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Madison's fans are the best along with their teams.

Photo by Sue Bindrich

## "George M" Production Has Something For Everyone

By Craig Heiting

Lights! ... Places! ... Action! ... James Madison's production of GEORGE M. is underway.

GEORGE M is this year's school play. The play is based on the life of George Michael Cohan. Who's he? Why he's the man who owned Broadway, the man with the Yankee Doodle spirit, born on the Fourth of July.

His life takes place mainly around the era of vaudeville. Vaudeville was an era when everyone had an act in show business. From dogs singing to jugglers juggling, there were so many different acts that the audiences never knew what to expect. Auditions were held November 3-5, but parts were not yet given at press time.

The play will once again be produced by Mr. John Bohan, who is house manager of Melody Top. The choreographers are Pam Kriger and Jane Chernot.

Miss Butts has taken over the position of teacher in charge of the production last year held by Mrs. Sorenson. Miss Butts is with the English department and is looking forward to a fun year with the play.

Other teachers with the play are Mr. Bonfiglio, choral director for the play; Mr. Knutson, instrumental director; and Mr. Askins, in charge of stage crew.

GEORGE M was chosen for this year's play as part of the Bicentennial Celebration. George Cohan gave us such American spirited songs as, "Yankee Doodle Dandy," "Over There," and "You're A Grand Old Flag," which are all included in the play.

"I'm looking forward to having the play be fun for the students," Miss Butts commented, "the play will consist of a lot of enthusiasm and will include something for everyone's interest."

"Harrigan," "Give My Regards To Broadway," "Mary," and "Nellie Kelly, I Love You," are just a few more well known songs that will be included in the play.

So light the lights and strike up the band, because vaudeville is back, or at least will be during the production of GEORGE M.

On Wednesday, December 17, the Winter Concert will be held in the auditorium.

There will be two performances, one during the day which will feature Concert Band, Girls Glee and General Chorus. The other performance will be held at night and will feature the Symphonic Band, Symphonic Orchestra, and A Chorus.

Both performances will have different music; however, they will both be played in the same style.

#### EDITORIAL-

## **Be Proud Madison**

We're number one and proud of it. In almost anything we do we're the best. The school as a whole is the largest in the state.

Our varsity football team has captured both divisional and cith championships for the second time in three years.

The soccer team, after having been in existence for just three years, has brought home the divisional and city championship.

D.A.F.T. with its play "After the Rain" has received a first place award in subdistrict competition and now goes to district competition.

Our Publications the Excalibur and the Messenger have won numerous awards in their fields.

All this can to attributed to the student body who participate and those who support each other. The faculty must be given credit, too, for the hours they have put in by coaching, advising and giving moral support.

Last, but by no means least, the administrators who give their whole-hearted backing of all the teams and organizations deserve thanks. Most of all, the man in charge of everyone in this school, who by himself is alone number one, our principal, Mr. Wolff, gets our appreciation.

It is through the cooperation of everybody that we have become the school that we are.

In terms of the holiday we all have something to be thankful for: WE'RE NUMBER ONE!

-Bob Dumke

## G.S.A. Is it Coming Back?

By Malcolm Woods

Madison's student council has come in for a lot of criticism lately. Students complain that the G.S.A. is inactive. They say they haven't heard of the G.S.A. doing anything for a long time.

But there are two sides to every coin, and the G.S.A. has some complaints, too. They are frustrated by the student body's apathy. The enthusiasm many new G.S.A. members started the year with is quickly evaporating as they meet the generally uninterested students.

#### Where Does the Fault Lie?

It's hard to pin the "fault" on anyone, especially the G.S.A. The students in G.S.A. want to work for the students of Madison, that's

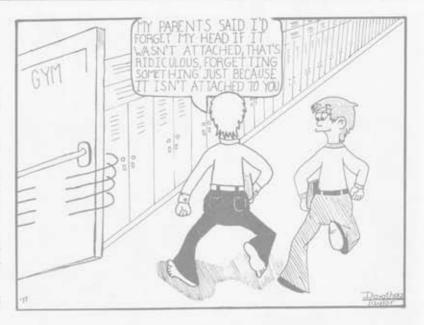
why most of them made the effort. to join the student government and give up one hour every day to represent the students.

But somewhere, something has gone wrong. Mr. Bubnik, the faculty advisor of G.S.A., feels this is a make or break year for G.S.A., "The G.S.A. represents the students. It tries to do its best, but until the student body can overcome its apathy, and become involved, there's no reason for a G.S.A.

#### Communication

A lack of communication is one of the explanations for the downfall of the G.S.A. Pupils don't get involved in student government because they hear so little about it.

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#### Letters to the Editor

October 18, 1975

Dear Mr. Wolff,

I'm writing you to give you a little insight to my school life here in Monte Aprozinel, Brazil. Enclosed is a letter from the principal of my school to the Rotary Chairman in Wisconsin.

My school is a small one, with a senior class of forty students. Grade school through high school is held in the same location, but there are three separate buildings. Class is held from 7:00 to 12 noon since school is held for 24 hours each day, running in five hour shifts. My subjects are: Physics, Trigonometry, Chemistry, Biology, Brazilian History, Portuguese and English.

One thing I miss and I think is excellent about the Milwaukee School System is the students' right to choose his or her own subjects. All subjects here are chosen by the State government.

I live in a small city with a population of 17,000 people. I am lucky to live in a somewhat wealthy community. Many of the people own plantations, banks, apartment buildings along the beaches of Rio de Janeiro and even some diamond mines in Africa. My father, for instance, owns three plantations in the State of Mato Grasso in which he raises coffee and cattle.

Right now, it is spring here and the sun has become extremely fierce. In December while Milwaukee is buried in snow, we will be basking in the sun.

All in all, I'm really enjoying myself, learning and growing. I'm also speaking fluent Portuguese now. I will tell more about my community in future letters.

I am thanking Madison for providing this enriching opportunity. I will never forget this experience. (I call it my adventure.)

No matter where I go. I carry the story of Madison's excellence - it is respected here in Brazil as well as in Milwaukee.

Once again thank you and may God bless and keep you.

> Sincerely, Lena Watkins

In case you haven't noticed, the Messenger has changed its looks slightly by having a new printing style. To go with our new look we would like to have a new masthead, that is "The Madison Messenger" drawn artistically in a different way. Anyone who has any more ideas should bring them to Mrs. Griesbach in room 360 before or after school or during 5th hour.

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## There's a lot of Problems Out There

By Malcolm Woods

Are you worried, tense, or nervous? Do you have a problem that's really getting you down, something you really don't want to talk about with your friends or parents?

It's not unusual to feel down every once in a while and there are a lot of problems that can affect you. Because a complete listing of these problems would fill a book, only a few are described in this article.

#### New Series Starts Next Issue

Starting next issue, the Messenger will run a series of monthly articles devoted exclusively to one of these areas of problems. They will be written according to the interest students show in specific problems and with the advice of the school's psychologist, Dr. Osvat.

During an interview with the Messenger, Dr. Osvat listed



Dr. Osvat our school psychologist.

Photo Courtesy of Photo Club
briefly the problems students have
today.

#### Truancy Is Number One

The biggest problem is truancy, every day, some students skip out of one or more of their classes and some don't even bother to show up at school for days on end. Dr. Osvat believes that there's a reason for it. Usually, the student says that he just doesn't like school, but Dr. Osvat thinks there's a deeper, more personal reason that will explain why the student doesn't like school. As a psychologist, she feels that she must get the truant to

realize the real reason he skips out. After coming to terms with what's making him skip out, she hopes that the student will be able to come back to school.

One of the other major problems is drug and alcohol abuse. Dr. Osvat believes that drug abuse is declining and the abuse of alcohol is on the rise among young people. A lot of students have tried either drugs or alcohol but the problem is the person who needs it as a crutch, to evade reality. Most psychologists agree that drug abuse is usually a substitute for something that's lacking from the person's life.

A student with a constant feeling of insecurity might turn to drugs or alcohol because when he's high he'll be able to talk to people and feel secure. Dr. Osvat said there's two ways to cure drug and alcohol abuse. You can try to resubstitute the thing that the person's missing, such as a feeling of security in the above example. The other method of curing this problem is to treat it as a behavioral problem and try to correct it.

#### Learning Problems

The category of learning problems is a large one with many different areas. Problems with vision can affect a student's learning progress. Students who have great eyes can still have trouble analyzing what they're seeing and have trouble reading.

Hearing can present the same problems as vision. Listening does not mean understanding, again the brain might have trouble grasping the meaning of the word or words it's just heard.

#### Other Student Problems

Shy students can have troubles adjusting to speaking in class, and reading an oral report in front of thirty strangers can be a trying experience.

Some of the most common problems for high school students are sexual relations. Although not always mature, teenagers are expected to portray adult roles in going out and meeting the opposite sex. A lot of people can't make this "sudden" change as quickly as Continued on page 10

## Actors Earn Straight A's in Competition

After the Rain, the drama competition play of Madison's DAFT Club, earned three A's in Sub-District competition.

The competition, in which Brookfield Central and Edison Junior High School also participated, took palce at James Madison on Saturday, November 1.

The three judges, Cheryl Lello, a speech and drama major at Marquette University, and Shirley Sherwood, an English department supervisor with the Milwaukee Public Schools, rated After the Rain with three A's. Brookfield Central also received three A's, with Edison coming out with three B's.

The play's next competition, District, will be held at Port Washington High School in Port Washington. Contestants will be the winners of A ratings in subdistrict competition.

Ms. Seraphin, director of the production, foresees further success at District competition, adding that, "I feel we have a talented and reliable cast and crew, and hopefully we will get more A's."

Michael Kane, student director, agreed, adding, "After we go over things that need some work, I think we stand a very good chance." Jeff Hagedorn, a former studnet of Madison and a Sophomore studying drama at Ripon College, also assisted in direction and makeup.

Dale Smith played the part of Arthur. Michael Kane was Alen Armitage, with Nortia Barroga as Sonya. La Vera Wedekind portrayed Muriel and her husband Wesley was Bruce Peterson. Howard Denemark played the part of the lecturer, Pual Ksicinski played Tony, and Kathy Haberman was Gertrude. Steve Golay portrayed Hunter, and Jeff Watter was Banner. The two assistants were played by Jeff Crangle and Jackie Harcourt.

#### AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion Oratorical contest will be held January 18, 1976. It is open to all high school students. A prepared oration of 8-10 minutes must be read on some phase of the Constitution of the United States. It should give emphasis to attendnt duties and/or obligations of a citizen to our government.

Interested students call Mr. Fred Stockfish, 5th District Oratorical Chairman of the American Legion at 252-3152 after 5 p.m. or Miss Edna Bahrs during the day at 344-2116 for more information.

## Swim Club Accepts 29 New Members

By Lee Misialek

Twenty-nine girls were accepted into the Characin Swim Club at tryouts Monday, October 27, when they presented the swim stunts and strokes that they have been learning to several judges.

The eighteen "regular" girls are two seniors, Linda Schlueter and Judy Marken, twelve Juniors, Debbie Abuya, Barb Brown, Arlene Cychosz, Laura Hathaway, Pam Henneke, Debbie Jacobs, Sandy Knutson, Liz Oestrich, Reda Puente, Janet Schlueter, Mindy Simek, and Julie Wiggins. The four sophomores are Mary Hohl, Linda Ksicinski, Trudy Ostermeyer and Debbie

Thompson.

The eleven alternates are four juniors. Mary Buska, Cindy Callum, Sue Hauser and Gloria Larson. The seven sophomore alternates are Tammy Ludin, Lee Misialek, Inez Preiser, Cindy Pfankuch, Barb Phillip, Barbra Spiegel and Debbie Wagner.

These girls were chosen after weeks of learning and practicing the different swim stunts and strokes. They were judged by several girls and Miss Dorow. There were five possible points for each one.

Now the girls will start putting together the swim show that will be presented in May.

## ¿Comprende? New Spanish Teacher Does

By Susan Biernat

Uno, dos, tres, hola, buenos dias, and madre are a few of the words Mrs. Roth teaches to her first year Spanish classes.

Mrs. Roth is the new Spanish teacher here at Madison. She teaches levels one and two



Mrs. Roth

Spanish, as well as Contemporary Literature.

Before Mrs. Roth came to Madison, one month ago, she taught at John Marshall High, and Walker Junior High.

Mrs. Roth is originally from Tracy, a small town in southwestern Minnesota. She lived in Latin America for four and one-half years, and attended Roosevelt High in Peru. After graduation from Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, she received her Bachelor of Arts degree, with a major in Spanish, and minors in English and Political Science.

Cooking, sewing, needlework, gardening, and teaching church school to third and fourth graders are some of Mrs. Roth's interests. Although she is not a participant in sports, she enjoys being a spectotor.

"My original reasons for teaching Spanish were to introduce others to the excitement of knowing another language, other cultures and people. I found in the process we can learn so much more about ourselves, our own language, and culture. As I taught, I discovered that many of us in the United States stereotyped ideas about the Spanish-speaking world. It's my hope to help people become acquainted with its vastness, and diversity, and to dispell erroneous ideas."

"I am perplexed by our nation's prevalent disinterest in foreign language study. If ever there was a time for acquiring skills in language, it's now, in these days of increased international work and travel opportunity.

"The need for English-Spanish bilingual skills is even greater for those of us in the United States. It is predicted that within the next 20 to 40 years Spanish, rather than English, will be the primary language of the greater number of people in the Western Hemisphere. This increases the challenge for me as an educator."

Mrs. Roth attended workshops pertaining to Latin American area studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee for two summers. Because of these workshops and work with Milwaukee Public Schools in developing curriculum in cultural studies, she participated in a national workshop last summer at Albuquerque.

"I enjoy teaching at Madison because of its ethnic diversity, and I find working with senior high students is stimulating."

## Class Observes Labs

By Jean Johnson

Mr. Hida's advanced biology class took a field trip to the Allen Bradley Research Labs on October 23. They are a part of the Medical College of Wisconsin.

The labs do primary research in areas of biology and medicine. Scientists perform their experiments on dogs, pigs, rats, hamsters, and other various animals. While the class was there, members observed an experiment on a dog's kidney, which was kept alive by artifical means. The kidney continued to carry out its normal process.

These experiments are done to aid medicine in the future.

## G.S.A. Puts on Spirit Week

By Terri Herron

Madison's G.S.A. used a different foot to kick-off Homecoming this year with a Spirit Week.

Spirit Week began the week previous to Homecoming, October 20-24. Different activities were run through the week to promote the school's spirit.

All through the week members of the football team and G.S.A. members could request Sophomores to sing the school song.

Monday, October 20, Madison turned the clock back to the 50's. The dudes came with slicked back hair, garbed in black leather jackets, straight-legged pants, white socks, and either black shoes or tennis shoes.

Their chicks were pony-tailed, and wore heavy-red lipstick, and reflected the fad with long pleated skirts, white bobby-socks, front-button blouses, sweaters and saddle shoes.

During the lunch hours the students voted on the best dressed of the 50's day. They were Debbie Klauck, Steve Nerdahl, and Donna Mortensen.

Tuesday, students tipped off the top with a "Crazy Hat Day." If you were shopping for a hat, you may not have seen anything you wanted but you certainly couldn't complain about the unusual selection. There was everything from a Mexican sombrero to an Indian War Bonnet.

Wednesday, the students holding Homecoming tickets or buttons could cheer on their fellow students in a Student-Faculty Volleyball game.

This was also the day for the Favorite Teacher Contest. The students' favorite teachers for this year were Mr. Lawrenz and Mrs. Harrod.

Thursday was the day the students looked back to their youth for the Baby Face Contest. Pictures were brought in by the students; they were posted in the cafeteria and the students voted on their favorites. The winning babes were: Joey Wells, Liz Hauser, and Daphne Mason.



"At least it keeps the flies out of my

Photo Courtesy of Photo Club,

Friday led up to the big day when each class decorated its assigned floor to display school spirit. Students were also requested to wear their school colors — green and white.

That night the Homecoming Parade took place. It started at Red Carpet Lanes and ended in the school's parking lot for a pep rally.

A float competition was held at the pep rally. The Junior Class Float took first place, for the second year, and received a \$25 award. The senior class Float was in second place and received \$10.

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## Spirit Week Wraps Up

Homecoming, the height of a week of activities and fun, was held October 25.

Homecoming was not just a dance on Saturday night. It was a week of fun. The enthusiasm that was building all week exploded Saturday afternoon. Excitement. was at its maximum as Madison's Green Knight football team walked off the field with a 33-6 victory over Marshall. The homecoming dance was a great way to end a week of anticipation. The dance, held in the cafeteria. was decorated for fall. Music for the dance was provided by two great bands "Mirth" and "Northern Lights." Jeff Gabrielson was king and Sue Schad was queen. The court was made up of Jim Vogl. Rick Herrera, Bob Hoida, Paul Baerwald, Tim Michols, Judy Cler, Sue Koepp, Ame Metz. Phylis Ramseyer, and Lori Lange.

## Planetarium an Asset to Madison

By Maria Labredo

The Planetarium is a spectacle at Madison that not too many students are aware of. It is located on the main level near room 214.

The Planetarium consists of a dome shaped ceiling that is whitened like a movie screen. In the center of the dome there is a machine which projects a representation of the sky in action. The room is darkened, of course, and the spectators sit circularly around the room, The heavenly bodies lie just overhead.

Madison has had a Planetarium for several years now. It's an expensive yet worthwhile device costing about \$35,000 (when purchased). Each year new features are added to the machine. These provide special effects and overall, improve the quality of the presentations.

Mr. Mayer, a science teacher here at Madison, runs the Planetarium for many of the classes wishing to use it. However, a man from Central Office, Mr. Preschon, operates it for groups outside the school. Many elementary and junior high schools of this area visit the Planetarium.

Mr. Preschon gives up to three shows a day, five days a week. The room holds a capacity of about 90 spectators.

Several different presentations are set up corresponding with the various grade levels. They may range from a simple introduction to the stars to the more complex lesson of naming constellations and learning their origins.

Mr. Preschon, who has been running the Planetarium since the fall of '68, commented about his job, "It's quite spectacular and fun; I enjoy it." He likes working with the youngsters that come in and feels they all find it of interest.

Surprisingly to many, several classes outside of the astronomy course, right here at Madison take advantage of the Planetarium.

For example, when Latin classes come in stress is put on getting them acquainted with the many Latin names of various constellations, English classes may enjoy viewing the stars, while studying poetry of that nature. A program for biology classes is also offered, introducing the possibility of life in space. Also, geometry classes may like to come in and view geometric figures formed by the many constellations.

In the past, the Planetarium was open the 2nd half of each lunch hour for all students wishing to gaze at the stars. This was discontinued, but Mr. Preschon stated he would have no objection and in fact he would enjoy doing it again.

In most of the presentations, the night sky of Milwaukee is shown. This is done to familiarize students with the sky around them. However, "skys" from most anywhere in the world may be represented and from different times in history also.

## A Night with Jethro Tull

By Sharon Mason

The arena grows dark. Anxious fans sit at the edge of their seats, staring into the darkness where a stage stands. It's the night they've been waiting for — A night with Jethro Tull!

Soon, Ian Anderson, head of Jethro Tull, crones out the first lines of, "Thick as a Brick." Suddenly from the depths of his boot immerges the "magic flute," which has made the group famous. The crowd goes wild.

From there on, the group is careful never to let the frenzy of the evening die out. Casual joking and brief appearances of a zebra and a giant rabbit only help to make the concert more complete.

Alas, time brings the evening to a close. But the crowd still wants more, and that's exactly what they get. An encore including three cuts off different albums is done. The crowd goes away contented and happy.

Also appearing was the back-up group, U.F.O.



# Record Review "Aerosmith" Something To Tap Feet to

By Helen Woyt

Aerosmith is one of those bands you just can't help tapping a foot to. Their latest album on Columbia Records, "Toys in the Attic" offers a lot to tap to!

If you're one of those who likes a bit of good old rowdy rook and roll once in awhile, this is an album for you. It's full of all the strong bass, drums, vocals, and double entendrés that you could want. "Big Ten Inch Record" is one of those cuts you can never really be sure you know what they mean!

All the cuts seem to be good candidates for release as singles, though only "Walk This Way" and "Sweet Emotion" have been released.

If "Walk This Way" is your style, just walk down to your favorite record store and walk on out with "Toys in the Attic." You'll love it.

## **Tubes**

The Tubes. No., they're not the same as "the pits" but they could be described that way. Actually, the Tubes are a new group that evidently sucked in Milwaukee and much of the rest of the country. Their one and only album, called simply "The Tubes," on A&M Records is a masterpiece of distinctive vocals and music.

The album cover itself is enough to catch your attention, at the very least — two red-nailed hands tearing the cover off the record and on the back a woman clothed and surrounded by inner-tubes. Unique, to say the least! And the music inside is even better.

All the cuts on the album have a distinctive sound wat are all excellent. One but, "Malagueña Salerosa" is basically a love song and Tubes probably wouldn't have gotten away with that one if it wasn't written in Spanish and didn't have a catchy tune.

Most of the better cuts have been aired on most of the FM-rock stations. "What Do You Want From Life?" is the catchiest cut, with its satire on Americans' life style. Who could refuse the "dream date in knee pads with Paul Williams" or the "baby's arm holding an apple" that as Americans, we're entitled to?

This is one of those albums you might buy for just one song and end up liking the whole thing.

### Spirit Week...

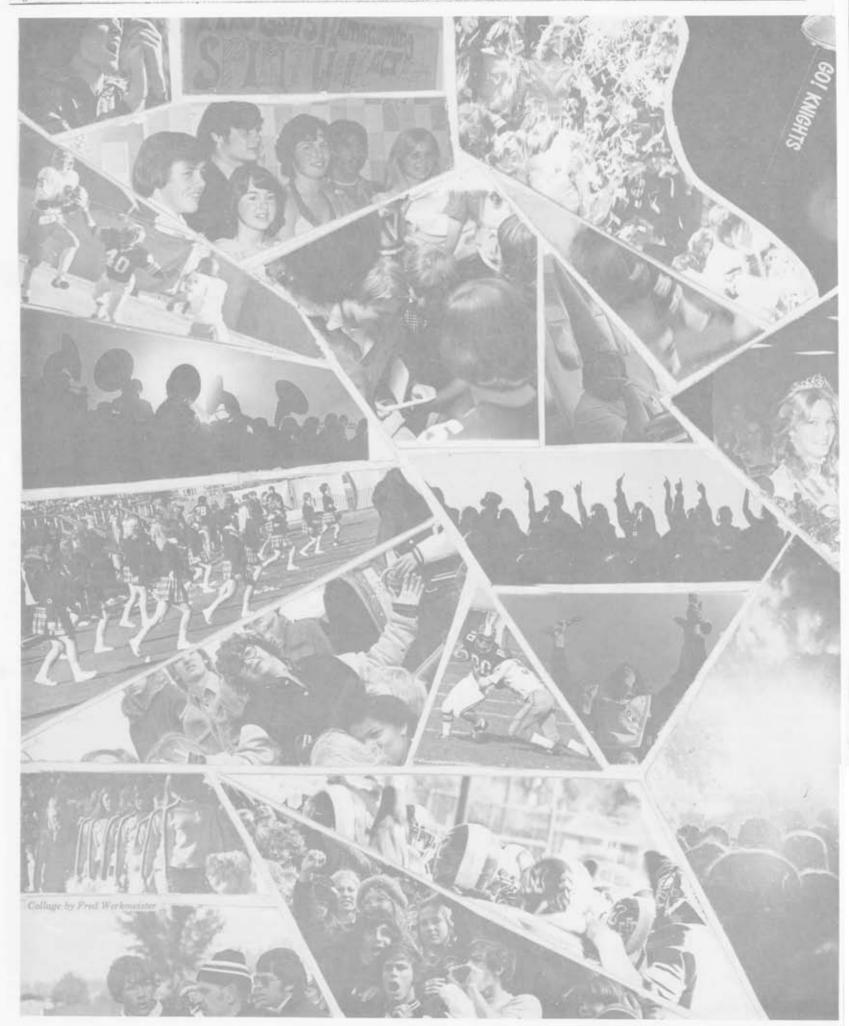
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teresting week at Madison," pointed out Cindy Sather, a junior at Madison.

Pat Ellis, a senior at Madison, noticed "It improved the spirit of the school and it should become a tradition."

Most of the students were very interested in Spirit Week when asked. The only gripes came from the sophomores who had to sing the school song.

G.S.A. put the Spirit Week into effect and is thinking of making it a tradition. "It could bring Madison's school spirit and participation to a climax," noted Renatta Strickland, a senior and G.S.A. vice-president.





# Madison Knights

## Madison Gridders Beat Tech For City Championship

By Jeff Gabrielsen and Jim Vogl

The James Madison Green Knight football team closed out its highly successful season with a championship winning game over Milwaukee Tech.

The stage was set, with Tech having a 7-0 record, rated 2nd in State playing the unrated Madison Knights who were also undefeated. Madison was the underdog in the minds of most people but true Madison fans knew otherwise

The first two series showed that it was going to be a hard hitting close game. Things looked good for Tech when they surprised the Knights' defense with a 56 yard draw play for a touchdown. The extra point was missed. Madison quickly came back with two long drives resulting in two touchdown passes from Jim Vogl to Jeff Gabrielson, 9 and 32 yards respectively. Tech capitalized on a controversial interference call on Total Lustig to take the lead 12 12 at half time.

Lustig Scores

In the 2nd half Madison got the lead back on its second when Tom Lustig scored on a 61 yard sweep. The try for 2 points failed, giving Madison a 18-13 lead. Late in the third period Tech took advantage of an interception. Three plays later Tech's quarterback scored on a 13 yard run to give Tech a 20-18 lead.

Madison's high powered offense got into gear and methodically ran and passed their way down to Tech's 10 yard line. Again Madison went to the pass and quarterback Jim Vogl hit Pete Adams in the end zone for the winning score. Coach Krueger commented, "Pete Adams' catch was one of the best I've seen all year; it was like a circus catch." J. C. Glatting put on the finishing touches, kicking the extra point to give Madison a 25-20 championship win.

The clincher was when Madison gave the ball to Tech for only four offensive plays in the fourth quarter. There was one drive in particular where the line and running back Glen Wright were superb as they ate up five minutes of the clock, Special praise was given to Dave Vachalek, Randy Gromowski, Joe Wells, Andy Armour, Don Krueger, Jeff Gabrielsen, and Kerry Hafner, for their excellent blocking.

Outstanding defensive players in the game were J. C. Glatting, Jeff Wiesmueller and Greg Sprewer.

#### Finished First in Gold Division

The season was a total success in almost every phase of the game. The Knights finished first in the Gold Division in both offense and defense. Offensively Madison scored 297 points and averaged

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Jim Vogl prepares to throw.

Photo by Dennis Felber

## Girls Take to the Basketball Court

By Dorothea Taylor

Daily practice, tough schedule, dribble, bounce, score, what does this add up to? Well with the additional help of Mr. Ahl, Madison math teacher, along with Miss Dorow, it adds up to WIAA basketball. (Who could be more appropriate for an addition problem than a math teacher?) This is the second year Madison has offered girls basketball. This year Miss Dorow will serve as the varsity coach and Mr. Ahl as the junior varsity coach.

#### Practice Daily

Practice is always an important part of any sport. Basketball is no exception to the rule, in fact practice is held every night after school ranging from two to two and a half hours. The goal of these practices is to produce a team that operates like a well oiled machine. "I don't want you to sign up because you want to lose so and so pounds off of so and so places." Mr. Ahl explained earlier. Practice began November 3rd with a total of 28 participants.

The final team will consist of fifteen players on the varsity and twelve players on the junior varsity team. They will be determined after the extensive practice periods. Returning lettermen from last year include: Vickie Corbeil, Mary Mack, and Tammy Wolff. Some changes have been made since last year, namely the uniforms. The home uniforms are now green with a light top and the away uniforms are completely forest green. Miss Dorow remarked, "There are a great number of people returning who know the system; our chances are

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All city gold players selected from Madison's squad are left to right Gregg Sprewer, Jeff Wiesmueller, Tom Lustig, Jim Vogl, Joe Wells and Don Krueger. Not pictured is Jeff Gabrielson.

# Are Number 1

## Madison Kicks Tech For City Title

By Jerry Higgins

James Madison's soccer team shut out Milwaukee Tech, 2-0, on Saturday, November 8, at South Stadium for the City Conference soccer championship.

"It was good team play that won it," Coach Wayne Giebler commented. "We out hustled them!"

The Green Knight's first goal was scored by senior left wing. John Becker with twenty minutes left to play in the first half. Larry Harrel, senior inside forward, got the assist.

"The forwards (John Becker, Fred Balasch, Larry Harrel, and Dave Hodgson) passed the ball well in close," Coach Giebler pointed out. "We also controlled midfield much better than Tech."

Sophomore right wing, Dave Hodgson, gave Madison its second goal, unassisted with 10 minutes left in the half.

"Our defense was tremendous," Coach Giebler stated, "David Schere and Brett King had outstanding games."

Coach Giebler also pointed out great midfield control by Phil Rach and Juan Carlos Racines.

"It had to be the most satisfying season because we had to fill so many positions and we still put it together. They played great as a team and I enjoyed working with them."



## Gridders...

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348 yards a game. On defense the Knights allowed 57 points, but many were scored after games were far out of reach for their opponents. Special teams also played a big role in setting up scores or putting the opponents' offense in the hole.

Next year the Knights have a lot to look forward to because this year there was a lot of depth in the junior ranks. Players Tom Lustig, Joe Watkins, Steve Bigari, Chuck Armeli, Pete Knepler, Dave Vachalek and Chris Schnell will play key roles in the defending of the city championship.

## Sophs Start Fast, But Lose Last Three

By Mike Lawrence

Madison's sophomore football team started fast, but fell short of expectations, finishing with a mediocre 4-3 season.

Madison 20, Washington 0

Bob Hucke was the Knight's rushing leader with six carries for 28 yards as Madison whipped Washington 20-0, on October 4 at Clovernook Park. Quarterback Tom Blackwell threw for 43 yards. This was Madison's only victory out of its last four games.

Custer 12, Madison 6

Despite a 61 yard rushing effort

by Gregg Schuster and 74 yards passing by Tom Blackwell, the Knights could muster only one score and dropped the first of a three game losing streak at Custer.

Custer scored two quick touchdowns to take a 12-0 lead at the half. Bruce Sixty ran one in from two yards out, but it was too little, too late.

First downs	Madison	Custer
Rushes-vds.	41.96	31-38
Passing yds.	7.5	68
Total	170	106
CompAttInt.	4-13-2	5-8-2
Punts-Ave.	4-24	2-37

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Mr. Wayne Glebler exuberantly signals we're No. 1 as Dave Scherer holds the trophy.

Photo by Fred Werkmeister

## Book Review— Helter Skelter

By Tom Walker "Helter Skelter"

"Helter Skelter" is the powerful former best selling non-fiction book of the Manson Murders. The authors are Vincent Bugliosi, prosecutor of the Tate-La Bianca trials, with the aid of Curt Gentry. There are 490 pages.

#### The Murders

On August 9, 1969, pregnant actress Sharon Tate, of the motion picture Valley of the Dolls and wife of movie producer Roman Polanski (Rosemary's Baby and Chinatown), was slaughtered along with four others. Among the four were Abigail Folger, heiress to the Folger coffee fortune and Jay Selring, internationally known hair stylist. One day later, Mr. and Mrs. Leno La Bianca were slaughtered and shot to death, and thus came the end of the two day "Manson Massacre."

#### Longest Murder Trial Ever

As a result of this bloody, horrid, mass murder, the state of California had to try the longest murder trial in U.S. history, lasting nine and a half months. The expense was around \$1 million dollars. It also cost an attorney his life, thanks to the followers of Charles Manson.

#### Manson Motive

The conspicuous question, of course, is what is the motive. Bizarre were the murders and even more psychotic was the motive. Charles Manson, megalomaniac, imprisoned nearly 50% of his life, had the motive to match the cerime Glaiming ar dallow commands of the Beatles from their "White Album," Manson believed there would be a race war between the whites and blacks. This war Manson called "Helter Skelter." after the song from the "White Album." Manson believed he was to start the race war by killing many whites and directing the suspicion to the "Black Panther Party." This supposedly would start the war. The blacks would win while he and his followers hid out into the desert. After so many years. Manson planned to come back with his much increased family and take over the world.

"Helter Skelter" is a very interesting, fascinating, and readable book. Organization is astounding considering all the facts and information presented. You become so involved, the 490 pages seem like 150 with photographs of the various people involved. Incidentally, a Manson follower, Lynette Fromme made an attempt on the President's life, more proof of the utter sickness of Manson and his followers.



## **ZAP The ZITS**

By Helen Woyt

Are you plagued by them? Do they pop up with such intensity that you glow in the dark? Is your love life ruined by a mob of those sneaky little devils swarming all over your face? Do you spend long evenings playing gin rummy with mother because of them? Yes, folks, I'm talking about your friend and mine — the ZIT.

Actually, the ZIT has a lot of redeeming points. What else can you always count on to appear on time when you're going on a date? Certainly not that gorgeous guy who finally asked you out, and no matter how great looking that girl from your study hall is, she won't be ready when you pick her up. But the ZIT will. You can try combing your hair differently (over your nose maybe) or covering up with a couple of tubes of Clearasil but by the time you're out of the house that ZIT will be right back out there, joining in the conversation if it can.

ZIT is one of those things only people under twenty are allowed to say, or have without being stared or snickered at. According to one of Madison's younger teachers, "by the time you're my age (well under thirty), you're almost glad when you get a ZIT." Well, that's one thing most of us can hardly wait for.

As far as words go, ZIT isn't too nasty. Why, it's almost cute. It makes a good nickname — "Hey, ZITS! How's it going?" — and it sounds friendlier than "pimple." Besides, ZITS are friendlier than pimples. Pimples are little and mean and travel in gangs while ZITS are loners and you only get one or two at the very most at one time.

ZIT is an All-American household word that only a few companies are beginning to capitalize on. For example, there's MUDD that "zaps ZITS" and EX-ZIT lotion and creme that gives you that "EX-ZIT look," and finally NUM-ZIT, but that's for babies who don't even have ZITS yet, unless they're starting earlier now.

Face it, people, ZITS are here to stay and although nobody has written a song for them yet, the ZIT will always be a part of American life.

#### Problems...

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others, and problems are created.

Some students are always down on themselves, saying "I am nothing important," or "I'm ugly." While some self criticism is helpful in keeping you from getting big heads, a continuous low feeling is a problem.

Sophomores or other new students arriving at a school the size of Madison might have trouble fitting in and finding good friends.

These are just short descriptions of a few major problem areas.

Over the next few issues, the Messenger hopes to cover the problems you suggest more thoroughly.

Send suggestions to 360 anytime.

## Tom Paine Lives Up To Name

By Larry Lange

Tom Paine, the most influential writer of the colonial times, created more controversies than any other man in modern history.

Tom Paine's wild life began in Thetford, England in the year 1737. His father pursued the noble occupation of a corset maker.

And when Tom was 13, he, like father like son, learned the trade of corset making.

Well, after six years of that career, Tom quit and left his poor father and mother to perish in their corset shop.

And like all restless English boys, he joined the Royal Navy to see if he could help get the king out of another one of his messes.

But seven months later Tom was sick and tired of wearing striped shirts, drinking rum, talking to parrots, and other unacceptable activities. So he sank his naval career.

He turned to dipping matches, studying, and later collecting taxes.

Seeing he evaded taxes himself he was not well accepted by the government and in 1774 he officially quit.

Finally, Tom met a far-out gentleman named Ben Franklin (no, they didn't live happily ever after) and Ben wrote a letter for Tom saying he was a genius and other good stuff and sent him to America.

Upon his arrival in America he got an assistant editors job on a Philadelphia magazine.

He wrote Common Sense during this time. It showed Americans the common sense their cause held and the common sense the British lacked.

The Revolution came and Tom joined the army. The war was a long uphill struggle and the colonial army became discouraged, so in the December of 1776, he wrote the "Crisis." His brilliant appeals and enthusiasm cheered the tired men. The first one evidently had something to do with the colonial

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### Book Review-

# 'THE GREAT TRAIN ROBBERY'

By Larry Lange

The Great Train Robbery by Michael Crichton, is an exciting and intricately detailed novel following the fantastic plan of a master theft.

It is set in Victorian England, a time of rapid expansion of industry, trade, population, railroads, and British world dominion. However, Victorian England was also beginning to feel the adverse affects of progress; over-population, pollution, crime and slums.

And from this lively era steps Edward Pierce — a mysterious, dashing, gentleman. And this gentleman wants to rob the most guarded riches ever transported, four safes filled with gold bullion worth over 2 million.

He, his screwsman (safe specialists) Agar, and a selected few others, step by careful step, plan and carry out the most publicized robbery in England.

The actual robbery is composed of finding the four safe keys, making duplicates, and the "lay" itself.

Pierce, the mastermind, worked over one year in preparation and in the process he befriended an eccentric banker, nearly married the banker's daughter, robbed a heavily guarded railway station (in 68 amazing seconds) broke a prisoner from prison, and a parade of other underhanded and exciting crimes.

Nearing the time of the "lay," Pierce ran into giant difficulties which were overcome in the most bizarre manner possible. (Read the book to discover the method, it's worth it!)

The robbery is finally pulled off and the book, written as a novel with documentary, describes Pierce's arrest (after one year of search) trial, and escape.

The vocabulary used was characteristic of Victorian England. There is criminal slang and colloquial Great Britain English.

The author builds great suspense everywhere and the story moves easily and quickly. It is as thrilling as a mystery, as informative as non-fiction, and as suspenseful as a murder. It is the book to be read!

## G.S.A. Problems...

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But this year's G.S.A. has gone to great lengths to open and improve communication with students. Unlike past years, members report to their homerooms and inform interested students about G.S.A.'s activities.

A lot of students the representatives talk to, however, don't listen; they could care less about the G.S.A. That's really where the problem lies. Most students don't have the time or interest to worry about the G.S.A. or what it's doing.

Interest in school activities is down, and the G.S.A. is feeling the pinch. Out of an annual budget of about \$900 to \$1,200, G.S.A. spent around \$800 on Homecoming. Not enough tickets were sold and the G.S.A. lost \$200.

#### QUANDRY

People in the G.S.A. are in a quandry over just what the students at Madison want. Mr. Bubnik stated, "We're trying to do what the students want and it seems that now they want social functions."

After the poor attendance at this year's Homecoming, Mr. Bubnik must be wondering if dances are the answer.

This brings up the question of what the G.S.A. should be doing. Mr. Bubnik thinks that a student govenment should act as a representative and spokesman for the students. Most people on the G.S.A. feel the same way but with such an inactive student body, there is not much to represent or speak for. Thus the G.S.A. is relegated to planning dances, also things such as spirit week, waiting for the students of Madison to show some interest in their school. G.S.A. needs students who will voice their suggestions and proposals.

## Sophomore Winks at Ford

Editor's Note: Mary Hauser is a sophomore at Madison in homeroom 250. She had an opportunity to meet President Ford during his recent visit to Milwaukee. This is the account of her experience.

#### By Mary Hauser

I was standing on North Water Street for about 45 minutes recently, patiently waiting for the arrival of President Gerald Ford in Milwaukee.

It was the night of October 30 at about 8 P.M. and I was freezing. I was lucky enough to have a very close friend who is with the secret service who let me stand beyond the ropes.

There weren't many people in the area until the President's car drove up. Then the people started swarming about, I would have been trampled if I had been standing behind the ropes.

When the President came, I was only ten feet away from him. No one was in front of me, so Mr. Ford could not possibly miss me. He looked straight at me as I smiled and waved a little. Then he waved back and returned a big warm smile.

I pulled a few strings and managed to get a ticket to his speech. The presidential address was at the Performing Arts Center-Uihlein Hall at 9 P.M. It was sponsored by the Republican Party of Wisconsin. I was sitting twenty rows in front of the President.

I could tell there were a lot of important people there. To start the address, Francis Ferguson introduced all of the distinguished guests. Then the President came on smiling and started to give his speech.

He seemed like a very happy and relaxed man. He made a lot of jokes at first, but then got down to "brass tax," which was one of the subjects of his speech.

He seemed to talk as one of the people, instead of someone important to the people. He also spoke on the subject of New York, which was very interesting.

It would have been a perfect night if a world workers party group hadn't come and protested in front of the PAC, which kind of put a damper on things.

I had never sat down and gotten up so many times before, but I was very glad to have had an opportunity to meet the President all the same.

## Tom Paine's Name...

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army's lack of boots as the opening line was, "These are things that try men's souls."

George Washington, the father of our country, dear husband of Martha, and all that jazz, read the "Crisis" to all his men.

After the war, Tom was appointed to a high office. But because of a security break he was thrown out.

Even though he was given land and money to keep him out of trouble he left for England.

Here, he riled up the whole English island with a little book called "Rights of Man."

Almost strung up by his fingers, he left England to antagonize France.

In France he had already single-handedly started the French Revolution. He was elected to the Convention after the dust cleared. It almost looked like he had it made; until he thought Louis XVI should not be ruled out.

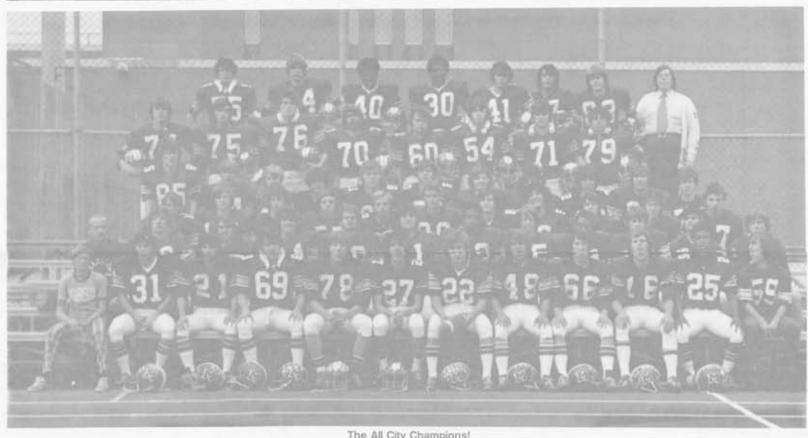
This boo-boo almost caused him to be rubbed out. But when the guillotine was readied, James Monroe saved his neck.

He returned to America and refused to settle down. He cut down George Washington and overpious, over-cautious religious principles, two of our forefathers.

Nobody appreciated his futuristic views so he was written off as a "Pain"

Having no bread, no friends, and no where else to go, he transformed himself into a bum.

He died in 1809 in a gutter in New York City.



The All City Champions!

Photo by Sue Bindrich

### Sophs...

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Fumbles-Lost Penulties-yds

#### Marshall 8, Madison 0

Marshall's tough defense completely stopped the Knight's offense, holding them to minus 5 yards total in their game played at Marshall on October 24, Madison's offense was so ineffective that the leading rusher, Bob Hucke, had only 11 yards. The offensive line broke down, allowing quarterback Tom Blackwell to be sacked five times for losses totaling 41 yards.

First Downs	Madison	Marshal 4
Rushes-Yds.	19-27	28-98
Passing Yds.	.02	9
(Bulli)	0	17/3"
CompAttImt.	4-10-1	2-5-1
Punts-Ave.	4-34	4-29
Fumbles-Lost	2.2	0-0
Penalties-Yds	5-50	4-30

Madison dropped their final game against Waukesha at Waukesha, 13-8. Statistics were not available at press time.

The sophomore B team finally got it all together as they won two of their last three games to finish the season with a 4-2 record.

#### Cedarburg 26, Madison 0

Madison beat their heads up against brick walls as they never got their offense untracked against tough Cedarburg defense.



Cedarburg was hot, scoring two plays after they touched the ball for the first time, and the rest was all downhill, as they pushed Madison all over the field at Cedarburg on October 16.

#### Madison 14, Tech 0

The Green Knights came out fired up in the second half, scoring on a bomb from Don Dell to Pat Bertoni, and on a four yard run by Steve Vergetis. In their game played at Rogers Field, Madison's defense was outstanding, holding the Trojans when they threatened to score form inside the five yard line, and taking over the ball on downs

#### Madison 26, Marshall 0

In a game shortened because of darkness, the Knights whipped Marshall when the regular and reserve offensive units scored touchdowns. Andy Phillips threw two touchdown passes, and the defense gave a fine performance, scoring two safeties and picking off three passes.

### Girls' Basketball . . .

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#### Tough Schedule

This year's schedule starts off with two non-conference games, moving on to fourteen conference games, sub-regionals held on February 17 and finally the water tournament held from March 4th-6th in Madison, "It's a tough schedule," Miss Dorow began, "the non-conference games will be tough because the suburbs have been practicing longer, while the cities just started last year." In the non-conference games Madison will play Brookfield East on November 18th at Brookfield and Menomonee Falls North at Menomonee Falls, both games will be held at 6:00. This is the

schedule the team will follow this year:

#### Date

Nov. 29	Madison vs.	Marshall
	Madison vs.	
Dec. 6	Madison vs.	Milw. Tech
Dec. 11	Madison vs.	Juneau
Dec. 13	Madison vs.	Washington
Jan. 8	Madison vs.	Hamilton
Jan. 10	Madison vs.	South
8 10 00	4.6 11	25.0

Teams

Jan. 17 Madison vs. Riverside Jan. 22 Madison vs. Pulaski

Jan. 24 Madison vs. King Jan. 29 Madison vs. Bay View Jan. 31 Madison vs. North

Feb. 5: Madison vs. Custer Feb. 7 Madison vs. West

Lately Miss Dorow has been haunted by the beginning of the basketball season, "All I do is think basketball," she commented, "who knows may be it's all the best, when you're a coach that's the way the basketball bounces.

#### BICENTENNIA WINNER

Debra Smart, a seniol at Madison, has won the Madison c for the National Association of Secondary School Principal Bicen-

tennial Minutes Contest.

The Bicentennial Minutes Contest was a contest for seniors to write a script for "Minute" the program on TV.

The subject had to be events that occurred in May of 1776.

Debra Smart will receive a certificate for her minute script and will have her entry sent to state competition.

State winners will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a trip to Williamsburg, Virginia. The first place entry will receive a \$10,000 scholarship.