while Eric Norum and Bill Regynski were the leading receivers. At the top of the chart in passing were Mike Raue and John Sutton.

According to Coach Hoover, it was the consistent play of the defense, led by Mike Olson, Brad Jones, and Craig Smith, that held the team, together most of the year.



A LITTLE FARTHER . . . Darron Chase completes his heat at the cross country meet held at the Pierre golf course.

(Tom Maher photo)



HERE I COME . . . This Pierre Governor dives into the waiting defense of two Watertown players during the Oct. 4 game between Watertown and Pierre. Pierre won 12-6.

(Doug Potter photo)

Cross country team maintains 'optimism' for state tournament

by Paula Paul

"Optimistic" best describes the Pierre cross country team as they look toward the state meet, which will be held Nov. 2 here in Pierre.

Pierre competes in the AA Division, which will include sixteen teams at the state meet. "Our team ranks in the middle of the ESD schools, but we know what we can do," said coach Bill Henjum.

He looks to Shawn Searls and Darin Chase to finish with the top runners, and to Wade Douglas, Jim Keyes, and Todd Petersen to be consistent placers, as they have been all year.

Terri Ulmen and Steph Baldwin could possibly place in the top 20 runners for the girls.

Reviewing the team's season, Coach Henjum said, "There have been times when we've competed hard; and times when we've just

gone through the motions, but the runners have worked hard all year.

He commented that he has seen a great improvement in all of the runners since the beginning of the season.

Pierre harriers have just recovered from the ESD meet, which was held in Mitchell Oct. 19. Coach Henjum said the boys ran "very well" with their fourth place finish. Chase was the top runner for Pierre, finishing 10th. The girls also ran well, according to Henjum, although they finished last.

Henjum said that some of the girls were having stomach problems, and they ran excellently under the circumstances. Steph Baldwin was the top finisher, coming in 17th.

"We're looking expectantly toward next year because of the youth on both the boys' and girls' teams," remarked Henjum.

Junior Robbie Miller gives '100 percent'

by Heather Duggan

"Sometimes I feel too involved, but it was a choice I made to be in so many activities. I rarely have spare time, because I give 100 percent to all of my endeavors."

Robert Miller's words, concerning his involvement, are an understatement. Within this last year, Robbie has been awarded U.S. Secretary of Education's International Youth Award, All State Journalist, and President of South Dakota's Teen-Age Republicans (TAR).

The chairman of the South Dakota Republican Party nominated Miller for the International Youth Award. Only five youths from each state are honored with the Youth Award each year. Students are chosen on the basis of "exceptional caliber". Robbie's effort in fighting a 1983 grass fire and heading a 1985 voter-registration project were key factors in his attaining the award.

"Journalism is my passion. I love to write . . . then see what I wrote in print. It's an emotional high!"

Robert's editorial euphoria is exemplified in his work. Rob was picked by the Publication's Institute as an All State Journalist.

Robbie attended Publication's institute at SDSU this summer. Out of a field of outstanding journalists, Rob was chosen on the basis of attitude, hard work, and journalistic ability.

Robert also attended the South Dakota Teen-Age Republican's camp this summer. There he was elected President. Robbie chairmans all TAR activities in the state.

Robbie has been involved in journalism for four years now. He edited the Junior High "Wee Wac" and joined the "Governor" staff in the fall of his sophomore year.

Rob's potential isn't all stored within the point of a pen. Robbie is manager of the football team, in debate, FCA, Catholic Youth Group, as well

as secretary of the Junior Class.

Robert accredits his many talents to God, the core of his life.

"My inspiration for everything in my life is God. He is the reason we are capable of doing all we do."

Motivation, ambition, and dedication are all elements Rob cultivates and turns into success. From print to prayer, Robbie Miller dreams and DOES "the impossible dream".

Miller's Studio gives photography books

Riggs high school photographers now have the advantage and wisdom of professionals thanks to a set of Photography Encyclopedia donated to the school by Miller's Studio.

Marshall Miller recently presented the 13 books to Terry Peterson, year-book adviser. The books will be used by Gumbo and Governor staff members and students in the photography classes.

Miller's Studio presented a similar gift to Stanley County School.

It was close . . .

Magazine sales provides prom funds

Although the Junior Class did not reach their original goal they came close, raising \$13,295.44 through the annual magazine sale.

"After the first week, I was wondering if we really were going to have a "record" dance," said Chris Shaw, Junior Class president. "As the sales went on the excellence of the Class of '87 came through. In the last week of the drive we nearly doubled our total."

The "dirty dozen", the top 12 sales people, included Steph Sibley, Doug

Potter, Jim Linn, Sheli Bowers, Shannon Schneider, Tina Kiner,

Ward Judson, Bob Krier, Charmion O'Day, Connie Sibson, Todd Peterson, and LeAnn Holmes. Each received a Governor stadium blanket for their efforts.

"Sales were a little slow at first, but after the last weekend we raised enough money for a really great prom," said Miss Graney, head adviser for the class.

Terry Peterson's homeroom led the Junior sales with an average of \$185.73. Miss Graney and Mr. Upsahl's room was second with an average \$132.13; and Mr. Bryant's room was third with an average sale

of \$100.13.

Sales people in the winning homeroom were awarded a music certificate worth \$9.95 if they sold three or more subscriptions. Steph Sibley was awarded a \$50 savings bond for top selling, and Doug Potter received \$20 for second highest sales.

Juniors selling 10 or more magazine subscriptions received a Governor mug, and every person who sold a Reader's Digest subscription earned a Hardee's coupon and a clip-on pin. Steph Baldwin was the winner of a large stuffed animal, and Doug Potter and Bill Sterling received ghetto blasters in other drawings.

Shaw labels conference Outstanding experience

"Truly outstanding," is how Junior Chris Shaw describes his August trip to the International Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar in Los Angeles, CA.

Shaw was one of two students chosen at the South Dakota seminar to represent the state on the Loyola Marymount University campus at the international event.

"I will remember most the friends I've made all across the world; and the wisdom and motivation to help me in life's activities," Chris said, noting that he became good friends with his roommates from Washington D.C. and Wisconsin.

The Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership program is founded by Hugh O'Brian to seek out and reward leadership potential in high school students. Schools select a sophomore representative for the conference based on leadership abilities.

At the state seminar in Sioux Falls these students attend various presentations ranging from what to do after high school to free enterprise.

For Shaw the most memorable event of the international seminar was eating lunch at the Los Angeles Times. "It was impressive," Chris said. "To my right was Hugh O'Brian, and next to him was Jack Simplot. Hugh O'Brian you have to meet to know. Jack Simplot you didn't. He was a man in his 70's who talked boisterously and was the center of attention.

His trades ranged from computer bytes to supplying potatoes for McDonald's french fries.

"He hated "commies" and anything that had to do with anti-Americanism. I'll never forget the guy."

Chris' favorite tour was Universal studios where "nearly everything you see on TV takes place;" and, of course, the beach.

"I would encourage others to look into this opportunity because it really is a chance of a lifetime," Shaw said. "That's an old cliché, but the experiences, friends, and the knowledge you will gain will last forever.

Sophomores interested in the program should contact the Guidance Office before Nov. 17.



THE WAY TO A STUDENTS HEART . . . may be the school lunch program. School cooks and helpers received recognition this month during National School Lunch Week. Riggs cooks picture in top picture from left are Jean Hilmer, Helen Sherrill, Darlene Krogman and Mary Langager. In action in the bottom photo, Mrs. Langager serves lunches in the cafeteria. *Photos by Tom Maher and Doug Potter*