

Will Host Student Council Convention "Live, Learn and Lead" To Be Theme

The Missouri Association of Student Councils will be holding its annual spring convention March 16 and 17 at Southwest. As both the president and host of this convention, the school must be the outstanding example of convention goals—strong leadership ability and an efficient, effective student council.

On March 15 and 16, representatives from student councils all over the state of Missouri will be arriving in Kansas City. There will be three delegates from Southwest.

A stimulating day and a half of tightly scheduled activities awaits the seven hundred convention delegates. Discussion groups and speakers, a banquet and dances—all are included in the program.

Announce Theme

"Live, Learn and Lead" (the convention theme) is the topic on which most speeches and discussion groups will be based. Distinguished speakers include Mr. W. Lawrence Cannon, Mr. James Hazlett, Mayor H. Roe Bartle, and Mr. Van Pool, executive secretary of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

An interesting panel discussion has been arranged by the American Field Service, New York office. Leadership and problems facing individual student councils will be discussed in workshop sessions. The very important election of next year's state officers will take place. Friday night of the convention will be the climax with a gala banquet and dance to be held at University of Kansas City's new Student Union Hall.

Appoint Chairmen

Convention committee chairmen are the following: **Programming and Kit, Steve Woods, Dick Fogel, Andy Hoffman; Housing, Emily Rich; Publicity, Craig Lewis; Entertainment, Mary and Margaret Daley; Food, Francie Feild; Registration, Jeff Hantover; and Hospitality, Terry Hoyt.** Others interested in taking an active part in the convention should watch the homeroom bulletin for announcements concerning the establishment of more committees.

Every student at Southwest is asked to do his share for the convention by housing an out-of-town guest. Emily Rich, EM 1-3683 and Mrs. Young, DE 3-9712 are in charge of the arrangements.

With the help of every student, Southwest can be "the host with the most."

Five Girls Join TAMS

TAMS stands for the Teen Age Monitor Organization which consists of high school age boys and girls interested in the education of those children handicapped by deafness, mental retardation, or cerebral palsy. This group, sponsored by the KU Medical Center, is interested in helping these children to a fuller, happier life, by assisting the various community program centers in existence.

Five girls from Southwest, Linda Ferguson, Marie Muft, Janet Nussbarn, Marilyn Packard, and Cathie Simmons, belong to TAMS. The program began early in October with a series of talks by doctors and teachers on the handicapped. These consisted of a demonstration of teaching children with cerebral palsy, teaching the deaf, helping the mentally retarded, films on epileptic seizures, and many other problems concerning handicapped children.

This program began in Johnson County but has now spread to Kansas City, Missouri. The group is presently enlarging its original plan of a few talks by having more discussions and inviting many new members. Last summer many helped at Swope Park Camps, the Cerebral Palsy Day Care Centers, Cripple Children's Nursery, and many other centers. In the future, some may help by babysitting with the less fortunate children.

Red Cross Officers Begin New Duties

The 1962 Red Cross Council will be capably led this semester by Carolyn Bufton. "Buffy", is well qualified for the position as she has participated in a great many of the Red Cross activities. She has been on the Executive Board and was Parliamentarian of the Council last semester.

Assisting Carolyn as Vice-President, is Frank Bysfield. This new officer is well qualified for this position, as he has proved by skillfully performing the duties of last semester's Sergeant-at-Arms.

Rhonda Bloom, an industrious worker in the Red Cross field, will serve as secretary. Sunny Yeddis, who is to assume the office of treasurer, has been on the council four semesters, thus having a good idea of the way the Red Cross functions and the amount of money it needs, to support its activities.

Rick Jeter has promised to keep the council orderly and business-like through his office of Sergeant-at-Arms.

Maritza Amadori was elected to the office of Parliamentarian. She is greatly interested in the council's work, and she plans to spend her time assisting it in any way possible.

Cozad to State Contest

"Three down—four to go," represents the contests Woody Cozad has won and the ones he can look forward to.

Early in December, Woody won the school oratorical contest for which he was awarded a twenty-five dollar savings bond from the American Legion and a chance to



MR. LEONARD WESTERN, Southwest's drama coach, congratulates Woody Cozad.

complete in the next contest. In mid-December he competed at Bishop Hogan for a bronze medal and the right to compete for the city championship. Southwest's and Bishop Hogan's oratorical contest required every competitor to have a six minute prepared memorized oration. Woody's subject title was "The Constitution—The Foundation and Fortress of Freedom."

On January 19 at the World War II Memorial Building he gave the same oration. He was then told to have prepared within six minutes a speech lasting from four to six minutes on Article III, Section I of the Constitution. No notes were permitted. He was awarded first place and received a fifty dollar savings bond and a silver medal.

By winning the City contest, he was given the right to go on to the zone contest to be held in Maryville, Missouri, on February 7. The winner of this contest will compete in the state finals, after which comes the regionals.

The American Legion Oratorical Contest began in Missouri twenty-five years ago. It met with im-

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LOOKING AHEAD

- Feb. 2—Pep Club Westport at Southeast
- Feb. 6—Student Council Red Cross
- Feb. 7—Literary Societies
- Feb. 9—Pep Club Philharmonic assembly
- Pem-Day at Pem-Day
- Feb. 10—Southeast at Southeast
- Feb. 12—Sachem sales

Operetta Rehearsals Begin Select Operetta Staff, Cast

This year's cast for the operetta has been chosen, and the hard-working stars have started to rehearse. In the male lead Tom Cummings and Larry Hill will share the honors as Francis Villon, while playing opposite them as Katherine, Ardyce Chinnery and Jill Edmisson will star. As Guy Fabarie, Andy Campbell has been cast for both nights. Huguette will be played by Phyllis Clay and Chris Paterson. Woody "Finian" Cozad has the part of Louis XI and the captain of the Scotch Archers is Kim Judd. Gimme Lemmon, in the role of Lady Mary, assures this reporter that **The Vagabond King** will be a smashing success.

Since the cast has started rehearsing, the all-important behind-the-scenes people are in action. The student director, Martha Groening, has chosen a competent staff to handle the various jobs. Assisting her as secretary is Linda Gay Nelson, who is also student accountant. The important job of business manager has Frank Loeffler's attention. In charge of ticket sales is Sandi Logan, who hopes for a sell-out both nights. The advertising committee has Cindy Rowan at its head. The programs will be handled by Martha Woodmansee. The prompter is Paula Borenstine, who is also in charge of make-up. As dialogue coach, Dana Mindlin will be working along with the cast. The stage manager is Staley McDemet, and the property manager is Judy Ann Nelson. The house manager, who has the job of choosing ushers, is Marcella Nagelwoort. The art work will be handled by Ricky Ulrich and photography will be done by Charles Perry. Wardrobe, cast party chairman, and choreographer have not been chosen.

Creative Writing Booklet Includes Work of Two

Southwest is the only high school in the nation to have the work of two students published in the Creative Writing booklet published by **The Atlantic Monthly**, national literary magazine. The poetry of Ben Achtenberg and an essay by Sherry Ruskin are printed in the pamphlet issued last month.

"City Poems" by Ben placed second in the national contest, and "Saint Joan," Sherry's essay placed fourth. There were 665 entries in the poetry section and 453 entries in the essay. Their contest material was chosen from regular class work in the Advanced Placement course in English last year by the instructor, Miss Virginia Welch.

Ben is a student at Harvard university, and Sherry is continuing her work at Smith college. Publication of their winning material in this type of booklet is an honor few high school students receive. Judges for the contest are outstanding authors and critics.

IN THIS ISSUE

A special page for all parents is scheduled as a supplement to this issue of the Trail. Announcements of meetings, speakers, scholarship dates, and other important events are given. Students and teachers will find page three of interest, too.

Elect New Student Council Officers Hope To Put New Ideas into Effect

After two weeks of vigorous campaigning, Student Council elections were brought to a close January 22. Paul Pritchard, newly elected president, and his fellow officers look forward to achieving the various goals presented in their platform speeches.



WISHING PAUL PRITCHARD A SUCCESSFUL TERM as Student Council president is Steve Woods, first semester president, (left center). Officers who will assist Paul include: (left to right) Larri Dean Lewis, Howard Brown, Harriet Wadsworth, Susie Bauer, Cam Schutte.

Officers Outline Plans

Harriet Wadsworth as Vice-President, will revise the activity point system wherever necessary, clarifying the functions of this system to Southwest students. She has also presented the plan for a school-sponsored textbook sale.

Treasurer Larri Deane Lewis hopes to put excess school funds to use fixing the athletic field and installing wall mosaics. In order to increase the treasury, a carnival even is being organized. Secretary Susie Bauer, Sgt.-at-Arms Cam Schutte and Critic Howard Brown, along with the previously named officers, will perform the difficult job of keeping Student Council meetings orderly and efficient, and keeping the entire student body informed of its functions.

The new President, Paul Pritchard, states, "I wish to thank my fellow students for the confidence shown in me. I hope this confidence will continue, and each student will do his part to support the Student Council."

Suggest New Ideas

During this semester, the student government will promote school pride and the continuation of Southwest's high grade level, consider possible amendments to the constitution, and sponsor top level assemblies with such outstanding groups as the President's Navy Band.

Interview Gov. Dalton Discuss State Issues

The establishment of a system of junior colleges to alleviate the strain on the state universities was proposed by the Honorable John M. Dalton, Governor of Missouri, in a press conference for area high school journalists on Sunday afternoon, January 28, at the studios of the KMBC radio station.

Eighteen questions were answered during the half-hour taping; and Bobbie Basin, Andy Hoffman, and Tom Turner representing Southwest, asked three of them.

The Blue Laws, federal aid to education, the gas tax, mental health, and many other issues were discussed in the playback of the tape on KMBC radio, the same evening. This meeting was the second in a series of high school press conferences sponsored by the station to encourage interest in current affairs, and to aid in the improvement of interview techniques.

Variety Highlights Concert

The 1962 annual concert by the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra will bring with it an unprecedented large variety of musical compositions. The program of the concert, to be held at Southwest on Friday, February 9, will include arrangements by such great masters as Bach and Beethoven; Bach's "Come Sweet Death" and the Storm Piece from the third movement of Beethoven's "Sixth Symphony." For those who prefer semi-classical music, there will be a number of waltzes by Prokofieff and Galop, and the "Roumanian Rhapsody" by Enesco.

The modern portion of the program will consist of two numbers. Kit Kubis of Southeast and Daria Clark of Shawnee Mission North will share the guest honors as they collaborate to present "Concerto for Two Trumpets" by Vavaldi, while Judy Goodson of Raytown High School will be the guest soloist, presenting MacDowell's "Concerto in D Minor for Piano and Orchestra."

These yearly concerts are designed to present a rounded program of symphony music for the students of the Kansas City high schools for their enjoyment. The Philharmonic Orchestra also presents weekly programs at the Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium, Connoisseur concerts on Saturday evenings, and has just begun a series of Sunday afternoon "Coke Concerts" to give school students a better insight into the inner-workings of a Symphony Orchestra.

Tennis Pro To Speak

An outstanding professional in one of America's fastest moving games, tennis, will soon be in Kansas City to speak before the Southwest tennis club and any other interested students. Earl Buchholz of St. Louis, one of the nation's top players, will advise future "pros" as to the finer points of the game.

Any of the twenty-seven members of the club could brief one on the history of their sport. A game which originated in England in 1874, tennis came to America and was first played in Rhode Island in 1875.

Today, several championship cups are available. The Davis cup, first awarded in 1900 and the Mrs. George Wrightson cup are both greatly sought after prizes.