

## Seniors Alerted to Urban Crisis

On Tuesday and Wednesday, January 30 and 31, Wayzata's seniors will attend their symposium of the school year.

The symposium, entitled, "The Problem of Government in Urban America: The Case of the Twin Cities", will follow six weeks of by the seniors on urban matters. Mr. Heltzer, the social studies teacher in charge, hopes to aid the student in forming definite ideas for the solution of metropolitan problems, and the symposium is one method if doing so.



Mr. Heltzer

Heading the symposium will be such prominent persons such as Kenneth Wolfe, former mayor of St. Louis Park, James Rice, former Chief Assistant to Governor Rolvaag, John Yngve, state representative from the Plymouth area and a former member of the Plymouth Village Planning Commission, Dan Cohen, President of the Minneapolis City Council.

Beginning the symposium at 11:30 on Tuesday will be a film "Cities: The Rise of New Towns." Following the film will be a panel discussion on the question, "Will Minnesota state government be both willing and able to meet the challenge of Minnesota's Urban Problems." Wolfe, Rice, and Yngve will all be members of this panel, as well as St. Paul State Senator Wendell Anderson, Mpls. Liberal Legislator, Dr. John Salchert, Minneapolis State Senator Wayne Popham, and Lake Area State Representative Salisbury Adams.

Following the panel, the seniors will split up into small discussion groups of about twenty students each, at which the panelists will appear to answer questions.

At 8:00 A.M. on Wednesday,

the symposium will resume with a speech by Mrs. Elva Walker, Democratic Candidate for Congress in the Third District in 1966. She will speak on "the Urban Problem and the Federal Response. Her presentation will be followed by a film, Metro-politics-Crazy Quilt of Grass Roots Democracy." Robert MacGregor, Minneapolis Alderman, and 1967 Chairman of the Hennepin County League of Municipalities will then address the symposium on the future of government in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area.

The finale of the symposium will be another set of discussion groups, led by such dignitaries as Alderman Cohen, E.F. Robb, vice chairman of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners, Alderman MacGregor, Ted Kolderie, executive director of the Citizens League, Representative Peter Gillette of the Metropolitan Council, Representative James Dorr of the Metropolitan Council, Alderman Jerry Hegstrom, of the Minneapolis City Council, and others. The symposium will be concluded at 11:00 on Tuesday morning.

## Talented Senior Homemaker of Year



Renee Giebenhain

## U of M Band to Play Joint Concert at WHS

by Jeff Parker

The University of Minnesota's Concert Band Ensemble will be the guests of Wayzata High's Concert band at dual concert to be played February at 7:30 P.M. in the Wayzata Auditorium. The concert Band Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Frank Beniciscutto, is recognized as one of the best college bands in the country. Wayzata's Band director, Mr. Woody Budnick, said their performance at the 1967

National College Band Director's Convention received "rave notices".

Selections to be played include two pieces by Mozart, "The Magic Flute", and Rondo, "Dichotomy" by Donald H. White, and Dave Brubeck's "Two Part Contention."

The Concert Band Ensemble is made up of 50 of the most select musicians at the "U". Mr. Budnick accounted for their small size. "There is a trend today to-



Organization is the key in the Lake Conference Project.

## Council Launches Major Fund Drive

by Gary Midge

The Wayzata High School Student Council is presently concerned with a work project of a grand scale. This project involves the students and the businessmen of our community in a joint effort to raise money for the Save the Children Federation.

The Student Council is asking businessmen in Wayzata and Plymouth to permit students to work for them on a one-day several hour basis.

The students would work from March 29 to April 13, with the wages earned going to the Save the Children Federation. These wages would be tax deductible to the businessmen.

The students' jobs will probably consist of janitorial duties, such as washing windows, sweeping floors, taking inventory, or running errands, and other general unskilled labor.

Save the Children Federation is a non-profit organization which has been involved in helping themselves in Appalachia for the past 30 years.

This organization has provided such basics as clothing and school materials for underprivileged children in the mountain areas of Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia.

So far, support for this project has been generally favorable.

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce President, J.B. Clifford was particularly enthusiastic when he was contacted.

One problem may arise from the favorable support, however. Pat Bauer, Student Council President says, "It looks like the bus-a great deal of support. If this is true, we may not be able to turn out enough students for the available jobs."

Asked for a solution to the problem, Pat stated that "the only solution will be a huge amount of student interest and participation in the project. This we must have if the project is to succeed." The benefits from the project would be more than just helping the Save the Children Foundation. Says Bauer, "we are supporting this because we feel it would involve all types of students, not just a select few."

"It means nothing for students to give what change they have in their pockets, but to give of their time and themselves means a great deal."

Although the work dates are still in the future, the Council will be enrolling students on Monday, February 19.

## Play Casts Announced

by Dave Frost

Forty-four candidates for eighteen parts in three one-act plays presented themselves last week to the directors of the plays, Messrs. Fraser, Anderson, and Danner. After three sessions, the directors announced their choice.

At the try-outs, Mr. Anderson, who will direct "Flannery's Ocean", looked for "natural ability and grace-a gesture with a line." He found what he wanted in Pat Bauer, Cece Hansen, LeAnn Schatzel, Jim Wicklatz, Chris Elde, Kathy Rosen, and Nancy Fraser.

"The Dear Departed", a play to be directed by Mr. Danner, has a cast consisting of Sue Carlson, Sue Wells, Tim Hawthorne, Luke Stemmer, Rolf Yngve, and Laurel Welch.

Mr. Fraser's play, "The Running Tide", has only four parts. They will be filled by Libby Falls, Julie Laven, Tim Garbett, and Steve Betker.



Nancy Van Dusen during One-Act Play tryouts.

## Career Day Features Varied Occupations

by Sue Carlson

The Wayzata Rotary Club, in coordination with the high school counseling department, will sponsor a Career Day session February 7. The session, lasting from 8:30 to 11:00 A.M., will involve grades 10, 11, and 12 in a program of speakers from 65 professions.

The purpose of Career Day is to aid students in planning their careers, to present practical facts on requirements, opportunities and training, and to encourage students to seek more information on possible fields of interest.

Each student will receive a schedule listing topics and room numbers the morning before the sessions commence. At 8:30 the first of three 45 minute conferences will begin.

Career Day was started about ten years ago, according to Mr. Horn, Wayzata guidance counselor who heads the high school's part in the project. The Rotary Club indicated an interest in

starting a program like this, while the counseling department, after taking a survey of the students, decided it was worth a try.

Speakers are called on a volunteer basis and are asked to give first hand information of their occupations. Approximately 30 minutes will be spent on the presentation; the remaining time for questions.

Mr. Horn mentioned that in picking topics for Career Day, "most (kids) put down things they've heard of before." Some of the most popular subjects are aviation, clerical work, engineering, teaching, and modeling. A new comer that has received much interest is the Peace Corps.

Mr. Horn didn't know of too many other school participating in Career Days. Orono and Minnetonka have similar programs but are limited in conference topics.



The University of Minnesota Concert band ensemble.

# In Defense of Me

Recently, this editor was confronted by a middle aged man who told us that the younger generation was a mess, full of irresponsible people, who tried to escape by withdrawing or by using drugs.

We came up with a classic rejoinder, one truly worthy of Tommy Smothers. "O yeah?" we said. As usual, we could not think of an answer at the time. So now we have exchanged our vocal cords for a typewriter (only temporarily, so don't get your hopes up).

When this gentleman (whom we shall call Mr. Jones) says the younger generation is irresponsible, we recognize this as a generalization, and will not point out specific examples of youngsters who have solicited toys or money for some needy child. Feel fortunate that you will not be subjected to that. We, too, will speak generally.

The notion that a man of the older generation could call any other generation irresponsible is highly ludicrous. It should have been brought to Mr. Jones' attention that the real irresponsibility lies with his generation, which, in general, chose not to "rock the boat", but rather to allow such cherished American institutions as segregation and the related cancerous prejudices to exist virtually unchallenged.

It took the members of the present younger generation to motivate the recent fight for civil right, a fight that still goes on today. We think the youth of America far surpasses its elders in awareness and open-mindedness.

But what further enraged us was the fact that Mr. Jones' generation has built the world which forces some people to drop out in order to retain a degree of sanity. This editor compiled a partial list in order to support our contention that the world is in a state of mental collapse. It reads like this: famine in India, Pakistan, Egypt, and China, with the prospect of a great increase in the seriousness of food shortages in the world; economic catastrophe in Britain; unreasoning nationalism in France; paranoid internal struggles in China; "religious" war in the Middle East, and on the Indian subcontinent; "Wars of Liberation" in Latin America; government by racial hatred in South Africa; government by fear in parts of Africa and the Caribbean; government by repression in Eastern Europe, Russia, and Greece; guerrilla warfare in Viet Nam, Indonesia, Thailand, and Laos; and, finally, racial hatred, repression, and war in that paragon of democracy, the United States of America.

And yet Mr. Jones and other members of his generation have the audacity to blame our generation because a minority tries to escape this mess of a world Mr. Jones is handing us.

Because a minority applies its logic to the present situation and decide the best thing to do about it is forget it, the majority is condemned.

Because a minority looks at this man and his world and says, "Take your world and go to Hell," the majority is condemned.

Because a minority looks at the hate and the prejudice that the world is so full of and says, "It's time for a little love," the majority is condemned.

All we can add to that is that the older generation and all its Mr. Joneses are indeed fortunate that they are only condemning a minority. No one knows why the rest of us keep trying.

C.W.B.

# Modular Scheduling Tailored to Student Needs

High school students commonly complain that they should be given greater academic freedom. They seek a wider range of classes, greater flexibility in scheduling, more varied teaching methods, and classroom environments suited to their individual needs.

Unfortunately, most schools cannot allow the flexibility necessary to permit such innovations.

Recently, however, administrators have teamed up with computer programmers and have produced a new system of scheduling. Known as modular scheduling, the method has given administrators a chance to meet the students' demands.

Modular scheduling divides the school day into a number of time periods called modules, some as short as fifteen minutes. These modules can then be combined, with the help of a high speed computer, to provide class periods of various lengths, in a schedule for each individual.

For example, it allows longer amounts of time for laboratory and industrial arts classes, alternating large lecture groups and small discussion groups for humanities and social science classes, and shorter periods for tiring language classes.

Students can be given greater freedom and more independent study, or they can be given individual attention by an instructor, if necessary.

Most important, modular scheduling is suited to the student as an individual, not simply as a member of the student body.

Modular scheduling is still in a more or less experimental stage. It is in use at a handful of local suburban and metropolitan schools. Sometime in the future, Wayzata High School must make a decision either to adopt or to reject the system.

We hope that the administration sees fit to adopt modular scheduling at Wayzata within the next few years. We see it as a progressive, highly beneficial advance in education.

## Movie Review:

# "Cool Hand Luke"— Cinematic Allegory

by Rolf Yngve

"Cool Hand Luke" comes off like a piece of wet felt but leaves like a bombshell. I began to see the movie more and more as an allegory—Christ personified in Luke and how authority steps on the Hero.

Luke (Paul Newman) enters the scene, a member of a chain gang in the South, a nothing. Sent up for cutting the heads off parking meters, he is at first laughed at because of his ludicrous bid for acceptance into the chain gang society. He soon dominates the camp through sheer force of character.

During his quick rise to prominent heights in his society, Luke exhibits undeniable deter-

mination and will, but never becomes more than a loner.

The camp bully, Dragline (George Kennedy), soon takes him under his wing. Luke takes over the camp, every man and dollar won by bets on his miraculous feats. "Nobody can eat fifty eggs!" "My boy can eat anything!" says Dragline.

To this point, Luke is built up artfully and humorously by Paul Newman and the director. When his mother dies, his only loved one and his only real contact with humanity, Luke stops becoming greater personally. He leaves, is returned and beaten, leaves again, is betrayed by Dragline, who left with him, and

is shot in a church.

Luke never believes in God. But Luke performs miracles. Mundanely he eats fifty eggs. More profoundly he unites men, serves as an idol and hero. Luke's existence and Christ's are so parallel that the evidence cannot be placed aside as coincidence. The disciples, the rise to death, the miracles, and the betrayal are undeniable. Perhaps the author and director is saying that Christ was only this—a frustrated non-conformist.

The movie presents a real feeling, leads you up, puts you down, and becomes a thing of importance. Paul Newman as Luke is perfect. See it. It's real, it's good.

# Tonka Code Dropped

by Tim Garbett

"Our dress code is non-enforceable as it exists; it's outdated," stated Mr. Robert Smith, Assistant Principal, and Student Council Advisor at Minnetonka High School during a thirty minute interview January 14.

The dress code Mr. Smith was speaking of was prepared and published during October, 1966, in the rules section of the Minnetonka student handbook, The Navigator.

Commenting on their present lack of a code Mr. Smith said, "Right now we're kind of in the middle with an outdated dress code in the book and no new book." Mr. Smith pointed out that the school's rules are followed to the letter as they appear in the student handbook so that there will be no resentment due to inconsistency or prejudice.

In speculating on how the new code will read when the administration decides on exactly how liberal they are going to be, Mr. Smith predicted it would read, "That students be allowed to reflect their own individuality and taste in their dress and appearance, unless it interferes with instruction, in which case the student will be asked to change."

Another alternative that Mr. Smith offered was, "The student body, the faculty, and the administration have to decide which they want, the only practical thing is to create a standing committee of students, and a standing committee of faculty members to meet and discuss new problems in the code as styles become outmoded, or new garments for or against something arise; the two committees could meet jointly every two months or so."

Mr. Smith, and Mr. Donald Bungum both agreed that there has been no really drastic change in students' appearance. The "Small minority who were breaking the old code by wearing T-shirts and such are the only problems we still have." Mr. Bungum felt that the decline was to be expected in the rebellious element of the school.

In speaking with Chris Humeleker, Student Body President of Minnetonka, this reporter learned, "The girl who introduced the possibility of dropping the dress code was a very quiet girl, Joanne Murphy, and she did it all on her own. No one in the student body asked her to do it, none of the kids cared whether we had one or not, she just got up and asked for it."

October 31, of last year the council there resolved to recommend to the administration that the dress code be dropped from the handbook; a committee was appointed to draw up a re-

commendation, and on November 13, the council voted to submit the document to the administration for consideration.

Both Mr. Smith and Mr. Bungum agreed that it was very likely that the liberalization, which may eventually amount to total elimination, is at Minnetonka High School for good.

# Letter to the Editor Reader Protests Listless Headline

To the Editor:

I was simply appalled by the unglorious head that the Trojans received on the story of their victory over Minnetonka.

You would think that their first win of the year might be something to brag about. "Trojans Trip Tonka, Champions of '65," or something to that effect.

When I saw "Cagers Show Steady Improvement" loom out at me I turned sick in the thought that we lost another one. But, thinking back, I remembered that we beat Minnetonka.

This, my friend, is not a winning title. Instead, it has the connotation of losing a game to a big school, but showing much improvement from the previous loss.

This steady improvement fits the article perfectly, but should only be explained after advertising the victory in the head and the lead.

This is the one mistake that could be missed by no one. The average reader will throw the paper down in disgust when glancing at a head as such,

Doug Daily (12)



by Pat Bauer

On December 11, the Student Council overwhelmingly adopted the Lake Conference Student Council project. As has been previously explained in this column, the project has merchants and residents employing students with general unskilled-labor jobs on a one-day, one-time basis. The students would then donate their labor for a day, with their wages being paid in the form of a check to Save the Children Federation.

Save the Children Federation was selected as the recipient of the project funds because the Council felt that SCF had the most pressing need, of the charities which were considered.

Save the Children Federation has aided those children born into the chronic poverty of Appalachia for the past thirty years. For these children, school represents the only road to steady employment and productive citizenship. They have helped the children by providing adequate clothing and by sponsoring "self-help" programs among the poor.

The initial reaction to the project from the business community has been highly favorable. Jobs are being solicited by Council members for the period from March 29 to April 13. The last week is Easter vacation and it is hoped that more students could offer their time then than during a school week.

# WAYZATAN

We, the staff of the Wayzatan, believe that the purpose of a school newspaper is to serve the student body by reporting the news accurately, by entertaining its readers, by helping to formulate opinions, by promoting better relationships between students and faculty, and between our school and other schools, and by upholding the traditions and ideals of Wayzata High School.

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# Question Of The Week All The Way Around The World And He Landed In Wayzata

by Sheldon Schiebe



As a former New Yorker, Tim Garbett finds a new love in our state, community and school.



Chris Erickson, grade 11, with sixteen years of tremendous experiences behind him, moves on again.

was quite an exciting and interesting thought for Chris. Chris attended R.J. Stevens school while his Dad was teaching at a nearby college. R.J. Stevens school was situated in the mountains and enrolled about 900 students. Chris had this to say about Hawaii living, "It was great living there for two months but after that, it got dull. It's only sixty miles across and after you've been around the island once, there isn't much to see and do."

"Son guess what?" came another voice. It seemed like an "instant replay" to Chris. They were moving back to Wayzata. It was a short stay in Hawaii. They stayed only one year. Chris attended tenth and is now attending eleventh at Wayzata.

Chris's sixteen years have been nothing short of an exciting and rewarding experience. Living in and visiting that many places and meeting that many different kinds of people is quite an accomplishment for a life time. But doing it all in sixteen years is a tremendous experience. It might appear that now the Ericksons will make Wayzata their permanent residence and end their travels.

It hasn't ended yet, though. On January 20, they are packing for Philadelphia where Chris's father will assume a teaching job at Eastern Baptist college. From there a move to Ethiopia, Tunisia, or some other place in Africa can be expected.

We wish the Erickson family the best of luck and possibly see them the next time around, around the world that is.

To be born in Africa, tour Japan and Singapore in a stroller, be nursed from a bottle in Hawaii and have attended six schools before you graduate is quite an interesting life to have lived.

Chris Erickson, a junior this year at Wayzata, has lived anything but a normal life. He traveled around the world before most kids his age learned how to walk. The reason for this extensive travel is that his Dad is a missionary. Rev. Erickson must travel wherever his job beckons him. This has resulted in Chris and his family to travel around the world.

Chris was born and spent the first two years of his childhood in the African jungles. Chris's father applied for a job in the United States and got an affirmative answer to become a minister at a church in Backus, Minnesota. On their journey to the states, when Chris was two, they toured Malaya, Korea, Thailand and Japan. A stop off at Hawaii and then to Backus, Minnesota was the last leg of their journey.

Spending only two years there, Chris now four years old, Rev. Erickson accepted a ministry job at a church in Minneapolis. Corcoran Elementary School is where Chris was enrolled until the sixth grade. Again Rev.

Chris, "Would you believe... Hawaii this time?" To attend ninth grade in Hawaii

## The New And Exciting

Mel Pittel, a 23 year old from Minnetonka, began Apres Ski Tours three years ago and has since enlarged it considerably. He has divided Apres into four sections; one being the high school ski club.

This group consists of all the Lake Conference schools, and various Minneapolis schools. You can join any time of the season for \$3.50 which includes complete insurance on trips and ski instruction. Weekend trips to Lutsen, Sugar Hills, Loch Lomond and Mt. McKay in Canada, Telemark and Indianhead, to mention a few are taken regularly. The prices run anywhere from \$28, for a two day trip to \$37 for a three day trip. This price provides transportation by a greyhound bus, lodging, meals, and tow tickets. All trips are adult chaperoned.

Mel contacted KDWB radio and is having a couple trips advertised. On these trips (one February 23, 24, 25 to Indianhead and Powderhorn for \$37) a disc jockey and a band travel with the group. These trips are open to all Minneapolis area high school students.

This season will be wrapped

up by a six day trip out to Utah from April 5 to the 10. A Western Airlines 720B Fan-Jet at 7:00 A.M. will fly us to Salt Lake City so we can be on the mountain by 10:00 that same morning. Utah's two best ski areas, Park City and Alta, will be where we ski the whole trip. Jimmy Dean proved, last year, that the Ramada Inn, where we stay, is the motel for all the celebrities who come to Salt Lake. \$225.00 cover flight ticket and all other transportation, non deductible accident insurance, tow tickets, and lodging and meals at Ramada Inn.

Mel has asked me to tell you one thing: "On these trips you will not be babysat; most of the time you're on your own and you had better act accordingly." He is also usually emphatic about buses for the trips leaving on time. To prove it, Mel has been left behind twice.

For more information, call Mel or Apres Ski Tours at 866-2568.

## What Does Tim Garbett Have Under His Ski Jacket?



"Who's Tim Garbett?" John Van Huelle, 10.



"A micky mouse T-shirt." Rolf Yngve, 11.



"5,000 back copies of the New York Times." Barbara Ritter.

Waiting For School Buses

## A Slow Burn Doesn't Cause A Slow Death

by Ed Rosenberg

Several words that are most assuredly included in the limited vocabulary of the people of the Land-of-Sky-Blue-Waters are "cold," "windchill," and "sub-zero." Just as the Eskimos of the arctic know only "ice," "sled dog," and "Dew Line," and the Arabs of the desert know only "sand," "camel," and "tank." This obvious lack of vocabulary is believed to be the result of having to stand in the cold while waiting for school buses as children. After having to stand in the cold while waiting for school buses as children. After having brain cells frozen and thawed out repeatedly every day, it is believed, one is unable to consider anything except the existing conditions around him. So, let us have a look at these poor unfortunates forced to ride the bus to school, lacking any form of suitable transportation.

I can see them now, all the wonderful little people of this school, having left their igloos for another stimulating day. There they are, huddled at the corner of the street, as close together as possible in a vain attempt to keep warm. They have been there a mere ten minutes and already, (out of a total of

seven kids) I can count six runny noses, a frostbitten ear, thirteen cold feet, and an unsuccessful heart transplant. Motorists pass this little group off as the crowd from Legion Hall trying to make it home after the festivities of the night before.

The temperature has now reached a day's high of -20 and everyone seems to be warmer. One brave soul even loosened the top button of his coat to stick his head out and look around.

"Hey Fred," someone mumbles from under his coat, "Is the bus coming?" "Yeah. Here it comes now."

Heads pop up everywhere, like wounded soldiers in a trench at last spotting a Red Cross Wagon. No bus is coming, of course. But now that this kid sees he has everyone's attention he decides it a good time to light up a cigarette to impress (and to help maintain his plastic shell of toughness.) But he lights the wrong end and on the second puff he receives a third-degree burn on his tongue, to the delight of everyone present. (But at least with his burn he has something warm on his body.)

The local cynic pipes up, "Where's that bus, anyway," coughing, "It's never here on time."

"It probably wouldn't start this morning," says the information girl, whose father bought her a set of encyclopedias for Christmas (which entitles her to knowledge far beyond her years.)

"I think my ear is frost-bitten!" informs a girl who had recently come up with a Twiggy hair cut, exposing her ears and making her look very much like a boy, (but she is kinda skinny at that!)

Another fellow, whose mind had already felt the effects of today's forecast, deduces, "Hey, I heard of a bus strike around here recently, do you think that could be why the bus hasn't come?"

"That was downtown, stupid," says the information girl, "and besides it ended December 27... or was it the 29th?... the 30th?" Now even her mind is gone.

The bus finally does come ten minutes later. The bus driver opens the door and yells a few orders to those on the bus. They systematically walk out, pick up the morbid, frozen hulk of bodies and stack them next to the heater under the front seat. And as the bus pulls away I can hear the driver mutter, "D--nit, this last stop is usually the hardest to thaw out, too!"

So you can see that waiting for the bus in the morning does have bad effects on one's mind. And if you were wondering why people that drive to school think they're so smart, it's probably because they are. During winter months this school becomes an oven for frozen T.V. dinners. To all those who experience daily the joys of a meat cooler, let me say that my transplanted heart, at this very moment, is bleeding internally for you.

And incidentally, this also solves the mystery of why our state legislators argue over nothing but Sunday Closing Laws all day. They too, must have ridden the bus to school.



Colder than the bus stop . . . a fire drill?



"THE BRITISH ARE COMING!" No, instead it will be "Poor Richard and the Almanacs." They are coming, coming to play at the dance on Friday, January 26, from 9:00 till 11:30. Pizza and coke will be on sale with waiters to serve it. The price, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Door prizes will be given away. Poor Richard and the Almanacs. Left to right: Bill Hanson, Mark Bratten, Ken Kirchoff, Richard Ed, and Fred Gustafson.

# IN THE by JIM SPORIS ERICKSON



You've often heard about, and I'm sure you've often thought about — is Wayzata in the right school conference?

The Lake Conference, of which Wayzata is a member, is the toughest league, by all standards, to be found, in this state if not in the entire upper mid-west.

Academically, the Lake Conference school's rate higher than average. This higher scholastic average can be attributed to better and more highly qualified teachers and the excellent facilities available for learning.

Athletics is another area where the lake conference schools shine. More state champion trophies can be found in the hall cases of schools of the lake conference than of any other conference. Just look at the last two years for example, Edina took the state basketball the past year and apparently is headed for another this year. Hopkins and Edina have taken the state swimming championships the past two years, respectively. Kennedy, of Bloomington, has been the team to beat in baseball, and St. Louis Park is usually top in track. Edina and Robbinsdale share the mythical state football championship and last year Hopkins shared the wrestling crown in State.

My point is clear—that in athletics, the lake conference always dominates those schools listed in the top ten.

## Good Old Days A Long Way Off

Of course, we at Wayzata have got trophies too! 1950-1951, football champs, 1936, football champs. 1951-1952, wrestling crown. These tarnishing antiques remind us of the good old glorious days when as Mr. Manning, the present athletic director at Wayzata, tells me, the only big schools around were Mound, Wayzata, Hopkins, Robbinsdale, Edina, Richfield, Kennedy, and Lincoln weren't even around and Wayzata with most of its athletes, big and strong off the local farms, was a contender for awhile. I must mention the group of boys on the 1959 state basketball championship team at Wayzata. We had a good group of athletes that year, who went against the 2-1 odds of the lake conference, and went all the way.

But what about the present? 1968? Will the next 8 to 10 years of students at Wayzata have to face these larger schools who are academically and athletically stronger?

Wayzata Senior High at present has an enrollment of close to 1,000 kids, and although that number is expected to increase in the coming years, we still will have to compete with schools like Edina, with 2330 enrollment; Robbinsdale, 2700; Richfield, 2622, Park, 2490; Cooper, 2650, and the Bloomington schools, Kennedy and Lincoln, with 2257 and 1850 students respectively.

One example of how this hurts us can be seen at the Junior high this year, where the ninth grade team came in first in lake conference football. Many spectators are thrilled and conclude that Wayzata Senior High will be a real powerhouse in a few years, but they forget that while this group of boys in this one junior high will move into one senior high at Wayzata, teams like Edina, Richfield, and Park have as many as five junior highs all draining into one senior high, thus obtaining a greater selection.

## Music Program Also Suffers

This isn't only true in academics and sports, but applies to drama, speech, girl gymnastics, the choirs, orchestra and band. It is known fact according to Mr. Budnick, the Wayzata Senior High School band leader, that the larger schools in the lake conference require all their band and orchestra members to take private lessons. They can do this because competition is keen among the students.

When asked how he felt on the situation of Wayzata in the lake conference, Mr. Bill Manning, Athletic Director at Wayzata, responded: "Educationally, we just cannot justify competing in the Lake Conference," (referring to the number of highly qualified students, such as the National Merit Winners) "physically, we have many very fine athletes and beyond any doubt if we were in any other conference we would shine in sports. It is not good at all for a school like us to get beaten constantly. It is hard on the coaches and the boys themselves, who are functioning at their very best, but against great odds." Mr. Manning stressed, that by no means is losing the result of or the discredit of the coaches at Wayzata. "The odds are great, sometimes 3 to 1 against the big school," he added. Mr. Manning concluded that: "It would be a fantastic thing to get in a small conference with comparable size and interest."

Mr. Jim Gravan, the head coach of football at Wayzata, commented to the same effect: "It is unfair and educationally unsound to our athletes, student body, and community to be competing in a conference where for us one of the basic principals of interscholastic athletics, namely equal competition, does not hold true.

"There are many nice things about being in the Lake Conference but in the final analysis, if we are really concerned about the welfare and the educational benefits derived from athletics, then it must honestly be said we don't belong."

## Athlete, Alumni Comment

One of Wayzata's very fine athletes, Bob Simmons, expressed the view of the players themselves. "It's just not fair; the boys try hard, but (psychologically) they come to accept losing as the only future." Bob stated, "while we always maintain faith and respect for our coaches, after so many defeats, some of the players may start not believing the coaches entirely. Such as the coaches might say, 'if you do this it will help more towards a win.' Well we try it but it might never work because of the odds against us, causing doubt the next time a suggestion is given Bob concluded, "Even though it isn't fair, I am glad I've been given the chance to play against the best in the sport and I have a certain pride because of this fact."

Lt. Col. Robert Elliot, past student, and coach at Wayzata Senior High in 1947-1949, is presently a member of the Wayzata School Board and an avid sports fan. He has a completely different view

# Cagers Down Kennedy Fall To Richfield, Park

by Dale Swanson

The Trojan basketball team traveled to St. Louis Park Friday and absorbed a 67-39 loss at the hands of the Orioles. Park took an early lead in the game by outscoring the Trojans 15-6 in the first quarter. Wayzata had trouble getting the good shots off and had quite a few turnovers early in the game. At the half the Trojans found themselves behind by 21 points and they never came much closer. The third period was probably the best played for the Trojans, but two key men

fouled out in—Craig McCannel early in the quarter and Bob Simmons late in the quarter. The fouls hurt more, as Don Anderson also left the game with five in the fourth quarter. Bob Simmons was the only man in double figures for the Trojans with 13 points. Don Anderson, with his 13.5 game average, had but eight points for his efforts. Coach Norm Schroeder attributed the team's loss to its poor shooting, but said of tomorrow night's game with the Cooper Hawks, "If we can shoot the way we are capable of shooting, it should be a real fine game." In the last game with the Hawks, the Trojans lost, but the Trojans have improved greatly since then.

Wayzata now stands with a 2-7 conference and a 4-7 overall record. The team will try and even up the score with Cooper tomorrow as the Trojans play at home in a 7:30 contest.



Forward, Bruce Ritche gets off a shot in 53-47 triumph over Kennedy. The victory was the third of the season for Wayzata.

## Cadwallader's

## Injury Adds to

## Wrestling Gloom

by Vickie Churches

On Friday, January 12, the Wayzata Wrestling squad went to Kennedy for the match against the Eagles. The Trojans lost by a score of 28-16.

Roger Jubert, at 86 lbs., was pinned in 1:55, as was Mike Weiland, 103 lbs., in 1:58. Then, Gary Laurent, wrestling at 112 lbs., decided his opponent 6-0. Next, at 120 lbs., Greg Wilson, pinned his man in 5:45. Allen Faue, at 127 lbs., lost 5-2, while Pat Murphy, 133 lbs., won 2-0. The next five Trojans also met with defeats: John Gosche, 138 lbs., 13-2; Brian Henning, 145 lbs., 4-2; Carl Rugland, 154 lbs., 8-4; Dana Kramer, 165 lbs., 5-3; and Greg Smith, 175 lbs., 8-3. Then, heavyweight Paris Getty pinned his opponent in 1:10.

During Christmas vacation, on December 29, the squad went to Owatonna, Minnesota, to compete in an Invitational with seven other schools. Gary Laurent, at 109 lbs., and Greg Wilson, at 112 lbs., both Juniors, took firsts.

Senior and Captain Jake Cadwallader, while leading his man 3-0, suffered a shoulder separation and had to settle for second. Jake will be out of wrestling for approximately 4-5 weeks, but has hopes of being able to wrestle in District competition.

## Icemen Drop To Edina 5-2

by Rich Slothower

The Wayzata Hockey Team has done a fine job this year, even though the team has won only 2 of its 14 games.

The hockey team has had to overcome four major obstacles. First is playing some of the toughest teams in the state, second, the team had to reorganize in the beginning of the year, third, the team started the season with only 2 players that had varsity experience from the previous year, and fourth, when coach Ed Miller was laid up in the hospital until after Christmas.

Even with a record of 2-12-1, the hockey team is getting better. Coach Ed Miller commented, "We're improving with each game we play. The defense are doing better, but the offense could use some work."

The best game of the year was probably last Saturday's game against Edina. Wayzata held the score to 5-2. This is a definite improvement from the first Wayzata-Edina game in which Edina won 9-0.



Goalie Dave Holst blocks shot attempt in loss to Edina 5-2.

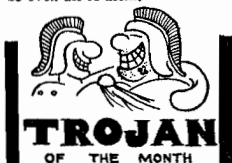
on the situation, "I have the feeling somehow that going for a different conference is the easy way out, not the solution, I'm inclined to be against it. I would rather be an average frog in a big pond than an average frog in a little pond."

"It's not the answer and this doesn't imply that there is another answer. Athletics goes a lot further than winning or losing. A lad going out into the large world today is going to meet many hard knocks and we can consider that we've accomplished something if a lad can go out and take them."

Many people of Wayzata keep one eye on the Valley conference and our neighbor—Orono. Others would like to see complete reorganization of new conferences possibly grouping such schools as Mound, Wayzata, Eden Prairie, and Orono into the same conference. What do you think? Remember, the grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.

A good portion of the credit goes to Wayzata's defenseman who, according to Mr. Miller, "Did a great job in covering up in front of the net and not letting them get good shots."

With only 3 games left in the season, lets hope the team can continue its improving and win one or two, or who knows, maybe even all of them.



Bob Simmons is our Trojan of the month for December and very worthy of the title. Bob, who stands 5'11" and weighs 175, has participated in basketball and football since elementary school.

In football this past season Bob was starting tight end on offense and starting defensive end. Bob always put forth consistent effort on the playing field and was a great stimuli to the team.

Bob has also lettered in basketball. In his junior year he earned his numeral as a starting forward. This year at the same position, Bob plays a hard and intelligent game. His leadership combined with his good playing ability make him indispensable to the team. Basketball Coach Mr. Norm Schroeder speaks very highly of Bob, "Bob has been a very determined player for our basketball team, striving all the time to improve himself. As one of our co-captains of our team, he is showing this determination by his leadership both off and on the playing floor."

Bob's playing ability, leadership, and his good character have gained him the respect of all his friends. We hope that Bob will enjoy another good year in basketball for the Wayzata Trojans.