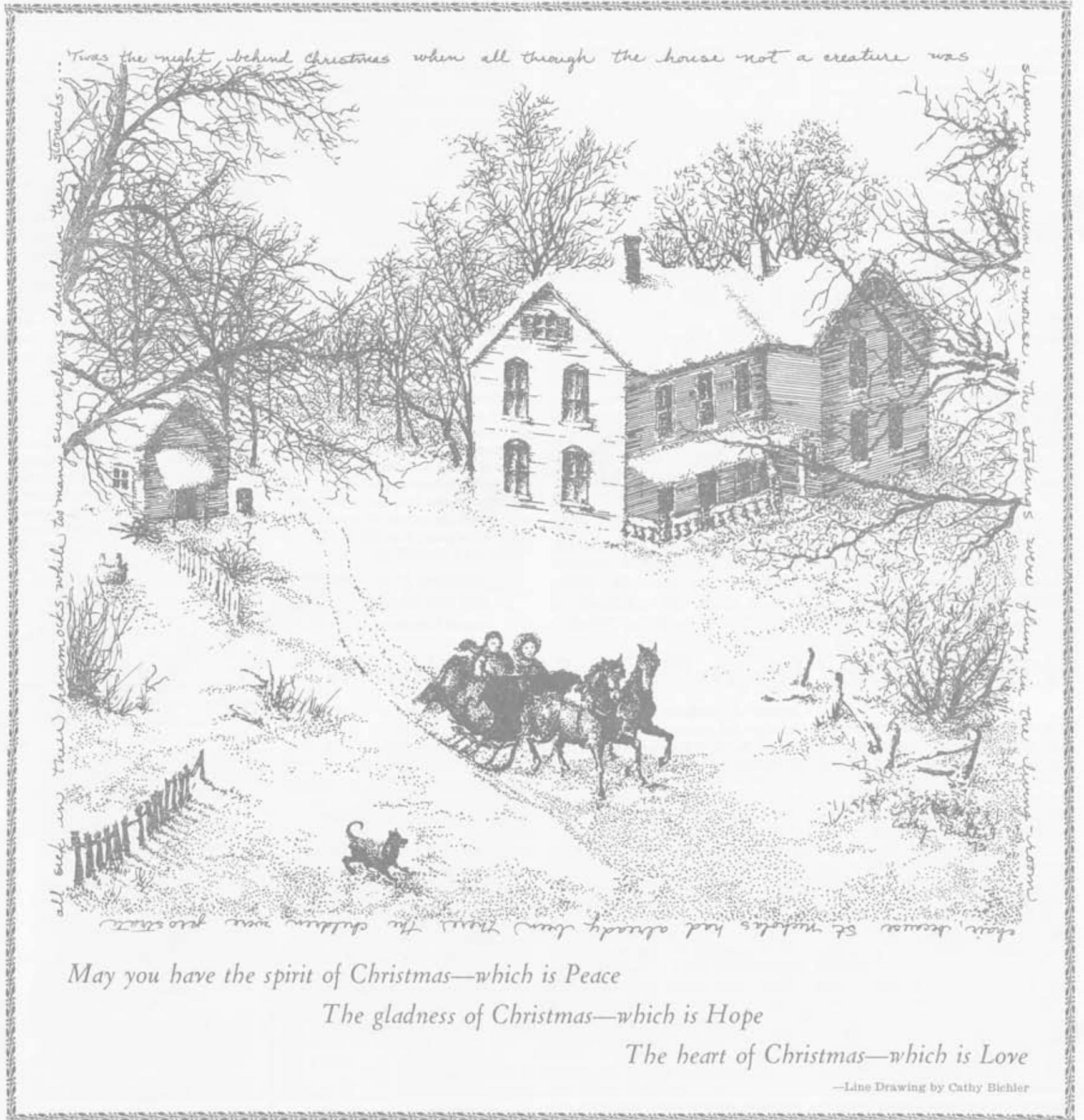


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May you have the spirit of Christmas—which is Peace

The gladness of Christmas—which is Hope

The heart of Christmas—which is Love

—Line Drawing by Cathy Biehler

Editorial—

Madison-King Exchange Long Needed

Students of Madison and King high schools have been trying diligently to achieve open and honest communication through a series of exchanges and meetings. On Friday, December 14, twenty-five members of King's Student Senate, accompanied by two advisors, spent a day at Madison observing GSA, and visiting classes. Today, twenty-six representatives of GSA, along with Mr. Finch, are having that same type of learning experience at King.

It is a shame that it took a disturbance after a football game for students to realize that they, too, have a communication. But it's to their credit that they have taken the initiative to get to know each other, and to bridge whatever gap may exist.

Although students already have two vehicles of communication, namely the Editors' Council and the Inter-High Council, these were designed to perform specific functions, and only involve a limited number of students. Maybe it's time to establish a different kind of caucus in which students can gather just for the sake of learning about each other. Milwaukee is a metropolis, but regional biases and misconceptions prevail nonetheless.

Maybe what these students are trying to accomplish will help to open the eyes of parents and community leaders, also. It is understandable for people to want to work for the betterment of themselves and their individual communities, but to exclude the next guy entirely makes for a very narrow-minded person with a very small world in which to live.

It would do this world a lot of good if people would remember that "United we stand, and divided we fall." Why not acquaint yourself with the others? Don't be hesitant because they are of a different race, creed, or color, or because they come from another side of town. As the late, great Martin Luther King once said, "We must live together as brothers, or perish together as fools." —Carol Prinz

What Are the "Lancers?"; Madisonite Explains

By Bob Wisler

Somewhere out in Brookfield lies an efficient, and not-so-obscure school, whose colors are silver and blue, and whose students call themselves the Lancers. Well, last month, on November 15, I visited this school—Brookfield Central—as an experiment. The experiment was to observe and compare the Milwaukee Public School System with one outside of Milwaukee.

It turned out to be a rather bleak, gray and drizzly day, just perfect for doing something on your day off. After obtaining a visitor's permit from the office, I went to room 215 to await the start of homeroom, at 7:50, and to follow a friend of mine, Bob Duncan, to each of his classes.

First of all, let me point out that Brookfield Central has only seven periods per day, each being approx-

imately 52 minutes long, with five minutes for passing. The homeroom period has live announcements, plus a weather report for the day. Bob's first scheduled class was swimming, so I took the opportunity to visit the principal, Mr. John Boie.

After a pleasant 15 minute conversation, I finally learned how the lunch system operates, which, up until then, totally confused me. According to Mr. Boie, a study was conducted to see how long it took students to eat. The maximum time of 18 minutes was established—allowing for waiting in lines, of course.

Therefore, there are four lunch periods, 20 minutes each, contained within 4th and 5th hours, which I noticed to be a very efficient and speedy system. Because of the relatively short time allotted for lunch, and because students are not allowed to remove their cars from the

My fellow students, how many of you support your school by any number of means? I'm willing to guess that everyone of you have, at one time or another, through any means, whether it be by wearing things with the school name on it, buying tickets to any number of our "number one" sports events, or supporting a number of groups and organizations in fund raising. One organization is now selling buttons which read "Madison Sure Fire Spirit," and I have yet to see any spirit or backing except by a few students of "The Band." Sure, you buy our candy bars, but we have heard very little talk of the band except by members. Last year, when the band took it's first major trip, it was not mentioned in the newspaper of this great school, with all it's great spirit. Not too many people know what an accomplishment that was, not only for our director, Mr. F. Schoesow, the "number one" director, but also the Band members. It took hard work and effort to prepare for such a trip, but yet nothing was mentioned about it in our great school paper. I support the "number one" basketball, football, swim and gymnastic teams. I think it's time some of you out there start supporting your "number one" Band and Director on our trip this year, which will bring the school fame all over the country, with a little of your "Sure Fire Spirit."

Supporter of organizations
and Band Member

Carol Heinrich

parking lot, there was no racing around the school—in comparison to JMHS, which turns into a race-track every 4th, 5th, and 6th hours.

I might also add that hot lunches, comparable to those served in the MPS system, cost 60c (so stop complaining), and milk is now 4c, after being 10c earlier this year.

Dispensing with unnecessary details, the schedule I followed was this: (1) Gym (pool), (2) Study Hall, (3) Spanish I, (4) American Lit., (5) Woodwork, (5b) Lunch, (6) Consumer Economics, (7) Algebra II. Okay, so what are my observations and conclusions?

(1) The school was cold: Due I found out, to the energy crisis.

(2) Pardon me, but the layout is dumb: Again, after talking with Mr. Boie, I discovered that after the original school was built in 1956, in

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From the Editor's Mailbox

An open letter to Ellen David c/o The Madison Messenger

Since I wrote the article in the Red Pencil, I feel I must reply to you. First, may I point out that I am not "apathetic," according to your definition. I am a member of (among other things) A Choir, Young Ideas, and the Forensics Team. I had a small role in *Music Man* last year, and also debated. But I maintain that the education I receive here is less than interesting. Because I think that is what we are here for, not to watch football.

As far as student apathy, we seem to have different definitions. You talk of sports, clubs, etc. I, on the other hand, talk of real issues, like the quality of our education, the lack of control students have over their own lives, as well as other things such as the president's subversion of our way of life. Although I admit that the consciousness of the student body has been raised by the publishing of the Red Pencil, a large portion of students don't know and/or care about such things, it seems.

About GSA, it would only be natural that you would think the selection was fair and representative. But did you ever think that if an election of all the students were held, that just maybe you would have lost? If you haven't, maybe you should.

Concerning "Clear the Air," my question is simple. Aren't students capable of knowing what is "of interest and importance?" If so, couldn't they have reviewed "Clear the Air?" If not, I pray for the salvation of Madison High. Also, your comment on the mirror was very amusing. Imagine "punishing" half the student body for the act of one immature person!

Anyway, all in all, I hope you now understand my position. If you

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Movie Review— Bottom Wins Acclaim in “Paper Chase”

By Diane Prager

Paper Chase rates top on the list of entertainment movies offered this season by the film industry.

The movie is based on the very ambitious and amusing life of a first year student at Harvard Law School.

Hart, the law student, is portrayed to perfection by Timothy Bottoms. Bottoms brings reality to the screen. He doesn't just play a character who is striving to understand himself and the people and situations he is associated with—he is that character! This film should give Bottoms the audience support to become a “box office success.” Every student or ex-student will appreciate the methods of studying which Hart devises. Of particular mention is the scene which occurred when panic set down on the campus three days before final exams. Hart and his best friend check into a motel to study. After two days of complete seclusion on the part of the boys, the manager gets suspicious and enters their room. It was saturated with paper hanging from the ceiling and scattered on the floor and books in every corner. Lying amongst the mess, unshaven, eyes bloodshot from intense concentration, were Hart and his friend. The manager is taken back, and after a near bout with Hart's friend he tries several methods to evict them.

Hart amusingly tell the manager that if he doesn't leave them alone to study in peace he'll call every newspaper in town, and tell them he's operating a dope ring out of his motel. The manager retreats, and soon their room service is recontinued and their water is turned back on.

The performance by John Houseman, as the Professor of Contract Law, can be said to either match or excel that of Bottoms. He is sarcastic and insensitive, but determined to make his students think like lawyers. Houseman becomes the biggest challenge the law students faced. Inspired by this challenge Hart strives to achieve in his class and to develop an understanding relationship with the professor. Lindsay Wagner is Hart's love interest. She is a liberation minded woman who constantly tries to convince Hart to “beat the system.”

The story's ending is strong, and if you haven't already guessed, this movie is highly recommended.



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Letters To The Editor

have any questions, feel free to come to our next WYDE meeting (Wednesdays, 347).

Peace,
—Mike McCallister
Denver Concert

Dear Editor,

This letter is in regard to the review about the John Denver Concert which appeared in the Nov. 21 issue of the Madison Messenger. First of all, the concert was held on Sunday, Nov. 4th, not the 5th, as your reporter told it! Secondly, not both Steve Weisburg and Dick Kniz were backing up Denver with guitars, one of them was playing a Cello or Bass Fiddle. A little different from a guitar, wouldn't you say?! Thirdly the phrase, “Sitting round the campfire and Everybody's High,” came from the song “Rocky Mountain High”—it's not a song of it's own—as you make it sound! And finally Denver sang “Jingle Bells” during the middle of the concert not at the close! John Denver sang “I Think He'd Rather Be In Colorado” at the end, and then came out for one encore! Next time your reporters write an article why don't they get the facts straight?! Now I'm going to doubt the truth in all of the Messenger's other stories!

Concert goer from Madison H.S.

P.S.—I'd love to see this in an editorial!

Editor's Note: Any and all comments and criticisms are always welcome. After all, communication isn't communication unless it's a two way street.

Vandalism

Dear Editor,

I, just like everyone else in this school, was very much looking forward to this past Thanksgiving va-

cation. As I left the building that Wednesday, it was only to find that my bike had been badly vandalized sometime during the day.

It's pretty bad when one can no longer trust his bike locked up outside for the seven hours he is in school for fear of finding it in more than one piece when the day is over. If students have nothing better to do than to go around ripping out wires from things that do not belong to them, that shows how much growing up some people have to do.

This is supposed to be a senior high school where students are preparing for the world ahead of them. Some, it seems, still feel that they are in junior high, and still have to find out how much they can get away with.

It would have been understandable if something had been taken, this at least would have shown how hard up some people are, but when it's only done for the sake of destroying, then some kids should go back to junior high.

—Lori Eisold
Car Buying

To the Messenger,

We found that in your Thanksgiving issue, the article “Buying a Used Car” was drastically oversimplified, so we have made a list of things to do when buying a used car.

First check the exhaust for carbon (black colored) excess condensation and excess burning of oil (blue grayish smoke).

Next, go inside the car and check the pedal height. Brakes should be high and firm, and should not sink after being applied. If the car is one with a standard transmission,

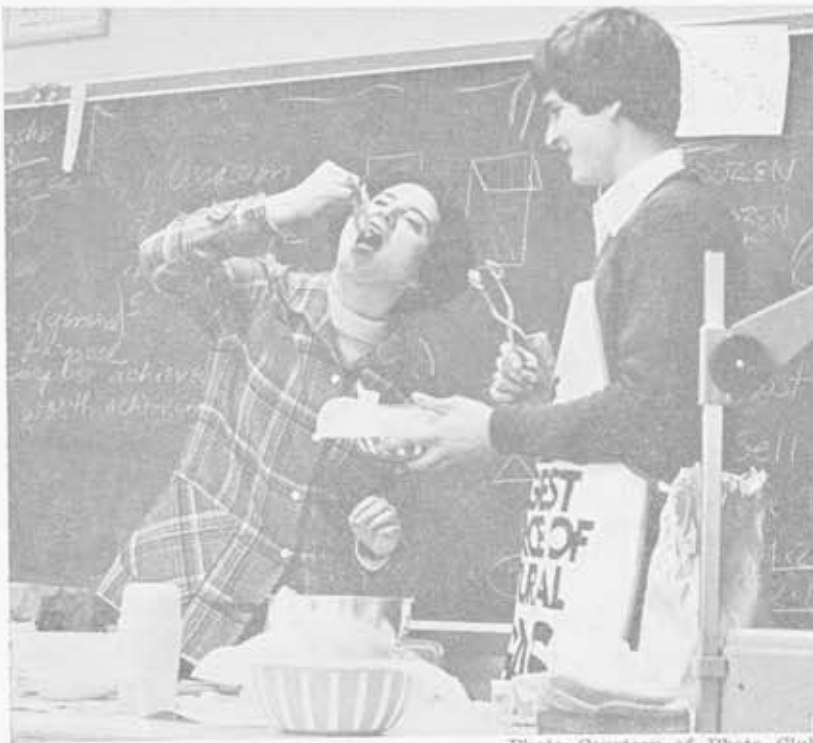
check the clutch pedal. This should also be high and should be firm when engaged. It should not take both legs to keep it to the floor.

Next, check the outward appearance of the engine. If it looks clean, disregard that. If it is caked with grease and oil and you find that in the first step it gives off bluish gray smoke, ship the car and keep on looking.

If you or someone you know owns or knows someone who owns a service station, take the car there. Check the compression, the brakes, and the front end. Or, if you wish borrow the compression tester, take the front end of the car completely off the ground, take the front wheel off and check the brake linings for excess wear or groves. Next, grasp the front stabilizer bar assembly and check as far up and down movement, there should be none at all.

The most important check, as far as the engine is concerned is the compression check. This is very simple. First take the plugs out in order (1654329 for a six). The firing order should be on the intake manifold. Next, replace the compression tester where the plug was and crank the engine, (don't forget to disconnect the coil wire) and wait until the reading stops going up. The reading should be 60 to 120, and should not vary more than 20 per cent between cylinders 1 and 6, 5 and 4, etc. Follow these rules and two others. Never take a car to a service station that has been recommended by the previous owner and don't buy on impulse. With these general checks, you can be fairly sure that the car you get is in good shape.

Thank you,
R. Henneberry
T. Stieve



—Photo Courtesy of Photo Club

New Senior President offers Miss Seraphim a taste of his speech.

Wisler, Blackston, Moyer, Sixty Chosen As Class Officers

Seniors elected their class officers Tuesday, December 4, during the homeroom period, with the following results: the new president and vice-president are Bob Wisler and Sue Blackston, respectively. Bonnie Moyer was chosen secretary, with the position of treasurer going to Cindy Sixty.

"At first it didn't seem real, but I'm glad it happened," said Bob Wisler, newly elected senior president. As president, Bob will preside over Senior Board meetings, as well as serve as Master of Ceremonies at graduation exercises.

Sue Blackston, the new vice-president, will fill in for the president in his absence. She is also the chairman of the class gift committee, and she will present the gift at the graduation ceremony.

The class secretary, Bonnie Moy-

er will be responsible for taking the minutes of Senior Board meetings and distributing them to senior homerooms.

As treasurer, Cindy Sixty will collect graduation fees and orders for graduation announcements. All officers will be involved in the senior banquet.

The campaign began Tuesday, November 27, and ended with the tearing down of posters on Monday, December 3.

The Senior Board is now planning where to have the graduation ceremonies. "I would like to see it at Custer Stadium, but it would be nice to have it at the PAC. However, limited attendance discourages the rental of that particular building. At the PAC we would only be allowed one parent," commented Bob Wisler.

Hawaii or Bahamas—Choice Yours, Sign-up Begins for Class Trip

By Anne McGinnis

Forget about the snow-covered surroundings, icy winds, and the frigid temperatures, our winter atmosphere has painted for us and picture yourself basking in the hot, Hawaiian sun, soaking up every ray of sunshine, without a care in the world, in April! Just imagine relaxing on a Caribbean cruise, listening to the sound of waves breaking beneath the bow of your ship, breathing soft, refreshing sea air.

Why not make this dream a reality by signing up for either "Hawaii" or "The Bahama Cruise"—this year's class trips, scheduled during Easter vacation?

Hawaii, "your island paradise," is an eight day tour, starting with a traditional flower lei at the Honolulu International Airport, to the final "Aloha" as you depart. Lovely Polynesian gardens, Pearl Harbor, deep sea fishing, Captain Cook, volcano eruptions, plus the sand, the sun, and the sea, will create memories of an "island paradise."

The price of this tour is \$410, which includes roundtrip jet transportation, hotel room, tour escort throughout trip, baggage handling, continental breakfast and dinner each day, all taxes and tips, and inter-island transportation from Honolulu to Kona.

Instead of island hopping, maybe you'd like to cruise your way around. The five day Bahama tour is a Caribbean cruise on the SS Flavia.

Cavalier needs your work for publication. Submit your poetry, short stories, or art work to room 260. Don't forget to include your name and homeroom. Remember, this is your Cavalier — it is what you make it.

Arriving at the Miami International Airport, you will begin your adventure with the port of Nassau. Here, native boys diving for coins, fishermen mending their nets, exotic fruits and fishes, will catch your eye, as the gangplank is slowly lowered. As the floating resort sails farther, you will enter the Torii Gate (the Japanese symbol of welcome). Now in Freeport, you will be able to enjoy the International Bazaar, a truly unique shopping experience, containing shops from around the globe. The cost of the cruise is \$369. (All costs included.)

During both tours, there will be time left open to relax on the beach, shop, or enjoy any of the activities of the surroundings.

"Bye, Bye, Birdie" Coming in March

Students will be getting out their chinos and hair grease when "Bye, Bye, Birdie" comes to Madison. The sixth annual musical production will be a nostalgic look at the Fifties for Madison students during March 21-23.

Mr. John Bohan, a director with the Whitefish Bay Players, will be directing the play this year. It is the first time a professional director has been contracted for a Madison production. Mr. Bohan, the producers, Mrs. Sorensen and Mr. Dexter, musical directors, Mr. Bonfiglio and Mr. Knutzen, and stage manager, Mr. Askins, held auditions for all parts on December 11, 12, and 13.

The story of Conrad Birdie, a rock singer surrounded by crowds of teenyboppers, who goes to a small town in Ohio to sing one last song, and kiss one last girl before going into the army, will be in rehearsal from December 17 until it opens its three-day run in March.

Current Issues Classes Treated To State Representative's Comments

by Terence Moore

Politicians—they are the creatures seen only through the media. The skilled practioner who maneuvers never to be seen again after being elected. Well, at least until the next election—right?

It's not very often, for instance, that a state politician will travel over 90 miles from his capitol to talk with a group of high school students who are irrelevant to his re-election cause for the most part.

Yet the current issues classes here at Madison were treated to a

lecture by state representative, David Berger, on Friday, December 7th. The lecture with Mr. Berger was actually made possible last year when Madison history teacher, John Bubnick, decided it would be worthwhile for the students to meet a government official face to face.

"I wanted a speaker who related to the students," Mr. Bubnick said. "This gives them exposure to the real thing. They read about them in textbooks, but this provides them with communications and understanding."

Berger, who talked to current issue classes from hours 2 thru 6, spoke on a variety of subjects. Commenting on the energy crisis, he felt the situation may be fabricated by the oil companies. He also contends that the Alaskan pipeline is actually being built for the purpose of supplying the Japanese with much needed oil in their country.

Aligning himself with some Populist reforms, Berger also expressed interest in the socialists reform of nationalizing the oil companies. Quoting a phrase from Theodore

Roosevelt dealing with breaking up the oil monopolies, he feels the United States should keep stride with other nations that have instituted such a system. He included public utilities in this program of nationalization.

Berger also touched on the point of the possibility of lowering the Wisconsin speed limits to 50. Though he said he would comply with the law, he remarked upon the fact of traveling being vital to his profession. The 27 year old, former Mar-

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Band Travels to Georgia To Keep Madison No. 1

On April 23rd, members of the band will board four Greyhound buses for a fifteen-hour ride to Atlanta, Georgia. But the trip isn't going to be just a candy-bar funded holiday.

Instead, band director Fred Schoessow, and his Madison musicians will travel 797 miles to compete in the "Six Flags Over Georgia" Band Festival.

Staying in Atlanta April 24th through 28th, band members will have some free time to relax and see some of the city.

During the competition, however, it is expected that the band will carry on Madison's "Number One" tradition by making music that will ring clearer than southern bells in the judge's ears.

Madison, King Student Leaders Map Strategy to Close Gap

By Lori Eisold

The GSA recently held several meetings with the Student Senate from Rufus King High School. On December 7, the five GSA officers spent a half day at King discussing a student government exchange which will involve approximately 25 members from each school. Other exchanges such as band assemblies are also being discussed.

Committees have been researching many student proposals which have been received. One proposal which was passed, and will go into effect next year is that students will be allowed to dress-up on Halloween Day.

The proposal dealing with the lunch hour activity bell is being sent back to Mr. Wolff with a request that students be allowed to leave the cafeteria seven minutes before the present middle-of-the-hour bell. Also students would be allowed to leave right up until seven minutes before the end-of-the-hour bell. Mr. Wolff vetoed the original proposal to open the cafeteria all hour for fear of too much class disturbance.

Other proposals that are to be sent to Mr. Wolff are concerned with students being able to rest in study halls, and the standards for library admission of non-seniors be lowered to a 3.0 grade point average.

It was announced by Mr. Wolff

at a meeting with GSA that the Federal government has issued a directive prohibiting the sale of food in competition with the subsidized school lunch program. This was interpreted to include food vending machine and also bake sales taking place other than on half school days.

Two student government exchange days have been held between Madison's General Student Assembly and King's Student Senate.

On December 14, 25 members of King's Student Senate and two advisors spent the day at Madison visiting classes, observing a GSA meeting, and just talking with GSA members.

December 19 was the day Madison's GSA went to King. Twenty-six GSA members and Mr. Finch spent the same type of day at King as they did at Madison.

It Adds Up For Math Track Team

On your mark, get set, divide! The math track team is coming your way. Several math students have combined to make Madison's '73-74 Math Track Team.

This year Madison is supplying five teams. Each team must have no more than four seniors and at least one sophomore. Each student must participate in three out of four 10-minute events, whether they are arithmetic, geometry, etc.

Four meets are held a year. Three local and one state meet in Madison. The latest meet was held November 14 at Washington high school. Out of a field of 38 teams, Madison finished 3rd, 7th, 14th, 15th and 22nd. Madison's only individual award winner was junior David Gerspach with a score of 28 points.

According to Mr. Bamberg, Math Track helps the students to perform under pressure and also gives the academic student recognition. The next meet will be held February 6.



In April, Madison's drum major will lead the band as they prove to all those Georgians that we are #1!

There's Music in the Air— Choir, Chorus, Band Perform

In a double assembly tomorrow, the Sixth Annual Winter Concert will be presented to all students. The 33-voice Combined Chorus, Girl's Glee Club, and Senior Band will perform many old favorites and several new ones during the first, second, and part of the third hour.

For a small admission charge of

50 cents, parents and students are able to attend an evening concert tonight. The Symphonic Band, under the direction of Mr. Schoessow, the Senior Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Knutzen, and the A-Choir, under the direction of Mr. Bonfiglio, will present a two hour program starting at 8:00.

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Berger Voices Views

shall student, besides his comical reference to his alma maters superiority on the hard wood court to the Knights, spoke of people involvement in politics.

Berger, who writes a column in the Northwest Advertiser, and issues a semi-annual newsletter to his constituents, spoke to the relative low response he receives. Of the 17,000 plus newsletters he sends out asking for the public's opinion of

his work, only ten per cent answered. He told of the necessity for citizen involvement if they want a corrupt-free system.

The direct, straightforward young representative with his added humor, kept the students' attention for the duration of his informative discussion. His topics expanded into other areas locally, statewide, and some nationally. Mr. Bubnick felt his class responded well to Mr.

Berger's lecture although he thought they could have asked more questions.

And who else does Mr. Bubnick have in mind for a possible topper to this lecture? So far, Alderman Miller is slated for a return trip with Henry Reuss, Gaylord Nelson, and William Proxmire marked as hopefuls.

Who knows? Spiro's not doing anything these days.

Debate Team Called Best Ever Dateline Announcements

Taped in the Mornings

Should the federal government provide a program to employ all employable U. S. citizens living in poverty? That is the discussion topic for this year's Madison debate teams.

This year's varsity three year members are Beth Galler, and Gary Mattieson, along with two year members, Kathy Haberman, Keith Retzak, Karen Juriss, and Wendy Marsh. The novice team consists of Bob Denemark, Don Mulholland, Damon White, Dave Schultz and Bob Wisler.

Including the city and district competition, five tournaments remain. The teams' ultimate goal is qualifying for the sectionals which acts as a stepping stone toward a possible state tournament berth and a number one ranking.

Miss Seraphim, the teams' advisor, feels Beth Galler and Gary Mattieson are this year's top varsity debaters. During tournament play,

they are matched against high ranking opponents.

A debate tournament can be divided into three to six, one hour sessions. During the course of the hour, each debate containing either two or four students, debates affirmatively or negatively for their respective schools. Conversely, their opponent conducts an argument in contrast. The debate is conducted in a prescribed order with the winner chosen by a presiding judge.

Though the team in its first series of tournaments got off to a slow start, Miss Marilyn Rupersmith, who assists Miss Seraphim, feels they will finish strongly. Miss Rupersmith, who is a Madison alumna, is a varsity debater at UWM.

Miss Seraphim feels this year's team should be one of her strongest ever. Commenting on where she thinks they will finish, she expressed confidence of making the sectionals. A shot at a possible State entry was also expressed.

UW Campuses Analyze Job Opportunities

By Marie Schneider

Once you graduate from high school, what are you going to do? If you go to college, what will you study? Even more important, will you be able to get a job with what you have learned?

A study made by seven campuses of the University of Wisconsin system shows that some areas of study have more job openings than others. For example, if you want to teach art, you should know that, according to UW-Stout, there is an "oversupply nationally." Your probability of employment is only 0-40%. However, a teacher of vocational, technical, or industrial arts has a 90-100% chances of success if he goes into electronics, engineering, nursing, fashion merchandising, or hotel management. All of these are greatly expanding fields, in need of adequately trained personnel.

Of course, there are thousands of career possibilities, and the opportunities in each vary from place to place. Before becoming committed to one specific career, though, it is good to check into the future you'll have in it. Talk to your guidance counselor. Ask companies what your chances would be of being hired if you had a degree in your chosen profession. Find out which colleges offer what you're interested in, and remember that graduation is not all that far away.

Looking Ahead

December

- 15—Gymnastics, Madison vs. Hamilton at Hamilton
- 18—German Club Caroling at Nursing Homes.
Art Fair periods 4, 5, and 6 in room 166.
- 19—Winter Concert 8:00 P.M.
Wrestling, Madison vs. Riverside at Riverside.
Art Fair periods 4, 5, and 6 in room 166.
- 20—Winter programs hours 1, 2, 3
Gymnastics, Madison vs. Racine Horlick at Madison
Cap and gown measurements period 4, 5, and 6 in auditorium.
- 21—Basketball, Madison vs. South at Madison.
Wrestling, Madison vs. Tech at Madison
Cap and gown measurements periods 4, 5, and 6 in auditorium.
- 22—January 1—No School
- 28—Gymnastics, Alumni Exhibition, 8:00 P.M.

January

- 2—School reopens
- 4—Basketball, Madison vs. Washington at Madison.
- 5—Wrestling, Hartland Arrowhead at Arrowhead.
- 9—Sophomore Gymnastics, Madison vs. Brown Deer at Brown Deer.
Varsity Gymnastics, Madison vs. Hamilton at Hamilton.

It begins at 7:30 as the staff starts the process of editing and rewriting their material. Next comes the task of transferring it to tape, set to the sound of music.

By 8:15, the tape is ready to roll with the ring of the bell, and then — "Welcome to Dateline."

This year's staff consists of seniors Randy Spaude, Karen Anderson, Paula Smith, Traxanne Schweda, Cindy Sixty, and Kim Opalewski. These six are broken into two groups of three with each group working alternate weeks to present the morning messages. These announcements are placed in a basket located in the

Pep Club Receives Float Award

GSA recently awarded the Madison Pep Club with a first place plaque for its 1973 Homecoming float. Mrs. Dunn, the club's advisor, accepted the award giving recognition to Jodi Palbicki, Jayne Redman and Lela Honeysucker.

Mr. Wolff was also present at the 6th hour meeting to give his congratulations not only to Pep Club, but to GSA and everyone else who participated. "There is a point that should be remembered not only in referring to Homecoming but throughout the year. The people who saw you, saw the good you could do that night. You raised the stock of the teenager immeasurably."

Ending the presentation, Mr. Wolff went on to say, "I didn't expect the turn out and success it really was! I'm proud of the whole school and I'm sure you are too."

- Wrestling, Madison vs. Washington at Washington.
- 11—Basketball, Madison vs. Juneau at West.
Wrestling, Madison vs. Bay View at Madison.
- 12—Basketball, Madison vs. Riverside at King.
Gymnastics, Madison vs. Racine Horlick at Horlick.
- 16—Semester finals in afternoon.
Gymnastics, Madison vs. Franklin at Franklin.
Wrestling, Madison vs. Custer at Custer.
- 17—Semester finals all day.
Sophomore Gymnastics, Madison vs. Tech at Tech.
Varsity Gymnastics, Madison vs. Bay View at Bay View.
- 18—Semester finals all day.
Basketball, Madison vs. Bay View at Pulaski.
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office and must be in by 7:30 AM of the day they are to be read.

Mr. Finch says the biggest problem the Dateline staff has is rewriting the announcements. About 75% of them are in need of some form of revamping.

The Dateline staff was chosen from among 30 students who auditioned last spring to fill the vacancies left by graduating seniors. Each student was given several announcements to read over a taperecorder. Then last year's staff selected the ones they felt were the best. Karen, Paula, Cindy, and Kim were selected this year with Randy and Traxanne returning for their third year.

Paperbacks Galore

Discouraged from getting extra reading in because your tired of dragging around a foot high stack of books?

The school library has now started a new paperback section. You will be able to stuff into your pocket light-hearted books like *Cheaper By the Dozen* or a drama of Hiroshima. Or if you're one for classics, *Dicken's Tale of Two Cities* can now be carried without fear of damage to your health.

All in all, you will find 235 new paperbacks in the library.

The paperbacks will stay as a separate collection and will not be catalogued. If you'd like a quick glance of this collection, the librarians will be glad to give you a list of the books.

Mrs. Kelber said the students have been very pleased with the collection and that they would be constantly adding new books.

Part of the collection has been donated by the F.T.A. The rest has been funded by the school.

Wisler Chosen For Rotary

Bob Wisler, a senior at Madison, has been chosen to be the school representative at the North-western Milwaukee Rotary Club at Tanglewood. The Rotary Club is a group of businessmen who organize action programs to aid the community.

Bob was appointed as a representative through the recommendations of teachers. He attends Rotary Club luncheons and answers the member's questions about school problems. He accepted the honor of being invited to Rotary Club in this way: "I don't know why they picked me, but I'll be glad to help out."

"Let there be Peace on Earth And let it begin with me"

Past Glitters on Christmas

by Cathy Bichler

"Christmas is the shining festival of the unselfish. It is the homecoming of the spirit . . . the glorification of all that is good."

—Anonymous

Christmas is celebrated the world over by nearly every religious faith and even by those of no actual faith, whether or not they are conscious of its religious significance.

It could be said that this holiday is the feast of mankind, since it releases emotions of love, joy, benevolence, concern, mercy and a few others that man's "savage-self-interest" causes him to repress ordinarily.

Songs, legends, and beliefs about the Nativity have all contributed to the traditions observed by nearly every country at Christmas time. However, there are many elements, roots of which are found in pre-Christian times.

It is difficult to say that December 25 is the exact date of the Nativity — for several reasons. Historical records were not kept that long ago, for one. Then, too, early Christians thought that celebrating the birthday of Christ was insulting, because wild orgies were held when Roman emperors and nobles became a year older. But as Christianity spread, feelings changed, and church authorities began searching for the right date. December 25 was at that time the joyous pagan festival of winter solstice — the festival of the "unconquerable sun." When the year is renewed and the days begin to lengthen. Thus, Christmas was set and many of the pagan customs came to be known as customs of the Christmas festival.

Most oftenly associated with Christmas is the Christmas tree, the Christmas carol, gifts and greeting cards, holly and mistletoe, and last but not least Santa Claus.

The Christmas tree, one of the most famous symbols of Christmas, was supposedly originated by the early nature worshipers, who worshiped trees among other things. But as a poem of Virginia Blanch Moore's shows, "a tree, the verdant evergreen, is mute testimony that some things on earth do not change as the seasons, and the centuries come and go . . . So each evergreen

tree, gay in its holiday dress, proclaims to us the unflinching nature of the love of Him who was born in the manger at Bethlehem."

Christmas carols have been around for hundreds of years, but their actual origin as a part of Christmas is unknown. There are many different theories. The word itself comes from Italian, "carolare" which was a medieval ring dance accompanied by singing. One source says that parts of Christmas plays that were sung became so popular that people began singing them in the streets.

Gift giving undoubtedly has many roots. Most likely, the wise men started the idea. Some believe it may be carried over of pagan customs because Romans gave presents at their celebrations. However, looking at the more religious aspect, the giving of gifts may have grown out of the desire to emphasize Christ's unselfishness.

Santa Claus literally is Christmas. He is the personification of paternity and a universal father, not just a chubby child pleaser. The legend began with St. Nicholas, who actually lived in Asia Minor. As a boy he was more interested in studying the scriptures than in playing games. When his parents died they left him an inheritance that he didn't want. Instead he dropped the gold on three occasions through the window (or chimney) of the home a man who was going to sell

Yuletide Marred By Greed

By Doug Savage

As you sit restlessly in church this Christmas, with visions of sugarcorn dancing in your head, take a moment to ponder the true meaning of the season.

Christmas is more than false friendliness and strained peace. It is that magical time when men forget their petty generosity and turn to their most basic emotion: greed. It is when thoughts turn from trite philosophical ideals to honest lust for material gain.

Christmas spirit cannot be found at a party with family and friends gathered around a roaring fire; it

his three unwed daughters into slavery because he had no dowry for them. One version says that one of the bags of gold rolled into a sock — thus comes the belief that Santa descends into the chimney and fills the stockings.

The Dutch were said to have brought this legend to the New World. St. Nick wore a red cape and used reindeer, according to them. This idea soon fit in as another part of Christmas. St. Nicholas became Santa Nikalaus, and later, shortened through use, Santa Claus. He is a legend now accepted throughout the world.



Candles Burn for Hanukkah

by Linda Rottler

Throughout the ages, the world has experienced many an energy crisis, but there has never really been a suitable solution like the one offered by the story of the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah or Feast of Dedication.

About 165 B.C., after the Jews in Judea defeated the Syrian tyrant Antiochus IV, festivities were held in the Temple of Jerusalem, where the temple was rededicated by them, to God. After cleaning the Temple of Syrian idols, they found only one small cruse of oil with which to light their holy lamps, miraculously though, the cruse provided enough oil to light the lamps for eight days. The story is taken from the Apocryphal books of Maccabees.

Hanukkah begins on the eve of the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev. Today the Hanukkah miracle is celebrated by singing

can only be bought in a store. And what father's heart would not be warmed as his son, after opening his gifts on Christmas morning, exclaims, "But gee, Dad, my friend Billy's folks spent over \$100 on him!"

This Christmas, let's forget the insignificant pursuits of the past year, such as world peace and justice. They really aren't important. We should all gather our families together (out of church, if necessary), and pack them off to work, where they will earn triple time and enjoy a real Christmas.

hymns, the lighting of candles, and general merrymaking. On each of the eight nights of Hanukkah, an additional candle is lit on the menorah (candelabra), which symbolizes religious liberty. Gifts are exchanged and contributions to the poor are also made on these days. Although early celebrations did not include lighting candles, the most prominent feature today, of Hanukkah season is the kindling of the lamps or candles. It is suspected that this evolved from a pagan custom much the same as the Yule log was transformed into the Christmas tree. No reading or manual labor is permitted while they are burning because the lights may not be used for utilitarian purposes. To pass time during the burning of the lights, it's customary to indulge in games of chance. One such game "putand-tave", involves a spinning top, called a tondel.

The lighting is preceded by recitation of blessings. One of the chants, the Thirteenth Psalm, also known as "A Psalm and song for the Dedication of the House," serves as the "theme song" of the festival. The first blessing praises God for rejoining the ceremony. The second thanks Gods for vouchsafing miracles at this season. The first night is used to praise God for "keeping us all alive and sustaining and enabling us to read this season."

The service is concluded by singing of a hymn known as Ma'oz Zur ("Fortress Rock").

You Deserve A Break Today

By Linda Rottler

Armed with the aid of pencils and paper, a group of natives from a place called Boredom are about to escape by doodling through the "wall of expression."

Aimless designs, drawings, and sketches serve to set the doodling natives free from their "thumb twiddling prison."

Those who "break away" from the hum drum moments of a study hall or boring lecture by sketching their unconscious expressions may also find a means of escape through the science of doodle analogy.



Doodle analogy is fairly easy if you remember that most doodles symbolize a single mood, which could change at any given moment, rather than an entire personality. A person, for example, who draws a smiling face is usually in a good mood at the time that figure is being sketched, while a person who draws a frowning face is usually in a bad mood.

Lights, Camera, Action

By Doug Savage

Eccentric directors argue the question of who was more indispensable in their film's production. Film crews look on anxiously as the amount of available footage dwindles. Actors share opinions of costumes, and over the entire situation sits Cecil B. DeMille, but rather, the English department's own Miss Blomgren.

Madison's answer to Hollywood is found in mass media classes, taught by Miss Blomgren, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Schumacher, Mr. Hagen, and Mr. Finch. The students in these classes are writing, directing, starring in, and filming a series of short, silent productions.

These productions have sent students roller skating down the halls, throwing pies, and lying in make-shift coffins.

Aside from the benefits of a first hand experience, the newcomers will have a chance to win awards for their creativeness in the Madison Academy Awards to be held some time after film production is finished.



In order to establish a some, what accurate picture of an entire personality, it would be necessary to examine a number of doodles done by the same person over a period of time.

When analyzing doodles, don't take the meaning for granted. If a person were to draw a picture of an airplane, don't jump to the conclusion that this person loves travel or flying. The airplane may instead symbolize a fear of flying.

Doodles are translated basically through the interpretation of the pressure, detail, slant, and shape prevailing in the sketch.

Pressure is very revealing as to a person's traits when analyzing doodles. Thick and bold lines reflect an ambitious and forceful character, while thin lines indicate a more spiritual and open-minded person who is not easily provoked.

Detailed drawings often show a more blossoming personality. A person drawing a detailed sketch of a house would probably show a love for the security and protection of the home, whereas a sketched house lacking details would show a person who doesn't find homelife a necessity or a pleasure.

Doodlers who scribble with a backward slant often clue to a person who is inhibited and repressed. Forward slanting scribbles, however, hint to a more outgoing and sentimental person.

An abstract doodle which is drawn with sharp angular lines, is often an indication of an aggressive, strong-willed, and very opinionated person. Abstract drawings with soft rounded lines will reveal a peace-loving and passive personality.

Madison is 'So' big! It has every little thing

by Debbie Casper

Have you ever noticed that the older you get, the more you enjoy the simpler things in life?

For instance, how many girls can remember the good old days of hop scotch, jump rope and marbles? For some senior girls, these days are still in existence.

These girls are now enrolled in one of Mrs. Harrod's three "senior gym" classes.

"Senior gym" evolved after a series of changes in the Milwaukee Public School system. A few years ago, all students were required to

Captain Midnight 'Shakes' the 40's

by Jeff Watter

I know a man, about 45 years old, who spent his childhood in a wonderful part of this state. There, he had room enough to run in, woods enough to hunt in, and enough streams to swim and fish all he wanted.

This man had a father who still lives on the old farm. Every so often, I take a little time out to go and visit him.

Once, when we were talking, I asked him "What did your son do around here when he was young?"

I expected the old man to tell me his son was always swimmin' or huntin' or fishin' or somethin'.

"When my son was a boy, he was always listenin' to that darn radio," he said, leaning back in his rocking chair and looking displeased.

"Listening to the radio?" I asked with surprise.

"Yup," he answered. "He was crazy about Captain Midnight."

"Captain Midnight?" I asked, "Who is Captain Midnight?"

"Well, my son called him a 'Good Guy,' but I guess you would call him one of them there Super-heroes," he replied, looking kind of amused.

"What did he do?" I countered, now very interested in the whole thing.

"I don't rightly remember" he came back, "I do recall that he flew around in a plane doin' good deeds, but the biggest thing about Captain Midnight that I remember is Ovaltine."

"Ovaltine," he began "is a powder that you added to milk to flavor it."

"What was so special about Ovaltine?" I asked, obviously bothering him with my rapid fire questions.

"The big thing about Ovaltine," he wheezed, "Was the Shake up mug. The Shake up mug was a mug with a cap on it. Every day on Captain Midnight, a man would come on and tell the kids that if you took Ovaltine and milk, put it in the mug, put on the cover and shook the mug, you'd have a great drink.

Then he'd tell the kids that they could get their own Shake Up Mug for three Ovaltine cap liners.

Well, I'll tell you, when that son of mine heard that, he darn near had a fit!

"We were so poor that we didn't have bread, but we had enough Ovaltine around to get us sick of it. Believe me, if I bought him Ovaltine, I made darn sure he used every bit of it! I'll bet that now, he couldn't even look at Ovaltine without gagging."

Just as he finished, his son called from the farm house.

"Dad, what did you do with my Ovaltine?"

I looked back at the old man with a puzzled look and asked, "I thought you said he hated Ovaltine?"

He glanced at me with a gleam in his eye and said "There's a simple answer to that one. They probably came out with a new Shake Up Mug."



take gym throughout all of high school. When the gyms became over-populated, seniors were put into health classes, which also became crowded.

Without any place to put the seniors, the idea of a mandatory senior gym or health class was dropped, unless of course a student wanted to take one of these courses.

"I had the first class," stated Mrs. Harrod, who is completely in charge of senior gym. This year, she has devised a totally new and different type of gym class.

On the curriculum this year is

the task of flying a kite, ice skating at a nearby park, hopscotch, jacks, and an egg throwing contest. Subject to approval from Mr. Wolff, the classes will also be going bowling at the Red Carpet Lanes. The girls would go to the lanes their gym period and stay the entire hour, bowling one game per visit. "Bowling Season" will last approximately 3 to 4 weeks.

Mrs. Harrod urges all junior girls to sign up for this class, because she believes that the students "seem to enjoy the different parts of the class they haven't had in their junior and sophomore classes."

I CAN REMEMBER WHEN ALL THEY WANTED WAS TOY SOLDIERS & CANDY



Candid Dreams Focus on You!

by Don Ouchie

Earlier this month or during the summer you all received your class pictures. You are probably all familiar with the ritual of asking or being asked for one. If you are one of the less fortunates who did not buy their pictures the rest of this should clue you in on what you missed.

First of all you have to ask or be asked for one.

Person A: "Did you get your pictures?"

Person B: "Yes, I did." By this time the next question is quite obvious.

Person A: "Can I have one?"

Person B: "Sure, I'll write one out for you." Person B walks away seemingly satisfied while Person A is asking himself, why didn't she want one of me? Maybe she didn't because back in third grade he dunked her pony tails in his milk. Now she's the best looking girl in the whole school and she doesn't need his picture.

Usually Person B replies: "Sure, but I get one of you of course." Then they are both happy. The best part is yet to come when the pictures are finally delivered. A lot of hemming and hawing goes on before that.

Person A: "Do you have my picture?"

Person B: "No, I forgot, do you have mine?"

Person A: "No. Bring yours tomorrow."

Person B: "You too."

That usually goes on for a couple days before they finally break down and write them out. Then the big day comes. This is always the most fun.

Person A: "Do you have my picture?"

Person B: "Yes, here it is."

(Read this part carefully)

Person A: "Wow, this is good!"

Person B: "Are you crazy, they came out lousy!"

Person A: "These really came out great."

Person B: "Look at my nose, and my hair is all funny."

Person A: "I think they're good." The same thing happens when A gets B's picture. This seems to be the standard conversation for the annual picture exchange ritual. I am waiting for the day when Person A comes out and says: "Cripes, are these ugly."

Ah, but we can only dream.

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Brookfield High

a modified "U" shape, a number of additions were built to give the school its confusing floorplan.

(3) The halls aren't crowded: This miracle was accomplished because all senior highs in Brookfield are limited to 1600 students, with Brookfield Central having 1400.

(4) The halls and grounds are neat and clean: This may not seem too important, but take a look around Madison . . . need I say more?

(5) Brookfield Central is a "school" in the truest sense of the word: I found that the atmosphere is heavily geared to learning, and the classroom situation seemed to be very structured academically. But during my second meeting with Mr. Boie, I realized that B.C. was intended for this. It has a brisk, no-nonsense studiousness about it, and is definitely NOT geared for daily socializing. If you want to learn, learn, learn, without the usual familiarity—this is the place.

I would like to include a few comments about the faculty that I met. The office personnel and all of the

teachers were very friendly and cooperative, and did their best to accommodate me. Mr. Boie was very hospitable and obliging, and made my visit very enjoyable.

Finally, I can conclude that although the school system methods may in some ways be alike, (and not degrading the MPS system), the taxpayers really get their money's worth out in Brookfield. It's the best and most efficient school system that I have ever seen. And as my friend Bob Duncan said, "Central isn't as bad as you think."

Hamlet '73

by Patti Malmberg

To watch the late movies or not to watch the late Movies, that is the question; Whether 'tis nobler to suffer The slings and arrows of the long commercials, Or to take arms against the boring late movies, And by opposing them end them. To turn Them off and go to sleep; and by a sleep To say that we end the heartache, And the thousand unnatural shocks That they give us. 'Tis a consummation Devoutly to be wished—to sleep—To sleep, perchance to dream, ay

there's the problem; For in that sleep what dreams may come Of long and unending commercials We must give pause—there's the problem That there are too many pauses. For who could bear the commercials of the late movies. The same stories, the same plots that might either be, The pangs of despised love, the law's delay, The insolence of office, and the spurns That the unworthy person takes, Until he can settle it himself With violence? We would burdens bear, To grunt and sweat under a weary life, Rather than face with dread the something after the news, The late movies, from where No one returns the same, puzzles the will, And makes us rather bear those ills we have Than to watch those of people in the late movies. Thus conscience does make cowards of us all. And thus the resolution to stay up and watch the Late movies is o're cast by thought, And in one great and quick motion With this regard the T.V. to turn off And lose the pains and problems Of the late movies—so that one May sleep. In my prayers May this sin be remembered.

Hot Shooters Gun Undefeated Knights Into First Place

By Tom Greivell
and Terence Moore

Madison's basketball team, the defending co-champs, has again shown that it is a team to be reckoned with. The team's overall record is impressive so far, in fact it is perfect. The Knights are currently undefeated after three non-conference, and three conference games, thus giving them a 6-0 record.

The Knights glided through their non-conference games with Wisconsin Lutheran, Hartford, and Waukesha Memorial with the greatest of ease. The Knights were then ready for their conference kill.

Knights Topple West

In their first conference encounter, the Knights crushed the West Redmen, 89-67. This victory was attributed to an awesome Madison full court press.

The balanced Knight scoring attack was led by Bob Repka compiling 24 points with Dan Hucke, Bob Roth, and Jeff Mack also finishing in double figures.

The Knights employed their press from the outset as they forced the Redmen into numerous turnovers. West hung close, however, by out rebounding the Knights, 22 to 9 and the first quarter ended tied at 16 points apiece.

Redmen Unable To Regroup

The out sized Knights unable to penetrate effectively from inside offensively, started to click with bombs from outside which exploded the second quarter score, with three minutes remaining, to 35 to 22. West tried to regroup with a time out, yet it was not to be as the Knights out shot them in the quarter, 27 to 10.

The third quarter began with the Knights continuing their relentless drive toward victory. By forcing the Redmen into a series of low percentage shots and passes, Madison quickly turned these West miscues into opportune buckets and boosted their lead to 66-41 as the third quarter ended.

Knights Too Smooth

Trying to get back into the game, West installed a press of their own, but was unable to shake the smoothness of Madison's operation. The Redmen, not giving up, went on to

out score the Knights in the quarter 26-20, but it was too little, too late, as Madison had a 87-67 victory and their first conference win of the year.

After the game, Madison coach Ray Rozek spoke of the great individual talent on the West team along with the height advantage they had going into the contest. Summing up the game, he felt the team played as one aggressive unit until the very end.

Madison Downs Tough North

The second conference game of the year proved to be a big test for our Knight "bucketmen" as they downed a tenacious North Division team 97-91 at Rufus King.

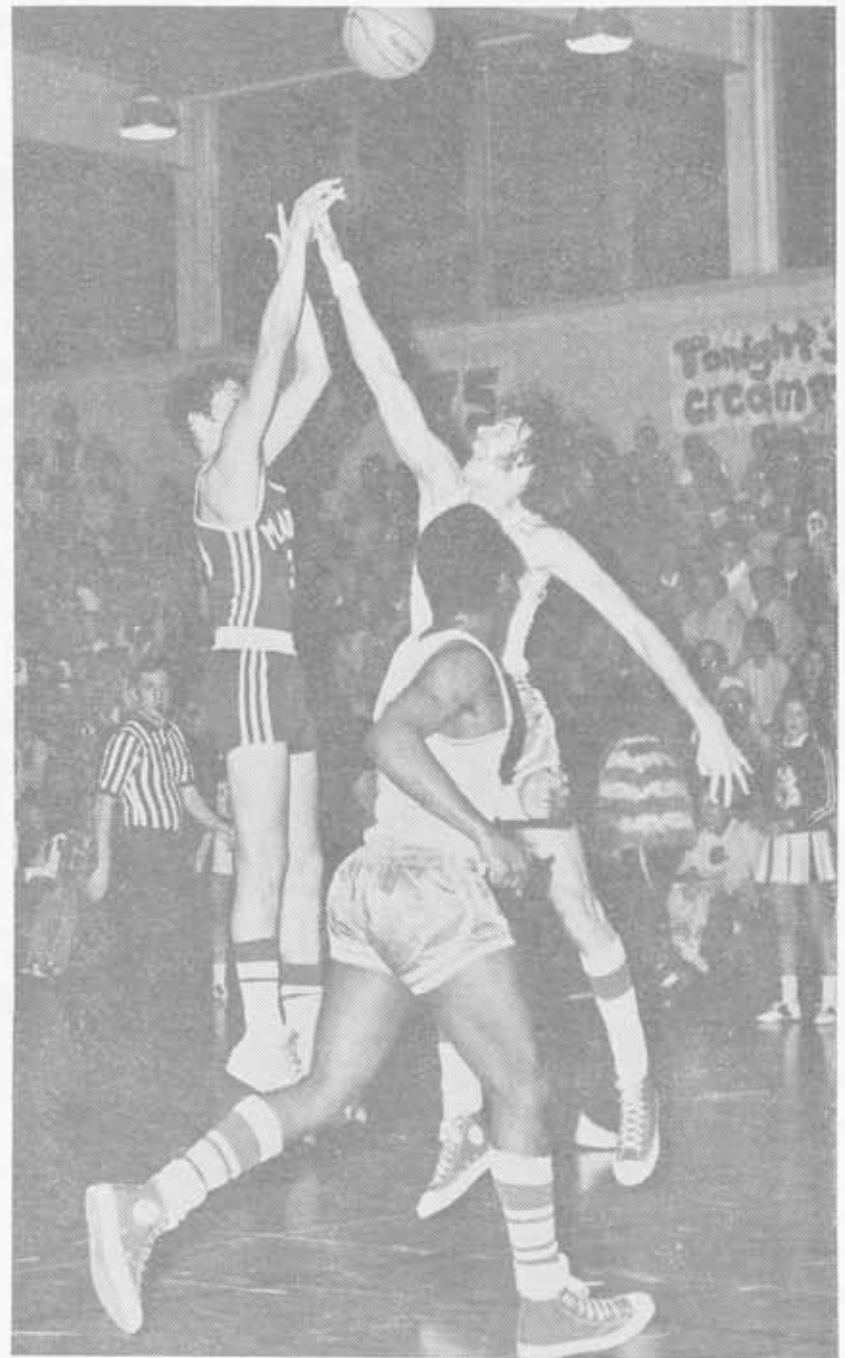
The Blue Devils were in Coach Rozek's words, "the best defensive team we've faced this year." This may be difficult to understand since Madison did score 97 points. However, the game was a battle of two fine defensive-minded teams that did force many turnovers. These "forced" errors resulted in a lot of lay-ups, which in turn ran up a big score.

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Charles Druecke, this year's gymnastic's captain, a starter on varsity since his sophomore year. Charlie as a junior last year took City on the high bar and is this year's all around man.

His strong events are vaulting, high bar and free exercise, which he proved when he took four first places against Marshall at the opening meet. Charlie also took second in high bar at the Highlander Invitational on Dec. 8, where five top teams in the state assembled to compete against one another.



—Photo by Mike Wiedel
Jim Repka stretches for an opening quarter tip-off.

Gymnasts Record Points Tumble Marshall

by Dave Bernacchi

The Green Knight gymnastics team defeated Marshall Tuesday, Dec. 4, and achieved its first win of the 1973-74 season.

Madison scored 114.9 points to Marshall's 94. This is the first time in the history of Madison that the gymnasts scored that many points. The previous record was 110 points.

Another Madison first was that all-around man Charles Druecke scored the highest all-around average with a total of 5.8 average points.

"I'm satisfied with this meet. We did what was to be expected in each event with the exception of the

horizontal bar," said Coach Leinwander.

The meet opened with the long horse, where Madison took 24 points. High men were Charles Druecke and Gary Aspenleiter.

The floor exercise had Greg Szmania pulling out a 7.5 point average to give the Knights 21 points.

Madison scored the least amount of points in the sidehorse where its high points came from Charles Druecke with a 5.1 average.

Pat Harmeyer received a 7.0 point total to give the Knights 17 points in the parallel bars.

Dave Wilds and Jay Kurtweil showed excellent form on the still

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Knights Conquer Two Foes, Fall to One Opponent

by Gene Puckhaber

This year's wrestling team opened its regular season with a 45-15 win over Milwaukee West in the Madison gym, Wed., Nov. 28, only to be followed by a loss to the defending city champions, Hamilton, the next week on Wed., Dec. 5.

The Madison grapplers fell with a disappointing three point deficit, as the Hamilton Wildcats put an end to a Madison rally only during the final match, which proved to be an exciting spectator event at least parallel to any other sport.

The Knights once trailed by a score of 19-9 but four wins, one a superior decision, put Madison on top 22-19. The Wildcats came through with a pin despite a tre-

menduous effort by the Madison heavy weight, Jeff Stuver, in the final match to win 25-22. Coach Mayberry was very disappointed about the fact that a lot of people in the school were blaming Stuver for the team's loss, even though by rule the matches can be put in any order, and someone else who lost could have been last and blamed for the loss.

"That Hamilton match was a spectator's delight and a coach's nightmare," explained Coach Mayberry.

The Knights overcame their loss to Hamilton on Fri., Dec. 7, by defeating the tough team at Juneau, 32-20. This was another important match for Madison so Glen Mc-

Laughlin and Tony Jaworski were pleased when they pinned their men at 119 lbs, and 167 lbs. respectively.

Bob Houghton at 126 lbs. overcame a tough opponent and won on pts. as did Mike Brown in the 98 lb. weight class. Kurt Holtz fought to tie and gained two points toward Madison's 32 point total.

The soph grapplers lost their first meet Fri, Dec. 7, at Juneau after crushing King and Wauwatosa East.

The team travels until its final match before Christmas on Fri., Dec. 21, hosting Tech. Until that, they will meet Lincoln Wed., Dec. 12; North and King at Riverside Fri., Dec. 14, and Riverside at Riverside Dec., Dec. 19.



Robert Houghton who wrestled varsity as a junior at 119 lbs is back again this year and is off to a terrific start. Bob pinned his first victim from West in the 3rd period and beat last years City Champion at 119 lbs from Hamilton 8-3, Wednesday, December 5, when Madison played host to Hamilton.

Strokers Splash To 5-0 Record

by Steve Blackburn

Madison's swim team has shown its strength so far this season by compiling a 5-0 record in their first three meets this year, then taking third place out of a field of twelve teams at the Oak Creek Relays.

The strokers opened the season with a double victory in a tri-meet, over Washington and Riverside, with a score of Madison 75, Washington 56, Riverside 33.

First place finishes for the Knights were turned in by the 200 yd. medley relay team of Greg Stilin, Jeff Liberto, Arto Vikkila and Pat Petranich; Dennis Clay, 200 yd. freestyle; Petranich, 50 yd. freestyle; Don Glassel, diving; Vikkila, 100 yd. butterfly; Liberto 100 yd. breast stroke, and the 400 yd. relay team of Steve Blackburn, Bob Clark, Craig Liberto, and Clay.

The next evening the team divid-

ed themselves into teams and held the annual green and white meet. Although it was not a conference meet, the team members gave it their all. The final score showed the Green team with the victory by a narrow 38-35 margin.

The next conference meet, against South and West, showed Madison to be greedy hosts, as they soundly defeated their guests by a score of Madison 78, South 51, West 43.

The meet was highlighted by two new school record performances. The first being the 200 yd. medley relay team, made up of Pat Petranich, 50 yd. back stroke; Jeff Holmes, 50 yd. breast stroke; Steve Blackburn, 50 yd. butterfly and Brian Schaut, 50 yd. freestyle, setting a new record of 1:52.5. Then Dennis Clay bettered his own record in the 500 yd. freestyle, turning in a time of 5:34.9. Others taking first were: Clay 200 yd. freestyle; Vikkila, 200 I.M., Bob Seduwitz, diving; Shawn King, 100 yd. breast stroke, and the 400 yd. free relay team of Clark, Liberto, Vikkila and Clay.

On December 1st the team traveled to Oak Creek for the Oak Creek Relays. The Knights showed many suburban schools that they came to swim, finishing with a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, two 4ths and two 7th place finishes, taking an overall third place in the meet.

The first place came from Madison's 300 yd. breast stroke team composed of Jeff Holmes, Jeff Liberto, Pat Petranich, and Dennis Clay. The 2nd in the 200 yd. medley relay team of Pat Petranich, Jeff Holmes, Steve Blackburn and Dennis Clay. The 3rd place was grabbed by our divers, Tom Gesme, Don Glassel and Bob Seduwitz. Two 4ths

were taken by the 400 yd. medley relay team of Greg Stilin, Jeff Liberto, Arto Vikkial and Brian Schaut. Also the 900 yd. freestyle relay team of Dennis Clay, Craig Liberto, Steve Blackburn and Pat Petranich.

On Tuesday the 4th, the team went to Milwaukee Lutheran for a duel meet that proved to be a one sided affair; the side was ours. By midway through the meet the score was 28-6 in favor of the Knights. Coach Ristow saw what was happening and had mercy, letting up and ending 54-26. First places were turned in by: the 200 yd. medley relay team of Petranich, Liberto, Blackburn and Clark; Clay, 200 yd. free; Vikkila, 200 yd. I.M.; Gesme, diving; Blackburn, 100 yd. butterfly; Petranich, 100 yd. backstroke and King, 100 yd. breast.

This year's team looks like they want it all, it could be another Number 1 for Madison.

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Basketball

Gardner's 45 Not Enough for North

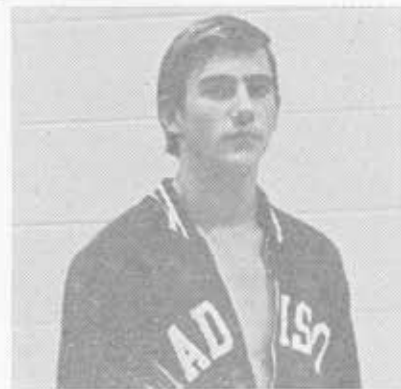
North's Michael Gardner took the game scoring honors with 45 points. However, this wasn't enough as our Knights had three men with the sweet stuff. These were Rob Roth, who finished with 30 points, Dan Hucke with 26, and Bob Repka with 23. Scott Wolfram should also be given credit, as he came off the bench with a hot hand and filled in with 12 points.

Madison had trouble at the start of the first quarter as they let North jump out to a 10-0 lead. Their big lead did not last long, however, and the Knights fought back to within two points at the end of the first quarter, 21-19.

Teams Evenly Matched

The second quarter play of the two evenly matched teams proved to be typical of the other three quarters. The play was sloppy. The

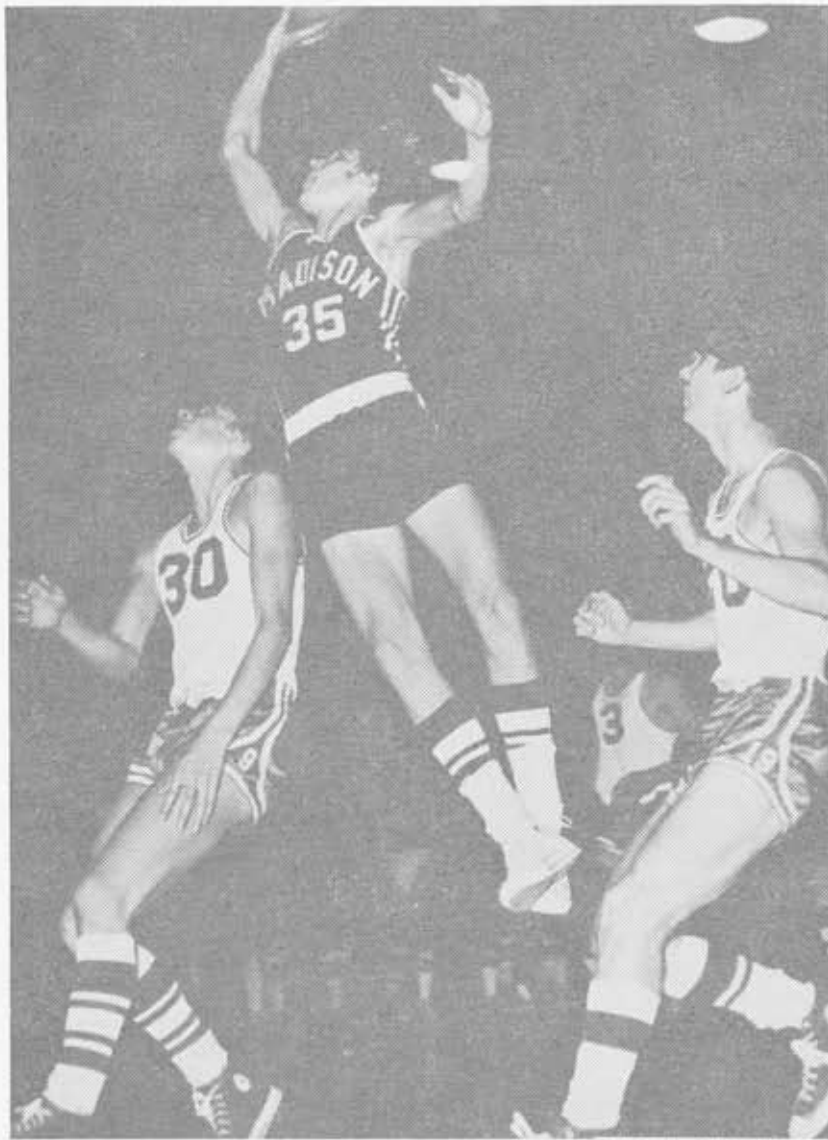
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Dennis Clay is a captain of the swimming team and in his three years, he has built up quite a list of accomplishments. They include his 500 yard freestyle Madison record and his 500 yard freestyle pool record at Milwaukee Lutheran. He has no college plans at the present.



—Photo by Mike Wiedel
Jim Butenhoff strokes ahead for Madison.



—Photo by Mike Wiedel

Dan Huecke tosses in another two points despite his off-balance position.

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score stayed close in the see-saw battle, as neither team could take advantage of opportunities. The score at the halftime buzzer was a 48-49 deadlock.

North came out hot at the outset of the second half with six consecutive points. Madison's play, in the early moments of the third quarter, seemed erratic. Then midway through the quarter, the Knights exploded with eight quick unanswered points, and went ahead 59-58. This returned the action back to its see-saw pattern. The pattern then ended toward the end of the quarter when Madison decided to capitalize on North errors and reeled off another eight straight points. This gave the Knights a 77-69 lead at the end of the third stanza.

Oh So Close . . . Oh Too Close!

The Knights kept their hot hand at the start of the fourth quarter, and scored four more quick points. North wasn't dead, however, as they stayed within four points through

the quarter. Then the going got hectic for the Knights, as they found themselves ahead by only two points 89-87, with about four minutes left. Within the next three minutes, the Knights pulled ahead to 93-88 on Rob Roth scores. The big green line didn't let up, increasing the lead to 97-88. It was at this point that victory for the Knights seemed to be assured. North scored three meaningless points in the warning seconds and the final buzzer gave the Knights a definite 97-91 victory.

Rivalry Renewed With Victory Over North

The Madison-Marshall rivalry was witnessed before an electrified packed house, and ended with the Knights thrashing the Eagles, 103-75.

Like the two previous conference games, this one also was marked by a combined team effort with great individual performances by Bob Roth and Dan Huecke. Roth was the team scoring leader compiling

Fast Breaking Sophs Slowed by West

by Lee Heeter

Madison's sophomore basketball team opened up the '73-'74 season in winning their three non-conference games, then losing their conference opener to West.

The first game was against hosts Wisconsin Lutheran on November 17 with the Knights coming out on

29 points while Dan Huecke finished with 25, and a game leading 11 assists.

The team opened up with visible game jitters as both committed numerous turnovers. Still playing disorganized, the Knights settled down somewhat to take a first quarter lead 24-18 as the Madison crowd roared with delight.

Opening up the second quarter, the Eagles, not conceding a loss yet, closed the gap to nine, 32-23, the closest they were to get for the rest of the night.

The Knights then began to click. With Roth and Huecke swishing two distant jumpers along with a swarming opportunistic defense, Madison shot out to a 40-25 lead with less than four minutes remaining in the half. The Knights, still forced into turnovers by an aggressive Marshall defense, managed to hold a commanding 51-36 lead at the half.

Marshall tried to keep the game somewhat competitive in the third quarter, yet the Knights, still holding the commanding edge out scored them, 22-17. Shutting off the middle, Madison forced the Eagles to shoot outside. Though center Bob Gresen of Marshall started popping effectively from outside, the Knights increased their game lead at the end of the quarter to 73-53.

The Knights continued their dominance throughout the fourth quarter. With Huecke taking charge and Jim Repka continually playing fine, and pulling down rebounds, Madison was definitely in control.

The electrifying crowd didn't want their mighty Knights to let up. This was shown in the waning minutes of the game when the crowd began chanting, "We want 100." The Madison fans obviously got what they wanted in this 103-75 victory and there is nothing sweeter than giving your arch-rival a good thumping.

top 74 to 46. They then plastered visiting Hartford 83 to 40 on November 21, and followed up by winning a 69 to 58 battle at Memorial on November 24.

Coach Tom Desotell commented, "We are stressing a fast break offense and a pressure defense this year. The team's play is very good for the start of the season. This shows excellent promise to at least duplicate last years 15-3 co-champ record." He also added, "Much help is given by the reserves in pushing the starters in practice."

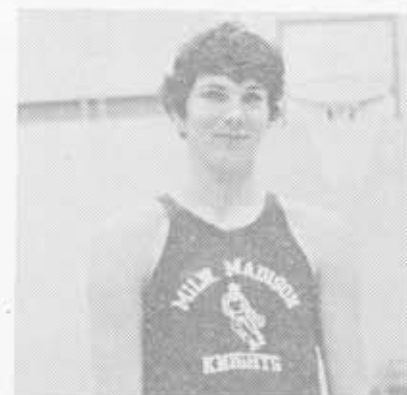
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Science Fiction Planned for Fall

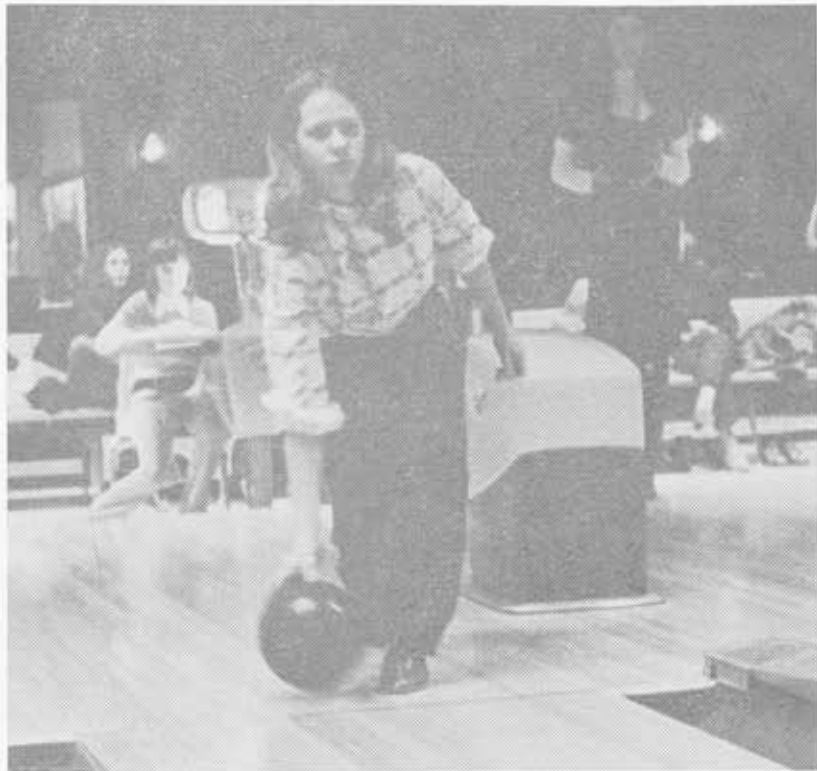
Are you hungry for some good science fiction? Well, you may be in luck! Though not definite, a science fiction course may come to Madison next fall.

"I've been waiting for a science fiction course for five years," said an excited Mrs. Kukla. "This will give students a chance to read novels and short stories by Kurt Vonnegut Jr., Ray Bradbury, and other great science fiction writers."

No definite plans have been written yet, but the possibilities are good. If this class goes into effect, it will be a one semester course.



Jeff Mack 6'1" and 170 lbs. is this year's Captain of the basketball team. Jeff started as a junior at the forward position but was switched to center this year. So far Jeff has averaged 17 points a game and is 67 per cent at the line. Jeff plans on going on in basketball but hasn't decided which college he would like to attend.



—Photo by Joe Trawicki

Joan Dreweek rolls on in GAA Monday Night Bowling Tournament.

Bowling Season Rolls On

With five nights of competition completed, GAA bowling still enthusiastically rolls on and Mrs. Forseth noted there have been few absences during the Monday night play.

Ann Baier holds a 140 average in the yellow division followed closely by Jane Butenhoff with a 139 and Jo Palbichi with a 134 average. Ann Baier also exhibits the high singles game record of 166 and two game series totaling 311.

In the orange division it's Debbie Pritchard who not only shows a top average of 156 but also has the high singles game of 178 and a two game series of 312. Eileen Auerbach is second in the division with a 131

average and Diane Junkert third showing a 123 game average.

Lisa Opachen leads the green division game average with a 132 record. Debbie Damore pursues closely with 130 average and Mary Smukowski with a 129. Tammy Wolff has scored both the best high singles game and the best two series game marking a 178 and 312 respectively.

Mrs. Forseth, the GAA bowling adviser, says there are some girls who through competition have been improving their bowling skills, especially girls bowling for the first time. "It's mostly a self-taught learning process with the help of their friends," she said.

Girls Hit The Birdie In No Contact Sport

by Maureen Leonard

There seems to be a great amount of interest in GAA badminton this year. Twenty-four girls are competing in the sophomore tournament and twenty girls in the combined junior-senior matches.

For the first year since badminton has been on the list of GAA activities, it is not being combined with table tennis competition on the same night. Miss Dorow cited this as a possible reason for the increased turnout. Sue MacNamara, GAA vice-president, backed this up by saying "We (the GAA officers) decided that badminton should have a night separate from table tennis. This giving the girls interested in both sports an opportunity to go out for each, which seems to be the case quite frequently." She also added that table tennis is scheduled for sometime later on the agenda, probably coming up in spring.

The two tournaments, sophomore and junior-senior, are both being played through January every Friday night. A play-off between the winners of each tournament will decide the championship doubles team as there is no singles competition.

When asked why the girls seem to be enthusiastic in coming out for badminton, Miss Dorow commented, "I think it's popular in the competitive sense as it meets the needs of girls wanting to play in a non-contact sport."

Frogs Leap to Second, League Play Ends

After ten weeks of competition in the Womens Muni Volleyball tournament, Mrs. Harrod, the girls coach comments, "For their first year in the league, they played fine."

The Frogs came home in second place as they won all three games against Messmer in the last week of competition. Also in the Championship Division, the Frogs won all three games against Bethany on November 26th, and did the same to the No Names, also a Madison team on November 19th.

The captain of the Frogs is Cheryl Rottler. The members are: Sue Clark, Janet Reckner, Winnie Voigt, Sherrie Busater, Judy Cler, Karen Pielmeier, Mary Meils, and Sue Riley.

The No Names came in third place. The captain of the No Names is Lynn Hildenbrand. The members are: Alice Johnson, Amy Metz, Toni Jiles, Pam Robinson, Trudy Anderson, Cathy Kessler, and Debbie D'Amore.

Madison's Green Guardians came in fifth place, as they beat Covenant two out of the three games played. In the first week of the championship playoff, the Green Guardians three games against the Madison Knights.

The Knights followed in sixth place due to losing all of the games played.

The Graham Crackers, also from Madison, were competing in another section of the league. They finished toward the bottom.

As the majority of the girls on the teams were sophomores, Mrs. Harrod states, "They will do better next year because of more practice and experience."



Madison cheerleaders took a first in city and fourth in state in the UWM sponsored Cheerleading Clinic held December 8.

Starr Shines Over All-Stars

by Terence Moore

The stars were out the night of Wednesday, December 5, but the stars at the Pfister Hotel Ballroom were seated before a plate of meat and potatoes.

The Milwaukee Journal's 31st annual High School All-Star Football Awards Dinner was held with Madison's city conference all-stars. Jeff Johnson, Mark Allen, Bob Shuster, and Al Herkowski, along with their parents, were part of the record 580 players, coaches, and parents being honored.

All-stars from the City, Catholic, Suburban, Braveland, Parkland, and Midwest Prep Conferences listened to Green Bay Packer great, Bart Starr, as the guest of honor.

Starr, during the evening, spoke of his ideas on athletic competition, and on life in general. He also reflected on words uttered by the legendary Vince Lombardi, and pointed out they dealt not only with football or athletics, but with anything in life.

During the banquet, two UWM football players were also presented awards designated for special service. The evening ended with each high school all-star receiving a certificate of merit from the Journal.

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rings to put the meet out of reach. In the Highlander tournament held Saturday, Dec. 8, Madison finished third out of the top five teams in the state.

Charles Druecke took second place in the horizontal bar while Greg Szmania tied for second in the floor exercises.

Pat Harmeyer and Dave Wilds showed top form, taking firsts' in the parallel bars and rings respectively.

However, when they came to the sidehorse, Madison seemed to fall apart as they took a team total of only 9.7 points

Following the meet Coach Leinwander made this glum reply, "We just gave it away."

Madison Aides Put in Long Hours to Help Curb Problems

A proposal by the Milwaukee School Board to increase school aide supervision (the aides that patrol the hall) was passed on December 4. This proposal will bring supervisory aides into Madison for 200 extra hours, as well as increasing aide hours in ten other schools.

Mr. Putnam, Mr. Sutherland, Mrs. Kostek, Mrs. Madison, and Mrs. Lucka are Madison's aides, and will be working longer hours than usual in order to combat disciplinary prob-

lems. Mr. Wolff feels that the extra aide hours will help conditions in several ways. "Some of the foolishness outside the building will be curtailed. Supervision of corridors and washrooms will be greatly improved."

The opinions of the school board are mixed. Although the proposal was passed, several members are critical of it, feeling that it will not permanently improve discipline in the school. The \$200,000 proposal will go into effect as soon as the administration determines when the hours are needed most.

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The cagers started out the regular season on the wrong foot losing to West 57 to 44 at West. Coach Desotell attributed the loss to not utilizing the fast break as effectively as in other games.

"It's still early in the season and the players aren't discouraged. The sophomore teams have always progressed from the beginning in other years," were some statements by Mr. Desotell.

He also said the starters have been improving steadily. The starting team is as follows: Ken Gibson at center; Dan McCoy and Brian Weller at forwards; and Dave Pold and Mark Schiller at guards. Top reserves are Keith and Tom Ordians.



—Photo by Mike Wiedel

Opponents lock the ball in efforts for tip off.

Crickets Take Lead, 5-0

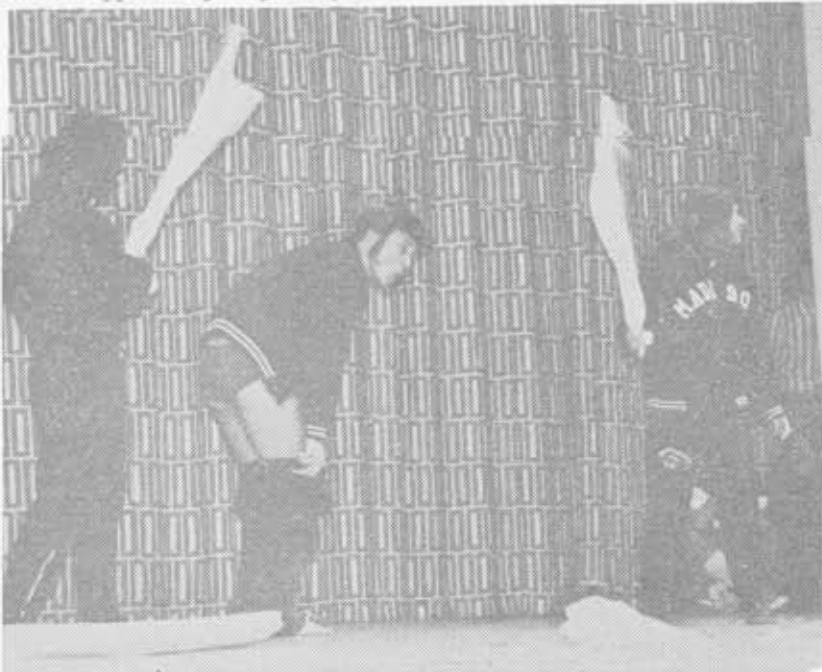
The Crickets, captained by Sue Riley, lead the GAA basketball competition with five wins and no losses. Visser, said "The teams winning most

Miss Dorow, GAA basketball consistently are those with experienced players. Skill in executing the fast break and setting up an effective zone defense has been an asset to the Crickets." Several members of the Crickets are also out for the municipal league basketball team.

Compared to GAA intramural basketball, the municipal league team presents a more organized style of play. This is due to three different defenses used in their games. An attempt is being made towards using a set offense in this season's games to provide a more effective attack on the opposition.

"To understand the difference in the type of play found in the municipal league and GAA basketball," said Miss Dorow, "you must understand the philosophy behind the GAA organization." She explained

the GAA as "organized activities directed toward girls interested in some competitive sports." Everyone who comes out for a GAA event has an opportunity to participate.



—Photo by Joe Trawicki

Students' stunts spoof sports.