



Corsica High School

the forum

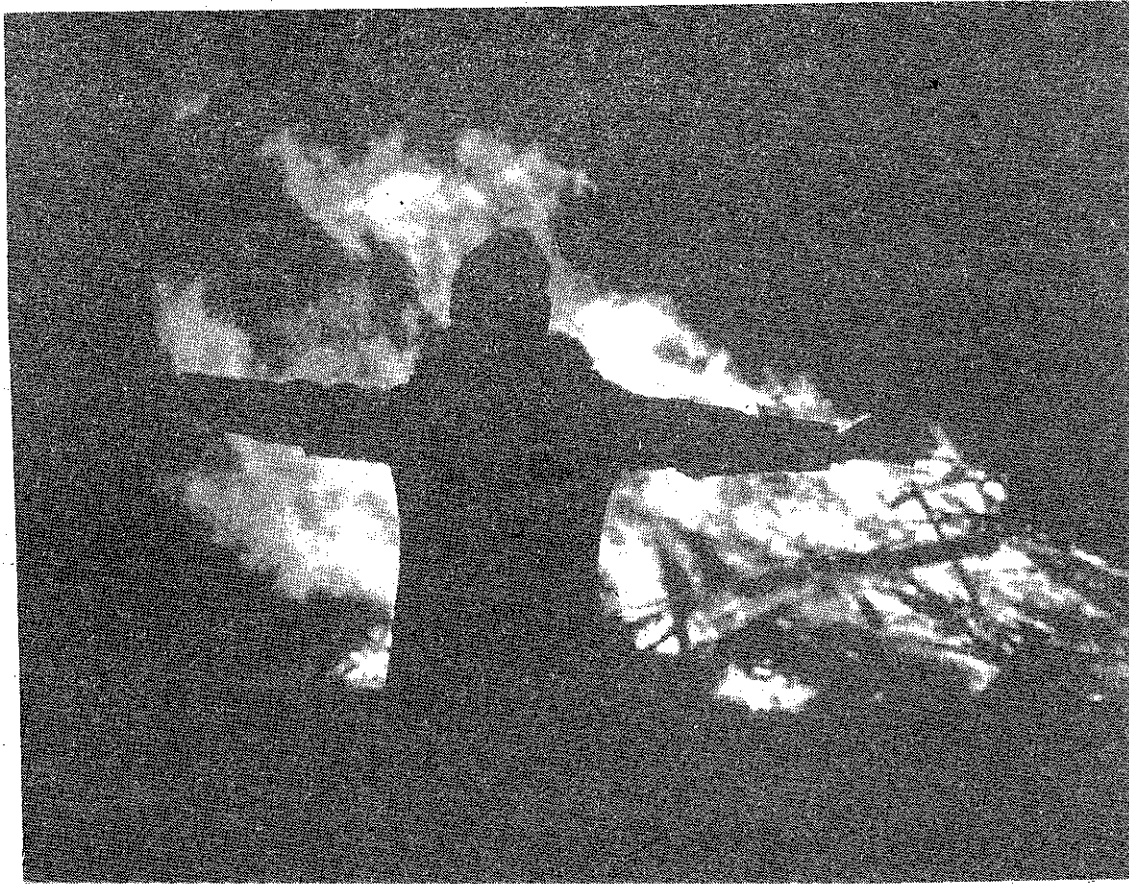
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Parade held at 1:30

Homecoming plans alter



One of the changes in the Homecoming festivities this year will be an open theme parade at 1:30 p.m. rather than traditional night parade.

Candidates for Homecoming royalty will be selected from the senior class by the student body on

Monday. Final selection of the King and Queen will be on Wednesday. Coronation on Thursday night will include a pep rally led by the cheerleaders. After which the cheerleaders will lead the snake dance and bonfire rally.

Friday night the Corsica Comets will battle the Artesian Rams at 7:00 p.m. followed by the dance with music provided by Cal

Noteboom and Duane Vanden Hoek. Mr. Dave Krull, CHS Guidance Counselor, will be disc jockey for the dance and the student council will be providing prizes for the various contests.

Spirit week, September 25-29, will begin on Monday and Tuesday with Star's and Heart's day.

Wednesday will be Maroon and White day followed by Dress-up day Thursday and Grub day Friday.

An unidentified CHS student gives a victory salute. Last year the Comets ran roughshod over

Ethan in a 38-14 Homecoming win. Will results be the same this year?

Magazines sales top \$1000

This year's magazine sales ended with a combined total of \$1,205.76, a \$224.52 decrease from last year.

The juniors took in \$826.07 in magazine sales, and the seniors totaled \$379.69.

The classes will collect 40% of

total sales. This means that the juniors profit \$330.40 and seniors, \$151.00.

Rhonda Uttecht was the top seller for the junior class with \$147.62, and Dwight Plooster was the top seller for the senior class with \$106.13.

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No School

There will be no school on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, Oct. 11-13, because SDEA will be held in Sioux Falls. Many teachers from CHS will be attending, according to Maribeth Hoek, Corsica Education Association president.

Audit report given

House will be repaired

Repairs were okayed for the school-owned house and a preliminary audit report was given at the September 18 school board meeting.

The house located just northwest of the school will have approximately \$4,300 in repair work done according to school officials and will be used as an administration or teacher residence. Earlier, school officials decided the house was not worth repairing and voted to have the house appraised and sold.

The preliminary audit report given by Mr. Gerald Pries, auditor from Parkston, showed some

difficulties in the school accounts such as in a general journal and a general ledger. According to Mrs. Irma Beukelman, school bookkeeper, the ledger and journal will be kept and other difficulties will be corrected.

The audit was done for the school board's use only and will cost approximately \$1,750, according to Pries.

In other business the school approved: the installation of a pay telephone in the south lobby of the school, a Special Education mileage rate of .126 per mile, and the decision to discard some old textbooks.

Seniors will take tests in November

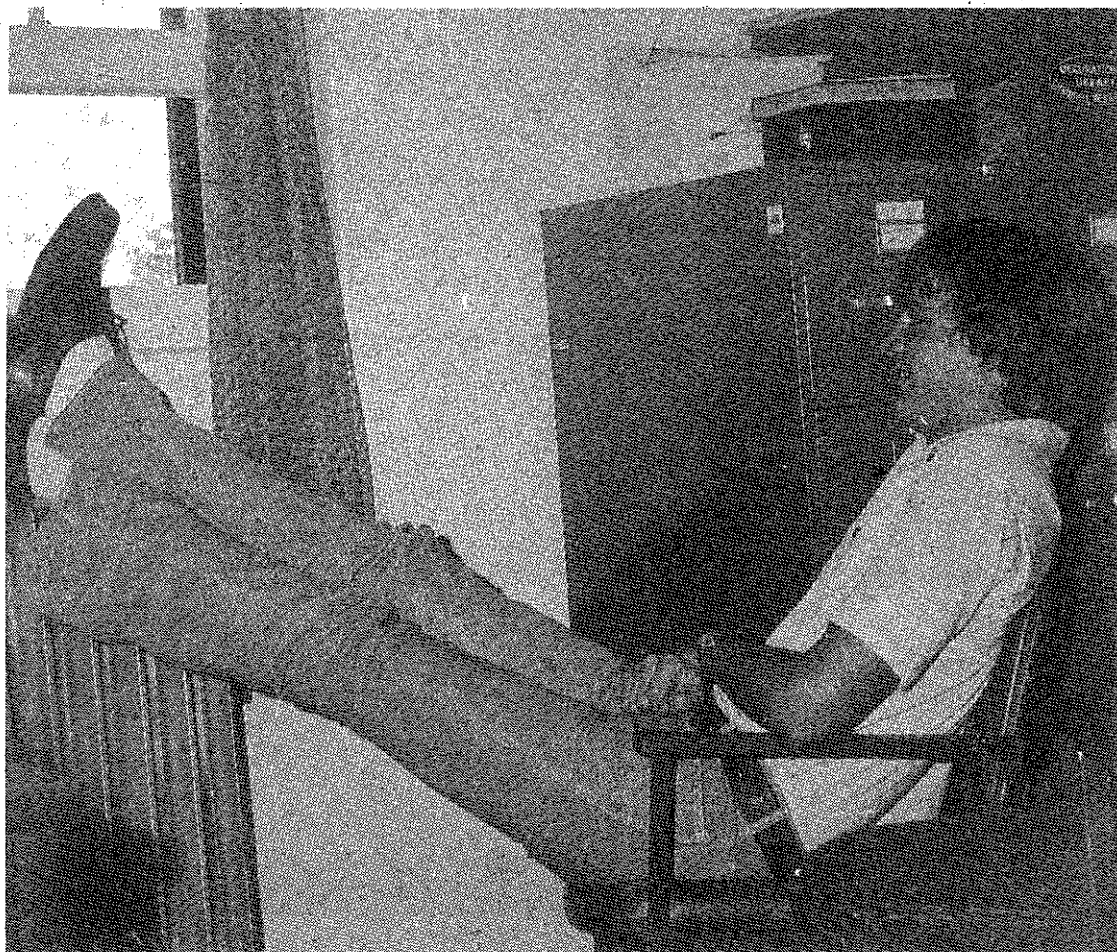
Seniors will be taking three types of aptitude tests for college preparation.

The seniors will take the GATB Test (General Aptitude Test and Battery) in the first week in November from 2:00 - 4:00 at Mitchell Vo-Tech. After the test a tour will be given of Vo-Tech. The GATB Test is taken by students interested in a two year college program.

The ACT Tests (The American

College Testing Program) are taken by students interested in a four year program. There are different test centers and five dates for which to take the test. The test covers four areas: English, mathematics, social studies, and natural sciences.

An Arm Services Vocational Abilities Test, ASVAB, is scheduled for the morning of October 26 in the Corsica High School. It is to test the vocational ability in areas of possible employment for people entering armed services.



Jeff "Bo" Hamburg shoots the breeze during a recent conference with Mr. Krull.

Classes choose officers for this 78-79 year

High school classes elected officers on September 1.

Officers for the 78-79 school term are as follows: Seniors: Connie Everson, president; Sheryl Beukelman, vice president; Debbie King, secretary; and Lori De Vries, student council. Juniors: Cindy Baier, president; Tim Noteboom, vice-president; Marcia Olson, secretary; and Dan DeGeest, student council.

Sophomores: Chuck Noteboom, president; Doug DeGeest, vice president; Laura De Vries, secretary; and Brenda Buck, student council. Freshmen: Kathy Kredit, president; Brenda Uttecht, vice president; Cherie Bakker, secretary; and Jackie Star, student council.

New classes at CHS

Olson and Wieseler direct new editions in curriculum

Two new classes added to the IS curriculum this year are Senior College Prep English taught by Mrs. Shirley Olson and Camera class taught by Mr. Wayne Wieseler.

Senior College Prep English is a 1 credit course which may take the place of regular Senior English.

Olson says "it (College Prep) prepares them for what they have known in college."

The largest part of class time will be devoted to literature in which the students will learn to form their own opinions and be able to make critical evaluations of novels. The students will also be expected to do research papers and improve their general writing skills, Olson said.

Camera class is different from other classes, because a student receives no credit and no grade for his efforts.

Wieseler said "the students are learning about basic camera and darkroom work and will eventually get into commercial, portrait, and possibly infrared and surveillance photography."

Interest by students, according to Wieseler, is why the class was started. Last year he would just send students out to take pictures. This year he wants to give them some reasoning behind what they

do. Camera class will also help him when it comes time to publish the newspaper and the annual.

The school board will reimburse Wieseler up to the cost of photography last year. The cost for any extra work not done for the newspaper or annual will be shared by Wieseler and the students.



Dave Bordewyk

Bordewyk will receive honors in Brookings

All-state Journalism honors were awarded to Dave Bordewyk at the 1978 Publications Institute workshop at South Dakota State University, Brookings, June 4-16.

Bordewyk was selected by the instructors on the basis of journalism work he completed. The first week concentrated on newspaper--learning how to write stories, layout the pages and write headlines. He also wrote for the group publications "Writer's Cramp".

Yearbook techniques were emphasized the second week of camp. Bordewyk said "it was really worth it since I didn't know much about it".

Total cost for the two weeks was \$170 with the school board providing all but \$20.

Connie Everson also attended the two week Journalism camp.

Bond fails

School bond election failed as 71 per cent of the registered voters in the school district voted in the bond election held last Tuesday.

The election was defeated by eight votes. Of 807 votes cast, 476 voted for and 331 voted against the school bond. There are approximately 1150 registered voters in the school district.

The bond election needed 60 per cent for passage and received approximately 59 per cent.

Another school bond election can be held within six weeks if the amount of the bond is raised or

lowered five per cent according to Irma Beukelman, Business Manager. Otherwise, school officials will have to wait one year before holding another election for the same bond.

4 Juniors selected

Council adds members

New members selected for Safety Council are Curt Wagner, Dave Bordewyk, Cindy Baier, and Todd Olivier, according to Mr. Ken Wagner, Safety Council advisor.

Wagner said that the Safety

Council hasn't had boys in a few years and needed to be changed. Sheryl Beukelman, Connie Everson, and Debra King are the seniors on the Safety Council.

The members will be attending the Safety Council Convention in Pierre, October 23-24.

Corsica annuals arrive late

CHS annuals were distributed to students on Monday, September 11, arriving 50 publishing days later than the deadline date.

The last deadline, when all the pages were to be ready for printing as May 15. However, events like Awards Night, graduation, and late track meet occurred after its date. Stories written on these events could not be completed until June. The staff lost fifty publishing days, which is the number of days

after publishing date times number of pages to submit.

With a new darkroom installed in the home of Wayne Wieseler, CHS Journalism teacher, the time lost in meeting the deadline dates will not be as great. "Last year we had to wait up to two weeks to get pictures developed, but now they can be developed in two hours," Wieseler said.

"I am really happy with the annual. I think the annual is headed

for an All-State Award," Wieseler said. "The layouts were excellent and very few headlines were close to poor. The pictures were good and the theme was well executed."

Complaints about the quality of the annual were few, but some did feel there was too much copy and not enough pictures, Wieseler said. Those who liked the annual, he added, were impressed with the sports scoreboard, senior pictures, and cover.

During the year, the Safety Council will have a bike safety program in the elementary grades and making advertisements for sports activities programs. The Safety Council will also be writing articles concerning car safety for the local paper and washing car windows.

To be or not to be,
don't ask me.

Large percentage vote in school bond election

The school bond election, as you already know, failed by eight votes. 476 voted for and 331 voted against the bond. The election needed 60 percent of the vote cast but received only 59 percent. There are approximately 1150 registered voters and only 807 voted.

The School Board has three options open concerning the building of a new school. First: they may raise or lower the bond by five per cent and float it in six weeks. Second: they may leave the bond the way it is and run it again in one year. Third: they may drop the plans for a new school.

People are apparently for the plan of an entire school according to the nearness of the vote. The Journalism class feels the School Board should raise or lower the bond and rerun it in six weeks. The class feels this way, because the bond nearly passed the first time and enthusiasm is still there for the new school.

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Page 6 and 7 - Curt Wagner and Delton Dockendorf
Page 8 - Cheryl Bamberg and Rhonda Uttecht

Close to the earth

As you probably have noticed already, the school newspaper has taken a format change for this coming year. Through the efforts of the Journalism class and School Board, new standards have been set for this publication.

The first major change was renaming the paper from "The Corsica Comet" to "The Forum". Since there was a change from mimeograph to offset printing, the editorial staff felt a name change was in order. The visual difference in the newspaper called for a new start. Another reason for the name change is that the school yearbook is also named "The Comet." It was time to distinguish between the two for the students and for state Journalism competition in Brookings.

Last year, the staff had a difficult time in publishing a decent looking paper. The mimeograph machine just wasn't dependable enough for producing a bona fide newspaper. The total cost to the school system will be approximately \$700. This is somewhere between \$400 to \$450 more than the cost last year.

The last reason for the change was the need for more class time for other projects. Last year too much time was spent on newspaper which cut into the regular class work and the production of the school annual. Since Journalism is considered an English course with credit, the Journalism Class will be able to spend more time on the study of Mass Media Theory.

With these changes, "the forum" staff hopes to produce a better newspaper that is a voice and reflection of the happenings in Corsica High School. This, in the end, is the true essence of any publication.

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Yearbook enters contest; awards to be given at convention

Corsica's "Comet" yearbook will be entered in the South Dakota High School Journalism contest and the results will be announced at the convention in Brookings on October 7.

Morning of the Press Convention will consist of the session where Dave Bordewyk will receive his all-state award. The

afternoon will consist of seminars on yearbook and newspaper conducted by members of the South Dakota High School Press Association.

Members of Journalism class attending will be Bryan Bakker, Connie Everson, Tim Noteboom, and Dave Bordewyk; and advisor Wayne Wieseler.

DeGeest suggests handbook changes

Physical Education and Athletics now count as credit towards graduation for students at SIS according to changes made in the 1978 handbook.

These changes were suggestions by Principal Vern DeGeest and approved by the school board. DeGeest said these changes were necessary in running a school.

Other handbook changes are that a student is required to carry four

full credit courses a semester for eight semesters instead of four credit courses for four years.

Last year if disciplinary action was taken against a student, the student would be suspended from school. This year students will be suspended from classes but required to come to school and work with the principal.

DeGeest said other changes will be made and will follow the same procedure.

Found Poetry

Art of Work?
Be an artist! Making
picture pretty salads
Tasty and attractive.
Turn radishes into roses
You'll find it's twice as fun
as going to the market.

--by Cindy Baier

Taken from a cookbook



SIS students take time out from their classes to eat lunch.

Club elects officers

Pep club officers for the coming year were elected at the first Pep Club meeting September 12.

members help when it is their turn.

Football team wins 2

Officers elected are: President Sheryl Beukelman; Vice-president Connie Everson; Secretary-treasurer Cheryl Bamberg; and Student Council Representative, Rhonda Gruenewald.

The Comets football team is 2-1 with wins over Mt. Vernon, Kimball and a loss to Woonsocket. Leading the team in rushing with 248 yards on 52 carries is Rod Van Roekel followed by Troy Noteboom with 140 yards on 31 attempts. The team's average is 5.1 yards on 112 carries.

Requirements set up for Pep Club members this year are: 1) you must attend at least one game or match a week. 2) There will be a sign and skit committee. Committees will be set up and the

Tom Dockendorf completed 15 of 36 attempts for 289 yards with five interceptions. Tim Noteboom is the leading receiver with 166 yards on six receptions for a 28 yards per catch.

Wrestling Schedule

Wrestling schedule was released by Coach Dan Backlund for the '78-79 season.

Nov. 30 - White Lake

Dec. 11 - Mt. Vernon

*Dec. 12 - Platte

Dec. 16 - White Lake Tourney

*Dec. 18 - Wagner J. V.

*Jan. 9 - Kimball

Jan. 11 - Woonsocket

Jan. 13 - Woonsocket Inv.

*Jan. 16 - Andes Central

Jan. 18 - Mitchell J.V.

Jan. 20 - Wessington Springs Tourney

Jan. 23 - Parkston J.V.

Jan. 25 - Wessington Springs

*Jan. 30 - Mt. Vernon

All home matches will start at 7:00 except for Platte.

* - Home matches

Work on new track and field just begins

Though work on the new track and football field was okayed by the school board at the May 8 meeting work has just begun months later, Supt. Neil Hall said.

The school board made the decision to apply weed killer to the track and opened bids for water line and a sprinkler system.

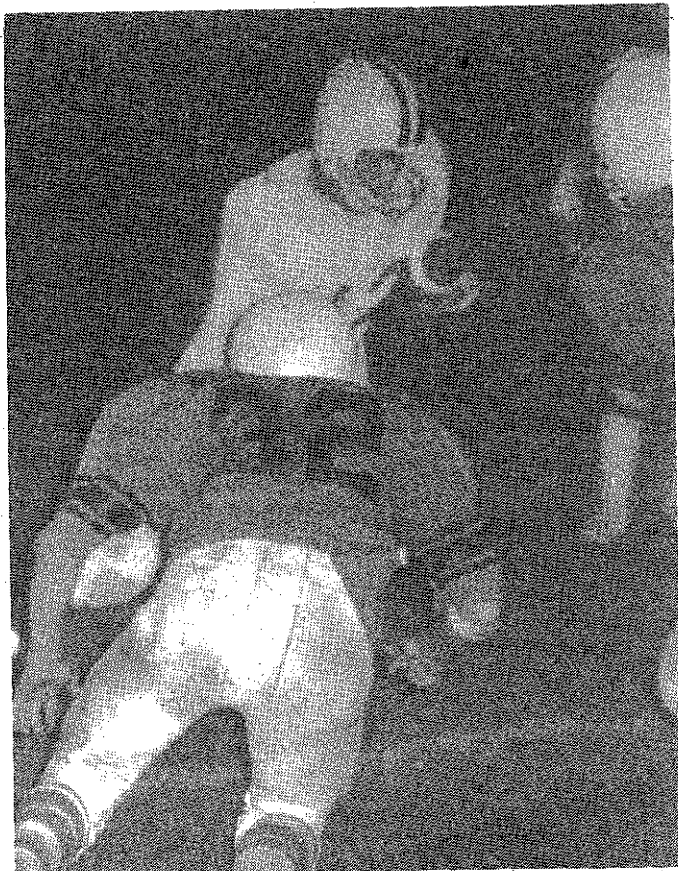
The football field was mowed by Corsica Cenex on Sept. 9. However, no other work has been done on the track, according to Richard Adams, Cenex manager. Alvin Van Zee received the bid for putting water lines to the field, but he has not started digging the trench.

Gas company - get the lead out of your gas.

Rod Van Roekel dashes by two Mt. Vernon players and rambles for a 48 yard touchdown. Van Roekel rushed for 151 yards as the Comets crushed Mt. Vernon 44-6.

Despite the late start, work on the track is to be finished this fall, according to Hall. As soon as the weeks are killed and removed, he said, a fine layer of gravel can be applied to the track.

This will take cooperation from everyone, Hall said. "We would like to get volunteer help so we can get it done".



Girls lose two in opening season

Offensive leaders for girls basketball are Cherie Bakker with 13 points and Renee Peters with 11 points per game.

They also lead in rebounding with 13 for Peters and Bakker with 11 on an outing.

The team is shooting a 31 per cent from the field and 29 per cent

from the free throw line. They have accumulated 78 rebounds so far this year according to the stats.

They have played two games so far, one with Delmont Wildcats and the other with Kimball Kiotes. The next game will be with Mt. Vernon on the home floor tomorrow night.

wrestling cheerleaders quit

After the wrestling cheerleaders were selected last year, three girls have dropped out. The girls that will be cheering this year are Judy Olawsky, Marcia Olson, and Rhonda Oster. The girls that quit were Lynn Van Roekel, Brenda Zomer, and Shelly Beukelman. They were going to have tryouts over, but only one signed up, so tryouts were canceled.

"I wish some girls would go out and help cheer on the guys," said

Marcia Olson, wrestling cheerleader. "Just think how the guys are going to feel."

Six girls attend cheering clinic

Six cheerleaders attended a clinic instructed by the South Dakota State University (SDSU) cheerleaders on the campus in Brookings on September 2.

Those attending the Clinic were Lynette Olawsky, Lori De Vries, Rhonda Uttecht, Marcia Olson, Laura De Vries, Lori Gruenewald, and Mrs. Shirley Olson. Their expenses of \$4.00 per person were paid by the school.

The clinic was held one day from 8:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. and the cheerleaders learned new jumps, stunts, and cheers.

trouble in so many schools

is that girls are still the

most important subject.

**A special thanks to
all Music Boosters for the
fine band overlays.**



Brenda Uttecht shows her form as she shoots a jump shot over a

Kimball player. The girls however fell to the Kiotes 59-24.

Coming Events

- 26 - Girls Basketball here against Mt. Vernon, 6:30
- 29 - Football here against Artesian, 7:30
HOMECOMING
- 2 - Girls Basketball here against Geddes, 6:30
- 3 - Girls Basketball there against Stickney, 6:30
- 6 - Football there against Ethan, 1:30 p.m.
- 7 - State High School Press Conference at Brookings
Blue and White Day in Mitchell
- 9 - School Board Meeting at 7:30
- 10 - Girls Basketball there against Artesian, 6:30
Teachers meeting at 3:45
- 11, 12, 13 - SDEA at Sioux Falls (no school)
Days of legal discontinuance
- 17 - Girls Basketball there against Ethan, 6:30
- 19 - PTO and Music Boosters meeting, 7:30
- 20 - Football there against Plankinton, 7:30
- 24 - Girls Basketball here against Letcher, 6:30
- 26 - ASVAB tests to Seniors
- 27 - Football here against White Lake, 7:30
End of first nine weeks
- 31 - Girls Basketball there against Plankinton, 6:30

43 students tryout for Swing Choir

Swing Choir tryouts involved 43 high school students, according to Mrs. Maribeth Hoek, music teacher at CHS.

Tryouts for positions in Swing Choir were held the second week of school. Those selected were:

Cheryl Bamberg, Sheryl Beukelman, Lori De Vries, Renee Peters, soprano; Nancy Spaans,

Carmen Zwart, Suzanne Fisher, Brenda Zomer, alto; Mark Bormann, Jim Beukelman; Doug

Olivier, Doug Beukelman, tenor; Curt Wagner, Brad Zomer, Jerry Beukelman, John Engelland, bass;

Brenda Uttecht, piano; Connie Everson, bass guitar; and Tom Dockendorf, drums.

This year alternates will trade off and be able to sing more. Alternates are: Jackie Star,

soprano; Shelly Beukelman, alto; Lowell Groeneweg, tenor; Kevin Fey, bass.

Swing Choir practices regularly for coming events such as Christmas, Spring, and Pop concerts, the vocal contest, and the Corn Palace Festival.

Band members to march for homecoming

Band members, for the first time, will be performing a halftime routine at the homecoming game on September 29, according to Miss Marilyn Smith, band director.

The band will also be marching in the homecoming parade on September 29, and Dakota Wesleyan University Blue and White Days in Mitchell, October 7.

The DWU parade will start at 10:00 and there will be an afternoon football game which the band may attend free-of-charge.

Twelve Corsica students tryout for State Chorus

Twelve students from Corsica High School will be trying out for All-State Chorus this year.

The 1978 South Dakota All-State Chorus will be held at Rapid City, South Dakota beginning Nov. 3, 1978.

The best vocalists from participating schools in South Dakota make up the Chorus.

Mrs. Maribeth Hoek, vocal instructor, is helping the students with the music. The students participating must memorize "O Music Thou Noble Art" and "Give Me Jesus".

The tryouts will be held at the end of September and a music

instructor from another school will judge the tryouts.

Olson heads drama, declam

Drama and declam will be headed by Mrs. Shirley Olson, English teacher at CHS.

Three students attended the first declam meeting called on September 13. Connie Everson, Marcia Olson, and Ione Star will be able to participate in one of six divisions: memorized orations, serious interpretation of drama, serious interpretation of prose, poetry reading, humorous reading, and duet memorized interpretation.

The District contest will be held in Platte between October 23 -28.

This fall Olson will be directing three one-act plays to be presented in early December.

A three-act play will be presented in the spring. Olson said

that she would like to present it in April, but will have to work around

other activities.

She will also be taking a humorous one-act play to the Division One-Act Contest which will be held January 15-20.

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Life is a poster

so hang it up.