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## NSPA awards ECHO All-American rating for first semester

The St. Louis Park ECHO has been awarded an All-American rating by the National Scholastic Press Association in its 82nd All-American Critical Service.

Approximately 1,600 school newspapers published from September through December from throughout the United States were evaluated.

Marks of Distinction for superior achievement were awarded the ECHO in five possible categories: coverage and content; writing and editing; editorial leadership; physical appearance and photography. A paper must receive at least four such credits to be rated All-American.

"You make it tough for a judge to find fault," wrote the NSPA judge in reference to the ECHO. "Style is professional—clear, complete and concise." Under the category of editorial leadership, the judge commented, "You select current, vital topics and present them cogently and convincingly."

The 1969-70 ECHO, edited by Sam Stern, received the ECHO's 13th consecutive All-American.

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Last year St. Louis Park teachers and School Board members reached a stalemate in salary and benefit negotiations. The resulting temper flares and broken lines of communication retarded attempts by the Board, teachers and even students to end the dispute.

According to Dr. B. Robert Lewis, School Board chairman, "last year's climate was one of confrontation."

Apparently, John Loegering, Teacher Council co-chairman, agreed. "We were discussing about, rather than fighting for our concerns," he said.

Dr. Lewis recognized all the problems cited by the teachers, yet still stressed the importance of salary agreements. "The teachers concerned themselves with matters over and above those of economy, but we had to admit to ourselves that salary is number one."

Both Dr. Lewis and Mr. Loegering were optimistic in their observations of the Teacher Council-School Board relationship. "We have gotten along absolutely famously," Mr. Loegering said.

Dr. Lewis had the same opinion. "The atmosphere is less tense," he revealed, "and there is no animosity—we're not at each other's throats."

Mr. Loegering felt that there were two main factors influencing the apparent harmony of this year's discussions: the absence of adverse publicity and tension, and the relatively peaceful coexistence of the two teacher organizations.

Dr. Lewis added that after the previous fight, wounds were dressed. "Neither side wanted to have another battle now that we have healed. We've learned a lesson."

"There was general, honest, open discussion," Mr. Loegering stated, "and teachers were understood and respected as professionals."

## Park Preview

- April 10, 8 p.m. — "Hello Dolly," auditorium
- April 11, 8 p.m. — "Hello Dolly," auditorium
- April 12 — Lake Conference Solo and Ensemble Concert
- April 13, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Park of Cooper; Tennis, Park at Cooper
- April 16, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Mound at Park; Tennis, Mound at Park
- April 17, 4 p.m. — Track, Tonka, Park and Robins at Minnetonka
- April 17, 8 p.m. — "Hello Dolly," auditorium
- April 18, 8 p.m. — "Hello Dolly," auditorium
- April 20, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Park at Richfield; Tennis, Park at Richfield

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# 'The Draft Class' now in progress

## COURSE GETS MIXED RECEPTION

The Draft Class, copyright 1970 by the Student Council and senior Joel Levie, will arrive on April 22 if the School Board approves it—but not without a mixed reception.

On April 22, the three-day course will begin for seniors. On that first day, a speaker from the American Friends Service Committee is scheduled to speak. On April 23, a representative from the Selective Service is scheduled to speak and on April 24, the course ends with classroom discussion.

Mrs. Mary Mackbee, economics teacher, feels that the draft class is a worthwhile student venture. "Three days is enough time to provide students with the basic information," she said.

Mrs. Mackbee was asked if the draft as a topic would be better explored in a semester course. She replied again that three days is enough time unless students wanted to study the history of the draft.

The class, if successful, will hopefully pave the way for similar courses to be offered to underclassmen in the near future, according to Joel Levie, who originated the idea for the class.

But Lee Smith, World Studies teacher, is opposed to the course for the following reasons:

- A lack of curriculum planning has been shown.
- The class as it stands is not given adequate time for such a complicated topic.
- There has been no communication between the School Board and the teachers about the draft class. "The class has been dumped on us," said Mr. Smith.

Joel denied that there has been a lack of communication. "Since the teachers are the discussion moderators the third day," Joel said, "we went to the twelfth-grade social studies teachers and asked them if it was OK."

He said most teachers pointed out that the draft class would put additional pressure on their tight schedules. However, most agreed that with administration's approval, they would not interfere with the class.

Mr. Smith would rather see the draft explored

in a semester course, such as next year's Current Affairs course, rather than in the present format.

But Joel disagrees with this because then the draft would only be open to those few students able to take such a course.

"Everyone, both boys and girls," he emphasized, "should get a taste of the draft."

## Susie McQuaid, editor, will lead '71 Echowan



Susie

Susie McQuaid, junior, has been named editor of the 1971 Echowan by Miss Hattie Steinberg, publications adviser. Susie has served on this year's yearbook staff as Underclass Editor.

Miss Steinberg also announced the following major staff and section editors: Layout Editor, Judy Sigel; Copy Editor, Gail Miller; Business Manager, Paul Rubin; Activities Editor, Gail Dolinger; Senior Editor, Diane Knazan; Underclass Editor, Diane Klein; Academics Editor, Janet Agrell; Sports Editor, Brian Grover.

All of next year's major staff are presently juniors except Diane Klein, who is a sophomore. Gail Dolinger and Diane Knazan are members of the 1970 yearbook staff, having worked on the underclass staff and the business staff, respectively.

The major staff members will select their respective assistants from a list of qualified students who applied for the '71 yearbook. These appointments will complete the new staff and will be announced in the April 22 ECHO.

Each applicant for a position on the 1971 Echowan was judged by Miss Steinberg on five points:

1. Faculty Recommendation
2. Academic Records
3. Letter of Application
4. Interview
5. Current Echowan Staff Evaluations.

## PEARL BAILEY COPS OUT

# 'Broadway Dolly' unreachable

An interview with Pearl Bailey — "the" Pearl Bailey?

The ECHO felt it necessary to provide its readership with a play story of a totally different nature.

Since "Hello Dolly," which will open here Friday, is still being produced on professional stage, the logical choice to provide an interview was a professional actress who has played the title role of Dolly Levi.

The first step in attempting to contact Pearl Bailey was calling her agent, Sol Shapiro, of the William Morris Agency in New York City.

After muttering a few words about the sprawling metropolis of Minneapolis and the "younger generation," Mr. Shapiro spewed forth a few blunt but rather poignant phrases in what sounded like a Brooklyn accent: "I'm sorry. I can't give out that information."

"Oh, but Mr. Shapiro, sir, all we want is her phone number, please!"

Obviously taking advantage of his "show biz" power and his added years, he replied, "I'm not allowed to tell you that. You'll have to write her a letter in care of this agency and



PARK'S DOLLY, DIANE PATTERSON (left) AND BROADWAY'S DOLLY, PEARL BAILEY, FACE OFF IN THEIR ROLE AS DOLLY LEVI, THE WIDOW MATCHMAKER.

we'll see that she gets it. I'm sorry." Then he hung up.

We then tried unsuccessfully to bribe a New York City directory assistance operator into releasing the highly guarded phone number.

"We'd like to know the phone number of Miss Pearl Bailey . . . yes, Pearl Bailey . . . B-A-I-L-E-Y-Y."

Her reply consisted of, "Oh, I know—Pearl Bailey. I can't give you her phone number."

"Please?"

"No, I can't tell you."

Out of desperation we phoned Western Union and sent a night letter to Miss Bailey in care of Sol Shapiro of the William Morris Agency.

The letter read:

We are interested in arranging a brief phone interview with Miss Pearl Bailey regarding her opinion of the recent release for amateur production of "Hello Dolly," soon to be performed at our high school. We will publish the interview in our school paper. Contact her regarding this matter and have her call us collect by Wednesday, March 25. Thank you.

You guessed it: Pearl Bailey never called. Call it a performer's privilege or an agent's stubborn refusal to comply with a request from a teenager. Call it whatever you want because the fact is she did not call. . . . Wonder what she would have said?

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# Kinds of pollution explained

● Most air pollution comes from motor vehicles, mainly automobiles. They contribute 62 per cent of the air pollution. Manufacturing accounts for 16 per cent of the air pollution and electric power generation 14 per cent.

Other polluters include pollen, bacteria, coal-burning factories and chemical companies.

An important type of pollutants, hydrocarbons, are unburned parts of the long, chain-like combinations of carbon and hydrogen which make up the gasoline molecule.

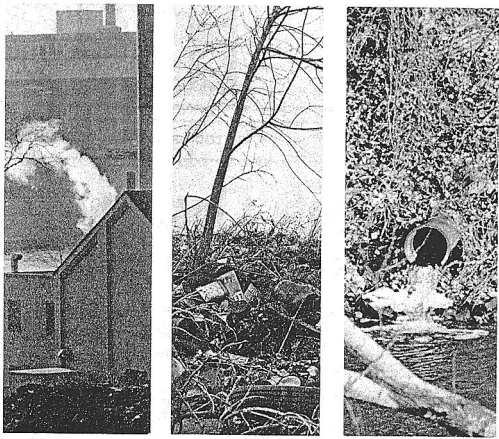
Space heaters, such as oil burners or natural gas stoves, give off small amounts of hydrocarbons and carbon monoxide.

● Refuse disposal pollution comes mostly from burning dumps, leaves, grass, papers, garbage and from poorly designed or operated incinerators. St. Louis Park has prohibited these types of burning.

● Wastes affecting the quality of water come from a number of sources, mainly municipal, industrial and agricultural.

Municipal sewage includes everything that goes down the drain of a community and into its sewer system. Industrial wastes include the acids and chemicals that are produced.

Agricultural wastes include silt from erosion, fertilizers and pesticides. Water used to cool nuclear and other power plants can cause still another kind of pollution—thermal pollution.



POLLUTION COMES in many varieties, including air pollution, solid wastes and water pollution. The PCA has power to restrict all three.

# Area students support anti-pollution activities

Students for Environmental Defense (SED) is a group with support of 15 Twin Cities high schools, according to Mike Harvey, a Washburn High sophomore. SED is the high school level outgrowth of a student volunteer group at the University of Minnesota, the Pollution Report Center (PRC).

SED leader Harvey states the purpose of his organization is "to inform the public about pollution and to act against pollution."

Currently, the coordinating council of SED is mainly working against pop manufacturers who have no-deposit, no-return bottles or cans, as "this debris often ends up on the land rather than in garbage cans."

Other, more challenging foes of

SED, are Northern States Power and the Republic Creosote Plant in St. Louis Park.

HELP, Park High's anti-pollution group is not directly affiliated with SED. Although HELP does keep in contact with SED through Bill Sander, Park senior, it has chosen to remain independent.

HELP leader Mike Stutzer, junior, stated that this group chose to remain independent for two reasons. First, HELP wishes to be able to decide its own priorities and secondly, the school administration prefers non-involvement with outside groups.

However, HELP will attend SED's High School Environmental Congress at the University on April 25. At the Congress each school will have a booth on its assigned topic. Park's topic is soil mono-culture, or how one-crop farming destroys the fertility of the land.

HELP does plan to work with SED in its bottle-and-can collection scheduled for this spring.

Meanwhile, HELP's in-school plans continue. Two films have been acquired for April 23 and 24. Scheduling of speakers is still indefinite.

# Pollution Control Agency organized to handle enforcement, regulations

Pollution problems on the state level are handled by the Pollution Control Agency (PCA). This agency has become involved in several controversies over the enforcement of pollution regulations.

Before 1967 the only state agency that controlled pollution was the Water Pollution Control Commission, according to Bob Ray of the PCA. But this agency had no control over air pollution and solid wastes.

The PCA was formed in 1967 in order to control pollution in all three areas—air, water and solids. The 9-man Agency is backed by a staff of 75, which handles day-to-day pollution control.

All industrial operations are required to obtain a permit from the PCA, Ray said. If they do not comply with the provisions of the permit, or fail to even apply for one and display it, the PCA can issue legal orders to stop the polluting.

### The Monticello Case

One of the most widely publicized issues that has recently concerned the PCA is the Northern States Power (NSP) Monticello permit case. This controversy arose when NSP applied for a permit for its Monticello, Minnesota nuclear power plant.

The permit that the PCA issued regulated waste discharges from the plant very strictly, Ray said. NSP refused to accept the standards and appealed the permit in court.

The main argument that NSP has used is that it is not technologically

possible to meet the PCA's standards, which, Ray said, is not true.

### Duluth Steel Plant

A second issue that has recently "made the news" is that of the United States Steel plant in the Duluth area.

The plant sends clouds of particles into the air when oxygen is squirted into its outmoded open-heart furnaces, Ray explained. The plant is inefficient and produces only barbed wire and nails, which together make the U.S. Steel profit very small.

When the PCA prodded the plant to stop polluting, U.S. Steel announced that it would rather close down its plant than meet the standards. Closing down the plant would make a large portion of the area labor force unemployed.

This case, also, is not closed, with the U.S. Steel exploring new ways to make steel, Ray said.

Pollution control is "basically a matter of will power" of allocating resources to pollution control that otherwise could be used elsewhere. But, according to Ray, Minnesota has "better environmental control than almost any other state".

# ECHO EXTRAS

PAC (Political Action Coalition) is sponsoring a series of seminars concerned with social and political activities taking place this spring.

The seminars will be held every Wednesday in April in room 316 after school. Speakers from various organizations will talk about what high school students can do to get involved.

Today will feature a speaker from Students for Environmental Defense; April 15, the Student Mobilization Committee; April 22, Walk for Development and April 29, Population Control.

The results are in from the National Math Tests taken by 200 Parkites on March 10.

The top overall student at Park, Wendy Kaufmann, is entitled to attend an honorary luncheon given for all top students in their schools.

Top senior taking the test was Wendy Kaufmann, top junior was

Ariel Goodman and top sophomore was Mark Dickerson.

According to Paul Herrmann, math teacher who supervised the testing, "The tests are a nationwide contest. It gives students a chance to compete with students from other schools."

The test results are not used in college entrance requirements, but are purely competitive.

The Regional Area Music Contest will be held Saturday, at Wayzata High School.

All area schools will be entered, with Park featuring solos and ensembles from three bands and the orchestra.

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# DeLaittre heads talented tennismen; Gumphrey back to lead '70 golfers

Carter DeLaittre and Rick Gumphrey, both high finishers in last year's State Meets, return to captain Park's tennis and golf teams.

Tennis mentor Roger Thompson feels the outlook for this season is "really looking bright". He has four returning lettermen to fill seven spots (three singles and four doubles players).

Co-captains Carter DeLaittre and Dana Larson will be at first year's doubles positions. Last year DeLaittre took the District 18 Title and finished fifth in the State Meet.

### DeLaittre top-ranked player

The four players who finished ahead of DeLaittre have all graduated, leaving him the top returning singles player in Minnesota.

Thompson is confident that Larson will also be ranked among the top ten singles players when the ratings come out.

"Having two potentially ranked players on the team really helps the team psychologically," Thompson remarked. "It will help if someone from below can push Carter and Dana."

Other players who will fill in at the other spots are David Steele, a sophomore letterman, Jeff Diamond, Jim Pesis, Dave Moffat, Mike Wexler and Mark Stesin.

According to Thompson, the players at these positions will be the determining factor in most matches because the team can be fairly sure of

consistent wins from both DeLaittre and Larson.

In looking at the Lake Conference race, Thompson noted Edina, Cooper, Robbinsdale and Richfield as title contenders. And, of course, Park will "shoot for the top spot".

The tennis team opens its conference season with a match at Cooper on April 13. The matches start at 4 p.m.

### Gumphrey to lead golfers

Golf Coach Wayne Sundberg has three returning lettermen as a "strong nucleus from which we can build a fine team".

Among the three is Rick Gumphrey, senior, who finished fourth at last year's State Meet.

The other two returning letter-winners are Tom Friedman and Reid Wexler. Greg Chapman, who played last year but did not letter, is also returning.

This leaves room for "six or seven players", as the team is allowed to

carry a travelling squad of about ten members. Six players golf in regular Conference meets and six are used at Districts.

Due to this lack of experienced "carry-overs," Coach Sundberg feels there is a much greater chance for new players to make the team. He encourages anyone who has any experience to come and try out, "especially sophomores".

Sundberg was reluctant to make any predictions as to what place his linksmen will be in Conference play because practice has not yet started and he has to fill the empty places.

He is confident the team will be strong in the first two or three places, but after that there is a void, which must be filled in order to have a winning team.

Park will not be as strong in golf as it was last year but is capable of finishing second or third in the Conference, according to Sundberg. He is looking for Edina or Hopkins to take Conference honors.



CO-CAPTAIN CARTER DE LAITTRE shows why he is the top-rated tennis player in the state. DeLaittre is starting his fourth varsity season.

## EDIT - ORIOLE

Picking the winner for this year's ECHO Pick-the-Prep-Champ Contest was harder than usual. But, in the end, Ron Soskin, sophomore, was declared the winner of the two free Twins tickets.

The procedure in the past for picking the winner has been to start with the quarter-final games and work towards the final game. Those who miss a game in the first round are then eliminated.

The same goes for the semi-final games. Those people who have all the games picked correctly advance to the final game.

Not expecting any difficulties, we used the same procedure. The only problem is that of the people who advanced to the finals, none of them had Sherburn winning the Championship.

So, we decided to work from the Championship game backwards. Only seven of the 83 entrants had Sherburn as the winner. Soskin was declared the winner because he was only 12 points off on the final game.

Congratulations to Ron from the ECHO sports staff. The staff would also like to thank all of those people who entered.

While I admit to not being a great prognosticator (I said that Robbinsdale would finish sixth in the Conference in basketball and they finished third in the State), I feel quite safe in saying that this spring's sports season could be one of the most successful at Park in a long while.

In tennis, Carter DeLaittre is the top-ranked player in the state. Rick Gumphrey of the golf team was one of the top golfers in the State Meet last year. He could win it this year.

Both the baseball and track teams should be winners. One or the other, or possibly both, could win it all in their respective sports. Good luck to all the teams.

—Steve Waldman

## Park takes second place at Suburban Indoor Track Meet; Egan readies cindermen for 6-team Park Relays Saturday

In one of the bigger indoor track meets in the state, the Suburban Indoor, St. Louis Park finished second with 30 points. White Bear Lake took first place honors with 54 points. Edina finished third. Teams from the

Lake and Suburban Conferences were represented in the meet.

Coach Tom Egan's team's next outing is in the Park Relays to be held Saturday at the Park track. The Relays begin at 12 noon and will contain five other teams besides the host Orioles. Edina, Minnetonka, St. Cloud Tech, Brainerd and Minneapolis Central round out the field.

"There will be 22 events," said Egan, "but most of them will be done in relays. There still will be some open events."

While looking ahead to the Relays, Egan said he was happy about his team's progress so far.

"I'm pleased about what's happened so far. We're hurting in some field events such as the high jump, long jump and the pole vault. We'd like to get more boys out who can help us anywhere, but especially in those events."

Mike Wise, junior, and Dave Mueller, sophomore, are the high jumpers this year. "They are doing a fine job for us this early in the season," noted Egan.

Tri-captain John Rounds, last year's second-place finisher in the discus in the State Meet, is now throwing the shot-put. Rounds has only been

throwing the shot for a little over a month but he finished third in the Suburban Indoor Meet.

"They don't throw the discus at indoor meets," Egan said, "so this gives John something to work with. It also builds strength in his legs. John is a very fine athlete."

"I was very pleased with our second-place finish in the Suburban. I thought we could do some things well, and we did. I was surprised over the strength of White Bear Lake."

The Orioles ran without miler Pete Racette and sprinter Mike Surr. Racette spilled hot grease on his foot and Surr broke his collarbone when he fell in a qualifying heat in the 60-yard dash.

"Our injuries came up so fast," said tri-captain Scott Stallman. "We might have been a lot closer to White Bear or maybe taken them if we would have had Racette and Surr."

Both Egan and Stallman agreed that team spirit was excellent. "The kids think of themselves as a part of a team and not just a bunch of individuals. In track it's easy to just think of yourself but these guys all pull for each other. That is very important," Egan said.

## Park nine challenges Cooper; Orioles need outdoor practice

Weather permitting, Park's baseball team will open its 1970 Lake Conference campaign at Cooper, Monday at 4 p.m.

The Orioles, who have been limited to indoor activity, will face a typically tough Cooper team.

"I suspect they'll be a typical Cooper team," Coach Vern Winter said. "They've lost some pitching, but they've always been a tough team to beat and this is a team that really tells you where you stand."

Winter revealed that the indoor practices have been coming along well, but the team has to get outside.

"We're progressing as well as can

be expected," he said, "but we've got to get outside on the field and play some games."

The Orioles have non-conference games scheduled with Osseo tomorrow and Southwest Friday to tune up for the Lake opener.

As far as personnel is concerned, Winter said Captain Steve Waldman, Bruce Wachutka, Brian Cornell and Brian Grover have shown up well.

All the positions are somewhat established, with the exception of first base and centerfield. Besides the players already named, Cary Femrite, Bill Richardson and Jim Hanks are fairly set, according to Winter.

After the Cooper game, the Orioles host Mound April 16 at 4 p.m. in the home opener. Park then meets Minneapolis West, April 17, before traveling to Richfield, April 20, for a key ball game.

## Girls finish season; Edmond paces team

Two area meets held at Minnetonka West ended the season for the girls' gymnastics team. Only Becky Edmond, junior, placed by finishing second in the balance beam and ninth in floor exercise.

The girls hosted meets in February to Mound, Richfield and Minnetonka West. They also held an inter-squad meet prior to the season.

Miss Pat Glynn coaches the team, which this year consisted of ten girls.

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## VOICE OF THE ECHO

This year's Film Festival was not as successful as it could have been.

The purpose of a film festival is to acquaint students with films other than commercial movies, to show cinema as an art form and to stimulate student creativity. The potential of the Festival is to accomplish its purpose by having everyone involved in one way or another.

The Festival this year, however, hardly reached that goal. A good number of students didn't know what they were attending or what the movies were. They left with the same lack of knowledge. Also, some of the films should have been shorter, to show more in a relatively short length of time.

## '71 Film Festival needs improvement

The cause for lack of knowledge is obvious. There was little or no advanced preparation for the students. It would have been better had teachers discussed the Festival and its films before the showings. (Many classes did have discussions after it was over.) To be rid of the candy throwers, perhaps the audience could have been limited to those expressly interested in viewing the films. And shorter films should be ordered.



Modular scheduling's introduction at Westwood Junior High next year raises an important question: How is the St. Louis Park school system adapting to newly developed methods of education?

One of the current trends in education is toward independent study. In fact, modular scheduling depends largely upon it. The ECHO feels independent study is a good trend because it enables students to research special interest areas and develop self-discipline.

## Independent study must revise, expand

Park Senior High has begun moving toward independent study, with a special class, and with students on independent study throughout specific areas.

However, grave concern should be shown for the apparent lack of coordination within the three secondary schools. Park Senior High needs to expand its independent study program. Westwood will no doubt benefit from modular scheduling. It is also necessary for Central Junior High to be introduced to independent study.

Independent study, then, should be introduced earlier and developed equally in both junior highs.

Grade averages should not be the basis for admission into an independent study course. Also, teachers should recognize the vital changes that are taking place in education. There are still teachers at Park who refuse to allow any students to take part in an independent study program.

Park High must support the teachers who are attempting to change and aid them in bringing it about.

## Rather suggests press's watchdog role

By BONNIE HASKVITZ

He speaks with the insight that only experience can provide. Experience that has taken CBS newsmen Dan Rather across the nation covering the national news scene, allows him to talk of the political situation of the United States and the position of the American press.

"The role of the press is a watchdog role, explanatory role and question-asking role. It's all a part of the checks and balances and it's the reason it is the so-called fourth branch of government."

Last fall Vice President Spiro Agnew publicly attacked the press, which triggered response from both the nation's newsmen and the American public. Rather chooses to direct his concern to the credibility between the press and the American people instead of playing on the defensive of Agnew's attack.

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## 'People are more afraid of government power'

Journalism needs reform and needs better ways of doing things. I want to find these better ways and I want to listen to the people."

According to Rather, the political pendulum has unquestionably swung to the right. "It has been in the process of swinging to the right for the past three or four years. I don't see it as a real present danger or as a right wing, neo-fascist movement in this country.

"I don't think many people in this country believe that the press is too powerful. The danger is not that the press is too powerful, but that the government becomes too powerful. The power of the American presidency has grown enormously. We've reached the stage where a president, without consulting the people or congress in any more than a functional way, can commit 500,000 mothers' sons to a war 10,000 miles away. That's enormous power. People are much more afraid of the power of the government than the power of the press."

One major criticism in Agnew's speech was fired directly at the instant analysis of televised presidential speeches. "What any politician in office really wants is for the president or vice president to be able to come on prime television time to talk to the people directly and not have anyone ask any questions. They want to get on and get back to the regular program.

**Instant analysis sifts fact, fiction**

"What we attempt to do is ask the questions the people might ask if they were there in the studio. Politicians want to do things their way

## History not taught with textbooks, speakers, independent study used

"We've changed in American history from just having a textbook; we wanted to break down the classroom. We decided to bring different ways of learning," said Bruce Berezovsky, American history teacher.

Over the last few weeks history students have seen a student-produced play, guest speakers and have taken part in an independent study type of program.

"We set up units," said Mr. Berezovsky. "Instead of going year by year we would do a topic approach—such as foreign policy, 1900-1910, etc. By doing this we can get to the present by the end of the year.

"We have kids doing a lot of individual projects. This way we can get everyone involved. This allows for more personal instruction."

The Department is set up to hold large lectures or show films on two days of the week and have class one day. The other days are reserved for individual work in the Resource Center, or instruction from the teacher.

"I started the projects," said Mr. Berezovsky. "Mr. (Tom) Egan proposed a plan and the Department compromised, talked and worked it out."

The projects are the accomplishments. "All this stuff was their idea," said Mr. Berezovsky. "The reasons for individual projects are to give students a chance to be creative and to get out of the classroom atmosphere. School is not just

reading a book. I'm trying to get them to be creative," he said, using novels, tapes, slides, debate, speakers, collages, art projects, music and whatever else.

Mr. Berezovsky commented on "The Last War of Olly Winter," a student-produced play project put on recently. "An interesting thing that I thought happened: they were all helping each other and accepted each other's advice. There was really no real director."

Mr. Berezovsky has carried the developments in his own classes further. "I'm having them talk about their projects; they're going to share their information with the group; and the others will make suggestions and ask questions. They exchange ideas, instead of just pure competition."

As far as the new change is for the teachers, Mr. Berezovsky said, "We can have a lot of flexibility. We work as a team. No two people can teach alike. And there's a lot of flexibility with this system. They like being able to reach more students and get students interested.

"There's a lot of kinks we have to work out. But for the most part, given the traditional system we're working for, it gives a student more independence."

Programs in the future include John Little's American history singers, who will perform songs of the sixties. Also, "We'd like to bring in speakers from outside to make history more real," added Mr. Berezovsky.

"Students are very much in favor of it."

## Tell it like it is!

By SAM STERN

Writing a column on a two-week vacation in Acapulco and Mexico City is not the easiest assignment I have been given. Less than a month ago the trip was still a dream. Now it is only a memory. It is the reality of the two weeks that is difficult to grasp.

Scott Bader, junior, Mike Schoenberger (Schoen), senior, and myself left for Mexico March 17. I traveled south with the idea of being a student as well as a tourist. The trip was to be the first real chance I'd had to prac-

tice the Spanish language I've studied since fourth grade.

Scott and Schoen were to have no such luck. Scott's only chance to practice his studies, French, came when he eavesdropped on a conversation between two French-Canadian tourists in Acapulco. Schoen completely blew it when asked by a proud father to speak Hebrew to his young son outside of the Jewish Community Center in Mexico City. My companions' lack of a grasp on the Spanish language was occasionally a source of friction. However, I felt that speaking the language was the greatest experience of the trip.

The tourists we met ranged from the loud New Yorkers to kids our age whose daily activities were planned and directed by mommy and daddy. Most everyone took kindly to three American students on their own that far away from home. Free meals, transportation and offers of money were not uncommon.

But it isn't the tourist that left the deepest impression on my mind. That honor goes to the impoverished Mexican living in a world of tourism and flaunting of wealth. I took the time to talk to many of the Mexicans I came in contact with. Most of them had stereotyped the American tourist.

To the cab driver, Americans come to Mexico for sex. There wasn't a cabbie in Acapulco who wouldn't gladly give me a rundown on every house of prostitution in town—and most did. I learned where the drinks were cheap but the girls weren't clean and which places were exclusively for the tourists, no Mexicans allowed.

All American tourists are suckers, according to the Mexican vendors on the beach. They sold everything from blankets to suntan oil (rumored to be motor oil) to rings. Although you knew you were getting taken, you knew you were paying less than prices in the States. Just how much you were taken depended in varying degrees on the honesty of the vendor, whether or not he thought you were trying to cheat him and a command of Spanish.

Finally, there is the man on the street who thinks all Americans look down their noses at Mexico. I was approached in Mexico City by an office worker who spoke only Spanish. He found it hard to believe me when I told him that I felt Mexico was more beautiful than the U.S. in many aspects.

The memories are great. I'm really thankful that I dug below the tourist level and tried to learn about the people. It's the only way to travel.

without any questions. That isn't a healthy situation. What instant analysis is all about is to refuse to accept at face value what a politician says even though he may be the President of the United States."

Television, in comparison with the printed media, has a problem in providing depth, he feels. "Television is at its best when it covers a live event, but also is at a disadvantage because of a lack of time in putting things in perspective. The means television now uses to accomplish this is either by correspondents' talking or interviews.

"The trend in journalism is toward more interpretative reporting. I'm not one of those that believes that opinion should be mixed with fact. Certainly we're now in a period of much more interpretative reporting and an era of the specialist. Our society has become so complicated that it is hard to be a generalist. How do we understand the fantastic happenings in science without specialists in science? We've got to have reporters who are scientists.



**Dan Rather**  
fantastic happenings in science without specialists in science? We've got to have reporters who are scientists.

"An ever-increasing responsibility in the watchdog area will take place over the next 25 years. The pressure will be even greater to keep an eye out for the demagogue and the extremist and to explain to the people what the advantages and disadvantages are for a given situation."



# HELP conducting activities as part of anti-pollution campaign

Anti-pollution activities began at Park on Monday and are scheduled to continue through Friday. This campaign is being conducted in conjunction with national Earth Day today and is sponsored by Have Everyone Limit Pollution (HELP).

Monday an "information service center" was set up in the foyer. It provides a place for students and faculty to procure government brochures and student articles regarding pollution.

According to Mike Stutzer, HELP chairman, the center will remain open throughout the day today, tomorrow and Friday, as well as after school.

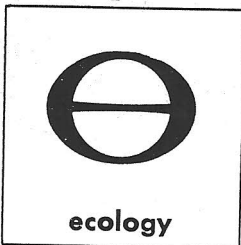
A general clean-up of the school and the adjacent grounds was conducted by students before and after school and between classes on Monday in an attempt to make the stu-

dent body "more aware of the mess," Mike said.

Yesterday was "Media Day," HELP's photo and film festival. Student movies and photographs depicting pollution were displayed after school.

Also, HELP designated a committee to post pollution articles and pictures on bulletin boards in all home-rooms.

Today has been designated "Action



Day" with students having been instructed to gather solid waste on the way to school.

Cans, bottles and other terrestrial eyesores are being collected by the City Sanitation Department here at school.

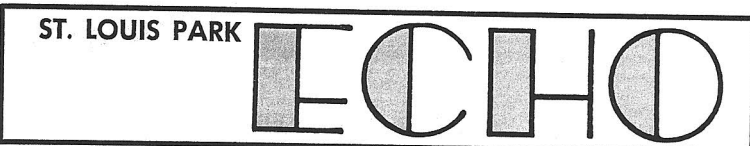
Tomorrow all social studies classes will be viewing pollution films. According to Mike, it is possible that "The Cry of the Marsh" and "Too Thin to Cultivate, Too Thick to Navigate" will be among

those shown. Additional movies are to be shown in the auditorium after school.

Classroom teach-ins will take place Friday in all consenting departments.

On Monday, April 27, local meteorologist Bruce Watson will give a talk entitled "Ecological Awakening" for the entire student body.

Also, ecological films will be made available for viewing after school for the remainder of the year, Mike said.



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Wednesday, April 22, 1970

## Volunteers to walk for war on hunger; sponsors foot bill

On Sunday, May 3, Twin City students will "Walk for Development." The 31-mile walk, sponsored by the American Freedom from Hunger Foundation, will start at 7 a.m. from Parade Stadium and end at Loring Park.

Last April 7,000 concerned Twin Citians walked through the streets of Minneapolis and St. Paul, raising \$65,000 for the self-help projects.

Each walker will have sponsors to pledge an amount of money for each mile he walks.

Of the funds, 42½ per cent goes to domestic projects, 42½ per cent to foreign projects and 15 per cent goes to the American Freedom from Hunger Foundation to support its national information program.

The money raised will be used to support domestic and overseas self-help projects, which have been selected by the local organizing committee. They will also support the Foundation's national information program.

The walk goes on regardless of the weather.

Walkers will walk for as long as they want. They do not have to walk the entire 31 miles, "although many do," said Carolyn McNeil, senior.

Along with Carolyn, Irwin Barr, Jeanne Gill, Joel Guttman, Jan Kappel, Chuck Lipkin and Dianne Mickelson are helping to organize Park students to participate in the Walk.

Walk for Development buttons are available from Park students for 25c until May 3. The proceeds will go to the local Walk.

## Park Preview

- April 23, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Wayzata at Park
- April 23, 4 p.m. — Tennis, Wayzata at Park
- April 23, 7 p.m. — Y-Teens Elections
- April 24, 4 p.m. — Track, Edina and Wayzata at Park
- April 27 — Art Show, west gym
- April 27 — Baseball, Park at Lincoln
- April 27 — Tennis, Park at Lincoln
- April 29, 8 p.m. — PTA
- April 30, 2:45 p.m. — Judaism Series
- April 30, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Robbinsdale at Park
- April 30, 4 p.m. — Tennis, Robbinsdale at Park
- May 1, 8 p.m. — Instrumental Concert
- May 2 — Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), cafeteria
- May 2 — Regional V Instrument Contest
- May 5, 4 p.m. — Baseball, Park at Tonka
- May 5, 4 p.m. — Tennis, Park at Tonka
- May 6 — Next ECHO!

## Environmental Teach-In Schedule

- April 23 — Film presentation for social studies classes, additional films after school
- April 24 — Classroom teach-ins
- April 27, 9:15 a.m. — Student assembly
- May 1 — Starvation Day
- May 3 — Walk for Development

## Bob Tish named new ECHO editor

Bob Tish, junior, has been selected editor of the 1970-71 ECHO staff by Miss Hattie Steinberg, publications advisor. The announcement came as Miss Steinberg revealed the new ECHO staff, an additional major staff appointment to the Echowan and the remainder of the Echowan staff.

Working with Bob will be Tom Beaubaire as managing editor, Ariel Goodman as copy editor and Scott Bader as business manager.

Ann Goddard, Ron Kiener and Sue Wallin will edit pages one, two and four, respectively. Their assistant page editors will be Kerry Aberman, Sue Koritz and Tom Friedman. Jeff Diamond is the new sports editor. John Bartholow is his assistant.

Two additional reporting positions were added to the new staff. Reporters are Cindy Lanenberg, Mark Mekler, Sue Rosenzweig, Ron Soskin, Sue Stryker, Bonnie Usan and Dan Zimmerman.

For the second year in a row, Gary Krupp and Gary Lebowitz will be the photographers for the newspaper.

Bob served on this year's ECHO staff as page four

assistant. Tom Beaubaire is presently page one editor and Tom Friedman is business manager. Jeff and John are assistants on the ECHO sports staff; Bonnie is a reporter.

According to Miss Steinberg, a credit in beginning journalism and some formal typing instruction is a prerequisite for appointment to the ECHO staff.

## Photography editor chosen

Ken Greer, junior, has been named photography editor of the 1971 Echowan, thus completing major staff appointments (see ECHO, April 8).

Photographers for next year's yearbook are Spencer Lewis, Jill Sigel and Dan Sloan. The business staff, headed by Paul Rubin, includes Gayle Appelbaum and Suellen Jackson.

Linda Fisher, Cathie McElroy and Ruth Reed will work on the activities staff under Gail Dolinger. Ann Hersheth, Jeri Lax and Val Pivoshuk will assist academics editor Janet Agrell with that section of the book.

Diane Knazan, senior section editor, will be assisted by Debbie Deming and Miriam Freidson. Diane Klein, underclass section editor will be assisted by Nancy Herman and Laurie Wichelmann.

The '71 Echowan sports staff will be manned by Mark Mickelson and Jim Rochat, who will assist sports editor Brian Grover.

Harlan Richter, senior, is going to try for a trophy and "the pride of knowing you're No. 1 speaker in the nation." He is going to participate in a speech contest, April 26 at the Curtis Hotel, during the National Distributive Education Leadership Conference.

Harlan, representing St. Louis Park, placed first out of 30 contestants at the statewide convention. He won the state trophy and a free trip to the national convention.

He won the contest speaking on the "role Distributive Education plays in the development of leaders in marketing and distribution."

From the 30 original contestants, 8 finalists were chosen and Harlan was "selected as No. 1 from that group."

During the national conference he will be competing against the best speakers from the state conventions — 50 people.

"The competition is pretty darn rough to place No. 1 in the nation." But as Harlan said to Dallas Skaug, Distributive Education instructor, after he won the contest, "Am I a man to take second place?"



Harlan

## Orchestra, bands to perform first of two spring concerts

The first of two annual Spring Concerts will be given by the Orchestra and Varsity Band on Friday, May 1, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

Concert and Oriole Bands will present their concert the following week on May 8.

Varsity Band, which is directed by Mervyn Lysing, will be playing "Arioso," "Masque," selections from the new Broadway musical, "1776," by Sherman Edwards and "Portrait of a Trumpet."

Leo Fine from the Park Music Center will be the guest soloist in that number. The band also will be playing "Moreau Symphonique," a baritone horn solo. Roger Wahlstrom is the soloist.

The Orchestra, directed by George Chlebeck, will be performing "Violin Concerto No. 5," a solo by Kathy Christensen, junior, "An Oud Overture," "The Bat" and "Concerto Grosso in A Major," a string number.

The wind members of the Orchestra are selected members of the Concert Band.

Tickets are 50 cents for students and \$1 for adults. They may be purchased at the door or from any concert participant.

## Parkites rated in music contest

Members of the Concert, Varsity and Oriole Bands and the Orchestra participated in the District Music Contest at Wayzata High School, April 11.

Several of the representative solos and ensembles received star, or superior, ratings. They were judged on tone quality, balance, rhythm and other items.

Those receiving a star rating are now eligible to compete in the State Contest, May 2, at Vocational High in Minneapolis.

## EXCHANGE DAY CARNIVAL

### Future outlook poor

"Exchange Day Carnival, planned for the support of AFS, Domestic Exchange and Youth Conference, did not really fail. It was called off so that it wouldn't fail."

When asked why the event had been cancelled, Co-chairman Bob Sipkins cited lack of support from the student body at Park as the main reason.

He pointed out that only six of the people in the AFS club signed up to work at the carnival, while only eight members of the Student Council signed up for the Council-sponsored event.

Co-chairman Cathie McElroy felt that the timing of the event may have contributed to the low interest shown by students. "It was coming right when 'senior slump' happens."

Bob also felt that the fact that the dates for the Carnival were changed three times may have confused many people. "... but when things got crucial, I expected that at least the people who participated in activities would sign up."

"We weren't really sure that it would have failed," said Bob, "but there was some doubt as to whether or not we would be able to raise enough money."

According to Cathie, enough money for the entire year meant about \$2,500, although they only had planned on about \$500 from the Carnival.

Cathy felt that the dance served as an indicator of what could be expected. "We made four whole dollars on the dance, after we paid for the band."

Commenting on the prospects of a carnival to raise money next year, Bob said that it is unlikely there will be one, unless students show enough support from the outset to insure that it would not be a repeat of this year's failure.

Cathy felt that support for the various activities will have to come out of the students' own pockets in the future. "If you want an AFS program, donate. If you want Domestic Exchange, donate."

"There is no point in going through the risk of planning a big carnival and order all these things and go through all these steps and then have no one show up to work. And besides, it's too hard to tell what will happen."

# Pilot program revealed at environmental study

By TOM BEAUBAIRE

April was declared Minnesota Environmental Education Month by Governor LeVander on April 2.

The Governor's Conference on Environmental Education took place on April 8 with the expressed purpose of defining "where Minnesota is and where it is going with environmental education." The Conference, sponsored by the Central Minnesota Educational Research and Development Council, was attended by 75 high school journalists and many educators.

Facts about the declining state of environment were provided by Governor LeVander's speech, which was read to the group. The Governor was unable to address the group due to recent surgery. Other facts were provided by Howard Casmey, Commissioner of Education and Jarle Leirfallom, Commissioner of Conservation.

Questions were raised and one possible answer was provided with the revealing of a pilot program on environmental education, now available to school systems in the state.

The program, according to John Miller, Environmental Education Consultant to Minnesota, offers an opportunity for schools to incorporate curriculums concerning the environment into grades Kindergarten through 12.

The pilot schools selected will receive aid in designing a model curriculum project tailored for their community. Aid will consist of development of materials, training for teachers and trial classroom teaching and evaluation.

Project schools will be selected by May 1 of this year, with curriculum preparation running through the summer months and, hopefully, trial classroom teaching by the opening of the fall term.

A flexible model guideline was described by Miller:

- Grades K-3: Education will consist of using "toys" to gain concepts that will be developed in later grades.

- Grades 4-6: Teaching will be moved out to the community, bringing the classroom to the "experts" rather than the "experts" to the classroom.

- Grades 7-9: Emphasis will be placed on population studies.

- Grades 10-12: Students will be encouraged to add action to earlier gained concepts.

The main point of the program is to encourage involvement by the student. Miller could only apologize that the school systems, in keeping pace with the nation, are 20 years behind in environmental education.

Application of this education on the elementary and secondary levels was discussed by Richard Myshak, director of the Golden Valley Environmental Science Center. Mr. Myshak accused teachers of dispensing learning, rather than guiding it. He added, "Too long we have been blaming industry for our environmental problems. We are the problem."

Also defining the pollution problem as "man" himself was Joseph Rossillon of Southwest State College. "It's simple," he said. "If you don't want pollution, don't use the pollutants."

## ECHO EXTRAS

Park will play host next week to the bi-annual Art Show in the west gym. St. Louis Park students from kindergarten through grade 12 will have their works, which focus on the theme of "Nature," on display. Park students are welcome to come in any time during the day to see the show.

One hundred Park seniors were randomly selected to participate in the International Education Achievement Study last week. The series of tests and questionnaires included in the study is being given to students of 18 other countries in addition to American students. Sponsoring the program in the United States is the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, with Columbia University directing the research.

David Balto and Ron Abrams, seniors, were among the 50 finalists in the World Affairs Test which was taken by 5,500 students throughout the Upper Midwest.

Alvin Greenberg, father of Gary Greenberg, senior, was appointed

General Chairman of the parents' committee planning the Senior Class Party. All interested parents are asked to attend a general meeting in the Cafeteria tonight at 7:30.

Although the contracts have not yet been signed, the Mystics and Zarathustra are the bands being hired for the dance.

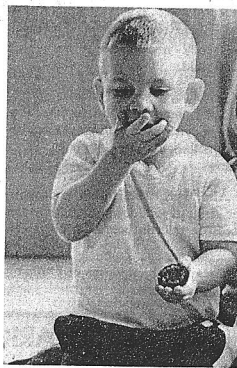
The party is being planned for the night of June 3, after graduation, and will run all night long.

Due to a conflict in scheduling of speakers, the draft classes will be held May 5 and 6. The first day will involve sessions with a speaker from the Selective Service. The second day a speaker from American Friends will be available for discussion. The two-day sessions are exclusively for seniors. Any senior will be able to voluntarily leave his social studies class to participate in the classes.

A rap room has been established in the room formerly used by the school psychologist. Students are welcome to come in and talk with the counselor on duty any day from 7:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



Storytelling



Snack



Free play

## PROGRAM EXPANDS . . .

# Preschoolers romp in Family Living play school

"Duck, duck, duck, duck — gray duck! Two and one-half year-old Valerie went scampering around the circle of pre-schoolers, pursued by four-year-old Ruhi. First session was in full swing in the Family Living play school located in room 218.

According to Mrs. Patricia Lind, Family Living instructor, this was only the second year that the school had been in existence. "Last year was

a trial," she said, "but it was successful enough to expand this year."

The school was part of a child development unit that Family Living students studied. "It was designed primarily to give students exposure to nursery school-age children," said Mrs. Lind, "so that they can understand what they are like: emotionally, physically, socially and intellectually."

Children were two and one-half

years old to the five-year-old not yet in kindergarten. Three one and one-half-hour sessions were conducted on six different days.

"A total of 36 children attended the various sessions," said Mrs. Lind, "with approximately 12 children per session."

A session consisted of simple musical, game, art, story-telling and free play activities. A small snack was also offered.

Family Living students were divided into groups of four or five. Each group had an opportunity to manage a session while the others observed. "I hope that students received an appreciation of children's personalities," commented Mrs. Lind.

Students were required to turn in a written observation of a specific child and of the entire group of children.

Student response to the play school was favorable. "It was a surprise to see how spontaneous and energetic toddlers are," said Mary Segal, senior. "The children were so fun to watch," said Marcia Brucciani, senior.

"Parent and children response to the student-sponsored play school was fantastic," said Mrs. Lind. "Children complained to their mothers on days when we were not in session."

strom and Claudl Kraehling.

First place, Novice Team, Beth Alwin, Ruth Reed, Kathy Watts and Linda Wiley, fourth place, Jerri Berg, Kathy Betts, Sue Hilk, Cindy Gragert, Gail Norrgard and Lori Whipple.

Fourth place, Junior Team, Karen Angell, Leslie Gold, Roxanne Hochstein, Karen Keen, Bev Lemke, Carleen Olson and Pam Turner; second place, Senior Team, Gail Austin, Peggy Cannon, Cindy Eckerstrom, Claudia Kraehling and Martha Reed.

On April 24 and 25 the Surf Belles will compete in Stillwater in the Minnesota Divisional Girls' and Women's Sports competition.

# Surf Belles compete in AAU; Park takes first in swim meet

Surf Belles, Park's synchronized swimming team, competed in the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) competition April 17 and 18 at Park. AAU competition was open to all Minnesota women with no age limit.

Twenty-three Surf Belles competed in solos, duets and teams of four to eight girls on three levels, novice, junior and senior.

The senior girls included Gail Austin, Peggy Cannon, Cindy Eckerstrom, Claudia Kraehling and Martha Reed.

The girls were judged on five or six stunts, depending on the division. They were also judged on routines, execution, style, music and theme.

Park took first place at the meet with 95 points. Edina came in second with 90 points. Also in the competition were Stillwater, Bloomington-Kennedy, Rochester-Mayo, Minneapolis-Y.W.C.A., St. Paul-Y.W.C.A., Hibbing and a few unattached.

High scorers for Park were first place, Novice Solo, Claudia Kraehling, second place, Peggy Cannon; first place, Junior Solo, Cindy Eckerstrom; first place, Senior Solo, Park alumna, Joanne Kutzler; first place, Novice Duets, Beth Alwin and Linda Wiley, third place, Ruth Reed and Kathy Watts.

Second place, Junior Duets, Gail Austin and Martha Reed, fifth place, Bev Lemke and Pam Turner; third place, Senior Duets, Cindy Ecker-

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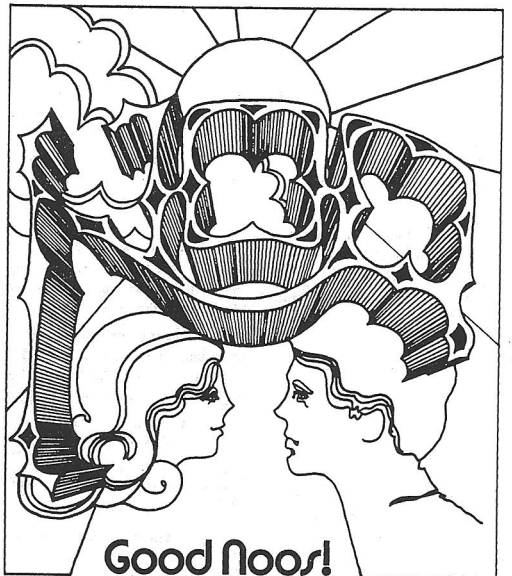
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AN ORIOLE RUNNER is thrown out in an 8-0 victory over Osseo. The Birds split their first two Conference games against Cooper and Mound.

**BIRDS COMEBACK**

**Park baseballmen split two games**

One asset of a good team in any sport is the ability to rebound from a disheartening loss with a sound victory. Park's baseball team did just that by defeating Mound 5-0 after the Orioles had fallen to Cooper 3-2.

The victory evened the Orioles' Lake record at 1-1 with a 3-1 overall mark and set the stage for some crucial games in Park's title hopes.

The Orioles host Wayzata tomorrow at 4 p.m. and then travel to Lincoln Monday at 4 p.m.

"Wayzata beat a good Hopkins team 2-1 so I suspect they'll be tough," Coach Vern Winter said. "Lincoln has some good hitters back from last year."

According to Winter, the team has been improving, but there are still a few problems which must be eliminated.

"We've been coming along well and we played much better against Mound. We've been playing real good defense and that's been getting us out of trouble.

"We've got to start hitting the ball better although that improved in the Mound game. Also, our pitchers have got to get the ball over the plate. We can't afford to give up nine walks in one game and seven in another."

In the Mound game, Captain Steve Waldman hurled a one-hitter in leading Park to the shutout victory.

The Orioles collected nine hits in the game which was won in the second inning on a wind-blown base hit by Mark Morseth that drove in two runs.

Bruce Wachutka, Bill Richardson and Cary Femrite drove in the other three Oriole runs.

Cooper scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh and edge Park 3-2, April 14, on the Hawk field.

Bruce Wachutka went all the way for Park and threw a three-hitter. The winning run was scored on a bases loaded walk, one of nine by Wachutka.

The Orioles had plenty of chances to put the game out of reach in the opening innings as they loaded the bases twice, but came up with only one run. Park's runs were driven in by Waldman and Wachutka.

Waldman said, "Last year we started the year by losing to Kennedy 3-2 in the last of the seventh and we came back. I think we've got a good enough team to come back strong."

Winter echoed the feeling that the Cooper loss shouldn't hurt the Orioles' title chances.

In Park's nonconference games, the Orioles whipped Osseo 8-0 and Southwest 7-3. Waldman and Wachutka pitched in both games, leading the victories.

**Golfers beat Hawks prior to challenging Richfield, Kennedy**

Golf Coach Wayne Sundberg's linksmen will challenge Richfield tomorrow and Kennedy on Friday. Last Thursday they defeated the Cooper Hawks.

Coach Sundberg noted that Richfield should be a tough team because they defeated Edina. He had predicted earlier that Edina would make a strong bid for the Lake Conference Title.

Rick Gumphrey, who did not play in the opening meet with Cooper, is expected by Sundberg to golf at the Richfield meet. The team is still not settled out but he hopes to have this filled soon.

The six who played at Cooper were Greg Chapman, Tom Friedman, Ron Himmelman, Doug Johnson, Bob Levine and Reid Wexler. They played twelve holes and the top four scores counted.

Chapman was the low scorer with a 54, 5 under par for twelve holes. "That is a very fine score for the Golden Valley course, especially with the high wind," commented Sundberg.

The other three top players were Wexler, Himmelman and Levine (in order of finish). Together with Chapman, their score was 235 to Cooper's 255.

**Misfortune hits Oriole trackmen in Park Relays; Eganmen ready for meet with Trojans, Hornets**

Misfortune struck the Park track team in the form of a fall and a disqualification. As a result, the Orioles finished second behind Edina, 100½-96, in the Park Relays.

Hurdler Dave Carlson, junior, was the boy who fell. The injury kept Carlson out of action for the rest of the meet and forced Coach Tom Egan to shuffle his trackmen around.

Carlson was injured when he hit a hurdle and fell into another runner's lane where he was promptly stepped on.

The disqualification was to the 440-yard relay team when it passed the baton out of its zone. By being disqualified, Park lost a possible six points for finishing third.

"Looking back, it could have won us the meet," said Egan. "You just hope that if it happens, it happens now and not in the District or Region Meets."

Highlighting the second-place finish were the performances of Tri-captain John Rounds in the shot put

and discus, both of which he won. He threw the discus 158'6".

"John's been doing real well. Right now he's ten feet ahead of last year at this point in the season," noted Egan.

Regarding his other two tri-captains, Egan said, "Both Scott Stallman and Scott Lifson have realized the responsibilities of being captain. They're veterans. They both have been doing a good job in their own particular events."

Today the Orioles will host the Park Classic. Washburn, Osseo and Stillwater will be the other teams participating. There will be 22 different events. The Classic begins at 4 p.m.

Friday a triangular meet will be held at Park. The meet also starts at 4 p.m. and will have Edina and Wayzata as the other two teams.

"Wayzata has the defending State Champion in the high jump and after that a pretty young team," said Egan. "About Edina, well, they are the

defending Conference and State Champions. They are strong in the 440, the sprints, the pole vault and they have a good group of distance runners."

Egan noted for the upcoming meets his team would be strong in the discus, the distance events and the relays.

**EDIT - ORIOLE**

With the beginning of the baseball season come my thoughts on what will prevail in the future months. I will try to forget or ignore the lack of success I have had on my past predictions.

In the American League West, I lean towards the Twins, with Oakland second. Right now the Twins look solid, but if the hitters slump and injuries set in, the home-town favorites could be in trouble. All in all, it will be a tight race.

Baltimore is the solid favorite in the East. Again, it will be a run-away. Boston will finish second. Detroit, minus Denny McLain for half the year, will end up third. Also, Mayo Smith will not make it through the year as the Tiger pilot.

Picking the winners in the National League isn't as easy as picking Baltimore. In the East, the Mets, Cubs and Cardinals will all battle for the title. Out of the three, the Mets seem the weakest but they're out to prove that

last year was no fluke. I pick the "Amazin' Mets."

The Dodgers are going to win the National League West. They have too much pitching, too much hitting, and this year, just enough fielding. Once again, though, the race will include five teams and the Dodgers won't win until the last week of the season.

Our Twins will be defeated by the Orioles in the play-offs in four games. The magic of the Mets will again work and help them defeat the Dodgers in four games.

In the World Series, Met magic will meet reality and the Orioles will win it all this time. The magic though, will carry the Series seven games.

— Steve Waldman

**Netmen fall to strong Cooper, oppose Wayzata, Lincoln next**

Park's tennis team entertains Wayzata tomorrow at 4 p.m. in an attempt to avenge last year's 3-2 loss to the Trojans. Coach Roger Thompson feels Wayzata will not be as strong as most teams in the Lake Conference.

He will rely on wins from Co-Captains Carter DeLaitre and Dana Larson for the edge over the Wayzata tennismen. After Wayzata, the Orioles will travel to Lincoln on Monday at 4 p.m.

The tennis team won its opening meet with Washburn 5-0 in a non-conference meet. They were defeated by Cooper in their second outing, 4-1.

Larson was away the day of the Cooper meet visiting Amherst College. "Dana's absence undoubtedly hurt us," commented Coach Thompson. "We had to juggle the lineup and some boys were matched up with players who were much better than them."

As a result, only DeLaitre won his match. Coach Thompson noted that DeLaitre's form lived up to his No. 1 ranking.

Thompson was not, however, disappointed with the rest of the team. "Both Cooper and Edina have had much more practice than the other Conference teams," he stated. "We will improve with more practice and conditioning, so the boys can get their game down better."

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## VOICE OF THE ECHO

"Due to lack of interest, the Exchange Day Carnival has been cancelled." This announcement marked the conclusion of one more unsuccessful extra-curricular attempt by Park students. Not enough students had signed up to

## Are school activities worthy of concern?

The failure of the Exchange Day Carnival was clearly not an isolated case at Park. Numerous other activities have at first generated interest and then fallen victims of disinterest. There was the foyer lounge project and the attempt to correct the lavatory situation. Involvement in extra-curricular activities in general has sharply declined.

What is the reason for the lack of interest in these activities? Are they poorly organized or poorly publicized? Is it because so many students have jobs, so that they cannot stay after school? Are the types of activities relevant to students' needs? Or are school activities even worth worrying about?

We could exhort students to stop being apathetic, or we could propose setting up a committee to study the problem. But we do not feel that either method is appropriate. Instead, we suggest the beginning of a general dialogue among students on the subject of student activities. We think the questions presented here are worth considering and feel that they are better considered by the student body at large than by another committee. After all, it will have to be individual students who will revive our student activities . . . if they are worth reviving at all.

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Young people are asking for a chance to speak responsibly — with the ballot — on public issues and on candidates who will influence public policy. We feel young adults deserve this basic opportunity of citizenship without waiting until the age of 21. The House should concur with the recent Senate action to lower the national voting age requirement to 18.

## 'M\*A\*S\*H\*' knocks authority with parody on war, army

By SAM STERN

There is nothing like something for nothing to bring out a crowd. Now, I'm not an expert on the size of Northrop Auditorium, but I'll guarantee that it takes a lot of people to completely fill it. And if it is filled within three minutes after the doors are opened, the chances are that there are more than a lot of people behind the surge.

In which case there were more than a lot of people at Northrop last Tuesday night. They all came to see, free of charge, "M\*A\*S\*H" and afterwards hear Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA), and Robert Altman, director of M\*A\*S\*H, conduct a seminar on the movie and movie-making in general.

It was an interesting evening. It became necessary to clean the aisles inhabited by students who found there was a shortage of regular seating. These students were told to return in three hours for a hastily planned second free-of-charge showing of the movie.

Then came the movie, which was also interesting. Hilarious, in fact.

"M\*A\*S\*H" (Military Army Surgeons' Hospital) is set in the Korean war. It is a parody of America's views on war and the army.

"How did a man of his character rise to such a position of authority in the United States Army?"

"He was drafted."

The movie is the story of the antics of a group of army surgeons, most of whom have recently graduated from medical schools. They take their work only half seriously, although

responsibly, while thumbing their noses at military authority.

For this reason, "M\*A\*S\*H" holds the same kind of charisma for the audience as does "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," "The Reivers" and "The Graduate"—rebellion against the Establishment.

"Who are you?!" demands the commanding officer of the hospital base in Japan as he storms into the operating room.

"Well, actually," replies Our Hero, "I'm Dr. Jekyll and this is my assistant, Mr. Hyde."

Because of the sex, gore and language used in "M\*A\*S\*H", it is rated "R". No one under 17 years of age may be admitted without his parent or adult guardian. During the seminar afterwards, Valenti was asked to justify this limitation. In reply, Valenti explained and defended the MPAA rating system.

He pointed out that the Supreme Court had recently ruled it legal for local censorship to be practiced on movies. Valenti said that the MPAA viewed this censorship as a threat to the artistic creativity of the moviemaker.

"As a lesser evil," said the MPAA president, "we devised a system to have films rated by people within the industry. The rating system is meant to keep local, state and federal government out of our business."

So, depending on your age, either grab Mom or Dad or go with some friends and see "M\*A\*S\*H". It will cost you \$2 more than it cost the people at Northrop, but it will be worth it.

## Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

Congratulations, Park students. Your lack of interest has claimed another victim, the Exchange Day Carnival. Without the profits from the Carnival, which were used to finance AFS, Domestic Exchange and the Youth Conference, it is highly likely that next year's Park students will have to do without these activities. One hundred workers were needed to run the Carnival; no more than 25 were recruited. Most of these were close friends of the committee chairman and myself.

Maybe the lesson must be learned the hard way, but must it be through the forfeiture of these three programs?

Mark Shinn,  
Student Council Vice President

Dear Editor:

As mentioned in your Edit-Oricle column of March 25, the State High School League forbids a boy from participating in an organized summer program.

However, this applies only to those competing in basketball, football and hockey. In the meantime, boys competing in other sports can play all summer in an organized league.

The High School League is controlling what a boy is able to do in the summer, when the parents should have the final say.

Minnesota has one of the best junior hockey programs in the country. Recently the Edina bantams won the national title.

The one hope that hockey has in our state is that the amateur programs continue to grow until the High School League finally realizes what a mistake it is to discriminate against them.

Mark Rosen, senior

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By BONNIE USAN

Rod McKuen is everybody's Charlie Brown; melancholy, dejected and lonely. But in McKuen's case, he turned this loneliness into a profitable business.

Baring his soul and sharing his loneliness with a full house at the Minneapolis Auditorium Friday night, McKuen proved that you don't have to be happy to be successful.

Songs he has written have been performed on 80 million records. His five books of poetry have sold over three million copies.

Before the concert even started, there were old men hawking his latest book, "The Songs of Rod McKuen", circus style.

In it, you found more of the basic themes of all of McKuen's work; his aborted attempts at love, memories of lost animal pets and the bitterness pain of being lonely.

These same themes dominated his two hour concert, with an occasional song that could, if you had an active imagination, be termed joyous.

A few of his songs had a sort of pristine beauty, childlike and innocent. But most of his renditions were boring and repetitive.

Whether this was because of his "froggy" throat, the similarity of most of the songs, or

## Dejected McKuen sings to full house, shows gaiety not needed for success

the monotony of the program remains unclear.

Rod McKuen himself seemed almost too cute. But the well-dressed, middle-class audience that paid to see him obviously liked the blue jeans, sneakers and sweat shirt that make up their ideal of an "individualist."

His basic appeal seems to lie with those people who have recently found out that life is not a Rock Hudson-Doris Day movie. People who have probably experienced a bit of his loneliness, trouble and dejection enjoy having their feelings effectively verbalized.

His songs, some of which have been released as poems, were received with grateful applause from the audience. The best known of these were: "Love's Been Good to Me," "If You Go Away," "A Single Man" and his Academy Award nomination, "Jean."

McKuen appeared pleased at the response to "Jean" and even joked, "Gee I wish you

were all eligible to vote in the Academy Award races."

He seemed to revel and even enjoy his much exploited melancholy. "I saved all the sad songs for the second half of the show."

He also explained why he does not write protest songs. "In order to write a good protest song, you need a slogan. Those cats like Bobby Dylan, Pete Seeger and Phil Ochs got them first."

"Now everyone knows what's blowing in the wind. The only slogans left for me are 'This End Up' and 'Use No Hooks'."

His tantrum-like off-stage exits, both at intermission and at the conclusion of the concert, were as dramatic as any nondescript Charlie Brown could make them.

Rod McKuen is obviously in need of some sort of love. I offer him my mother or two affectionate goldfish.

## Future dim for public education

By SAM STERN

Things happening in America today "mark the beginning of the end of public education as we know it," according to Albert Shanker, president of the 64,000-member New York City Teachers' Union.

Shanker, speaking April 5 at the B'nai Abraham Synagogue, went on to point out trends in education which are bringing about the "end". He noted that state aid to parochial schools is becoming more and more prominent. New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan have already acted through their legislatures to allow this aid, once considered illegal as part of the separation of church and state.

A voucher system of education was also explained by Shanker. Under this system, local school boards would be authorized to pay parents sums of money equal to the average yearly expenditure of the city per student. This money would then be used as part of the student's tuition in a private school.

The voucher system would put competition into education, says Shanker. It would force public systems to start producing lest they lose more students to private schools.

Another educational system explained by Shanker is known as the contract system. Under this program, large corporations would sign contracts with school boards to teach in that school district. For instance, the Eastman Kodak Company might teach mathematics for an hour a day while General Motors could teach engineering.

The industries would get paid if the student showed a specified

amount of progress over a given amount of time. According to Shanker, it is "all on the basis of performance contracts. The basis of education will be advertising. It (education) is about to become a commercial commodity sold to parents with a voucher in their hands."

Shanker, who has served one 15-day jail term and is waiting to serve another because of his connection with the New York City teacher strikes, also talked about increasing teacher militancy.

"There are two areas in which teachers are greatly concerned," said Shanker. He named them as being the area of economics and the area of the teacher's role as a professional.

Shanker labeled the notion that there is a conflict between economic well-being and a teacher's profession as "a vicious form of brainwashing. Teachers have the right to fight for a better standard of living."

He defined a "professional" as "an expert, free from supervision, meeting certain standards. Teachers feel they are treated as though they aren't experts and need constant supervision. More and more teachers are resorting to militancy to achieve their goals."

The former mathematics teacher said that the last ten years have marked an end to complacency on the part of teachers. He pointed out that teacher strikes are no longer unusual and that in the past decade half of the states in America have passed laws providing for collective bargaining between teachers and school boards.