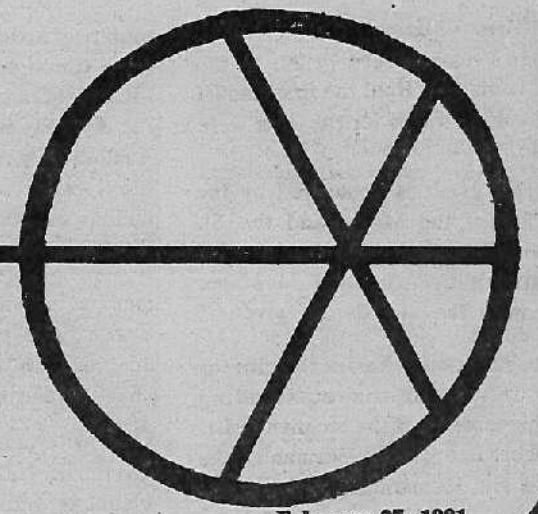


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Sommer-Berra Debate — Almost

By Susan Martin

"First of all the job of Comptroller would be a great pleasure, 'cause I'd get to work full time in city government — full time in city politics. That's part of why I'm running — 'cause I happen to love politics and love this city, and happen to think it's very important for people who want to work for some changes and improvements to get involved in city government. I'd be so turned on and excited about the opportunity to work full time that it would be difficult to imagine what problems I would personally find in making changes." This statement by Bruce Sommer explains his motivation for running for the office of Comptroller.

When asked to define the job

Sunday Recycling Success

By Jeff Koenigs

"It was a big success," says J.R. Gorg, and Upper School recycling member. He was referring to the newspaper drive held on Sunday, February 22 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The newspaper drive was held so that the big red container could be filled. It was given to the Crossroads Recycling Center free of charge by Alton Boxboard. Only if it is filled to capacity once a month will it remain free. The container holds about 20,000 pounds.

When the container is filled to capacity, Alton Boxboard will pay Crossroads Recycling somewhere in the area of about \$300. This money will be re-invested in the Recycling Center.

The Crossroads Recycling Center would like to give special thanks to Nordman Printing Co. who contributed 2000 pounds of paper and to all the parents and students who helped in filling the container. The Recycling Center was glad that this paper drive was so successful, but hope the next paper drive, which is on March 22, won't be because of a panic to get those papers in right away.

If everyone brought in 10 pounds of paper a week the container could be filled more quickly. Also if you have a little extra time after school or on the weekend the Recycling committee could use all the help you can give.

of Comptroller, Sommer said, "The Comptroller really has two major jobs, one very much financial for doing the books of the city, doing the accounting, reporting to you how the money got spent. The other job is much more of a policy job, and that's being on the BEA (the Board of Estimate and Apportions) and working with the Mayor and the President of the Board of Alderman, deciding what the future directions of the city will be and how the money ought to be spent." Sommer felt that two kinds of backgrounds that are prerequisite for a Comptroller to have. "It really requires two kinds of backgrounds, two kinds of experiences. One in finance and one in government. I happen to be the only candidate who has studied both areas. I'm also the only candidate with any experience in the same things the Comptroller has to work with." One of the reasons Sommer thought he should be supported was simply, "You should not vote for Paul Berra." In explanation he

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Bruce Sommer, candidate for Comptroller, defends views while Thomas Ernst and Arthur Lieber look on.

And Where Was Berra?

By LaNelle Coleman

As word passed that Paul Berra was not coming to the debate, a look of doubt passed through the room. Instead, spokesman, Tom Ernst, was present to speak for him.

After the debate, Ernst commented he had no idea that Paul

Berra was supposed to show up. He said that Ricki Fettershoffer, a Berra campaign aid, told him to be at Crossroads at 6:30.

Arthur Lieber, Director of Crossroads, said final arrangements for Berra to come to the debate were made as early as Feb. 12. Final confirmation was made Monday

morning that Berra would be here.

After the debate took place, when talking to Ricki Fettershoffer on the phone to say we were under the impression that Paul Berra was coming, we were told Berra's schedule just caved in.

Each speaker was given a chance

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Somebody Is Helping Crime Victims

By Andrea Willbert

Deborah Ritcher, a caseworker from the Victim Service Council came to Crossroads to talk to the Upper School about dealing with crimes. The Victim Service Council is a free public service which offers information, practical assistance, and supportive counseling to victims of crime in St. Louis County.

The Victim Service Council was started four years ago, by the National Council of Jewish Women, St. Louis Section, who realized the special needs of victims of crime. It began with only one staff member and a one room office but has expanded so much that it is now located at 7900 Carondelet Ave. on the third floor of the St. Louis County Courthouse in Clayton, Missouri. As a special service to its citizens, the St. Louis County Government assumed the funding of the agency in 1980.

The goal of the Victim Service Council is first, to help victims of crime deal with and overcome the short-term and long-term problems

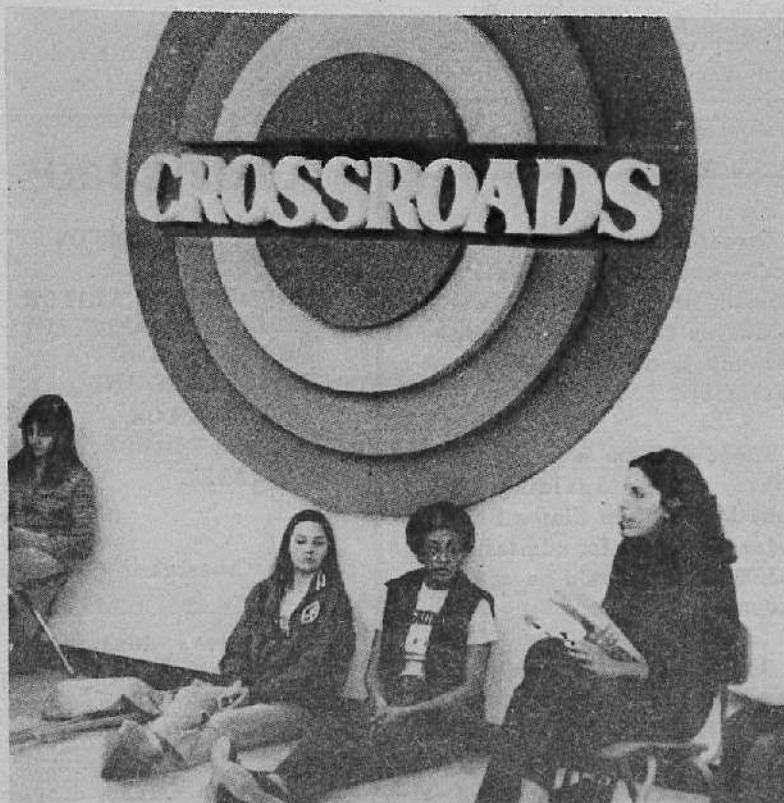
caused by victimization. Second, to increase the responsiveness of the criminal justice system to the needs and concerns of victims. And third, to develop the awareness of the community at large to crime-related issues.

The victim Service Council accomplishes these goals by helping those who have been physically injured have suffered a financial loss by giving them the needed assistance in obtaining medical care, helping to replace personal papers filing for insurance claims, or arranging for emergency food or shelter.

The Victim Service Council staff and trained volunteers are able to assist with these and other crime-related concerns and problems.

Victim Service Council offers information about law enforcement agencies and provides answers to questions about prosecution and court-related matters. The staff and volunteers are available to

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Deborah Ritcher, talks to students about the Victim Service Council.

Photo by Vess Williams

Awards For The Arts Received

By Vess Williams

On Friday, February 20, at the St. Louis City Hall, the first annual Mayor's Awards for the Arts were held.

This event is sponsored by the Office of the Mayor and the St. Louis Commission for the Arts and Humanities. According to Mayor Conway the awards are given to

recognize, on behalf of the citizens of St. Louis, the outstanding achievements of the recipients. Dr. Robert Bannister, chairman of the Arts and Humanities Commission,

was reported as saying, "We hope that the Mayor's awards will not only focus attention on the accomplishments and contributions of the recipients, but also the many shapes and expressions of the artistic impulse available in our city."

The awards were delivered to six recipients. The first one went to the Monsanto Fund for its record of support of cultural programs in the metropolitan area. Next on the list was the Zeta Sigma Chapter, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority for giving support, encouragement, and recognition to the black com-

munity of artists and arts organizations (through its "Black History Literary Contest", "Afro-American Arts Festival", and "Personal Achievement Awards"). Morton D. May was also honored for his lifelong commitment to the arts in St. Louis (as an artist, collector,

member of many arts institutions Boards, and patron). Next of the honored was the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra for providing St.

Louis with the grandest in orchestral music. Next honored were Bob Fishbone and Sarah Linquist (On The Wall Productions) the creators of twenty-four outdoor murals over

the past six years. Last was Leo Cheers, who is known throughout the area as "The Man in the Red Vest", honored for his contributions to jazz in the area. He has an

evening radio show on WMRY-FM, and makes frequent appearances as master of ceremonies at jazz performances, and his daily jazz News Report.

To all the recipients congratulations and good luck with the rest of your careers from the Chronicle Staff.



Mayor Conway gives awards to Sarah Linquist and Bob Fishbone

Photo by Vess Williams

Conway Talks on St. Louis

By LaNelle Coleman

"When you finish the first term everything is not completed. We've done a lot of things these past four years and we want to see them completed."

These were the words of Mayor Jim Conway as he spoke to me in his office during a recent interview. He had been giving a short summary of why he was running for re-election.

"We (St. Louis) have had the second highest award for importing and exporting goods in the United States. Most of the improvement is because of the effort we've made to help St. Louis. There are more jobs now, we are accelerating in helping small and medium businesses, and there are six hundred more businesses (with employees) than there were four years ago."

When asked if he was satisfied with taxes Conway stated, "We have reduced property taxes twenty-six cents per one hundred dollars of assesses valuation." He went on with a few other examples of lowering, and trying to lower, taxes, then ended with the simple statement, "We have lowered taxes."

Overcrowding of jails is not only becoming more apparent,

but is also getting closer and closer to a crisis. Conway said he had wanted to expand city jails earlier. He feels there is a need for safe facilities for dangerous criminals and the overcrowding isn't helping. Some of the reasons for the overcrowding were explained by Conway.

"Some institutions are under court order to have a limited number of people. Crime is another reason. Both put the systems in a crunch. It would take about a year or a year and a half to complete a jail addition."

Conway realizes crime in the St. Louis area is an issue and says his administration is trying to do something about it, even as he pushes in the legislature for more control of the police budget. "We have tried to get more police officers on the street," he said. Conway feels that although they have created special units and put many officers behind desks, police on the streets as peace officers would be the best bet.

In response to a question about the problems City Hospital is reported to have with air-conditioning, Conway replied that he doesn't feel there is a problem.

"City Hospital has air-conditioning. The problem, if any, is

permanent wiring. Half of the wiring is temporary and half is permanent. They are replacing the temporary wiring with permanent as the money comes in to do so."

Conway says the reason for the closing of Homer G. Phillips Hospital was that the city couldn't afford to continue to run two facilities.

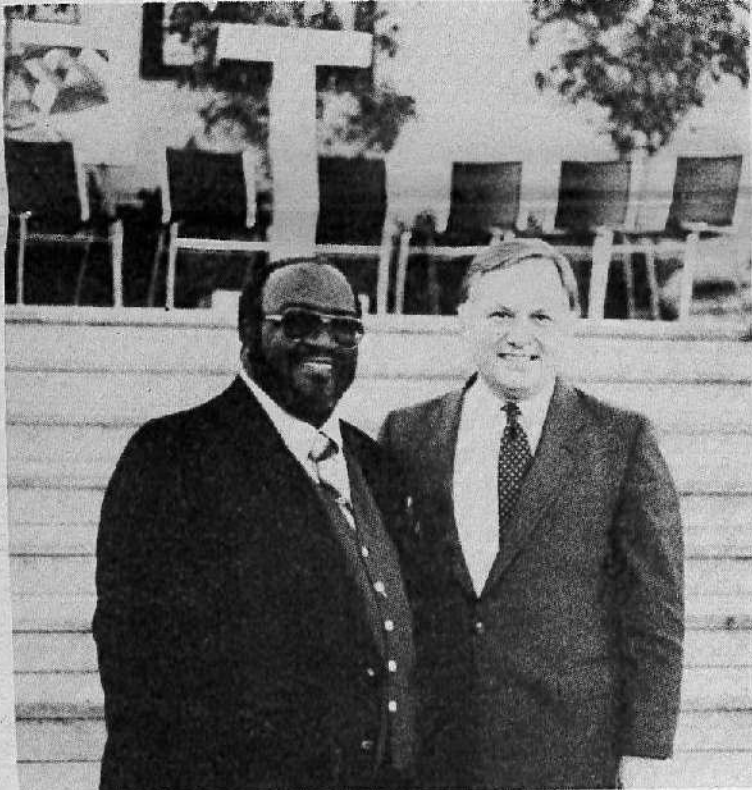
"We were operating two half-full hospitals," he said.

The administration concluded that there had to be an elimination of one of the hospitals. And after research found that City Hospital would be the best choice to remain open.

"Health-care delivery is expanding," Conway concluded.

To Schoemehl's accusations that Conway could have done more to prevent General Motors Corporation from moving its plant, Conway stated, "I don't believe anybody could have done more than the city of St. Louis (did) to try and stop GM from leaving...GM was impressed."

Conway does not feel private schools are undermining the public schools. He feels private schools can be an asset to the public education system because of the competition, and private schools are welcome in education.



The honored Leo Cheers poses with Mayor Conway.

Photo by Vess Williams

Calendar

Crossroads School will host a pro-con nuclear debate between David Harris and Charles Proctor on Friday, March 6, during all school assembly.

There will be a racquetball party at the Spalding Racquetball Club in Claton, Friday March 6. Price for admission is \$5.00 and it should be a great success.

On March 22 there will be a paper drive at the Crossroads Recycling Center. It hopes to be as successful as the previous paper drive. Everybody's participation is appreciated.

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Georgia Buckowitz Talks About Forest Park

By Susan Martin

"The park is there for people to use, not to inconvenience them," says Georgia Buckowitz, Director of the Parks Department. She was responding to a question about the proposed Master Plan for Forest Park, developed by Team Four under a contract with the Community Development Agency. But the plan is not likely to come to much, Mrs. Buckowitz said. For one thing, the Budget of the Draft Plan in 1980 is \$33,597,167.

"There is no plan to pay for it," she said, "There's no money available." She further explained that the designers were probably hoping for block grants or federal funding. When asked about her involvement with the plan, she stated, "It was not my idea, I did not ask for it. It's a CDA (Community Development Agency) project.

"There are some exceptional ideas in the plan, but there are other things that have to be done, such as regular maintenance of facilities already in the park," she stated. Mrs. Buckowitz doesn't feel the Reagan administration, with its parade of budget cuts, would effect the Park Department programs too much.

Asked about the highlights of the Draft Plan, Mrs. Buckowitz responded, "The large playground is a nice idea but there's no money for it."

Five more parking lots and a tram service, whose route would

include the core area and major parking lots, are proposed to help alleviate the parking problem. Mrs.

She saw no need for the proposed expansion of Stienberg ice skating rink. "It's already an

History into Forest Park, next to the Planetarium. She saw the two as being well-related and said it

change that," she said.

When asked about the possibility of a restaurant in the World's Fair Pavillion, Mrs. Buckowitz responded, "It's still a possibility. It was my idea. We had to get special legislation passed to expand the length of the lease we could give."

She did not feel that crime was a problem in Forest Park. She stated that less crime took place per square acre in the park in comparison to the city streets. She explained most of the crime in the park involves minor burglary that

people subject themselves to by being careless. This in turn gives the park a bad image.

In response to a question about new signs for Forest Park, (thou-

sands of dollars were spent designing them but they have yet to appear), Mrs. Buckowitz stated that they were waiting for money. "The signs are ready except for fabrication," she explained, "and we're waiting for funding."

Although the future of Forest Park is still uncertain, it is clear that it will remain a park that people can enjoy and that will have many items to offer its visitors. What improvements will be made, what exactly the park will have to offer, and how much inconvenience the improvements may cause remain to be determined.



Georgia Buckowitz, Director of Parks Department.

Photo by Vess Williams

Buckowitz felt that a shuttle bus was not feasible. "When considering families, picnickers and ball players with their equipment, it's not sensible," she said. "You can't control where people park. There would be enough parking if the present parking lots were utilized properly, but people want to be close."

olympic size rink," she pointed out.

Mrs. Buckowitz explained that the proposal includes a plan for enlarging the lakes. "The lakes are already being cleaned and deepened," she stated.

She was in favor of moving the Museum of Science and Natural

was natural for them to be together.

Mrs. Buckowitz explained that the proposed expressway was no longer in the plan, and she agreed with this move. "Most people travel through the park for scenery,

and an expressway which saves about two minutes would not

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Pace: Answer To The Money

By Jill Miyasaka

The most important thing at Crossroads School, next to the education and welfare of its many bright students, is raising money for its numerous expenses. PACC (Parents-Alumni Committee of - Crossroads) has taken on the challenge of this endeavor.

According to Arthur Lieber, PACC has raised \$7,500 — half of the \$15,000 goal — in only half a year. Mr. Lieber said he is pleased with PACC's achievements, and is

delighted with the number of Middle and Upper School parents who are contributing to Crossroads. Middle School parents were asked to contribute \$150, Upper School parents were asked to contribute \$250.

Besides asking for contributions from parents, PACC has also sponsored the play "Filumena", the Duff's dinner, and they held a cookie sale at the Central West End Christmas Walk.

PACC was started last spring

when Arthur and Carol Lieber invited a few parents over to their house to discuss parent and alumni goals and to receive their suggestions.

The committee was formed to raise money for Crossroads School, and to help beautify the outside of the building, according to Arthur Lieber. PACC will also be involved with coordinating volunteer efforts.

"PACC meets every two weeks when there is an ongoing project (like the Duff's dinner), and once a

month at other times," said Lois Miyasaka, mother of Jill, an Upper School student. Mrs. Miyasaka also said every parent is a member of PACC, whether they are active or not.

In the future, PACC will be sponsoring another play, although the date is not definite. Mr. Lieber also said PACC would most likely arrange a benefit movie at a major theater.

Crossroads students owe PACC a great deal of appreciation for insuring their future at Crossroads.

Who Started The Mock U.N.? Just Guess

By Kim Fabrio

In their year at Country Day School, Arthur Lieber and Fred Goldberg decided they would like to see a model United Nations for high school

students.

That was in 1965. Arthur is now director of Crossroads School and Fred is with a law firm in Washington, D.C.

The real U.N. was formed in

1945. Shortly thereafter, college U.N.'s were created. The Midwest Model U.N. met in St. Louis each year; over 100 colleges sent delegates.

Arthur and Fred observed the Midwest Model U.N.'s in the spring of 1963 and 1964. In their senior year at Country Day School they decided that they wanted a Model United Nations for high school students.

In the fall of 1964 Arthur and Fred organized meetings with students from John Burroughs, Mary Institute, Ladue, Clayton High, and Soldan High.

Arthur was President of the General Assembly while Fred was Secretary-General.

Each school took 15 to 30 delegations. Representatives studied their countries through the winter months. In the month of March, 1965, over 250 students from six high schools representing 100 nations met

on a Friday evening and all day Saturday at Ladue High school for the first Model United Nations.

Arthur says, "It was clearly the most positive experience of my high school life. It gave me confidence that I could organize a larger number of people into a working group. We also became much more aware of the challenges of world peace!"

Crossroads Chronicle called Goldberg now a Law Partner for the Latham, Watkins, and hills firm in Washington D.C. He said, speaking of the early and mid '60s idealism, "Such idealism is a corner stone for the survival of human kind. The continuation of the annual Model United Nations reflects a continued faith and hope in the future."

Dear Phoebe

Dear Phoebe,

What do you do when you are having an age crisis? I am fifteen years old, and probably should be enjoying it, but I'm not. Everyone thinks (and treats me like) I'm a sweet, innocent, naive mature young adult. And I'm not.

People think I can do no wrong, and that I have no backbone. I do. It's just that my feelings never get the chance to show themselves.

How can I rid myself of this?
Stereotyped

Dear Stereotyped,

What people think of you is usually based upon how they see you act and what they hear you say. If people see you as a sweet, innocent, naive, mature young adult, you must be acting like one.

So if you do not want people to think what they think about you, you will have to stop acting like the stereotype they peg you as, and act like whatever you really are.

Write your problems to "DEAR PHOEBE". Drop off letters at locker 33 or at the Chronicle office. We reserve the right to censor letters.

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Old Buildings Make New Neighbors

By Alan Duffy

Beginning this April, Crossroads can expect some new neighbors in the apartment buildings just south of the school. The Jefferson Court, Georgian Court, and the Marlborough apartments, all on DeBaliviere between Kingsbury and Waterman, will be ready for occupants beginning April 1, according to Carl Lehni of Pantheon Corp.

The Buildings contain 132 apartments altogether. The rent for the apartments ranges from \$260 to \$300 for one bedroom apartments, \$290 to \$360 for two bedroom apartments, and three bedroom apartments will rent for up to \$425. Before the buildings became vacant in 1976, the rent was \$50 to \$80 a month.

Mr. Lehni said that the renovation

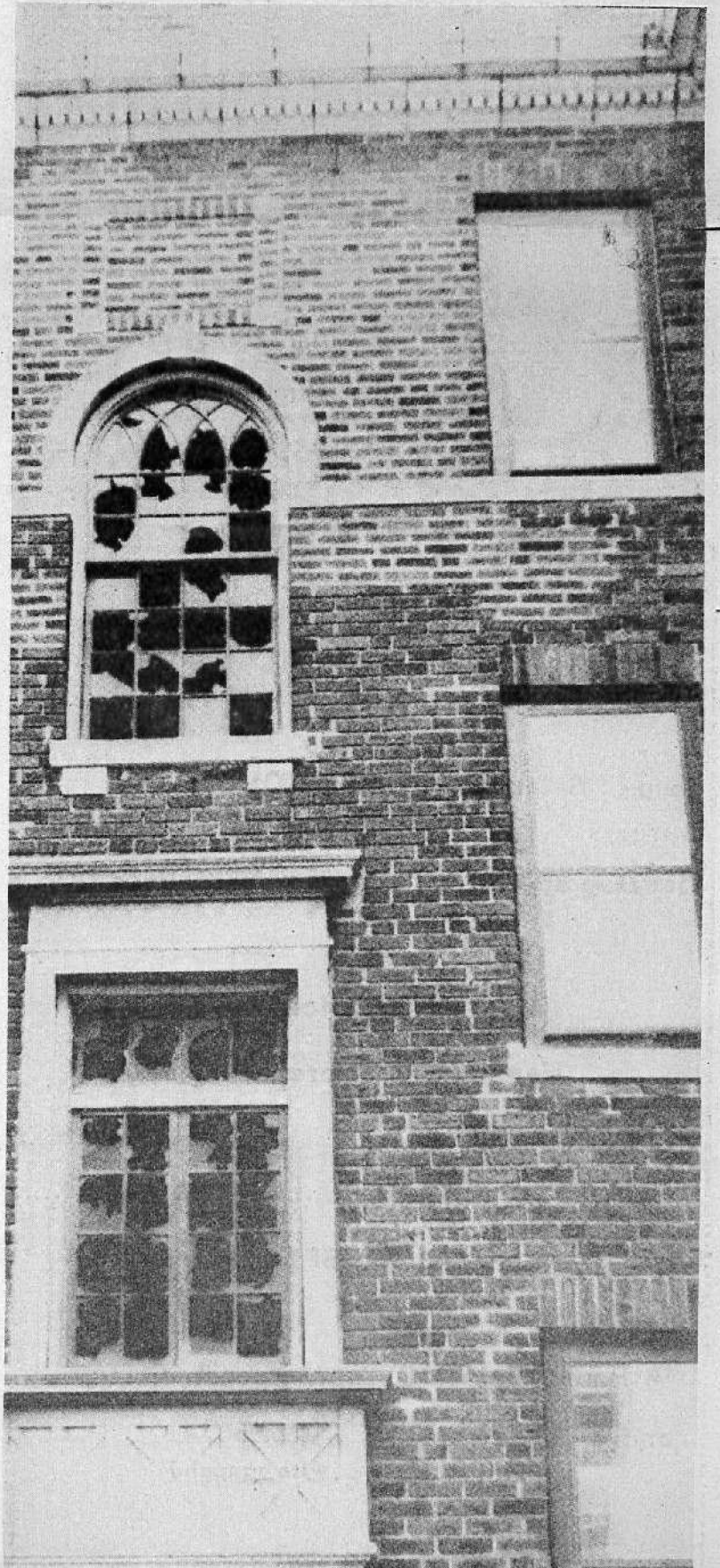
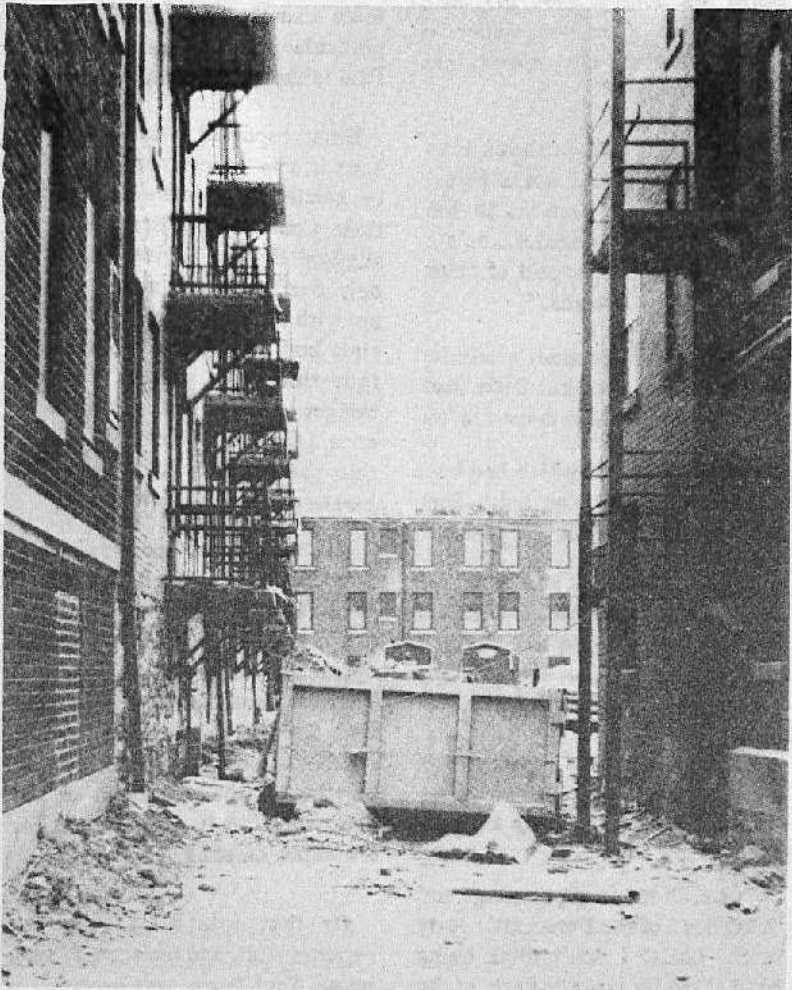
of the three apartment Buildings is the third project for Pantheon in the DeBaliviere area. Pantheon has already renovated over 400 units.

Lehni said that he expects all types of people to be moving into the Georgian Court, Jefferson Court, and the Marlborough. Lehni said that the bulk of the people that live in Pantheon's renovated buildings are in their late twenties and early thirties. Mr. Lehni said that everybody from college students to professionals are moving into the neighborhood. He expects the apartments, which cost Pantheon \$3.5 million to renovate, to be filled with occupants by the end of 1981.

Mr. Lehni said that the decline of the buildings began during World War II when the apartments were divided into smaller units.

The buildings were fairly stable during the fifties and sixties. During this period the apartments were run by absentee landlords. When the apartments began to decline, they were neglected because the landlords were not living in the buildings so they did not care about the conditions of the apartments.

Lehni also said that the other major factor which contributed to the decline of the buildings was the fact that the buildings were run on a central boiler system which became too expensive to operate when utility prices skyrocketed. The tenants could not afford to pay the rent, and the landlords neglected to collect the rent and to maintain the apartments.



Sommer Viewpoint

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 said, True enough, Berra has had twenty-eight years in public office in the city of St. Louis. Now, you tell me what one problem in the city of St. Louis in terms of helping solve them you can connect Paul Berra with, in twenty-eight years. He did not fulfill every statutory and moral requirement for holding public office. These are not my conclusions all you need to do is read the public record." He pointed out that in ten years, Mr. Berra earned zero percent on the tax dollars being held in banks.

"George Lehr also found out that one of the banks he was putting a lot of money into was a bank he owned \$50,000 worth of stock in and therefore he stood to personally profit. If you're in public office you don't do business with yourself. True enough, as soon as it was made public by the Post-Dispatch investigation and following the Lehr audit Mr. Berra sold his stock, bailed out, got out and cleaned up the act and didn't get prosecuted 'cause he was a good boy and acted right.

But the fact that he didn't get prosecuted, the fact that he didn't go to jail only tells me it was the other things that keep a lot of public officials out of jail," he said.

In response to repeated statements about the Post-Dispatch endorsement of Berra, Sommer said, "You've got to keep in mind that the papers have their own self-interest. They're big business. You may believe that they are the speakers of the truth, but believe me they are first and foremost and always have been big business. When they endorsed Mr. Berra they (the Post) spent three paragraphs talking about how great Bruce Sommer was. And at the end the only good they said about Mr. Berra was that he can work with other people."

He said the Post-Dispatch was getting back at him, by not endorsing him, because he did not support a tax break they wanted. "They didn't need the tax break, they didn't need you subsidizing the Post-Dispatch" stated Sommer.

Asked about the unavoidable loss of city revenue caused by industries leaving the area and loss of federal money, and specifically where the likely areas for budget cuts are, Sommer said, "Let me respond two ways, not only the first of all recommending specific ways to do better with less cut back, but I think to be realistic and conscientious about what the city needs we must also talk about how to generate new money. Let me take the revenues first. There is an industry in this city that has great potential for growth and that's the hospitality industry.

The industry that deals with tourism." He proposes, because of the current mismanagement of the convention center, that the city contracts with a private corporation to professionally run the convention center. "We invested your money to build that thing (the convention center) to help the city make a lot more money and we're not doing it. The rate of rebookings is rapidly declining. People don't want to come back."

"In terms of cuts, if we eliminated our patronage offices and created one revenue department in the city, that would conduct the same services if they could operate with half the number of people we currently operate with half the number of people we currently operate with the patronage offices. That's a substantial reduction in our budget needs."

He is a proponent of redeveloping Homer G. Phillips Hospital instead of the current hospital plan. The plan currently being carried out is to operate City Hospital while looking for a building site to construct a new hospital. The construction of a new facility would cost somewhere between \$100 to \$200 million while the rehabilitation of Homer Phillips is estimated at \$20 million.



Bruce Sommer, Candidate for Comptroller

Photo by Marc L'Ecnuyer

Berra's Side

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to explain why one should vote for either Paul Berra or Bruce Sommer. Tom Ernst started with Berra's record.

"Both the Post and the Globe Democrat have looked at all the candidates in this race, and both of them have endorsed Paul Berra for Comptroller. Paul has more experience, is a more mature man, as Art mentioned (fourteen years as City Treasurer); has done a good job, has fulfilled every statutory, moral and ethical obligation in carrying

out his duties as City Treasurer. In addition, he's had many, many years in state House of Representatives. Not just as state representative, but as Chairman of the House of Appropriations Committee. So he's had a great deal more experience in terms of legislation,

in terms of making money, making investment decisions and again, in these hard economic times for the

city, the City Treasurer job. Paul Berra has done a good job, he's earned over 66 million dollars interest. For the city, nobody, has his background."

The second and perhaps less specific reason, Paul works better with all different factions in the city. He's a communicator...he's a leader and he has respect of black and white St. Louisans."

During Bruce Sommer's talk he vividly pointed out that Berra had put the people's tax money in an

interest-free bank, which had been discovered by George Lehr. Sommer pointed out that one of the

banks that Berra put money in was one he owned fifty thousand dollars worth of stock in. He also charged Berra of being the head of the patronage system in St. Louis.

Ernst commented - not necessarily to respond to the charges - but he did want to clarify a couple things.

"One, in terms of patronage and being head of the Democratic party in St. Louis, I don't think being head of the Democratic Party at the

national level, the state level and the local level has done more for working people, and has tried to do more. Maybe it hasn't always succeeded, but has tried to do more. So Paul is head of the Democratic Party, not head of the patronage system. Paul is city treasurer and has roughly fifty employees on the non-merit patronage system. The entire city has anywhere between twelve and fourteen thousand...so fifty out of twelve or fourteen thousand does not make one of political fellows into or malign a fellow because he's head of the Democratic party in St. Louis isn't entirely accurate."

One of the first questions asked from the audience was asked by a student. The question was if the candidates deserve to be in office.

Ernst answered with the statement "He (Berra) has had more practical on-the-job experience. He has been City Treasurer for fourteen years. He did head the House of Appropriations Committee, and Bruce sort of slighted that by saying that Paul only dealt with the city budget. Well, the state budget happens to be about four times the size of the city budget, so he's had more experience. I think at this particular job at this particular time Paul is the better candidate.

Ernst repeated Berra's experience in city government and how he headed the House Appropriations Committee. "Bruce sort of slighted that by saying that Paul only dealt with the state budget, not with the city budget. Well, the state budget happens to be about four times the size of the city budget, so he's had more experience. I think at this particular job at this particular time, Paul is the better candidate.

After Sommer answered the question it was found to be near 8:00. The debate ended at that point, the audience gave a hearty applause and began to disperse. There was some double checking to find out why Berra hadn't come and it was found he attended a 7:30 meeting of the Alderman of the 25th ward but had not stayed for the entire meeting.

On that note the last of the reporters left, and the semi-debate, minus Paul Berra, was over.



Tom Ernst, representative for Paul Berra, debates the issues.

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Midwest's Student Leaders Gather

By Peter Neville

On Wednesday night, February 4, hundreds of high school students from Iowa, Kansas, and Nebraska arrived at the Stouffers Riverfront Towers downtown for a "Leadership Conference". Students from selected St. Louis high schools had spent months preparing for this. Of the students three were from Crossroads; James Abbott, Jill Riley and myself.

By the next morning everyone had arrived. Mike Bailey, math teacher, accompanied the Crossroads students. Unfortunately Jill Riley was unable to attend due to illness. The day's activities began with an urban study of the St. Louis area. This was designed to acquaint the visitors with St. Louis and to better acquaint those who live here with the area. After lunch a very interesting and controversial speech was given by Mister Dick Gregory in which he spoke on a variety of topics from the hostages and Vietnam veterans to harmful consumer products and bed wetting.

The main reason for holding the conference was to make available fifteen different seminars. From these students and teachers could select three that they would be able to participate in throughout the three day period. All of the seminars were concerned with the development of the individual as a leader. There were moral, cultural and political seminars, all of which were excellently taught.

There are many recreational

facilities at Stouffers, all of which were made available to the conference participants. We were given four hours each night during which we could go out to eat or do whatever we wished. The first night there was an excellent talent show put on with performers from the various participating schools. The second night there was a dance with music provided by a live band as well as a disk jockey. The entire experience was one of fun in addition to learning.

The conference was a project of the St. Louis High School Leadership Program of which Crossroads is now an active member. The program is part of the American Youth Foundation; there are many other programs very similar to ours in other cities all around the country, all being part of the A.Y.F., and all constantly working

together. The St. Louis section of the program is financed by the Danforth foundation. The program is made up of mostly public schools, with a few parochial schools. Crossroads is the only non-parochial private school in the

program.

The goal of the entire organization is not to create the leaders of the future but rather to develop those who are leaders into much better leaders. The name we gave

the conference was "What About Us?" a plea for better preparation

for life and development of individualism for everyone, exactly what the program is doing for a selected few.

Help For Crime Victims

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accompany victims to the criminal court hearings and to offer support and assistance during the proceedings.

Practical advice and literature about crime prevention techniques and programs are also provided by the Victim Service Council.

The Victim Service Council accomplishes their goals by doing something that is very unusual for public service centers which are

free. And that is receiving access to police records and contacting victims who are in need of some type of assistance, rather than having the person call the agency.

Deborah Ritcher said that most victims moved after they had been vadalized, raped, or burglarized. Ms. Ritcher found that most of the calls that they had made were to people who had suffered spouse abuse or some other type of abuse.


From personal experience, Ms.

Ritcher said that the time between the crime and the court hearing is the hardest for the victim and his family.

Ms. Ritcher said that the first thing a counselor tried to get across to the victim is that they are not the only person to whom this has happened.

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Crossroads Sports

The Controversial Mr. Herzog

By Keith McElroy

Whitey Herzog has become Cardinal field manager, general manager and a key figure in some very controversial trades in less than one year.

In a recent interview with the Chronicle, Mr. Herzog shared his thoughts on the past season, reasons for trades and what to expect from the Redbirds in 1981.

The highlight or, rather, the lowlight of the Cardinal baseball year came on December 10, two months after the end of the world series. That day marked the opening of the Baseball winter meetings in Dallas, Texas.

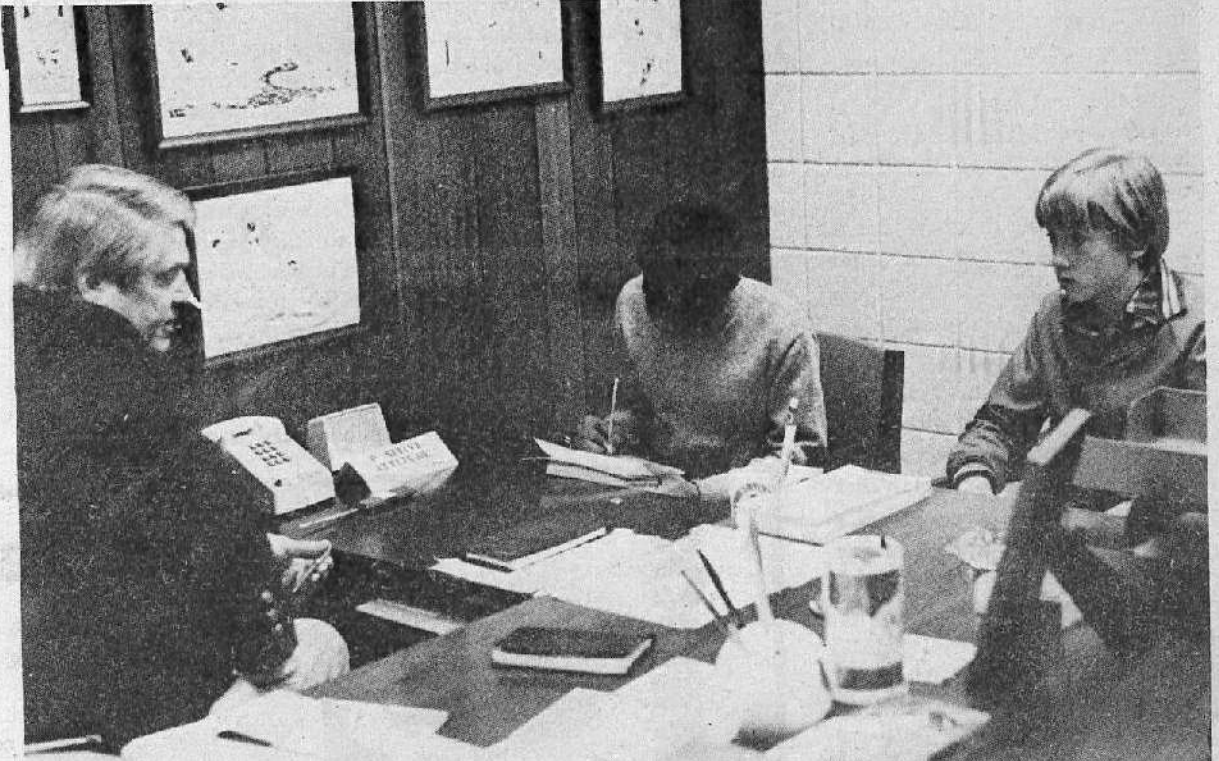
When Herzog came to St. Louis and was named General Manager he said that he was going to make some changes. He wasted no time because soon after the meeting started he announced an eleven player deal had been made with San Diego in which St. Louis received catcher Gene Tennace, pitcher Bob Shirley and relief ace Rollie Fingers. But the Card lost some promising young players like Kim Seaman, John Littlefield and Terry Kennedy. Herzog doesn't think that the loss of Seaman, Littlefield and Kennedy will cripple the club. "With the youth we lost in the San Diego deal, we gained in the Milwaukee trade" he said.

Next the Cardinals signed the ex-Kansas City Royal free agent Darrel Porter which meant the Cards had three high caliber catchers in Tennace, Porter, and Simmons. But the fact was well known that Herzog wasn't going to Spring training with three catchers, which bring us to the Ted Simmons predicament. The week after the

Darrel Porter deal, Ted Simmons was traded to Milwaukee. The press reported that Ted Simmons didn't like moving from catcher to first base. Coach Herzog said that to play first base wasn't the key issue. "He was willing to play first base in a deal we were negotiating with Pittsburg but Ted Simmons wanted more money. The press has drawn a picture of Ted Simmons that makes him look like a loyal player who plays baseball because he loves the game, Ted Simmons plays the game for the money." So the Cards got rid of Simmons as well as Fingers and pitcher Pete Vuckovich in a trade with Milwaukee. Herzog justifies this trade by saying, "Simmons was asking more money, Vuckovich wanted more than he was worth and fingers will become a free next year."

The Cardinals acquired pitcher Larry Sorenson, outfielder Dave Green, and minor league pitcher Dave LaPoint. "I think this was the best trade." Herzog went on to say, "In Lezscano and Green we have two of the best hitting prospects in baseball."

Then Herzog got what he wanted and the whole Cardinal organization needed relief pitching. They got the best relief pitcher in all of baseball in Bruce Sutter. For Sutter the Cardinals had to sacrifice minor league infielder Ty Waller, outfielder Leon "Bull" Durham and Cardinal crowd favorite Ken Reitz. "Leon (Durham) is a great young hitter and we'll miss him but Chicago wanted him. We offered Hernandez instead of Leon but Chicago wanted Durham. And as for Reita he really got the best deal



Above Keith McElroy[center] and Don Ingerson[right] interview Whitey Herzog.

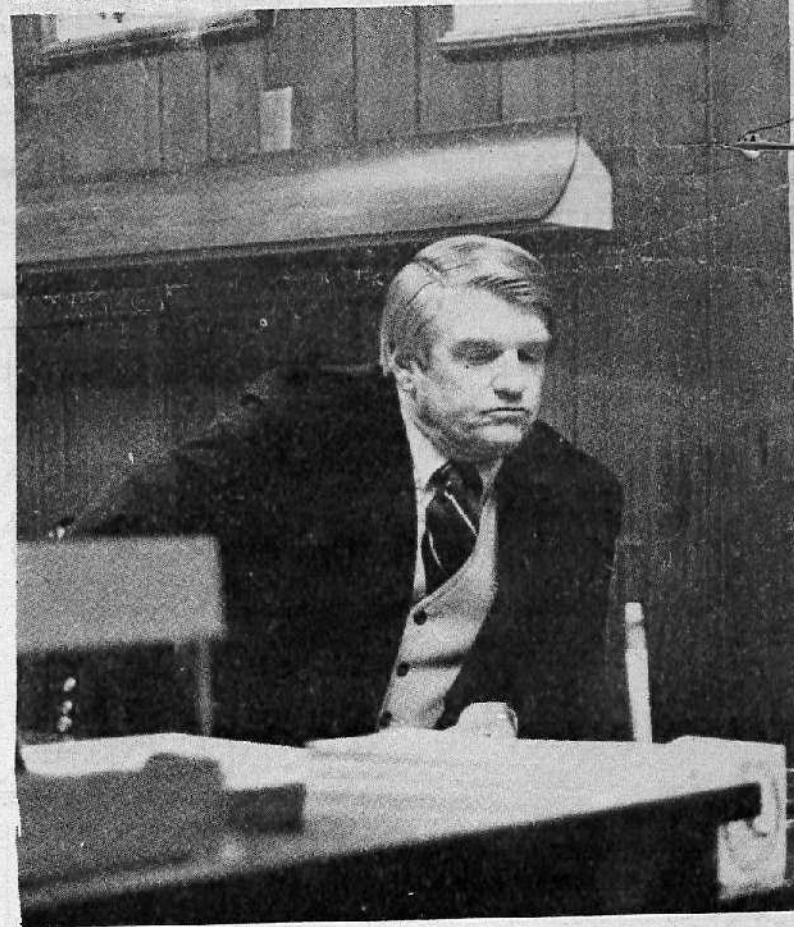
of all because I wouldn't have started him this year (81)."

Anyone who followed the Redbirds last year knows that erratic pitching and untimely hitting did the Cards in. Herzog is looking forward to the '81 season and he says he wants to do a lot more running.

Pitching is a big question mark but Bruce Sutter should give a big boost to the bullpen. The starting rotation also should be stronger than the last year with names like Shirley and Sorenson. However, Mr. Herzog displays a mood of skepticism when the names of Bob Sykes and John Fulgam is mentioned. Both are suffering from arm trouble. Bob Syke has about a 50-50 chance of coming back but Fulgams chances are slim. On the bright side Herzog said that injured pitcher Silvio Martinez should be ready for the season.

There will be some changes in the line up, like Ken Oberkfell moving from second to third base and Tommy Herr moving in the starting lineup. But old Redbird favorite like Gary Templeton, Keith Hernandez and George Hendricks will still be there.

Below, Herzog ponders the answer to a question



Hard-Fought Basketball Game

By Christen Smith

It was a clear sunny day when Debbie's girls basketball team and Louis' boys basketball team set out for possibly the hardest played basketball game at Crossroads this year.

The girls' team had an advantage over the boys' team. The girls had 15 players, teams A, B, and C,

and the boys only had five players. The boys' advantage wasn't noticed in the beginning.

Karen's video class taped this sports event and Jeff Melnick was the announcer.

Both teams played well, but for the girls, that wasn't enough. The final score, the boys 33, the girls 11.

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