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## Music Never Stops

As winter creeps on and on, the annual slump is encroaching at TF South. But down in the band room, there's no slack in activity. Contests, clinics, and many upcoming events are keeping the Varsity Band in action. In addition, the Stage Band is keeping up with the pace.

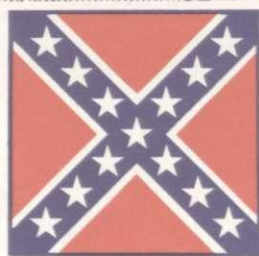
On February 1, the TFS Stage Band competed in the annual Chicagoland Stage Band Festival held at Oak Lawn High School. Judged by three experts in the field of jazz music, they were awarded an excellent, or 2nd place, rating. "Lushabye," "Another One of Them," and "It Came to Brass" were their three competition numbers.

Highlights of the day for the musical Rebels was the selection of their solo alto sax player, Ed Fouts, for the All-Star Band. The All-Star Band is made up of the

best musicians from all the bands of the day. Ed is the first band member from TF South to ever be chosen for this honor, and anyone who has ever heard him play knows that it is an honor well-deserved. Ed was featured in the number "Lushabye."

Sixteen Varsity Band members participated in the Southeast Suburban Clinic held at Rich Central High School on February 6-7. (See additional story page 5.) Also an annual affair, the clinic involved two rehearsals-Thursday evening and Friday afternoon, and a Friday night performance. The band was made up of musicians from every school in our conference. TFS participants were: Norma Albertson, Peggy Ellis, Paul Klacik, Marlene Koster, Hans Lund, Randy Mauck, Chris Markiewicz, Joan McDonald, Nancy Mc-

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# REBEL ROUSER

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'Up, Up and Away'

## Follies To Hit TFS

A lobby full of balloons and the music of "Up, Up and Away" echoing through the doors of the TF South auditorium will welcome you to "Up, Up and Away", the 1969 Fractional Follies tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m.

Four days of hectic rehearsals and many hours of hard work by numerous people are making this year's Follies the best ever. For the first time every class -- freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior -- has an act in the Follie.

Once again the choral department of TFS will rise and shine. "Bonnie and Clyde" will be pursued by the Keystone Cops as the Double Sextette brings the gruesome twosome back to life. The Junior Ensemble will soften the pace with their act.

The Russian Club will take us back to Siberia with the lively music of a tamborine band. "Hair", the Broadway smash, is to be presented on our stage by the Dramatics Club. Polly Camalick, Karen Morgan, and Mary Slattery will round out the evening's entertainment with their version of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown."

The vote has been taken and now the important question is WHO ??? Which act will win

## 'It's Follies Time Again'

Goodbye Mr. Mack

"Alright, Ted, let's move it. Get it all out. The dancing waiters, the singing steeplejacks, the marching dentists, the whole bit. Get it all out."

"We're taking over, Ted. It's Follies time again and as usual, we get the Amateur Hour time spot for a day, your band, (though we have been negotiating for Leno Frego and the Sageriders,) and a years supply of Serutan."

"Alright, now that he's gone we can get started with practice."

"You dancers, what are you doing in Mr. Phillips office? His private stock, huh. Well, cancel that action, you gotta keep both feet on the floor."

"Hey, you guys with the bucket, what do you think you're doing? Laugh-in bit, huh. Well, cut that too, it's all wet!"

"Hey, you two on the lights, what do you think you're up to? Oh no, no sir, the last time we tried that dynamic duo bit, Batman zonked into the audience, split his leotards, and scared a lady right out of the auditorium. And you haven't been through anything 'til you've tried to apologize to Miss Rosenak."

"We aren't getting anywhere this way. Hey, Harry, you wanna' run through the commercial? Alright, let's have it."

"Do you ever get the feeling that your red blood cells have faded to a sickening pinkish green? Well, folks if you have, remember what we always say around the Geritol Home for the Unbalanced: Better Red than Dead! If you want to show those nasty, little cells who's boss, gather your last ounce of strength and crawl down to your local drugstore and try to pick up a bottle. Now in the new 30 gallon size."

the treasured first place trophy? Come tomorrow night, February 22, and hear Jerry Fritz and Wayne Brumm, co-emcees, announce, "The first place act of the 1969 Fractional Follies is..."

Tickets for "Up, Up and Away", annually sponsored by the TF South Student Council have been sold all week by Student Council members and may be purchased at the Door for 50¢ (students) and \$1.00 (adults).

1969 Follies chairmen are Sheila Elias and Carol Brauer.

Committee Chairmen are: Barb O'Dell, publicity; Karen Schmidt, decorations; Liz Kersten, tickets; Sue Dombrowski, elections; Kathy O'Dell, cues; Kathy Miller, usherettes, and Debbie Ruth, refreshments.

Student Council would like to thank Mr. Robert J. Phillips, Mr. Jack Wonnell and the TFS Stage Band, Mr. Michael Drobnak, Mrs. Lois Jakovich, the TFS Stage Crew, and Mr. Richard Cooper, Student Council sponsor, for all their help and cooperation.



Follies Chairmen Sheila Elias and Carol Brauer get carried away with tomorrow night's theme.

## Assembly Next Wed.

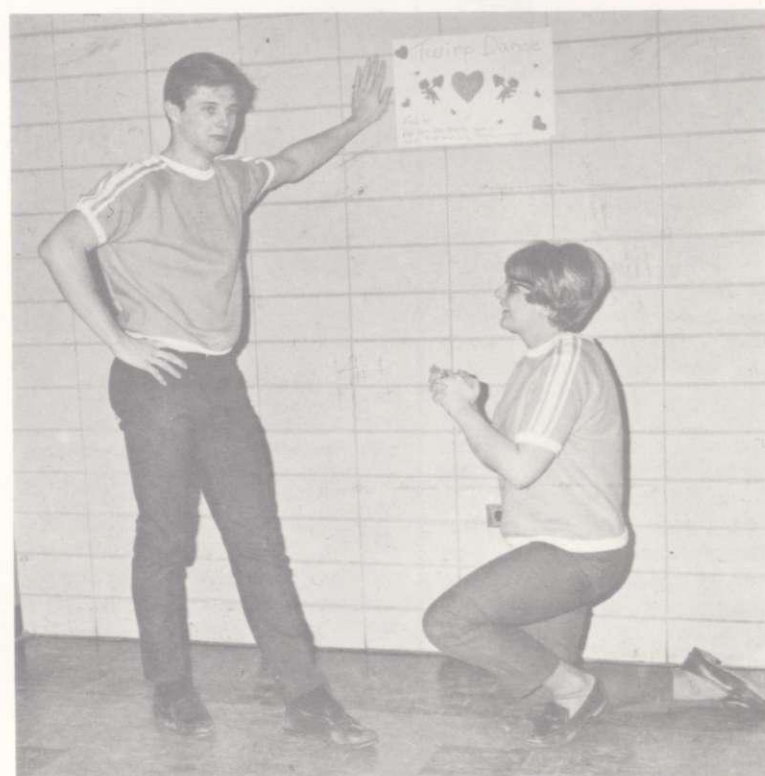
February 26, 1969, Dr. Irwin Ross will entertain T.F. South at an afternoon assembly. Dr. Irwin Ross is a hypnotist.

Dr. Irwin Ross is a graduate of Western Reserve University and the University of Chicago. As a practicing psychologist he has a broad experience in helping persons to overcome overeating and excessive smoking thru hypnosis. He has also lectured widely to professional and lay audiences on the uses of hypnotism and auto-suggestion.

Dr. Ross, in association with the late Dr. L.J. Meduna, has done extensive research on Carbon Dioxide Therapy, a neuropsychological treatment for nervous disorders.

Dr. Ross is the author of over 200 magazine articles and an editor of REAL LIFE GUIDE Magazine.

The Student Council of Thornton Fractional South is in charge of assemblies. We hope the Rebels will enjoy this assembly very much.



Junior Ed Fouts, who was selected to the All-Star Band at the recent Stage Band Festival, poses with director, Mr. Wonnell.

## Campus Unrest Is Topic

Since student uprisings in colleges and universities across the nation are at an all time high, we asked T. F. South students what they thought of the recent take over at the University of Chicago. Here are a few reactions.

Mike Tiltges '69 - The "students" that took over the university are just playing games with the police. I can't see how such a small group could have control of one of the top universities in America and get away with it.

Nancy Hansen '69 - I feel the students of the university could have gone about the matter more peaceably than they did. But in the past this has never worked either.

Tim Hektoen '71 - Anybody who can take over a university is pretty smart!!!

Cindy Graham '69 - I wish I were there to help!!!!

Paul Barclay '69 - It seems to me that the school officials made their own trouble when they decided not to call in outside help for assistance, thus putting the students in a better position to hold the building.

Cindy Green '70 - I feel that what the students are doing is wrong. They all feel that they are in a better position to judge their teachers than the administration. But if this were truly the case they would not be a student.





## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Receiving our final exam grades brings to light a most serious flaw in school policy.

To many, grades are of little importance. But they greatly effect those of us who plan to attend college, or must rely on scholarships to attain a higher education. Here at South the grades are final. One cannot protest what he feels to be an unfair mark. Many teachers destroy the exams immediately, eliminating evidence. Fortunately, most of the faculty is honest and will grade us on the basis of what we have learned. But there are still those who will grade according to how hard we laugh at their jokes, or how grandiloquent our answers are. This injustice is particularly noticeable to essay type exams, where the teacher can grade on how much, not what, you write.

If you feel you have been cheated the first step is to ask the teacher if you can see the test. Naturally, if he has graded it unfairly he won't show it to you. Try going to the guidance department and complain. They won't help you! "It's only one grade" they say, "We don't like to interfere." Everywhere you turn you hit a blank wall. Its no use struggling. The word of a teacher is final, an error in his judgment is impossible. This is the basis of our school's policy on grades.

I propose a system of checks and balances. A board composed of an equal number of faculty members and students who will review any charges made by a student. They can determine if there is any basis to the complaint. All exams should be filed for at least a week after grades have been released, and should be available to us for review. How can we learn from our mistakes if we don't know what our mistakes are? Only with these or similar changes can our grading system be considered fair. It's about time school officials realize we students have a right to speak in our own defense. And its their duty to listen!

Thomas M. Moran  
11th year

To the Editor:

We think the REBEL ROUSER is a fine newspaper. It has something for everyone. It has just enough sports, club news, articles and pictures, but we think it should have a want-ad section. If such a thing is possible. It would be of help to many people in our school. It could be a section that could advertise, help,

and inform others. Say for instance, a person wanted to sell his car, he could put an ad in the newspaper. I know from past experience that high school kids can't always read the local papers, or for that matter put an ad in one. We truly think that a want-ad column would be of great help to the student body and faculty of this school. If such a thing is possible I think it should be kept under control also. Ads should be kept at a minimum of two or three lines at the most and only legitimate ads should be put in the paper.

Thank you for hearing us out,  
Sixteen members of the  
Class of '71  
EDITOR'S REPLY: We agree with your suggestion for a Want-Ad section, and are now open to all ads contributed by our readers. Interested parties may leave their ads in Mr. Hyde's mailbox or in Room 237.

To the editor:  
A Poem  
by - an undiscovered poet

Roses are red,  
Violets are blue,  
I hate school,  
because it isn't cool!!!!

### I DARE YOU TO PRINT THIS MASTERPIECE

P.S. I like the article on page 3 of the current Rebel Rouser  
"What do they really do?"  
also don't try to find out who I am, because, I'll never tell. . . .

## Class News

### Senior

The boys in the senior class are really doing a GREAT job at the home basketball games. The cheers are so much better with the sound of male voices. The 69ers are showing what spirit they still have. Keep it up Let-termen!!!!!!

Tuesday, February 11, members of the senior class were measured for their caps and gowns. Graduation is drawing nearer every day.

### JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

The Class of '70 hasn't been up to too much besides working on Prom and putting their Follies Act together. The theme for this year's Prom is "Mansions of Memory" and it will be held on May 23. Linda Collins, prom co-chairman, says that everything is going quite well, and that this should be one of the best Proms the South will ever see. Parents Club has already planned the After-Prom Party, they won't let us in on the details.

## GUIDELINES

Tues. Feb. 25 Pullman Interview 8:30  
Wed., Feb. 26 Simpson College 9:00  
Thurs., Feb. 27 Thornton Jr. College 8:30-10:00  
Mt. Sinai Hospital 1:15  
Fri., Feb. 28 Midland Lutheran 8:30

### Brakes Mean "Stop"

Joan congratulated her friend, Tina, who had just completed her first driving lesson. "Gee, you certainly handled that car like a veteran."  
"Nonsense!" replied Tina. "How do you know how I handle a veteran?"

### Little Miss Drop-In

Salesman: "Is the head of the house in, Ma'am?"  
Lady: "No, but she'll be out of kindergarten in a few hours and you can see her then."

### Agree To Disagree

Another reason that girls are classified as members of the opposite sex is that every time they think they know what they want, it's just the opposite.

## they're on their way

As spring approaches more seniors are being accepted at the colleges of their choice. Two seniors will be making their home at the University of Illinois in Champaign next year. Debbie Ruth, majoring in journalism, and Bob Collins taking courses for a degree in law.

Six members of the Class of '69 will be studying at Eastern Illinois University next September. Glenn Armstrong is planning a career in biological sciences. Diane Poffenberger has been accepted for the fall semester. Daniel Wooley is going to major in mathematics, Donna Torgerson will be an elementary education major, Judy Wrezinski hopes to become a medical technician, and Judy Gasquino will be attending classes in pre-veterinary and zoology, with hopes of a career as a veterinarian.

Going to Indiana University next year is Pat Wozny with speech as her major. Jim Stevens has been accepted at Louis College for the fall semester. Harry Smith will be continuing his education at Central College, and Becky Bonnar will be studying at Wesleyan Memorial Hospital next year.

We would like to give special recognition to Nancy Hekkema who, "because of excellent scholastic attainments in the past and in recognition of future promise of achievement on the college level", received a \$4,000 (\$1,000 a year) from Valparaiso University.

## SENIOR DIARY

Feb. 3 - On a demand performance, Rich Koselke repeated his Cary Grant-James Cagney imitations to fellow analyst classmates. He was immediately mistaken for Minnie Pearl and Liz Kersten signed him up for "Follies."

Feb. 4 - Senior class gave the bookstore an unexpected class gift of an air conditioner when they were pressed into buying lit books.

Feb. 5 - If there was a creativity award, it should go to Paul Warn for his ingenious mobile constructed from a cardboard box and the remains of his lunch. Rich Koselke should be warned of competition. Paul does a wonderful Albert de Salvo.

Feb. 6 - Senior swimmers cried so hard because today was their last home meet, that the water level rose halfway to the gallery.

Feb. 7 - There wasn't a television left in Polk Bros. after Jerry Fritz decided to supply everyone with his Saturday performance on "It's Academic".

Feb. 10 - SUCKER DAY - Charlie Vignone reverted to a temper tantrum today, when he was not given a sucker with a 'safety stick.' He then said he didn't want one anyway because they didn't come in beer flavor.

Feb. 11 - LEISURE DAY - Seniors were taken aback at the naivety of Freshmen. Will someone please tell them that Leisure Day means slacks, not pajamas?

Feb. 12 - NO SCHOOL! - Glory be to Mr. Lincoln, For one whole day we'll do no thinkin'.

Feb. 13 - PICKLE DAY - Rumors flew at Illiana when they heard that 1500 pickles were delivered at South today. We know they'd believe anything, but isn't it jumping to conclusions to believe that all the girls at South are...?

Feb. 14 - SADIE HAWKINS DAY - As expected, Marilyn Rea showed up in her eighth-grade Daisy Mae costume.

## Tricky Dicky

Dickie did have fun  
At his convention;  
In fact,  
He had a riot.

by Miss Judy Kaufer

Miss Kaufer is a senior rhetoric and world literature instructor. She was on the staff of Rich East's school paper while attending high school.

If a complete and honest yearly survey were taken, those who we would expect to have the most school spirit--the senior class--would most likely rank far below the underclassmen. The majority of these young men and women sit and gripe about any conceivable policy. The few who do strive for causes they consider important don't even get the support of their fellow classmates. And then the majority wonders why no revisions are made. Rather than complain about various matters, the majority should take a more active role in contributing to the minority's fight. No sit-in or demonstration is needed; that is not the mature way to handle such matters.

Once the seniors regained the school spirit they had as underclassmen, the rest of the student body could rightfully look up to them as leaders capable of facing dilemmas in a mature, rational manner. The underclassmen would then have proper models in whose footsteps they could follow.

by Jim Oldenburg

Jim Oldenburg is a junior.

### GREAT MOMENT FOR ALL

Possibly, in a few months, our nation will have put a man on the moon. It will be considered a great achievement for mankind while back on Earth life will go on as usual;

The captain of the space crew took the first step upon lunar soil. Looking out over the barren landscape, he murmured to himself, "How lonely it looks!"

In Vietnam, a native girl stares down at the dead bodies of her parents, killed in a raid upon her village. Now there is nobody. She too looks lonely.

"Think they'll find anything worthwhile up here?" the captain asked.

"They better," replied one of his men, "Millions went into this project."

In the Appalachian mountains, a poor farm boy comes in from plowing a rocky, useless field. He had been thinking about an educa-

low, and the student body would become unified.

School spirit has become a trite, meaningless phrase to the majority, although few have paused to ponder its meaning. The average student maintains that to possess school spirit, all he must do is make an appearance at sport events, join one or two activities, and possibly be seen at a school social event. But he is mistaken; school spirit goes far beyond such superficial points. It involves making a worthwhile contribution to, and supporting, the student body. It involves pride and a positive attitude.

But, before true school spirit can ever be attained, the class of '69--and all future senior classes--must display the desperately needed unity and leadership. They must stop merely "talking about the weather," when together they have the opportunity to do something about it. Their biggest contribution to the school could easily be the reattainment of true school spirit.

tion, but realized it was an unreachable dream. He didn't even have decent clothes to wear, much less the money to get books.

The astronauts continued their work, but occasionally they would turn and look back to Earth. It was a beautiful sight. Never had they witnessed such a glorious spectacle.

A Negro woman drops her groceries on the table. They aren't much, but she will subsist on them. She turns and looks at the cracks in the walls of her one-room apartment. She feels sick. A rat squeals in a shadowy corner. What can you do when you live in a slum?

A member of the space team radioed back to home base in Dallas, "Landing's successful and all's going as planned. It looks like a great moment for everyone on Earth."

Yes, it will be a great moment, won't it? But not for everyone.

By John Bradin

John Bradin is a member of the Class of '70.

"Law is what holds the country together. If someone doesn't conform to society's laws, he is punished. Laws are the fiber of society. If we didn't have them, the country would dissolve."

How far are we, really? Do we really have all the freedoms guaranteed in the Bill of Rights? Why do we have to conform to all that society throws out to us, like a trainer throws fish to seals? "All men are created equal" is stated in the Declaration of Independence, so who has the right to tell me I have to obey the laws made up by a group of old, morally retarded geezers? Who gave them the right to think their god-like delusions?

We feel that even though you may be older, you (the Establishment) are more narrow-minded, prejudiced and afraid of change. People, where is your social conscience? Mayor Daley

had the people of this country, who aren't afraid of change, who aren't afraid to fight for what they believe in, but won't fight for what they know is morally wrong, who aren't afraid to fight tyranny, man, he had them beaten and then busted! And you agreed, you and your filthy Establishment. You said to yourselves, "Aha, those dirty, rotten, sex-ridden hippies deserve it!" But do they? They were fighting their supposed protectors for a right to speak in a country where freedom of speech is guaranteed.

As for the police, the brutality-programmed robots of the Machine, who hit and kick for fun, and shoot unarmed boys in the streets. How can you allow this bunch of corruption to exist? Police are the hands of tyranny!

So, man, you tell me, how can a country exist, truly free, when such opponents of freedom and democracy are in power?

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## Speech &amp; Debate Teams Win

# South Cleans-Up Conference

"KUNKAS OF THE SOUL SAY OOH-AH!! KUNKAS OF THE SOUL SAY OOH-AH!! This was the reigning sound of the Southeast Suburban Speech competition, held at TF South on February 8. For as the TFS Kunkas captured nine out of the possible ten first places and put 18 people in the top five in their respective events, the cheering block grew more and more elated at a total Rebel victory and awards assembly in the auditorium became a display of monopoly on winning.

When the results were tallied, Thornton Fractional South was on top with 71 points, while its closest competitor, Rich Central, had 36.

Taking a look at the day event by event, SERIOUS READING showed sophomore Ron Relich in first place with his cutting from "Inherit the Wind." Ron had recently won at H. L. Richards and Rich Central meets and took a 2nd at the NFL state meet, in which he missed going to nationals by ONE point. Calumet Forensic League competition provided for his victories in both serious and original oration.

Melinda Stinnet, Class of '71, also competed in Serious at SESC in her first attempt at it, with a reading that the coaches hadn't even heard yet. In her regular event, Melinda took third place out of 12 in COMEDY READING with a selection from "Oh Dad, Poor Dad..."

Jerry Fritz took a first for South in that area, with a cutting of "Don't Drink the Water." Jerry was one of the two-time winners of the day, as he also captured honors with his ORIGINAL MONOLOGUE, "Boob Tube Warriors." Jerry was a recent victor at Rich Central, and a two-time winner at TFS's invitational tourney.

Junior Jim Pienkowski was run-



1st-place winners pose with "hardware" from SESC. In front, Ron Relich, Marilyn Rea, and John Van Drie. Behind them, Harry Smith, Bill Conley, Jerry Fritz, and Jack Wiers.

by Sophomore Teri Pasquarella, who won the Homewood-Flossmoor meet. Her difficulty is having to share prose-reading duties with sophomore Suzy Clucher, who was a winner at H. L. Richards and Eisenhower. (Only two people from one school can compete in any event.)

Marilyn also won in VERSE READING and junior Al Seymour took a third in that event.

Al also took a third in ORIGINAL ORATION with "We Stand in Protest." At Rich East, he placed 2nd in oration. Marilou VanLaningham, Class of '71, was the 2nd place Southeast Suburban winner in Oration with her "Violence: American Tragedy." Marilou placed first at Rich East in Oration and first at Thornton in Extemporaneous Speaking.

John Van Drie, a junior, was TF South's representative in first place of EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING. Rich Central, Thornton, and Eisenhower have been other first place victories for him this year. Also competing in Extemp was Debbie Sowinski.

RADIO SPEAKING saw Harry

TF South has been blessed with a very strong four-man (or should we say three-man and one-woman?) team in the debate field for two consecutive years now. And this year has shown the strength of those supporting the top four. The Junior Varsity debaters, those with one year of experience, and the novice, those in their first year, constitute solid back-up line. This was undoubtedly proven when both the Varsity and Novice teams tied for first place in the recent Southeast Suburban competition.

Janet Dillon and Ron Schultz, affirmatives, and Ron Doeve and Chris Wiedman, negatives, make up the Varsity debaters. Their

novice debaters served as time-keepers in the day's activities held at TF South.

Prior to the February 8th competition, the Varsity team had recently attended meets at the University of Illinois and Northwestern University. They also competed in the NFL (National Forensic League) Districts, in which they advanced to the quarter-final round and took a 5th place in the Calumet Forensic League.

The Junior Varsity and novice debaters contested at Thornridge, Thornton, and Rich Central lately. The Rich Central match was a highly successful one, where the JV's compiled a 5-3 record and the Novice took top honors in their field. An 8-0 record (no losses) entitled them to sharing a 1st place with Evanston, who had the same record. There were 37 schools in competition at Rich Central. The Junior Varsity team is composed of David Banet and Dave Hennema on the affirmative side and Jaymi Rice and Mike Wallace on the negative.

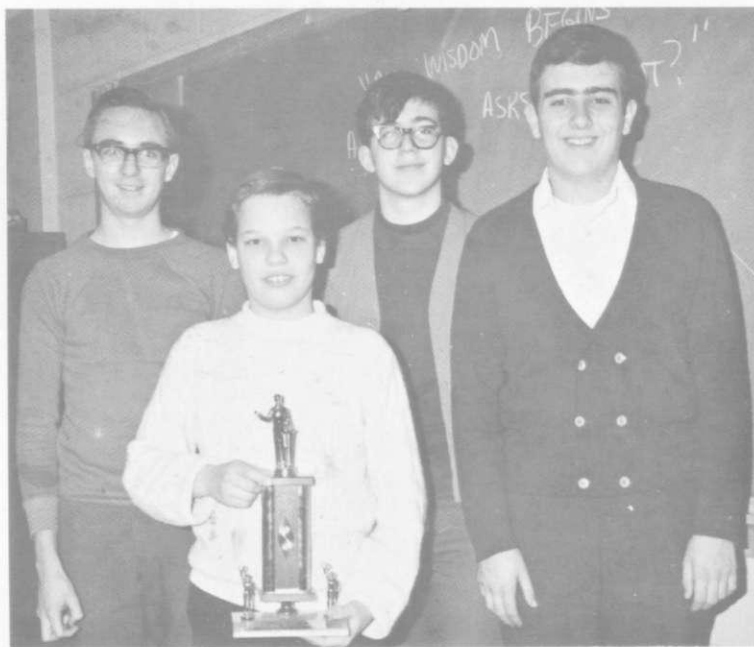
Looking back on the Lincoln Debate Tournament, held at Eisenhower High School on Lincoln's birthday, the Varsity debaters remember their 2nd best record of all 41 teams in the tournament. Now they ready themselves for a tournament tonight and tomorrow at Griffin High School in Springfield. Also up-and-coming are encounters at Lyons Township, Crystal Lake and Mattoon. The Metropolitan Debate Union, a league of 10 schools from throughout Illinois and Indiana, will also see the Rebel speakers.

But most important of all the competition is the IHSA (Illinois High School Association) sectional tournament, to be held on March 8 at Thornton High School. Winners there will advance to the state finals on March 28.

Debate "coach" Mr. Bobis describes the season thus far as "long, exhausting, exciting, and adventuresome," which is quite a description for anything.

"The peak is yet to come," declares Mr. Bobis. "The invitational tourneys have done much to give the debaters experience and training."

Hopefully this experience and training will send four TFS representatives to those all-important state finals. Best of luck to them all!



Novice debaters Mike Jacobson, Jim Rosinia (front), Donald Zebrauskas and Mark Schumann (back) pose with 1st-place trophy won at Rich Central.

South has ever had." Never before have they captured 9 out of 10 events.

It is now the end of the invitational tourney season and the beginning of the state elimination meets, where it all counts. Coaches Menozi and Mlynarcik readied their team for the "toughest district in the state." Eight people were sent to districts - all the top men in the SESC competition. (See late-breaking results in additional story on this page.)

Here is a summary of the teams 1968-69 invitational record:

TF South	1st place
University High	
Normal	4th place
Rockford	1st place
Rich East	3rd place
Thornton	1st place
Rich Central	2nd place
Eisenhower	2nd place
Calumet Forensic League	1st place



Jerry Fritz and Marilyn Rea, top Kunkas, accept 1st-place SESC team trophy from Mr. Hamblin.

ner-up to Jerry in Monologue, with "The School Ruler." This was one of two events in which TF South took both the first and second place awards.

The other was AFTER DINNER SPEAKING, in which senior Jack Wiers shone with his speech, "Something For Everyone." After doing Radio Speaking outstandingly all year long, Jack switched to After Dinner a mere two weeks ago. Then he placed 3rd at the Eisenhower tournament. His first place in SESC was backed up by Lynda Willer, Class of '71, who took a second with "Hi Girls."

PROSE READING was one of the events in which Marilyn Rea, Class of '69, took a first place. She has won EIGHT other first places this year in invitational tourney competition. Wins in prose at Niles North, Rockford, and Eisenhower, in verse at Thornton, and in both verse and prose at TFS and Rich Central

Smith in first place. TFS, Rich Central, and Eisenhower have been other meets which Harry, a senior, has conquered. Frank Mazzocco, also a senior, took a fifth in this event. Frank was a 2nd-place winner at Rich East.

Last of the ten events shows senior Bill Conley on top in ORATORICAL DECLAMATION with "The City." Bill won the Rich Central meet and took a 3rd in the NFL state meets. Kathy Baker, Class of '71, took fifth place in this event at SESC with "The Bridge and the Wall."

A quick wrap up puts first place trophies in the hands of Ron Relich, Jack Wiers, John Van Drie, Harry Smith, Bill Conley, and two each to Jerry Fritz and Marilyn Rea.

Coach Richard Menozi had nothing but praise for those who competed in the Southeast competition. They went in knowing it wouldn't be the toughest competition of the year, but still put out their best ef-



John Van Drie receives award from Principal David Hamblin for a win in Extemporaneous Speaking.

The TFS Kunkas will be sending four representatives to Thornton High School on March 1 to compete in the next round of competition on the way to state finals. These four placed in the top three at districts on Saturday

Jerry Fritz in Comedy Reading, Harry Smith in Radio Speaking, Jack Wiers in After Dinner Speaking, and Marilou VanLaningham in Original Oration.

Highlight of the day for the speaking and acting Rebels was the



Four Days on the Road--then a WIN!

# Players Return to Capture SESC

After just returning from a week-long state-wide tour, the Rebel Players went on to capture their 7th 1st place in the Southeast Suburban Competition. As a matter of fact, TFS has been the victor every time since the conference drama competition began. This year it was with the production of ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD, Tom Stoppard's Tony Award winning Broadway hit.

South competed against the other conference schools to receive a 1-1-3 from the three judges. Ron Relich, in his role as Guildenstern, was chosen as one of three best actors for the day.

It was a perfect conclusion to an exciting week for the traveling actors. They had just completed a 4-day tour on which they traveled through three states, performed at six high schools, and visited three colleges. However, no list



Receiving of the 1st-place trophy — an honor traditionally reserved for seniors — was done by Marilyn Stone (left) and Pat Wozny. Says Pat, "I've been waiting for this for four years!"

opinion that the nite in Flora (Thursday) was the best of all. There they danced for hours and hours to the sounds of a live band, and "Smirt" led a ten-minute line dance up into the balconies, out in the hall, and all over the place.

Individual experiences provided talking matter for the long hours of bus riding. Jack Wiers talked of "wearing Marsha Wojciehowski's pink flannel pajamas one night-though I must say, she's not my size."

Becky Bonnar and Marilyn Stone sat up all night Wednesday after they uncovered a bed full of cookie crumbs and old love notes. The night that Carol Bendell stayed with Marilyn, however, she was "lucky enough to get 3 hours sleep after Marilyn shut her mouth for long enough." (No offense intended of course.)

Pat Wozny wouldn't have missed the night she "went to listen to



Rebel HAMS pose for photographer Frank in Flora, Illinois. (Agriculture department?)



"And 1st-place winner in drama is Thornton Fractional South with ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD!" The

crowd goes wild on February 8 in the South auditorium.

of statistics can show the inside aspects of a play tour. To give the reader an idea of some of these we talked to several of the Rebel Players.

"Highlights of the week? Well, there was the party at Jimi Hendrix's house in Murphysboro - no kidding, this guy's name was really Jimi Hendrix. Or the confiscation of a statue from the dressing room in Murphysboro. An old mascot of the school, it will be repainted in the Rebel colors and "used to represent the unity of speech and drama." These were the words of Tom Ross, chief criminal in the action.

Pij and Fij were part of the anti-establishment element and editors of an underground newspaper, THE CLIP in Edwardsville. They and 20-some other "not-exactly-hippies" became fast friends of the Rebel Players. Channel 20 from Springfield

came out to film the Rebels as they got off the bus their first night on tour. This was the first time for the troupe to appear on television.

And when things slowed down, sophomore Barb Smirniotis would pop up with the "I-lost-my-contact" trick. It was always good for a laugh, especially if the school being visited had some particularly gullible and helpful believers.

It seemed the consensus of

the Ozark Playboys in Glen Carson, Illinois, which has the grand population of 227. They played such great hillbilly music!" Her only regret was missing the booze party which also took place that night.

Then there are things that don't take too much explanation. Like Royden Bloom, who when asked what was the best thing that happened to him, replied, "Well, it was like this... it was that girl in (cont. p. 6 col. 4)



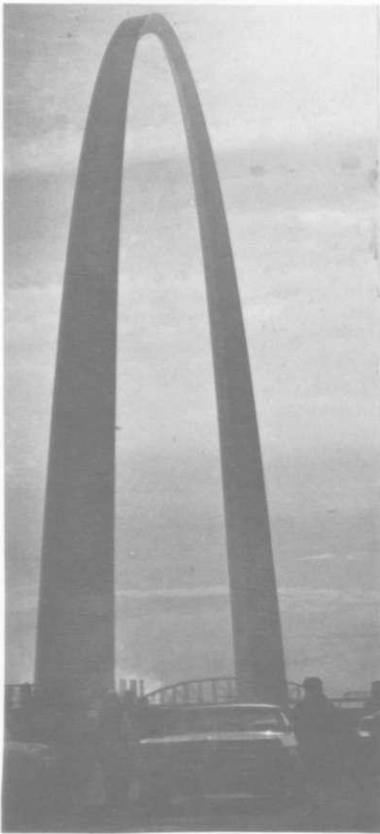
Sophomore Ka thy Johnson (left) and Senior Becky Bonnar peer out at sprawling St. Louis from the Gateway Arch.



PEACE— in Edwardsville, Illinois as a few cast members socialize with two new and interesting friends.



Above: From left, director Robert J. Phillips; former TFS teacher and speech coach, Earl Davis; assistant William Fellmy; and Sheila Larsen, from Southeast High, discuss the play's progress in Springfield. Left: It's on to St. Louis as the bus crosses the Mighty Mississippi.



St. Louis' famous Gateway Arch was one of the troupe's



Stage Manager Don Jayne and crew rest

sonville— it had to be carried up a flight

ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN LIVE... and will now advance to sectional competition. If successful there, they will be on their way to state finals at ISU in Normal, Illinois. The play competed in district competition on Saturday, February 15 at Thornridge High School. There they received a 2nd place. Taking first place was Thornridge's "The Rule and the Exception." 3rd place play was "The Raisin in the Sun" from Eisenhower High School. These top 3



# I Like You

Anonymous

I like you.  
And I know why I like you.  
You are a good person to like.  
I like you because when I tell you something  
You know it's special, and you remember it a long long time.  
You say,  
"Remember when you told me something special?"  
And then both of us remember.  
When I think something is important  
You think it's important too.  
We have good ideas.  
When I say something funny, you laugh.  
I think I'm funny  
And you think I'm funny too.  
I like you because  
You know where I'm ticklish  
And you don't tickle me there except a tiny bit sometimes.  
stop stop stop help help  
But if you do I know where to tickle you, too.  
You know how to be silly.  
That's why I like you.  
Boy, are you ever silly.  
I never met anybody sillier than me until I met you.  
I like you because you know when it's time to stop being silly.  
Maybe day after tomorrow  
Maybe never.  
Oops! Too late! It's a quarter past silly.  
We fool around the same way all the time.  
Sometimes we don't say a word.  
We snurkle under fences,  
We spy secret places.  
If I'm the goofus on the roofus  
Hollering my head off.  
Then you are too.  
If I pretend I'm drowning  
You pretend you are saving me.  
If I'm getting ready to pop a paper bag,  
Then you are gettin ready to jump.  
HOORAY!  
That's because you really like me.  
But  
You really do like me, don't you?  
And I really like you back.  
And you like me back.  
And that's the way we keep on going every day.  
If you go away, then I go away  
Or if I stay home you send me a postcard.  
You just don't say  
Well, see ya around sometime, bye.  
I like you a lot because of that.  
If I go away I send you a postcard too.  
And I like you because if we go away together  
And if we are in Grand Central Station  
And if we get lost  
Then you are the one that is yelling for me  
"Hey, where are you?"  
Here I am.  
And I like you because  
When I'm feeling sad  
You don't always cheer me up right away.  
Sometimes it's better to be sad.

You can't stand the others being googley and googley every single minute.  
You want to think about things. It takes time.  
I like you because if I am mad at you  
Then you are mad at me, too.  
It's awful when the other person isn't mad.  
Phooey.  
They are so nice and hoo-hoo you could just about punch them in the nose.  
I like you because if I think I'm going to throw up  
Then you are really sorry.  
You don't just pretend you are looking at the birdies and all that.  
You say, "maybe it was something you ate."  
You say, "the same thing happened to me one time."  
And the same thing did.  
If you find two four leaf clovers you give me one  
And if I find four, I give you two.  
If we only find three, we keep on looking.  
Sometimes we have good luck, and sometimes we don't.  
If I break my arm, and if you break your arm too,  
Then it is fun to have a broken arm.  
I tell you all about mine, and you tell me all about yours.  
We are both sorry.  
We write our names and draw pictures.  
We show everybody and they wish they had a broken arm too.  
I like you because  
I don't know why but  
Everything that happens is nice with you.  
I can't remember when I didn't like you.  
It must have been lonely then.  
I like you because... because... because  
I forgot why I like you, but I do.  
So many reasons.  
On the fourth of July I like you 'cause it's the fourth of July.  
On the fifth of July I like you too.  
If you and I had drums and some horns and some horses,  
If we had some hats and some flags and some fire engines,  
We could be a HOLIDAY  
We could be a CELEBRATION  
We could be a WHOLE PARTY!  
See what I mean?  
Even if it was the nine hundred and ninety ninth of July  
Even if it was AUGUST  
Even if it was no place in particular in January  
I would go on choosing you and you would go on choosing me  
Over and over again.  
That's how it would happen, I don't know why.  
I guess I don't know why I really like you.  
Why DO I like you?  
I guess I just like you.  
I guess I just like you because I like you.

## FERTILITY DANCE NO. 4

By Tom Gleim

I.  
Sunrise on the windswept faces  
And barren minds  
Time of the twilight eyes  
That drip stardust onto the pale cheeks  
The red lines and cold fire  
Stretch their warm arms downward  
To let the null brain photosynthesize  
Out of the deaf ears  
Still hidden in the darkness  
Echoes the cry of the clock  
Its limp platinum hands and luminous face  
Are mutated but never mute  
The ethereal air transmits their shallow song  
Not the PRELUDE AND LIEBESTOD  
That sublime kiss of Wagner  
But some self-imagined battle anthem  
This is the genius of our conception

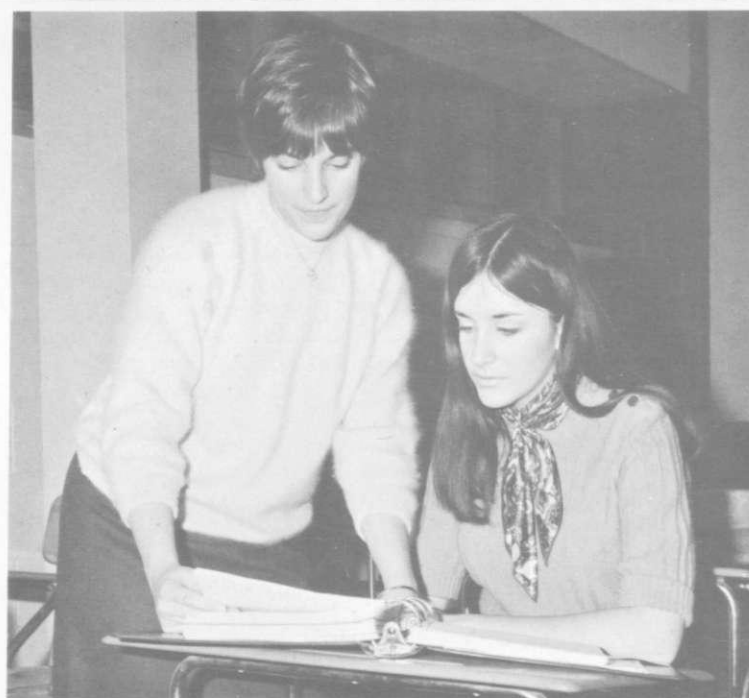
Elliot's vision of Death's Dream Kingdom  
And the eyes that do not appear  
In my own ears I hear  
The B-flat Minor Sonata  
Rendered by Chopin himself  
Which begins where all language ceases  
These visions  
Within my lonely mind appear  
Cursing all its creation  
And crying for detumescence

### III.

Temples falling into archaic ruins  
Give testimony  
Of the frigid sensualism  
That sent the gods to their graves  
Buried among the vain statues  
With their broken limbs and worn-off faces  
To be forgotten

### IV.

call them down from the heavens  
let us return to the earth  
Light the magic fires  
Let our souls be resurrected



Senior Marilyn Rea, prose reader for South's speech team, gives assistance to sophomore Teri Pasquarella in an effort to strengthen the "Kunkas."

## Existentialist Thoughts

by Tony Stoklosa

The universe, that which is all, contains strange objects of all size.  
But all, though different they be, conform to law: time, space, and such.  
Thus are the stars and planets which move round and round and spin about.  
Around some star move planets nine;  
The third, the earth, has life, has man.  
The earth with all its people is moving through outer space.  
And on the planet are those whom conceive ideas of all life.  
These come from observations of the universe and natural law.  
Ideas formed then cause all things

Man does to life, himself, and earth.  
And earth effected, affects in turn the nearby, then the far off things  
Until that which man caused himself  
Controls his life as at the start.  
In changing things he changes none  
But merely rearranges them.  
For change the universe employs  
To keep its laws in power.  
Man lives and grows, affects and dies just like so many other things.  
Man learns and thinks and reasons too so comes the question of this poem:  
Does man exist for life alone?  
His actions meaningless except to nature's stairway plan of life?  
Or can he really change the path of fate and evolutions plan?

## South SC to Host

Next Thursday, February 27th, you may see some new faces in the halls of TF South. Student Council is hosting their first exchange day for our conference. Our conference schools, Bradley, A. A. Stagg, Rich Central, Crete-Monee, TF North, Hillcrest, and Tinley Park, will send four representatives to spend the day at South.

TF South Student Council will welcome our guests at 8:30 with a breakfast in the Rebel cafeteria. During 2nd and 3rd periods every TF Student Council member will take a representative from another school to his classes with him. 4-5 we will hold discussion groups to exchange ideas, policies, and projects of the various Student Councils. We will be treated to a catered lunch 6-7 in the Rebel lobby. 8th period, Mr. Robert J. Phillips and the South East Suburban Contest Play champs will perform "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern" in the auditorium.

At each exchange day, the S.E.S.C. Student Council Executive Board meets for their meetings. The Executive Board consists of two Student Council representatives from each school. Representing TF South are seniors, Linda Jensen and Liz Kersten. The Executive Board is currently working on a dress code survey and the ratification and adoption of the S.E.S.C. Student Council Constitution.

During the Christmas holidays, members of Student Council went to the Bethany Home orphanage in Hammond, Indiana to bring gifts and Christmas cheer to the children. Student Council is going to send the home \$50.00 received from the computer dance and hopes to contribute money to the home every year.

Wednesday, February 26, Student will bring Mr. Ross, a hypnotist, to South for an assembly.

lace to Diane Watts, 1968 TFS Homecoming Queen. In past years the Homecoming Queens have had no souvenirs or tokens of their own that they get to keep as a remembrance. Therefore, Student Council hopes that this will start a tradition at South and give all future Homecoming Queens a little something to remember South by.

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Graw, Diane Miller, Gretchen Peters, Shirley Reiter, Paul Schroeder, Kathy Varga, and Glenn Wierzbicki.

March 15 is the date for the upcoming solo and ensemble contest. This IHSA (Illinois High School Association) event pits our musicians against participants from a wide range of schools. Fourteen soloists and eight ensembles are readying themselves for the competition to be held at Lincolnway School in New Lenox, Illinois.

Quincy High School will send its band to TF South for an exchange assembly on March 28. The 92 band members will perform in the morning here, then be treated to lunch by our varsity band members. On April 16-17, South's band will travel to Quincy, Illinois to be hosted for an overnight stay. On this spring tour, the stage band will perform, as well as the Varsity Band.

Important dates to remember are the spring concerts, for which preparation is already being made. The choral will be on April 25, band on May 16.

"Yesterday is already a dream. Tomorrow is only a vision. Today well lived makes yesterday a dream of happiness, every tomorrow a vision of hopes. Look well, therefore, to this day."

From the Sanskrit

### Still a Man's World

A female driver drives like a male driver, but she usually gets blamed

## Fight for Peace

By Al Seymour

The mind of that seemingly gentle person,  
Preaching the creed of non-violence,  
Becomes quite thoroughly perplexed and undone  
At any attacks on his science.

And to make his point perfectly clear to us,  
To leave no obscure doubt in our minds:  
He will righteously parade, holler, and cuss--  
And, if he must: beat us into line.

## SESC Makes Music

On Thursday and Friday, February 6th and 7th, approximately twenty members of the Varsity Band and fourteen members of the Double Sextette and Meister-singers traveled to Rich Central to participate in the annual Southeast Suburban Conference Music Festival. Other schools which sent music students to attend this event were Tinley Park, T. F. North, Bradley, Crete Monee, Stagg, Bremen, and Hillcrest. Practice was held on Thursday evening from 6:30 to 9 and on Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00.

Then at 7:30 on Friday night, all the hard work and hours of practice became evident as the performance began in the Rich Central gymnasium. The band which was directed by Mr. Weston Noble, performed first, playing such numbers as "If Thou Be Near" and "The Sound of Music." They were followed by the combined choruses directed by Mr. G. Schroth, who sang five tunes, including the "Ave Maria," Robert Frost's "Choose Something Like a Star," and "Everytime I Feel the Spirit." Then the band and chorus combined for the finale "America the Beautiful" which caused quite a few wet eyes and lumps-in-the-throats. In the audience were band and choral directors from the different schools, including our own Mr. Wonnell, Mr. Brandon, and Mrs. Fuka. The program was tape-recorded, and records are now being made and will be distributed by the Brewster Record Company.

## CLUBLICITY:

### French Club

The French club has been making plans for a trip to see the movie "Lion in Winter," which is about French and English history. Also being discussed are trips to a French restaurant, the Art Institute, and other activities.

### Pep Club

"A sea of gray"-That is what the Pep Club seems to resemble with the arrival of their new sweaters.

The sweaters, which arrived a short while ago, have caught the attention of many. They are gray v-neck pullovers with red lettering and seem to tie in with the whole of idea of Pep Club. The block now with the sweaters is more unifying.

The comments on the sweaters are varied, but on the whole, the entire Pep Club seems right at home with their new uniform.

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### Why Editors Age Faster

"You have a yard and I have a yard. Right?"  
"Right."  
"So what's the difference between



## New Faces In PE Dept.

At the semester break T. F. South took on three new student teachers in the physical education department. These three college seniors are all athletes from their respective schools. One is a former student at our rival school to the north. Tom Zasada was a three letter man from T.F. North. In an interview he stated that he played baseball, football as well as being a talented wrestler. He then attended Northern Illinois University where he continued his wrestling career. He said, "It was quite an experience seeing how the other half prepares for the SOUTH-North game."

Another talented high school and college athlete is Clarence Mokszycki. He attended East St. Louis High School where he played baseball and football. Traveling to Illinois State University (Home of the Battling Redbirds), he once again continued his interests in football and baseball. He added the comment, "South hasn't impressed me as a school with good team following. A school with the good caliber of athletics SOUTH displays needs the added support to boost team moral."

Tod Fassbender who was born in Germany is also from Illinois State University. He attended Proviso East (#1 in the state in basketball) and was outstanding in the sport of gymnastics. He also played tennis, but discontinued it in college. "I would like to see in the future years an interest in gymnastics, as well as team developed at SOUTH," he added.



Varsity swimmer Jim Pienkowski shows the well-practiced diving form of his 1 1/2 pike with a 1/2 twist.

## Cheerleaders Reminisce

Basketball, swimming, and wrestling seasons are quickly coming to an end. T. F. South's cheerleaders will have many things that they can look back at. The trip to Rockford, the joy of winning a wrestling meet, or the cute boy who splashed you with water at a swim meet are only a few of the little things our cheerleaders have to remember.

Soon the spring sports will be starting, and the cheerleaders will be giving their support to our Rebel baseball and track teams. They hope that the student body will continue to show their school spirit by attending these sports. Try-outs for cheerleading are also coming up, so everyone who is

# Rebels Fall Prey to Olympians

From the very first basket the Rebels had to play catch up basketball, and that they did when with 1:25 left the score stood at 14-14. As the Rebels hustled their way back into the ball game, RC still led 20-17 at the end of the first quarter.

The Rebels jumped off to a 21-20 lead at the start of the second quarter. Somehow they just couldn't capitalize on the mistakes of the Olympians. The Rebels were handed the ball three times in a row on turnovers and couldn't

make good on even one of the gifts. The conclusion of the second period saw the men of Mt. Olympus still on top, 33-29.

The second half was no different than the first. Despite the home court advantage, the Rebels could not connect and had only a small per cent from the field.

Both teams exactly duplicated their scoring and the final brought still another defeat unto the Roundballers record.

Score: Olympians-66; Rebels-58.

## P. S. SPORTS

by Paul Warn



Thanks to the Illinois High School Association, the varsity basketball team will once again meet the TF North quintet in the Thornridge regional. We open up against our arch-rival in the first game of the state tournament. Last year we were also given the opportunity to take the advantage for the year against our northern neighbors. After a 1-1 record against the Meteors in regular season play, we thoroughly trounced them in the post-season affair at Thornridge.

This year we are going to be hard-pressed for a repeat performance. We've lost three of our big men who were to play the center spot. The first one was

lost before the season began. The next fell at semester to ineligibility. And the third was lost for the season due to a broken bone in his foot.

This leaves Coach Kiester with one of two solutions. The first is to rely on an inexperienced junior who has sufficient size. OR he could change a forward to center and play with a shorter, but more experienced team and try to rely on the fast break and outside shooting to make up for the lack of a big man in the post. The latter is fine on offense, but defensively he's left with maybe a 6'7" giant working against a 6'2" former forward.

## Fish Win 2, Lose 2

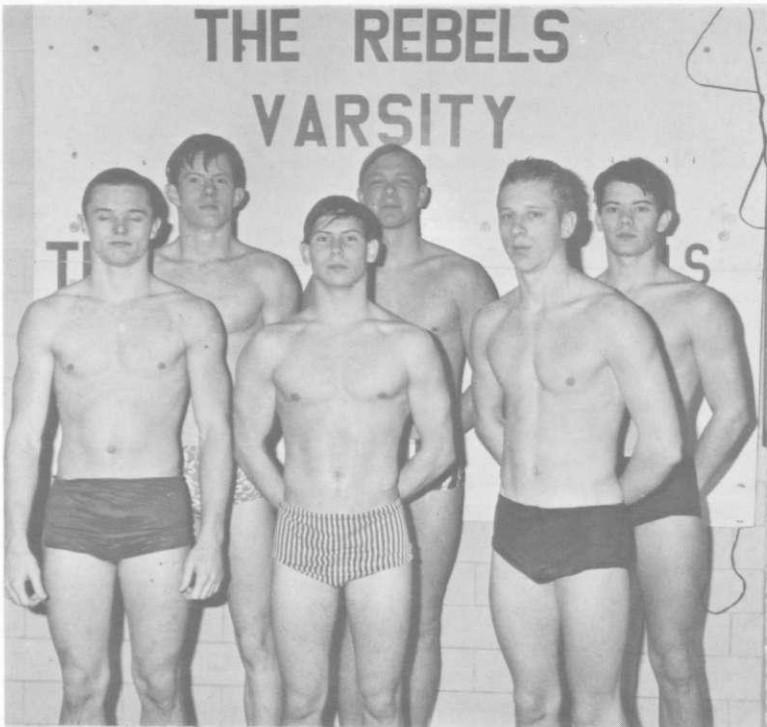
On January 28 the Rebel swimmers were defeated by a score of 67-27. The first relay was won by Terry Hektoen, Bob Alderden, Bill Farmer and Fred Hasse. Individual events were captured by Tom Madix, Chuck Roseen, Mike Sailor, Chuck Hansen, Art De-Grange, Jim Stevens and Dave Thomas.

The mighty Rebels bounced back defeating North 52-43, making it the twelfth time in a row South has come ahead of the Meteors. Bill Farmer and Jim Vander Woude combined to score 16 points in the 200 and 400 freestyle races. The only double winner was Tom Reeb along with Chuck Roseen and Chuck Hansen who also took firsts.

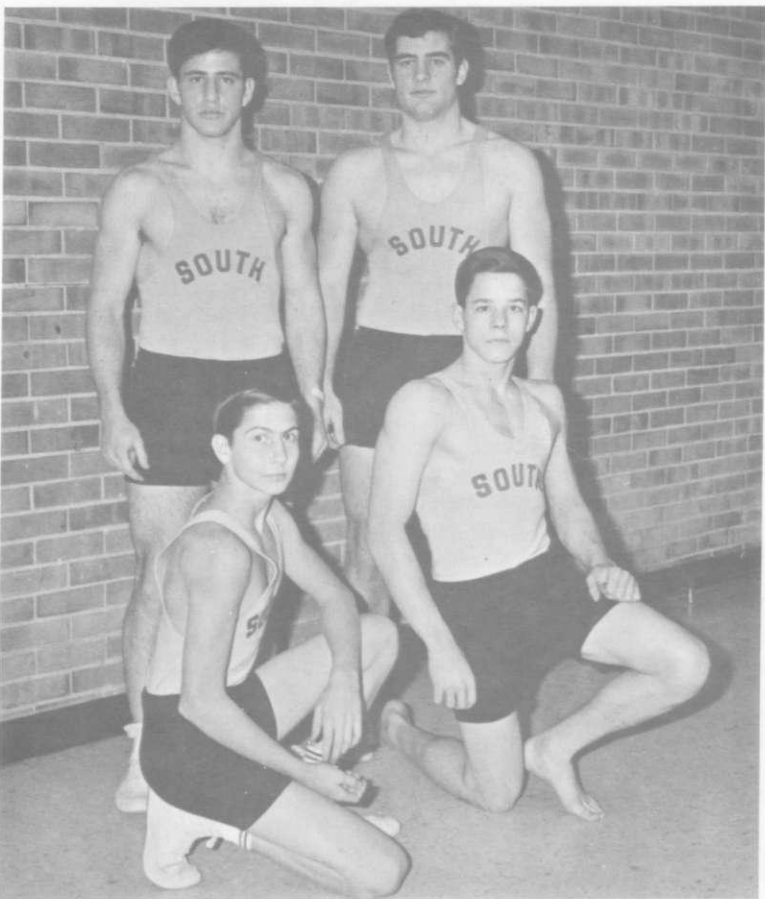
Another win for the Rebel swimmers was a home meet on February 6 against Argo. With a score

of 55-40 South won their eighth meet of the year. Jim Vander Woude led the way by winning the 100 backstroke and leading off the Medley Relay. Bill Farmer, Mike Sailor, Chuck Hansen, Tom Reeb took first and the freestyle relay was also won by the Rebel men.

The Rebels travelled to Munster on February 11 for their last dual meet of the year and were defeated by a score of 65-30. Tom Reeb was the only individual winner as he swam his best time of the year in the 100 butterfly. Chuck Roseen, Tom Reeb, Don Rowley, and Mike Sailor won the freestyle relay and established a new Munster pool record and a new T.F.S. school record of 3:39.2. The Rebels finished their dual meet season with an 8-6 record.



Rebel fish looking forward to state-elimination competition are (top row) Chuck Roseen, Jim Vanderwoude, Bill Farmer, and (Bottom Row) Don Rowley, Tom Reeb



These Varsity wrestlers placed in SESC competition. On top — Ron Diamond, 4th in 165 lb. class; Bud Jenkins, 3rd in 180 lb. class; on bottom — George Nadasty, 3rd in 95 lb. class; and Dan LeMonier, 2nd in 127 lb. class.

## Matmen Fall Short

A disappointing season finally hit bottom when the varsity wrestling team took a total defeat in the Southeast Suburban Conference Championship meets at Tinley Park on Thursday, February 6 and Saturday, February 8.

Although a victory over Hillcrest on January 30 gave the Rebels a conference record of 4 wins and 3 losses, their showing in the conference championship meet was poor.

The only bright spots were the efforts of these four wrestlers: Dan Lemonier, a junior who placed second in the 127 weight class; George Nadasty, another junior who placed third in the 95 weight class; Ron Diamond, also a junior placing fourth in the 165 weight

class; and Bud Jenkins, a senior, who placed third in the 180 weight class.

The twelve boys who wrestled at the conference tourney will probably wrestle at the upcoming district meet. If any of them win they will go on to the sectional championships.

Whether or not the season ends with the district meet, this year's team will have much to look forward to. Of the twelve presently wrestling on the varsity squad, only a small number are seniors.

Next year's team will be composed of this year's juniors more experienced and stronger in every way. Coached by Mr. Sowinski they can't help but be a few steps ahead of any competition.

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Murphysboro—a beautiful broad." Don Jayne put his grooviest experience in two words: "Mary Kamp." And Barb Smirniotis merely sighed, "Dan." Lynda Willer picked the visit to the state capitol and Washington Park at 9:30 P.M. as what she'd most like to remember. (She neglected to tell us who gave her the tour.) One mustn't underemphasize the educational aspects of the trip. Jeff Manarelli "stayed up 'till 3 AM with 3 guys and Bobbi Best discussing premarital sex." And Sherry Jastrzab "won 46¢ playing poker on the bus."

Prankster education was evident too, as Jon Windhauser discovered that "Wagner, Palenik, and Bloom had put peroxide in my hair and eggs in my pajamas while I was sleeping." Bill Hastings learned not to trust anyone, when he drank the poison assigned to him in the last act and found that it had been generously flavored with pickle juice!"

Then there were other not-too-pleasant happenings like Debbie Watson's "cold that I caught while sitting in the back of the bus," or Marcia Anderson's face turning green as they went to the top of the Gateway Arch in the capsule. "One look at Evelyn Neiler, who's face was also green, and I'd had it!" she moaned.

Bill Conley chuckled after spreading the rumor to everyone that Friday, February 6, was his birthday. He actually received a yo-yo and two cards on that day. Quite a haul for an unreal birthday.

Perhaps Laurie Rappata expressed a majority opinion when she said, "Everything was cool!" Even more explicit was Jeanne

## Gymnastics At South

As a result of the efforts of two gym instructors, TF South now has a new gymnastic club.

Mr. Gentile, head of the program, says that the club's purpose is to get students interested and to help them develop their skills in gymnastics. The club may also organize shows or demonstrations for basketball games at half-time.

The club meets in the west balcony for an hour and a half after school each Tuesday and Thursday. The meetings are informal, and the members can attend when they wish to. So far there are about twenty-five members, mostly girls. Members are given instructions in tumbling and on apparatus equipment such as the long and side horse, parallel bars, trampoline, and the rings.

The other instructor is Mr. Tod Fassbender, a student teacher from Illinois State University. Born in Germany, he has lived in Maywood, Illinois since coming to the U. S. during his sophomore junior and senior year, he was captain of the gymnastic team at the University. On the team, he specialized on the high bar, while also working on the other areas. For his performance on the high bar he received first place in his conference two years in a row.

Mr. Fassbender also has won high honors in intercollegiate conference competition. He would like to see South develop a gymnastic team, if more students, especially boys, with acrobatic