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LOCAL STUDENTS take part in the filming and taping of a TV show to be presented March 29 on WCCO, Channel 4. Here Craig Olson, right, is on camera, while Craig McHenry and Bryant Christenson look on at left.

## WCCO-TV Airs Student Show

Geht High is the setting of the student variety television show to be seen on WCCO March 29. The main idea behind the show is to prove that young people are capable of doing things on their own.

It all started when Mr. Arnold Weigel talked to Mr. Ed Thompson, manager of WMKT radio station, about a group of SSP students having their own variety show on the air. Mr. Thompson agreed and Mr. Weigel then got in touch with Mr. Don Anderson, drama teacher at SSP. Mr. Anderson picked a nucleus group to head this program — Joe Patrick, Craig McHenry (and Bryant Christenson. Together these young directors produced an hour program called "Feelin' Groovy."

Mr. Weigel felt the next step should be TV so he talked to various people and found that WCCO was willing to give them an hour on the air. Interested groups throughout the Twin Cities got together and wrote a script. The show is based on yearbook distribution and flashbacks. Included in some of the talent is a band from SSP called the Fresh Air; the SSP Packers; French folk singers; the Katy-Dids, a group of dancing

girls; a singer from Central High School; and the cast from Central High School's production of West Side Story.

Directors of the program are Bryant Christenson and Joe Patrick. The announcer is Craig McHenry and Roger Kramer is set designer and stage hand. They have been given professional help from Mr. Jim Heuton, director at WCCO. "He's really a terrific guy. Without his help, there would have been no show," stated Bryant Christenson. Bryant also expressed the group's gratitude for the cooperation given to them from the business machines teachers and from Mr. Al Kabus who let them use his ditto machine equipment.

When asked about future plans, Bryant expressed the hope of having another show next year. Also, beginning April 5, the second season of the WMKT program will be on the air with hopes of new talent and a more interesting show.

## Three Teachers Practice At SSPHS

Three student teachers are practicing at SSPHS. Macalester College and St. Thomas College are represented.

Miss Jackie Schwabke, from Macalester College, assists Mr. Carl Lehmann, speech teacher at SSPHS, in the speech department, and Mr. Don Anderson, drama teacher at SSPHS, in radio drama. After her stay at SSPHS, she will study for a Ph.D. in public address at the University of Iowa. Miss Schwabke, when asked what was most difficult about practicing teaching, replied, "Being mistaken for a student in the library!" She has no complaints about SSPHS, and was impressed by the speech and drama departments.

Assisting Mr. James Lucas and Mrs. Phyllis Myers, both English teachers at SSPHS, is Mr. David Zimney, from St. Thomas College. For Mr. Zimney, the most difficult thing about practicing teaching is answering interviewer's questions, and getting up early. He was surprised at the large amount of athletic spirit at SSPHS. Mr. Zimney has no complaints with SSPHS except that the student doesn't think enough on his own, and that the student needs to acquire more individualism.

Mr. Michael Schwie, practice teacher for Mr. Paul Streif, U. S. history teacher at SSPHS, attends St. Thomas College. When he has

finished his education, he will either teach, join the Peace Corps, or some branch of the service. Mr. Schwie thinks the most difficult thing about practicing teaching is giving out E's. He said that he has two good classes, and he likes SSPHS.

Miss Schwabke, Mr. Zimney, and Mr. Schwie will teach at SSPHS until May 2. Two new practice teachers from Stout State University will also teach at SSPHS before the end of this year.

## Students Participate In National Contest

The Twentieth Annual High School Mathematics Examination was given to 134 South St. Paul students on March 11. The test was sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America, Society of Actuaries, Mu Alpha Theta, and the National Council of Mathematic Teachers.

The purpose of the test was to stimulate an interest in the field of mathematics among students all over the United States.

Results of the test have not as yet come back.

## Congratulations On 3rd Place Finish

In South St. Paul's final State Tournament game, the pucksters defeated Roseau in the game for third place. On Thursday evening, the Packers defeated Coleraine Greenway, but their title dreams were stopped the following night by Edina.

The Packers pulled many surprises during the year, but none was more stunning than the 4-3 comeback win over Greenway. Trailing 3-1 at the start of the third period, the pucksters battled back with three goals to capture the game.

Paul Hansen accounted for the lone goal of the first period. The score remained 1-0 until late in the second period when Greenway exploded for three quick goals.

Huey Mortel started the comeback when he scored early in the third period. Mike Neska tallied the third and tying goal for the

Packers. Then with only nineteen seconds remaining Ken Madden scored the winning goal, while the Packers were a man short.

In the semi-finals, the Packers met Edina and were beaten 7-1. Edina went on to be state champions by defeating Warroad 5-4.

The game was scoreless until three minutes were left in the second period when Edina went on to score three quick tallies. Edina put the game out of reach with four more goals in the final stanza. The lone goal for South St. Paul was scored by Terry Madland.

In the game for third place, South St. Paul stopped Roseau by the score of 4-3. Roseau started like a ball of fire and built up a 3-1 lead in the first period.

In the second period, the Packers put some life into their game and cut the margin to 3-2. In the third period, Terry Madland tied

the game up and Huey Mortel scored the winning goal with nineteen seconds remaining. Kerry McKnight came on in the second and third periods to do a fine job in the nets. The victory brought home the third place trophy for the Packers.

Mark Kronholm and Huey Mortel were named to the All-Tournament Team. The Packers finished with an 18-8 record for the year.

## Fire Department Closes West Wing

April 1

In answer to the complaints of a west wing teacher, the SSP Fire Department conducted an extensive investigation of the old west wing of the Senior High building. Fire Chief Frank Kosowski announced that this wing has been condemned and termed a dangerous fire hazard.

An inspection team headed by Kosowski found that walls and ceilings in this area are crumbling and that insulation is very poor. It was also noted that the heating system is old, unreliable, and potentially dangerous; and that the floors are not capable of carrying the burden of everyday hall traffic. "Because of these and other hazards, I have ordered that this building be evacuated immediately after Easter vacation," stated Chief Kosowski.

The west wing which houses the library, language lab, art department, old gym, and several classrooms is the oldest part of the school. The Bond Issue approved recently by SSP voters includes plans to replace this building, but construction is not scheduled to begin for two years. A special meeting of the School Board has been called to discuss these development and to work out possible solutions.

## 3M Holds Science Recognition Day

Greg Nida, Jeff Milbert, and Dick Todd, seniors, attended the Science Student Recognition Day, with Mr. Frank Spreitzer, biology teacher at SSPHS, recently. It was held at the 3M Research Center in Maplewood and was attended by more than one hundred outstanding high school seniors having interest in science and engineering.

Chosen for their special interests and abilities in science, mathematics, or engineering, the students spent about four hours in the laboratory with a scientist or engineer working in his or her area of interest.

In the morning, speaker Dr. Jeanette Piccard, who is with NASA, discussed her experiences as a balloon pilot. In the afternoon, Dr. George Rathmann spoke on choosing a career.

The program is designed to assist students in evaluating their interests and abilities and to help them choose technical careers. It is sponsored each year by 3M's Technical Forum as a part of a program to stimulate and encourage interest and achievement in science.

The students who attended the Science Student Recognition Day received some free 3M products and a subscription to the Scientific American Magazine.

## All-School Play To Feature 'The Lady's Not For Burning'

"The Lady's Not For Burning" by Christopher Fry has been selected by Miss Joyce Johnson as this year's all-school play.

Miss Johnson described several of the characters in the play, a comedy spoofing witch hunting, as being somewhat odd. She felt this would give the student actors and actresses valuable experience in character development.

Assisting in the directing of the play are Sherry Smolik and Max Alberts. The cast is as follows:

Richard ..... Bill Kellerman  
Thomas ..... Joe Patrick  
Nicholas ..... Mark Gruenhagen  
Humphrey ..... Craig McHenry  
Hebble ..... Keith Krumrie  
Chaplain ..... Dick Ellis  
Tappercoom ..... Bryant Christenson  
Skipps ..... Max Alberts  
Alizon ..... Sherry Smolik  
Margaret ..... Kathy Goodwill  
Jennet ..... Roberta Yount

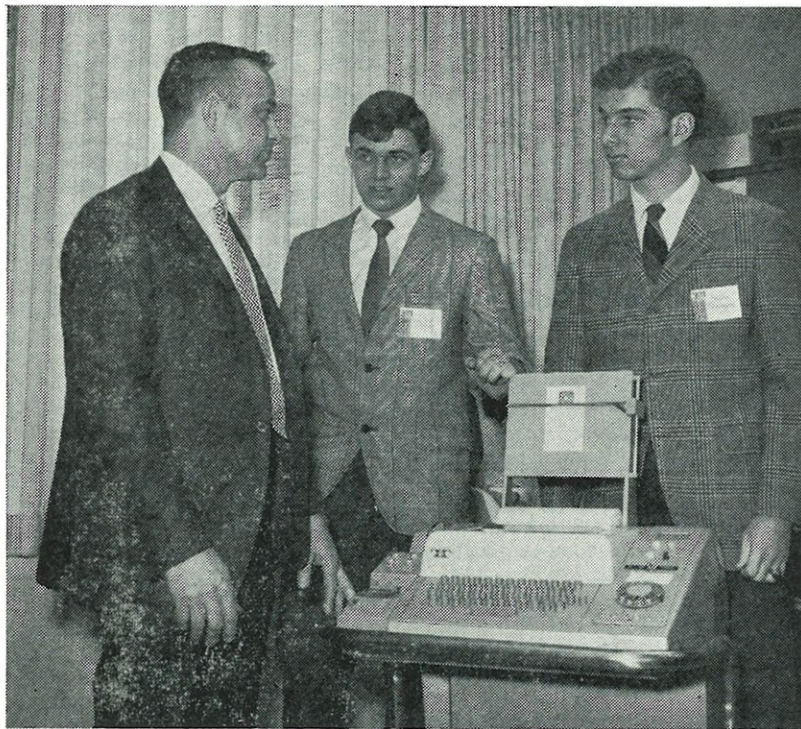
"The Lady's Not For Burning" will be presented in the SSPHS auditorium at 8 p. m. on April 24 and 25.

## Seltz, Pylkas To Attend Mock U. N.

Sponsored by the South St. Paul Rotary Club, two high school seniors will attend the Model UN Assembly to be held in Winnipeg April 10, 11, and 12.

Gail Pykas and Martin Seltz are boning up on international problems and world relationships these days. They will be called on to represent England and to present its point of view in its dispute with Rhodesia before the mock Assembly.

The two students are members of Mrs. Alice Jones' social science class. Martin is a Merit Scholarship semi-finalist; Gail is a member of the first-string debate team and competed in both the state and NFL tournaments.



LEARNING how applied math is used in data processing during the twelfth annual Science Student Recognition Day at the 3M Company are John Tomlinson (right), 18, 112 Lamplight Circle, a student at St. Paul Park high school, and Dick Todd, 17, 6659 Argenta Trail East, Inver Grove Heights, who attends South St. Paul high school. Explaining the procedure is John Wetz (left), senior statistical analyst, 451 Lamplight Drive, Royal Oaks.



# Student Power -- The Right Way

There is much talk (and some action) these days in colleges, universities, and even high schools about "student power." Aims and objectives seem to differ, but the general idea seems to be that the students, who are the ones mainly concerned, should have more voice in the operation of the schools, the setting up of the curriculum, etc.

Some of these movements have, regrettably, resulted in violence and destruction of property. Some of the actions have been completely illegal, such as taking over public property.

There is in the Twin Cities and suburban area an organization of high school students, we understand, whose aim is to obtain a greater influence and power in the school systems.

The fact that students are interested enough to set up such an organization and try to improve the school systems is encouraging. We need student participation and interest.

However, we feel that there are a couple of things to remember. First, mob action and threats and outrageous "demands" backed by violence only seems to cause resentment on the part of the public, which is paying the bills. Second, there are certain functions and responsibilities which are delegated by law to the school administrators, and which cannot simply be handed over to students.

If you think there should be changes, we believe the sensible way to approach the matter is to sit down and talk reasonably with those who are hired to run the schools, and see if adjustments can be made.

And if you feel deeply enough that there's something wrong, see our contest announcement in another column and express yourself!

# The "March Of Hope"

Get ready . . . to march . . . for whom? . . . Sign up. These are the words of a slogan seen not too long around. And they're still selling buttons — the green ones with a branch and "Teen Corps" written on them. What's all this publicity for?

May 10 the Twin Cities Area Teen Corps is sponsoring a march to raise money for the poverty pockets in Appalachia. There are few places whose needs are more apparent and immediate than our own Appalachian area. In this land of the rich Middle-Class, people are starving to death slowly and terribly. Now, we have before us the means to do something about the situation. Many businesses in South St. Paul are willing to pledge twenty-five cents for every mile a student walks in their name. Hint, hint, prom bound students; through the sale of one button, the same as one mile's worth of marching can be added to the kitty. But, what is this Teen Corps?

First of all, it is a non-profit organization. It actually uses 99% of the proceeds it gathers for the intended cause. In Duluth and Fargo, the area Teen Corps raised money from 5,000 people marching 32 miles. Its objective is not to promote violence and student unrest, but accomplish aims never before possible without organization. One example is the clothing drive handled through the Student Council last fall. It was a Teen Corps idea. Now they are embarking on a "March of Hope."

Brad Wood, the current Twin City president, sums up the ideas behind the "March of Hope." "Rather than marching against something, we are marching for something." Youth is being constructive instead of destructive. A secondary idea is to promote unity among the students from different schools. The motto of the Teen Corps might well be stated in another quote from Brad Wood. "As young people, we can prove something to ourselves — that our idealisms can come true."

March for hope, and if you cannot march, give for hope.

# What Are High Schools For?

Are the following paragraphs true? Are we "locked into a system" over which we have no control?

What do you think? The Hi Times would like your opinion.

Write a short essay — a couple of paragraphs — on the subject "What Are Our High Schools For?" We are in no position to offer any prizes; but we'll be glad to print the best essays in our next issue.

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As presently organized, the inescapable truth is that our schools seldom promote and frequently deny the objectives we, as a nation, espouse. Rather than being assisted and encouraged to develop their own individuality, our children are locked into a regimented system that attempts to stamp them all in the same mold. The student is filled with facts and figures which only accidentally and infrequently have anything whatsoever to do with the problems and conflicts of modern life or his own inner concerns. What he needs and wants are matters of no apparent interest to anyone associated with the schools.

In sum, we run our schools almost totally without reference to the needs of the young people who attend them. What we teach, how we teach it, and even when and where we teach it are far too often based upon the needs and convenience of the school, upon the comfort of the administrators, and the logistics of the system.

— Saturday Review



## Patti's Patter --

# From The Bottom of The Barrel

by Patti St. Peter

You know, I get tired of trying to figure out what I'm going to write about every month, especially when there is usually nothing worth writing about. When I was assigned this column last September, Mr. Gower termed it as the "junk column." Well, that is exactly what this month's column is going to be . . . various thoughts that are tumbling through my mind as I write this. So, if this seems confusing as you read it, you can imagine the state my mind is usually in.

To start off, I would like to extend my congratulations to Denny Kaiser. Denny was unanimously elected "Gross of the Year" by his fellow (and female) classmates. As the old saying goes, "If you can't beat him, join him."

This newly acclaimed title of Denny's brings to my mind another thought. The other day while I was talking to "Bobo" (Mark) Johnson. I asked him (for some reason or another) what his favorite food was. Without batting an eye, he calmly answered, "Pickles."

Have you ever noticed how we don't appreciate what we have until we have experienced something worse? If any of you could have seen the Vikettes of Hayfield, better termed the Hayettes, you would have thought our Packerettes were something right out of Radio City Music Hall. Picture twenty members of the Green Bay Packers in short skirts doing a marching routine, and you've got a pretty good picture of the Hayettes. Speaking of Hayfield, Tom Barger and the rest of the B-ball team would like to thank all of you who made the journey to this thriving metropolis to watch them in action.

What is the difference between Packer girls and garbage?

Garbage gets taken out.

Hey, what ever happened to the "A"? There hardly seems to be any mention of it anymore, except for the sophomore boys who have finally learned what the "A" stood for. Speaking of sophomores, I've finally figured out why sophomore girls get all of the dates. The reason is, as one sophomore girl put it, "I may be a soph, but I'm quick."

It has been a long practice of Dave Peters and John Vujovich to get their sophomore dates home at ten o'clock. Speaking of Dave Peters and John Vujovich, they, along with Mike Bonk, have renewed an old pastime — calling people on the telephone. From what I hear though, Pete did most of the calling. Attempting to show his theatrical ability, he called up one sophomore girl and read dramatically an entire act from Macbeth. When he finished, the poor girl was laughing hysterically. Frankly, I think he had better stick to being a comedian. Another of his favorite antics is to sing to people over the phone. He, along with the other two, searched diligently for a Maria

to sing to, but they had to settle for an Angella.

While I'm on the subject of songs, there seems to be a new theme song echoing through the halls of SSPHS — "Shine on Harvest Moon," except I don't think it's a harvest moon that's shining. You know, I think maybe the words should be changed. How about, "Shine on, shine on Rookie's moon"?

Recently overheard in a senior English class.

Teacher: Do you like Kipling?  
Student: I don't know. I've never kiplped.

What this town needs is a Rent-A-Boy!!!



Because springtime is just around the corner, we thought there should be some spring housecleaning and reformation around SSPHS, so we asked our fans, "What's wrong with our school?"

Ruth Ulrich: It's either too hot or too cold in here, and Mr. Arnquist's room is always the worst. Besides that, we have no recess or nap time.

Patty Tvedt: It's too stuck up.

Debby Hawkinson: 1. We have no power over anything; 2. If teachers can have coffee breaks,

# HI STYLE

by Kathy Goral

"In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it . . . da dum, dee dum, da dum dum . . ." Do you realize that Easter will be here in just ten short days? Do you also realize that its finally time to put away all your winter clothes and hang up your old winter coat for good? Do you also realize that spring has finally, actually ARRIVED?

Yes folks, spring is really here, and with it has come color in every shade and volume. Color really comes on strong this spring season, whether it be mellow yellow, electric power pink, super-cool lilac, or a flash of aqua.

The fashion pitch is military and casual, as the trench coat makes its appearance. It features a wide collar and snug cuffs, along with a double-breasted front. Buckles may accent the shoulder line, and patch pockets complete a casual look.

Dress wear should match your own mood. Try a pastel pink or blue with a bit of fluff at the sleeves and a big bow under the chin to proclaim your innocence. For a more sophisticated endeavor, go with the sweater dress in a light knit, with ribbing that paces the V-neck and short sleeves. A gay mood calls for a T-shirt and flippy skirt in bright orange or polka dots to really turn you on. Light spring wools come on in dress suits. For more formal occasions, play it plaid with a long gabardine jacket over a matching swing skirt.

Hair styles go innocent. Long hair should be tied in the back with a pretty scarf or bow. Little ringlets at the side look feminine, and can be worn with either long or short hair.

Calling all junior girls . . . For those of you who are particularly fashion-minded, and who would like to have a lot of fun besides gaining experience, Donaldson's applications for the '69-'70 teen board are out. Get yours in now . . . but hurry! There are only five days left before the deadline.

why can't we?; 3. No cupiegrams, no Senior Assembly; 4. We need a student lounge.

Kerry McKnight: The administration is too conservative and can't understand the student's basic wants and needs.

Bill Sobaski: Nothing — it's the people in it.

Patty Molitor: Nobody participates in ANYTHING!!!

Inge Weydauer: It's depleted. Bogus: No smoking lounge, no 3.2 bar, and not enough extra-curricular activities.

Patti St. Peter: It's a hole!

Ruth Nelson: A lot of Seniors.

Cathy Milnar: Unorganized, kids are too stuck up, no school spirit, our school doesn't plan activities for kids.

Jerel Turner: As a "whole," it's all right.

Dick Ellis: Carl Lehmann.

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**CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS**

On April 9, ten girls will be chosen to represent South St. Paul as the new A-squad cheerleaders. Following A-squad tryouts, the long hours of practicing for B-squad will commence. A definite date for tryouts has not been set as of this time. Mascots will be chosen directly after the B-squad for 1969-1970 is selected.

Girls will be judged according to their athletic ability, appearance, and enthusiasm. Good luck to each and every girl!

**SSP May Move To Computer Scheduling**

To save a lot of time, work, and confusion in the future, SSPHS might be relying on a computer. Our school, along with other schools in the area, would rent the service from TIES — Total Information Educational System.

The computer would be used to tabulate each student's program card, with fast results. No longer would program cards have to be typed, then recopied by the students. Under this system, the programs could be sent to the students early, so necessary alterations could be made before school started. This would eliminate the need for homeroom.

A computer would tabulate attendance quickly. Instantly, teachers could find out a student's attendance record to the very day. TIES would also be used to group a designated number of students for each class, as well as making class lists for all available courses.

**Bobo's Royals Grab Intramural Laurels**

"Although we lacked depth, SSPHS's 1968-69 intramural basketball squads boasted fine performances by myself and George 'Cheapshot' Vasquez," said noted authority Joe Patrick when asked about SSP's most spirited sport.

Intramural basketball drew to a close recently with a playdown tournament similar to those put on by the Minnesota State High School League. The only change from the league's tournament was the rough and tumble actions and tactics employed by all. "My favorite play was the 29 flea flicker pass," said George Vasquez. "That's where the left half gets the ball, hands off to the wing back, who then goes around his own end, and throws a pass to the left end who is coming across the area vacated by the opposing linebacker. . . . That's intramural basketball at its finest."

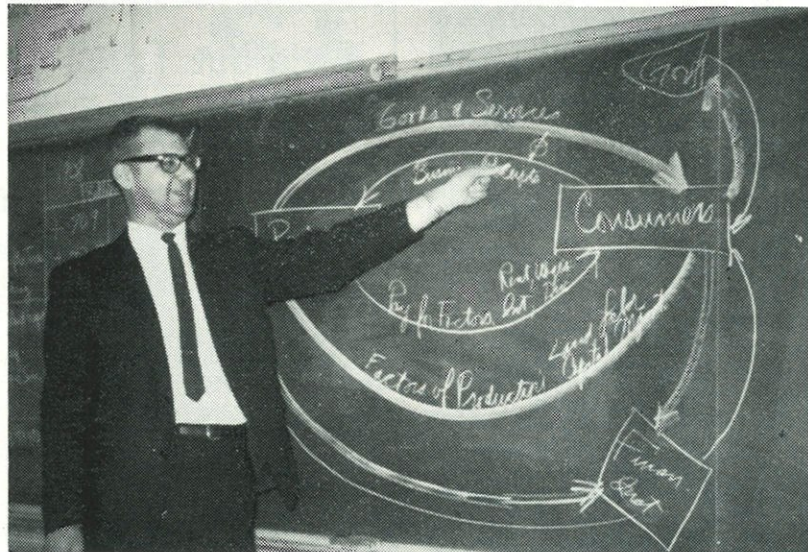
The final standings were as follows:

1. Bobo's Royals
2. Fuller's Brushes
2. Canadians
4. Moreland's Marvels

**Pressure Group Presents Petition To Administration**

April 1 —

An organized pressure group (composed of various influential students) recently confronted the administration with a petition bearing 750 student signatures. The petition cited urgent student demands, stating, "We no longer believe in compromise. As students, we demand our rights." In order to avoid a definite clash between the student body and administration (which might result in a demonstration), Mr. Adolf Roiseland, principal at SSPHS, submitted. Within a month new bicycle racks will be set up in the court.



MANUFACTURING, DISTRIBUTION, CONSUMPTION, and all the complexities of the U. S. economic system are particular interests of Mr. Steve Silianoff, soft-spoken social science teacher and football coach. Here he uses a blackboard diagram to illustrate how the system works.

**Know Your Faculty -- Mr. Silianoff**

"Stretching out" students to their full potential is the goal of Mr. Steve Silianoff, social science teacher and football coach at SSPHS. Since Mr. Silianoff's varied background gave him a chance to discover his interests, he tries to give the same opportunity to his students.

Most know Mr. Silianoff for his slow smile, quick wit, and continued insistence that his students think for themselves; but few know the story behind his concern for his students.

It was in the steel-manufacturing area around Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, that Mr. Silianoff grew up and learned Serbian, Bulgarian, Macedonian, and Croatian. "Maybe some day I'll learn to speak American," he said, referring to his guttural Pennsylvania speech.

When the United States became involved in World War II, Mr. Silianoff was studying chemistry on a football scholarship at the University of Richmond in Virginia. While he was in the army, the Office of Strategic Services learned of his language ability and decided to make use of his talents in their intelligence work in the Balkan Peninsula. Mr. Silianoff's assignment was to parachute into southern Yugoslavia with a radio operator and work with the British intelligence there in organizing guerrilla warfare. Their job was to keep the Germans occupied so that the quarter million well-trained soldiers stationed in the area could not be transferred to the Allied Western Front.

During this time Mr. Silianoff's curiosity about the communist doctrine was aroused. When the war ended and he returned to the United States, Mr. Silianoff decided he wanted to learn more about what the Communists with whom he had been working believed. He was attracted to study at the University of Minnesota by the social science curriculum and by the football program there. Studying the social sciences, he learned Russian and German and achieved both a BA and MA at the University of Minnesota.

Research in the Middle East occupied Mr. Silianoff for a time. When he returned to America, he worked for Honeywell for two years. Reflecting, he said, "I was going to be a business tycoon, but I could find no satisfaction in worrying about costs and money." After this experience, he decided to become a social science teacher, and he has been on the SSPHS faculty since 1952.

Mr. Silianoff feels that it is the teacher's responsibility to draw students out of themselves and show them some activity that they can succeed in accomplishing. He sees too many students sitting before him in his classroom doing nothing and expecting to find an easy way to making a living after graduation. He knows from experience that there is no easy way out, and he wants to make his students realize this.

This is why he encourages all forms of extracurricular activity. That is also why he is so intensely interested in showing his students and the members of his teams that they must be willing to work for success. They must learn to use their talents to their fullest.

Mr. Silianoff has certainly used his talents to the fullest in areas from intelligence work for the British to football for SSPHS.

**Matmen Finish 2nd In District**

Participating against 15 other teams, SSP took second in the district wrestling meet held at Columbia Heights on February 14 and 15. Each team member wrestled in the preliminaries and six SSP wrestlers advanced to district finals. These included Russ Wollin, Dave Peters, Craig Strand, Jim Van Horn, Tom Frankfurth, and Mark Kochendorfer.

Wollin and Van Horn each took first in the district by winning four matches. Placing second were Dave Peters, on his loss to Mike Labalestra of Ramsey; Craig Strand, who lost on a referee's decision; and Mark Kochendorfer, who lost to Dan Johnson of Ramsey. Tom Frankfurth placed fourth in the 154 pound division. These six wrestlers advanced to the region meet at Osseo, February 21 and 22.

In region competition, Russ Wollin drew a bye the first round, won the second, and then got beat in the third round. Dave Peters won his first two rounds, then lost in the semifinals. Jim Van Horn got beat in his first round in an overtime. Tom Frankfurth and Mark Kochendorfer both lost their first rounds and were eliminated from further competition. Craig Strand drew a bye his first round then went on to win three to take first in the region and a place in the state meet.

In the state meet held at the University of Minnesota on February 28 and March 1, Craig Strand beat Hanson of Watertown in the first round. In the second round, Strand lost to Hedlund of Alexandria and was eliminated when Hedlund got beat in the semifinals.

Summing up the season, Coach Flaherty expressed pride in the successful team performance, but was disappointed for some of the wrestlers who were expected to do better in tournament competition.

**Club Corner**

**French Club**

Crepes suzettes were prepared by the French students in the Home Economics room recently. The second edition of the French newspaper, "Les Voyageurs," was also distributed. Shortly after Easter, the fourth-year students are planning a dinner at the Chateau de Paris.

**Chess Club**

Chess Club attended the Minnesota State High School Chess Tournament on March 22 at Eden Prairie. All expenses were paid by the Chess Club treasury.

**Spanish Club**

Selling popcorn balls and caramel apples has kept Spanish Club busy during the past month. Other activities included sponsoring a rollerskating party to which the whole school was invited. Future plans are a school dance in April and a dinner at the Casa Coronado in May at which time a new president will be announced.

**OEA and VICA**

South St. Paul's OEA and VICA students had a successful conference at the St. Paul Hilton Hotel, attended by 1,000 students from throughout the state. Local winners were: Peggy Carlson, 1st place, Cosmetology; Diane Strege, 1st place, Typing, 2nd year; Sharon Clapp, 1st place, Data Processing Unit Record; Darla Stensgard, 2nd place, Data Processing Unit Record; Laurie Giguere, 3rd place, Cosmetology; Mary Jane Baumgart, 3rd place, Job Application; Cheryl Cochrane, 3rd place, Verbal Communications.

The local OEA Chapter received 3rd place trophy for their Chapter Activities Manual.

**FTA**

Mr. Rodger Buettner, remedial reading instructor, spoke on the use of teacher aides in the summer school programs.

**SSP Starts Teachers Aides Program**

A new idea at SSP, the teacher aides project, has aroused varied interest in the student body.

Students have responded so successfully to the brainstorm of Miss Jane Morgan, junior counselor, that she has not had time to place each of the volunteers with a teacher. She plans to have teacher aides in the Senior High, the Junior High, and in kindergarten, first and second grades. The students' plans for future careers are reflected in the field they choose to work in as teacher aides.

Each of the teacher aides is one of the 76 members of Future Teachers. The student will not be aiding a teacher he has in class, so there will be no grade problem. He chooses how much time he wants to spend as a teacher aide, whom he would like to work for, and the school and the course in which he is interested. Most of them are volunteers, although a few are being paid, such as Nan Graham, who is aiding Miss Kinsey, kindergarten teacher at Jefferson School, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Myles Wagner, another aide, types and puts up bulletin boards for Mrs. West, one of the English teachers. Cindy Venburg assists the athletic directors and is assembling a scrapbook. Lily Ciupik is paid for her assistance in a pre-kindergarten school.

The plan for teacher aides is still in the working stage. Miss Morgan plans to set up assistants in every field — math, English, history, biology, and music. She is working closely with Mr. Ray Powell, elementary assistant, and Mr. Adolph Roiseland, principal

FTA members participated in FTA Day at the State Legislature on March 27. Visits were made to Senate and House sessions and the Supreme Court. Members met with Senator Rollin Glewwe; Commissioner of Human Rights Frank Kent; and Attorney General Douglas Head.

Delegates will attend the FTA State Convention to be held at St. Benedict's College in St. Joseph, Minnesota on March 29. Kathy Gaylord and Greg O'Brien are candidates for the Miss and Mr. FTA awards to be announced during the convention. Rosemary Jacovitch is SSPHS's applicant for the \$150 scholarship given by the State FTA. The group will later tour St. John's University and St. Cloud State College.

**Science Club**

Science Club members are completing work on projects for the 1969 State Science Fair which will be held March 28-29 at Univac Park in St. Paul. Oscar Knudson is preparing a project entitled "The Phenomenon of Stream Drift," and Bruce Hill is working on a study of the methods of recording biological sounds.

Last year's projects, by Joan Friesen, Bruce Hijikata, and Scott Wallace, were on display during Sophomore Parent Night, March 11.

**Girls' League**

Julie Devine spoke to Girls' League members about her recent trip to Europe. Plans are being made for the election of officers, the Mothers' Tea, and the installation of officers which will take place in May.

**Flying Club**

A group for students interested in learning to fly will begin organizing shortly. Details are available from Mr. Charles Anderson.

**Todd Guest On Local TV Show**

Dick Todd was selected by Mr. Carl Lehmann to represent SSPHS at a recent broadcast of KMSP's "Young Issues." He interviewed Mr. Larry Borom, executive director of the St. Paul Urban League, a Negro organization in its 46th year.

Students from four surrounding areas were invited to discuss "Black Separatism" with Mr. Borom, who is involved in public relations work.

No specific conclusion was drawn, pro or con, but it was agreed that everyone should be able to work with people of all different viewpoints and beliefs. Mr. Borom stated that separation was not the only solution to present problems, but that it can't be ruled out as a possible solution.

"Young Issues" is broadcast every other Sunday at 11:30, and participants are chosen from various schools on a rotation basis.



# Packer Coaches Preview Spring Sports Season

Spring sports practices are in full swing once again as the teams prepare for the conference season.

## GOLF

Mr. John Peterson, general science teacher at the Junior High, will be the new golf coach at SSP this year.

Practice will start by hitting golf balls in the old gym. After the weather gets better, the duffers will hit some area golf courses for further practice. Coach Peterson believes he will be able to help each boy in some way or another with their golf game.

As for the season, the duffers will open against Ramsey on April 15. They have eleven matches and seven will be at Southview, their home course. They have four returning lettermen in Pat and Mickey McMorrow, Bruce Haslerud, and Denny Keindl. The fifth starter will be up for grabs.

"We should have a good shot for the conference championship," Coach Peterson said, "and we won't take a back seat to anyone."

## TRACK

Track Coach Dave Glazier is looking forward to a fine year for his boys this year. He has 21 lettermen returning to this year's squad and has 61 boys out.

Coach Glazier said he does not have the balance he had hoped for, but he has some fine individuals. He is hoping to see three or four of his boys as state entries.

"Bert Heaton should be one of the best in the conference in the 440, with Karl Mielke right along side of him. Skip Lyons (pole vault), Greg Nida (880), Bill Shepard (880), Earl Fuller (hurdles - high jump), Jerel Turner (hurdles), Brad Paulus (dashes), Ken Day (880), Mark Stoeve (hurdles), and Dave Tambornino (shot-put) are expected to do good jobs," Glazier cited.

Bill Lesch remains the big question on the squad. He had a dislocated knee in football and later he had an appendectomy. The team's first meet was on March 25-26, the suburban indoors. In this meet teams from the Lake, Skyline, and Suburban Conferences competed.

## B-Ball Ends With Ramsey Loss

Probably THE highlight of the South St. Paul Packer B-ball season, was their upset win over the highly rated Hayfield Vikings. Coming into the game determined to win, SSP showed the home crowd of Hayfield just what "Packer Power" is all about.

Jumping off to a quick 11-4 lead, the Packer bucketballers saw their lead slowly disappear, as the first quarter ended with Hayfield on top 17-14. SSP came back in the second quarter, though, and entered the locker room at halftime with the score knotted 34-34.

The Packers received a big jolt when their top-scorer, Mark Stoeve, left the game on fouls early in the third period; but Hayfield also ran into some bad luck, as their all-state center, Bill Gross, was carried from the floor on a stretcher as a result of a twisted knee. SSP seemed to pick up as Hayfield let down. The result was a Packer 50-47 lead at the end of three periods.

The stage was now set for the crucial fourth quarter. With the lead changing hands several times, as it did through the whole game, SSP called time-out with the score tied 61-61, and a little over one minute left to play. Deciding to go for the good, close-in shot, the Packers worked the ball around, stalling for nearly a minute. With 11 seconds left, Brian Peterson made a reverse lay-up on a bullet pass from Tom Barger. That told the story!

Hayfield came down the floor to try to tie it up again, but this time missed, and the final buzzer

## TENNIS

"You can expect us to be right around the middle of the conference this year," says Mr. Calvin Sorensen, head tennis coach at SSP.

The racketmen have rented the St. Paul Racquet Club for twice a week, with hopes on sharpening their game, and improving upon mediocre records in previous years.

"With such fine returning lettermen as captain Tim Pugh, Mark Kronholm, Neil Okeson, and Gene Nightengale, along with a few top B-squaders from last year, we should have no trouble taking our share of matches," Mr. Sorensen stated. He added that North St. Paul should be the team to beat, with Mounds View and Stillwater possibly at the top, also.

## BASEBALL

Mr. Bob Wasko, head baseball coach at SSPHS, is expecting great things from his baseball team this year.

"We should be sound at almost every position, with experience, depth, and good pitching as our main attributes," stated Mr. Wasko as he looked over his team personnel.

"Experience" seems to be the key word, though, as Coach Wasko has seven top-notch lettermen in captain Jim Van Horn (shortstop), Tom Barger (pitcher), Jim Jacobson (outfield), Tony Kallas (catcher), Glenn Novack (pitcher), Denny Kaiser (outfield), and Jeff Milbert (second base).

Right now the baseball team is working out in the high school's two gymnasiums, hoping they will soon get a break from the weatherman. "With as tough a league (Suburban Conference) as we are going to have, especially in pitching, we'll need to be getting outside so we can prepare ourselves for the conference," Mr. Wasko declared.

SSP starts the year with back-to-back scrimmages against Simley, April 2-3.

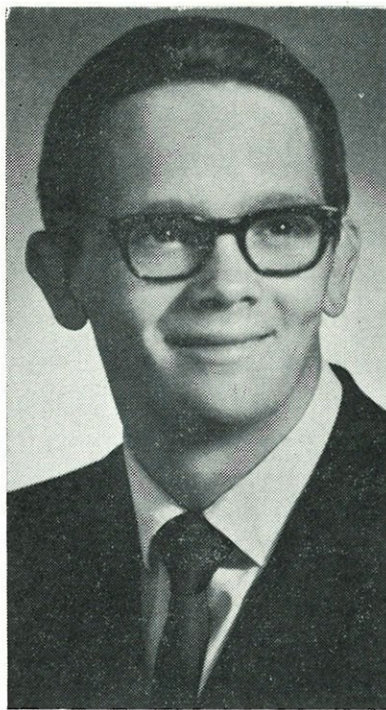
sounded with the Packers of South St. Paul pulling the upset of the year — a hard earned 63-61 win over the fourth-rated team in the state, Hayfield.

SSP opened the District 14 basketball tournament by defeating Mounds View, 55-48, at Columbia Heights. Having a cold second quarter (5 points), the Packers found themselves down by 26-19 at the end of the first half. Employing a press for the first time this season, SSP harassed the Mustangs into numerous turnovers. The Packers' tough 1-2-2 zone press turned the trick, as they changed a 7-point deficit into a 7-point margin of victory.

Speed and a mean pressing game paved the way for Ramsey's 70-49 victory over the Packers at North St. Paul.

Leading by 36-28 at the half, Ramsey broke the game wide open in the third stanza. With Tom Steiner and Rick Webb providing the speed and scoring, and Rick Herreid and Bill Cafferty the board strength, the Rams seemed almost invincible.

Mark Stoeve had 16 points for the Packers. Brian Peterson and Kurt Virgin had 11 and 10, respectively. Steve Jancaric did a respectable job coming off the bench late in the fourth quarter to sink four free-throws.



Russ Wollin

## Packer Profile

Packer Profile for March is senior Russ Wollin. Russ has been a varsity wrestler for SSPHS for the last three years. This year he was undefeated in conference matches, going into regional competition with 20 wins; no losses. He lost in the second round of regional competition on a referee's decision. Russ also had the honor of being named an All-Suburban Conference wrestler this year. Russ plans to continue his education either at Vocational or the U. of M. next year.

## Swimmers Close With District Meet

The SSPHS swimming team placed ninth out of the fifteen teams which competed in the combined meet of Districts 14 and 16. The medley relay team consisting of Denny Orpen, Jim Entgelmeier, Jon Olson, and Bert Heaton placed fifth. Greg Onischuck placed tenth in the diving competition. In the 100-yard backstroke, Denny Orpen was seventh.

Denny Dayhuff, the most outstanding swimmer for SSPHS in the District meet, placed second in the fifty-yard free style. He placed the highest of any SSPHS swimmer. Bert Heaton placed fifth in the 100-yard breast stroke. Bert was the only swimmer from SSPHS to qualify for the State Meet.

The SSPHS swimming team will be a young, but enthusiastic unit next year under mentor Arnquist.

## Todd but True

# Pre-Season Practices Plague Packer Playboys

by Dick Todd

After two grueling sports seasons and three quarters of school-work, the coaches of SSPHS's spring sports are finding little enthusiasm among their athletes. A great temptation for the weary is to do as the cheerleaders have done — retire to rest on their laurels or whatever else is comfortable.

For ex-athletes interested in semi-retirement, Charlie Anderson's weight lifting program has much to offer. If you don't believe me, just ask him. "I can put ten pounds a week on you fellows if you'll do what I tell you" was his first promise to the dumb-bell jerkers. "In fact," he added, "if you're really good you can gain a pound a day." That kind of arithmetic wouldn't help much in variance analysis, but his jokes made it easy to overlook.

Tennis, as always, is the sport most compatible with SSPHS's lazy spring atmosphere. Rather than face mutiny or desertion, Coaches Sorensen and Lehmann have chosen to humor the netmen's languor with practices at the St. Paul Racquet Club. After interviewing several tennys-boppers, all I could find out about the club was that it has carpeted locker rooms and a sauna. This has caused the team to be labeled as a group of country-club athletes, but they all claim they never touch the stuff. Neil Okeson and Tim Pugh, the flyweight doubles champions of Summit courts, are back; and it is hoped that Mark Kronholm will become a steady winner when he stops shouting "Glove, stick, glove, stick," and then deflecting his opponents shot to the side.

Baseball coach Bob Wasko was so exhausted from the hockey tournament that he didn't start practice for the pitchers and catchers until two weeks afterward, and gave the rest of the team an additional week off. With seven returning lettermen, including pitchers Glenn Novack and Tom Barger, the baseballers were rated 19th in the state in a pre-season poll. White Bear should be their chief conference rival. Early in the season, the team studied movies of last year's Twins; and Coach Wasko's first job was to overcome the negative effects this undoubtedly produced. Two positions that need to be filled are first and third bases; but the catching, with versatile Tony Kallas, is rated solid.

After the awards ceremony at the State High School Hockey Tournament, many fans would have preferred giving the Magnanimous State High School League to the Indians. An even

better idea would be allowing the MSHSL to run the government. The Indians would have the country back faster than Clair McMann can say, "Dirty, dusty, old barn."

The track team was unique even in this season of reluctance to participate. Not wishing to be overshadowed by player strikes in professional golf, hockey, football, or baseball, the track team featured Bert Heaton as SSP's only true holdout. After a taxing swimming season, Heaton negotiated a settlement which allowed him to skip the first week of practice. Newcomers Ron Crnobrna, John Medina, and Mike Bozovich, the World's fastest Croatian, made up for Heaton's absence. Certainly the most ambitious person in the track locker room is Coach Dave Glazier, who plans to lose twenty pounds. His team will be hurt by a lack of depth again this year, but the prospects for the relay teams are good.

Television is one of America's most powerful gods. In a recent demonstration of its awesome power (which, I might add, was very much in keeping with the season), TV raised the Packerettes up from the dead. They will appear on "Feelin' Groovy," which was moved from WMKT radio to WCCO television. Their performance was given on short notice, but most of the Packerettes said it went well.

In their first year under new coach John Petersen, the duffers were understandably unorganized. Since the outdoor courses weren't ready, the golf team again practiced on their putting green in the old gym. Here they also set up a large net on one side of the gym and small tees on the opposite side. Anyone who can drive from the tee to the net in the air is on the team. This year's team will practice at Hastings when possible and will place much of their hope on junior golfer Bruce Haslerud.

Here's some advice to girls trying out for A-cheerleading. Ask someone who remembers about the infallible Jane Winkel approach.

Try this for kicks. Whisper the word "trampoline" in a trackman's ear and watch him turn green.



PACKER PUCKSTERS started out by whipping last year's champions in their first game, and finished by taking third place in the state. Front row, left to right: Bruce Ruecker (manager), Scott Sandison, Donn Hocking, Gene Nightengale, Ken Day, Mike Bonk, Chuck Palla; Second row: Mike McMorrow, Jim Jacobson, Dick Todd, Mark Kronholm, Kerry McKnight, Jeff Milbert, Huey Mortel, Ken Madden. Back row: Coach Dennis Tetu, Assistant Coach Doug Woog, Paul Hansen, Mike Neska, Terry Madland, Steve Bloemers, Don Ferguson, Assistant Coach Bob Wasko.