The 1957 version of the Southwest tennis team, under the direction of Mr. Close, defeated all comers, thus gaining the fifth Southwest tennis championship! In the short space of two weeks, at the Jefferson Memorial Courts in Forest Park, the netmen racked up all league opponents, winning each match by the score of 5-0. Southwest, Mr. Close has stated, has assembled an outstanding group of racqueteers who collectively average at least two more years of high school eligibility. In the fall of 1958 Mr. Close will face the loss of only two members of the championship squad. They are three year man Gene Ziervogel and Alternate Rich Gephardt, while the other "old man" of the squad, Steve Bryant, will be entering his third and last year of competition. The rest of the squad shapes up this way. At first singles, outstanding young Cliff Bucholz, who received his first letter. Tyler Hauk gained his second monogram while holding down second singles. Bryant saw action at third singles, while Jim Nelson, in his second year, teamed with newcomer Ron Moehlenhof to pace first singles. Ziervogel's partner, Art Ruff, will be back at second doubles after two years of experience and looking forward to two more. Coach Close comments, "Winning the championship was a great thrill. Next fall we will need two replacements, and I'm hoping to see hot competition for the two spots." These spots should be well worth fighting for. The Roundup predicts another championship for Coach Close and his squad and extends its congratulations.

Tennis

Coach: Mr. Close



Southwest5	Soldan0
Southwest5	Sumner0
Southwest5	McKinley0
Southwest5	Cleveland0
Southwest5	Roosevelt0
Southwest5	O'Fallon0
Southwest5	Central0
Southwest5	Beaumont0