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Rutgers Prep Plans Memorial For Dr. Morton

by Robert Nashed

Dr. Jack A. Morton, the late president of Rutgers Preparatory School's board of trustees, will be honored posthumously by the school this fall. The memorial will take the form of a Japanese cultural exhibition in the Rudolphs Memorial Library.

Dr. Morton was a devotee of the Japanese people and a connoisseur of their culture. He was interested in Rutgers Prep because of a cultural link between that school and the Japanese people. In the 1880's, a college preparatory program for Japanese students was conducted by the missionary board of the Reformed church, in conjunction with Rutgers Preparatory School. The exhibit itself will be basically a ten foot by six foot shelf area which will provide space for books and other cultural materials. The shelves will reflect the Japanese architectural style. They will be located in that corner of the library which is now occupied by part of the periodicals shelves.

The exhibit will also have a Japanese painting and a small but tasteful commemorative plaque. The projected completion date will be sometime in September. Most of the exhibit will be composed of cedar from the Rutgers Prep woods.

In his professional life, Dr. Morton was an eminent figure in his field of electronic engineering. Among his contributions to an ever growing field were extensive research in the field of radar, and participation in the development of the transistor. At the time of his death, he was vice-president of semi-conductor research for Bell Labs.

The exhibit is financed by contributions from engineers of the Nippon Electric Company Ltd. They wished to express their admiration for a most distinguished colleague. The contribution amounted to two hundred and ten dollars.

As of the time of this writing, early to middle August, the books for this exhibit had already been ordered by Mrs. Von der Porten.



Tennis courts are almost complete as of August 24, 1972.

Prep Gets Courts!

by Kathryn Pierson

It is located up on the left-hand side of the art building and has green fencing surrounding it. It is encircled by trees and shrubbery to barricade the wind. IT is our new tennis courts. Four big courts are available for use.

At last word, the schedule was set up as follows: Mondays and Wednesday for girls; Tuesday and Thursday for boys, leaving Friday unoccupied. To resolve this unoccupancy an intermural tournament of mixed doubles seems to be quite conceivable.

The Athletic Department hopes to alternate grades five through twelve, during the fall and spring, giving an opportunity to many, if not all, to use the courts. This would take effect on the week beginning the 21st.

Mr. O'Connell says the courts will become a kind of Prep community whereby students can invite their older brothers and sisters. The possibility of having a mother-daughter; father-son tournament has been mentioned.

The team set-up will differ somewhat this year. The girls will have their own team.

It will be coached of course, by Mrs. Leone with a little help from Mr. Chamberlain and Miss Eveland. The boys' team, like last year, will have Mr. Chamberlain for their coach.

After a three-and-a-half year battle, with conflicts about funds, the courts are finished. The ever-growing student interest makes it all a worthwhile investment.

Parents Association Plans Special Bazaar

by Ernie Renda

Remember in all the old Walt Disney movies that, no matter

what, there was always a county fair, or a carnival, or a bazaar? Well, welcome back to the gay nineties because coming this October, our dear old Prep is going to have one of the most exciting Bazaars ever held in Somerset County and it's only our first.

The Bazaar will have everything guarantee chairwomen Mrs. Paulus, Mrs. Chanin, and Mrs. O'Connell, fundraisers extraordinaire. Everything includes a White Elephant Sale and a Silent Auction, with books, toys, flowers, jewelry, knick-knacks, and odds and ends; loads of food, such as Gourmet dishes (Chinese, Italian, Hungarian, and countless other ethnic variations) and of course, good old hot dogs, hamburgers, ice-cream, and soda.

For amusement there will be thrilling rides outdoors, and an exhibit of handicrafts by five guest craftsmen; a potter and a silver jeweler from New Hope, a leather craftsman from Flemington, a candlemaker and a handicraft store owner. But what definitely has to be the biggest plus of the Bazaar will be the Prep Booth, a strictly "Prep" enterprise selling Prep sweat shirts, T-shirts, and jewelry.

I was also informed by Mrs. Paulus that Prep double knit jackets can be ordered at half price. So if you feel very enthusiastic about helping in a great happening, contact any of the three co-chairwomen of the Bazaar: Mrs. Elsie Paulus — 844-2797; Mrs. Alice Chanin — 469-6470; and Mrs. Peggeen O'Connell — CH 6-2916.

Prep Hires Mr. Bannon, As Mr. Morrill Leaves School

by M. G. Borras

Mr. James Morrill, who taught science at Prep for four years has left the school. Mr. Morrill has obtained a similar position at the Hotchkiss School in Connecticut. He will begin teaching at Hotchkiss starting in the fall of this year.

Mr. Morrill taught biology and chemistry while at Prep, and he occasionally helped out with eighth grade general science. He also coached different sports at various times during his short term here. He headed 7th & 8th grade soccer and basketball, as well as J.V. Baseball. In addition to teaching, Mr. Morrill will probably also coach some team sports at Hotchkiss.

The Hotchkiss School is similar to Prep, a college preparatory

Mr. John C. Bannon will replace the departing Mr. James Morrill when the fall term at Rutgers Preparatory School begins. Mr. Bannon will take over Mr. Morrill's position in the science department. He will specialize in Biology.

Mr. Bannon attended Rutgers University here in New Brunswick. He majored while there in Biological Sciences. Upon graduation he leaned toward a pre-dental program.

Thus Mr. Bannon did do some graduate work in pre-dental and biological sciences. Then his interest in this area waned, and was replaced by an interest in teaching. When this happened, he dropped his pre-dental studies.



school. It is all-male boarding on 500 acres, near Saheville, Connecticut. The school boasts 394 students. Its school year is approximately 32 weeks long, and is divided into 3 terms.

Mr. Morrill was always a lively figure at Prep, in a too short stay here, highlighted by his participation in the Senior-Faculty football and basketball games.



Mr. Bannon then began graduate work in teaching, supplementing his work with substitute teaching. He applied for the opening here at Prep. Mr. Bannon received notice of his acceptance by Prep at the end of the '72 spring term.

Mr. Bannon played Varsity Basketball at Rutgers. He was, in fact, a member of that Rutgers University Basketball squad which went to the NIT (National Invitational Tournament), and was led and captained by Bob Lloyd, the brother of the present Rutgers Coach, Dick Lloyd.

Mr. Bannon lives in Westfield. He will commute from there to Rutgers Prep.

Melick Makes Olympic Team

by T. P. Pfaffle

Judy Melick, Rutgers Prep cum laude '72 has won a berth on the United States Olympic Swimming Team by placing third in the 100 meter breaststroke. The trials were held in Chicago on August 5th.

Judy's qualifying time in the heats, 1:16.64, was more than three seconds faster than her previous best time. The Olympic Swimming Team will train for two weeks at the University of Tennessee and go to Washington D.C. for a reception given by President Nixon before leaving for Munich.

Since 1968 Judy has competed for the Central Jersey Aquatic Club under the direction of the Rutgers University Scarlet Jets swimming coach, Frank Elm. Last year Judy moved up to Frank's senior team.

She will enter Douglass College after her return from Germany. Coach Elm has indicated that with the advent of co-education at Rutgers College, Judy will swim on the varsity team.

The Melick family has been involved in swimming for some time. Judy began competing on the Rutgers University Swimming Team with her brother Bob and sisters Linda and Karen. Bob coached his sisters during the summers of 1968 and 1969 after an outstanding record as a swimmer at Rutgers University and the Raritan Valley YMCA.

Since this article is being written before the games, the ARGO wishes Judy the best of luck.

Dr. Spurduto Attends Administrative Forum

by T. P. Pfaffle

Dr. Frank Spurduto, assistant headmaster of the Rutgers Preparatory School recently attended the annual meeting of the representative members of the National Association of Independent Schools in Andover Mass. on August 10th thru 16th. The sight of the symposium was the Phillips Exeter Academy; widely renowned for its quality education and facilities.

Attending the seminar with Dr. Spurduto were 25 administrators from the United States and several foreign countries. These educators came from both sectarian and non-sectarian schools. Among the topics of discussion were the difficulties of managing a modern day school.

The National Association of Independent Schools is an organization comprised of educational institutions funded by private opsis. The schools may be either sectarian or non-sectarian.

This is the first time Dr. Spurduto has attended the conference. In years past, the conference was held in July making it impossible for him to attend because of summer school responsibilities.



Dr. Heinlein Addresses ISA

by T. P. Pfaffle

During the second and third weeks of August, Dr. Heinlein attended the annual International Schools Association conference in Frankfurt, Germany. The theme of the conference was "early training for the unknown, the unexpected and the possible." A number of European experts in early childhood education, peace and curriculum research, sociology, psychology and futurology, were present.

Dr. Heinlein, who is Vice President of the ISA, made the opening address to the conference in which he reported on research finding in early education in the United States. He also discussed aspects of the Nixon Commission on School Finance, which relates to free and freedom schools; and part of the radical approach to schooling here in the States.

The International Schools Association is a non-governmental association which has consultative status with UNESCO and the U.N. Its member schools are scattered throughout the world. They are characterized as international or having problems which are internationally minded.

AN EDITORIAL BY MIKE BORRUS

We spend at least five hours of each day, five days of each week, and approximately three-fourths of each year in school. School is supposed to be a readying process which allows us to step better equipped into the mainstream of society. If this is to be so, then school should reflect, or better perhaps, the school community should reflect society, as near as possible to its true image. I think it might prove interesting to examine the role of Rutgers Prep in this preparation for society.

At first glance, it does seem that very little of society is reflected in the polished corridors and stainless steel of Prep. At Prep we are relatively isolated from any of the terrorism and brutality which unfortunately has become an integral part of daily life in today's society. There is little of the 'struggle for space' at Prep, where there lies an almost ideal student to teacher ratio. There is little struggle blocking the attainment of knowledge here (ask and ye shall be told . . .). In short, much of the state of society — confusion and disorder — is missing here at Prep.

But if we search (and not too hard!) we find many characteristics of our society within the school community here at Prep. There is certainly a great striving to compete here. We fight for grades, for favors; in short, for a higher position in the intellectual and social hierarchy of the school. This air of competition is certainly a mirror of society. The school's stress on the individual development of each student, that each must help himself, is definitely a solid preparation for society.

And there is one more area of Prep life, which is a perfect mirror of society today. This area, sadly enough, is the cliquish nature of society — that which makes people cold, blind, and excluding toward their fellowmen. Society has cliques, and they all basically cause disorder and hate. Prep, too, has cliques, and for the same reasons: the need to have power, to cause disorder, Prep cliques are definitely licentious (puzzle over it, B-hood and you others . . .). This is one condition which any society, school or world sized, can do without. Sadly, it is inherent at Prep, and how sad too, that it will remain here.

Class Of '72 Left Important And Most Worthwhile Precident

As part of a progressive school system, each senior class should leave the school something by which the lower classes might benefit. I am not talking about anything necessarily material — I do not mean the traditional senior class gift. I am thinking of something less perishable, perhaps an ideal or some sort of initiative which each lower class might successfully use. In past years, very few if any senior classes have attained this. And that is especially why last year's graduating seniors should be thanked.

That class did have its share of cut-smoke in the woods-lazy students, yet they have established a valuable precedent. One which each succeeding senior class should find easier to follow. And it is an important precedent for it does much to enliven a normally very dull, almost pointless term. I am speaking of course, about Senior Projects.

Basically, when the fourth quarter rolls around, most seniors have been or are about to be accepted to a college. The pressure is off of them, they do very little work no matter how much they are assigned. Interspersed with an air of ennui, they simply go through the motions of school. Each senior is simply attempting to survive, on the lowest possible level of activity, until graduation day rolls around.

Now however, each senior has a chance to do something in which he is interested; something to relieve the tediousness of these last months. Be it touring Europe or working in Israel, assisting in a hospital or law office, it is still something which the senior wants to do. He can do it with the full blessing of faculty and administration.

This certainly makes a hell of a lot more sense than spending your last term dragging through the hallways of Prep, head bent, shoulders sagging, eyes closing. It is definitely a forward step toward a more progressive style of education. The administration and faculty should be congratulated for recognizing its value and for helping to organize it and make senior projects a part of the school program.

Students Aid Library

During the school year almost every student enters the Library with some mission in mind. They come in, execute their task and then leave never wondering what happens after they depart. How do their magazines and books return to their respective shelves? Who quietly replaces the chairs that are left in disorder? Everyone knows that Mrs. Von der Porten is the librarian; that there is a system in which a mother comes in at least each week or so to lend a hand for an hour. But who is behind the everyday, orderly, properly existence of the library? How many people notice fellow students working in the library?

Some students give up at least two study periods a week. Preparing new books, repairing old ones, creating displays, stamping out books, are a few of the things a student learns to do. Why do they do it? Maybe it is to escape study halls or their teachers. Perhaps they like working with books or they are interested in the skills they learn and how the library is run. Maybe they think the credit looks good on their records. Whatever the reason, good or bad, the result overshadows it.

The library is one of the most overworked resources of Prep, and sorely needs aid and support from students. If you find that you have a few extra periods a week, don't hesitate to offer any service you think you can render. There is also a library club which meets to discuss matters which affect the library. This meets when the other clubs meet.

Any student is welcomed to help out in the library if you are really serious about what you're doing. Think of it as contributing to the betterment of the school community. You are thereby helping yourself.



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Argo Announces Cartoon Contest

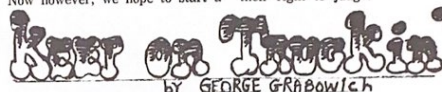
Your ARGO family is happy to announce its first annual cartoon-contest. This contest is fully on-the-level, for the ARGO is looking for a cartoonist to draw an issued cartoon.

For years the ARGO has had to plead, beg, crawl and generally degrade itself to have a cartoon drawn by press time. Most often the result looks as if it has been pleaded, begged, and crawled for. Now however, we hope to start a

regular feature.

The contest is open to everyone in the school. Simply submit your entry, in the form of a cartoon. It can be any size, and please write your name and grade on the back. Entries can be given to any ARGO staff member, or brought to the ARGO room and placed in the contest envelope.

ARGO staff members are eligible, but if they enter, they lose their right to judge.



News Briefs

The Rutgers Prep behind-the-wheel Driver Education Program has progressed significantly over the summer. Mr. Iacono has successfully taught many new drivers.

The drivers Ed car will be replaced with a new '73 model in the fall. However, the present '72 Plymouth is in excellent shape. It was driven through a summer of successive pupils and came out unscratched.

Letters To Editor

Since the Argo is written by the students, for the students, we welcome any comments you wish to make. We have expanded the "Letters to the Editor" column, allowing plenty of room for your thoughts and opinions. We are interested in what you think so if there is time, drop us a note.

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Prep Gets State Funds

by Stephanie Litwak

The State Aid Program is a project designed to allot a certain amount of money to all independent schools. The school can purchase equipment that will be beneficial to the students.

The money that is received is actually a refund of tax money invested in equipment rather than returned in cash. The money is generally divided among each of the major departments or in Prep's case, the Upper school, Lower School, Phys. Ed. Department, Art Department, and the Lower and Upper School's libraries each receive a share.

The amount of the grant varies from year to year. This year Prep received a total of \$11,000. The school does not actually receive the money in cash, instead the state sends order blanks and the equipment needed is ordered through them.

According to Mrs. Von der Porten the Upper school library received \$150 with which she ordered more 8mm film loops, more overhead projectors and the majority of the school's periodicals.

All of the equipment and library materials that are received theoretically belong to the state. Every thing is specifically labeled in case another school or library in the county wishes to borrow something that they may not have.

So far the school has received a portion of the equipment and expects the rest within a month. This means that the equipment will be available for use by the students for the 1972-73 school year.

Summer's Over

by Ernie Renda

Those who find themselves in summer sessions have the same alternatives as in regular academic programs: Either sleep through, or give-it-all-you've-got. For many, summer sessions are enriching and enjoyable. The choice is made by the individual.

Prep boasts one of the finest summer programs in the state. It is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and the N.J. State board of Education. The faculty is staffed mostly by regular session teachers.

Three basic categories of courses are offered: review (60 hours of work), advance credit (120 hours, non-science), and advance credit (120 hours, science). The curriculum is a full one, offering all high school English, Linguistic, Scientific, Mathematical, and Dramatic courses. There is also a seventh and eighth grade program.

Students can choose between morning (8:45 to 10:45 a.m.), and afternoon (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) classes. The sessions run from June 26 to August 4.

GUIDANCE CALENDAR DATES

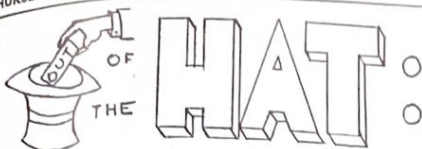
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SCHOOL DATES:

first day of school: Thurs. Sept. 7
Yom Kippur: Mon. Sept. 18
Columbus Day: Mon. Oct. 9
Veterans Day: Mon. Oct. 23
Thanksgiving: Weds. Nov. 22-27

SPORTS CALENDAR:

Soccer and/or X-country
main dates: (home)
sat. Sept. 23 neuman prep.
sat. Oct. 21 warlaw
weds. Oct. 11 lawrenceville



This issue by Robert J. Fenstermaker as told to Michael Borrus. This will be a new weekly feature. It is a teacher interview, in which the ARGO asks a teacher questions dealing with a large area of interest. In this way the ARGO hopes to establish more fully the connection between teacher and student. As the name suggests, the teacher is picked from 'out of the hat'—each faculty member has an equal chance of being chosen. The ARGO does this because we feel that each teacher is uniquely interesting. No teacher deserves more recognition than another. We of the ARGO staff hope that this feature is well received and can be continued in future issues—Ed.

This issue's teacher is Robert J. Fenstermaker, Prep's Physics and



general science expert. Mr. Fenstermaker was born in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, and he attended Rutgers University here in New Brunswick. While at Rutgers he lettered in swimming and he has naturally become swimming coach at Prep. He has been teaching for thirteen years, all of them at Prep. Mr. Fenstermaker is also cross country coach. The ARGO conducted its interview on August 9.

Q. Having never conducted an interview before, I'm not sure just where to begin. I have a few questions written up, let's start with them. First, a basic question: What do you like about teaching at a small independent

school like Prep?

A. I like the small classes, and the 'strong' academic atmosphere. I think the caliber of the student is better here. And I like the academic freedom that I have as a teacher.

Q. For instance?

A. I have the freedom to teach the way I feel the course should be taught. I can emphasize the parts I feel most important. And of course, I like the relaxed atmosphere.

Q. How would you rate Prep's science department in comparison with other schools, public and private?

A. You would have to separate that into two groups. In depth, that is the degree of coverage, we are above average. In the variety of courses, we have a lesser number than most public schools. But we are strong or stronger than most private schools.

Q. We hear that we are getting a 'better education' here at Prep. How does that apply for the sciences?

A. It's a question of quality. The quality of our courses is good—above average.

Q. Do you find that each year's classes change much over previous years?

A. What exactly do you mean by change?

Q. Academically, is there a great variance over the years?

A. There are the same type of problems with the same type of questions. Of course, personality-wise there are differences. Overall there is the same kind of behavior. As a teacher I react to the individual rather than the problem. I'll treat you differently than someone else with the same problem, according to your different personality.

Q. Do you see improvements in the next couple of years in your department?

A. What do you mean by improvements? I can't envision much change in the variety of material,



Mr. Fenstermaker is relaxed and in good spirits as our interview begins.

in breadth. It would remain reasonably stable over the next couple of years. We will attempt to work in the use of the computers. There are long range plans: an increase in lab space, a green house for biology.

Q. Let's get off school to some broader categories. Do you see



much difference in the social attitudes of your students between now and ten years ago?

A. No! I don't think there is a great change, generally speaking. A lot of the thought of ten years ago is the same as now, but now the students are more open. They are

freer about expressing themselves. Of course, that is a reflection of the general openness of society today.

Q. We don't want to get hung-up on politics, so just one question: a simple yes, no, or no comment. Do you favor Nixon over McGovern?

A. You can't answer that as a simple yes or no question. At this point I have to say that I favor Nixon. Experience: that is one of the reasons I hold judgement on McGovern. How about you?

Q. We'll ask the questions around here... but seriously, to get off politics, what's your view of the current World Championship Chess tourney?

A. It's tremendously exciting; great.

Q. What about Fischer's antics?

A. Childish, but they accomplished his aims.

Q. Do you see Fischer winning?

A. Yes, definitely. (At the point of this writing, the score stood 6½-4½, Fischer)

Q. Getting to another field of your expertise, swimming: Has this changed much since you swam?

A. You mean overall—not just here? Yes, tremendously: both in dedication of the swimmer and the amount of time he puts in.

Q. Has there been an improvement in training techniques and facilities?

A. Nationwide, yes. New Jersey as a whole is lagging behind, public schools especially. Mainly it's the increase in the time that the swimmer has put in. It is dedication.

Q. What is your opinion of this interview: do you feel it will be

New Driver Tells Story

by George Grabowich

There I was, behind the wheel of a car. The chance I had always been waiting for: to drive. When receiving the opportunity I shyed away from it because of the fear that I was going to be the first one to total the car. The fear quickly abated due to the masterful instruction of my teacher Mr. Iacono. I was told two days in advance of my first lesson.

I had heard of all the near misses of my predecessors and I was growing fearful that fate would deal me a bum hand when it came to driving a car. During those two preparation days, I became the worst offender of back seat driving the roadway's have known. Driving with anybody gave me the willies. Now it was up to me to try to drive.

Mr. Iacono said "I'll be there at 8:00 A.M. sharp." I was waiting for him since 7:00 because of my nerves. When he arrived I calmly fell into the car as he drove off. With me was a comforting friend, Mike Borrus, who was to share my first driving experience. We went for our permits in Dunellen and began our lesson in a deserted church parking lot.

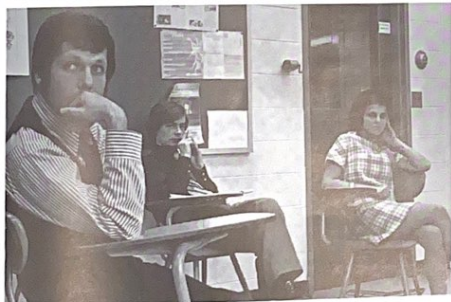
With my head stuck through the windshield, both legs on the brake, and seat belt fastened, I was ready to cut up the road. Mr. Iacono said, foot on the brake—check, start your car—check, transmission in drive—check, remove the emergency brake—check. Now drive. Oh my God!

Mr. Iacono told me first to back up straight then do figure eights in the parking lot. I completed the exercise with machine precision and as I patted myself on the back, my colleague proceeded to attempt the feats I had performed. In the conclusion of my course, I found that driving today is fun.

worthwhile, as a feature every issue, in helping student-teacher rapport?

A. I think it has a value in presenting the teacher as a person, as an individual: A person who has thoughts and interests in a variety of topics.

Q. It took great courage to be the first faculty member to submit himself to this ARGO interview. THANK YOU!!



Preps English faculty sits engrossed in chess debate.

Prep Gets New Fire Detection Equipment

by M. G. Borrus

Those gold colored bulbs you see on the ceilings of every room in school are not decoration. They are detection devices for a newer sophisticated fire detection system installed over the summer at Prep.

The system covers all three main buildings on the Rutgers Prep campus, the Upper School, Lower School, and fieldhouse. Each building has the same bulbs, and all three structures are interconnected through the fire system.

A panel located in the main office of the Upper School building will be the focal tie-in of the system. It will enable anyone at a glance to determine in which building a fire occurs.

In addition, the unit is tied into both the Franklin Township Police and Fire departments. This will enable speedy response from both sources if it is ever needed.

What this new system does is increase the safety factor of the school many-fold. Such increased protection takes a great weight from the Administration and Faculty. It is they who hold a major share of the responsibility for the safety of each student. The new system is certainly a welcome safety addition to the school.

Faculty Battles On Chess Match

The commotion of Bobby Fischer, Boris Spassky and their world championship chess match, has even touched the walls of Rutgers Prep. Those of the faculty who knew chess, and some of those who do not all have engaged in lengthy, and often heated debates during the summer. Sometimes in the halls, occasionally in the classrooms, and most often in the in the teacher's room, the faculty of Rutgers Prep School has closely argued the match.

A prominent Faculty member, who wishes to remain anonymous, has compared the Prep chessmen to the channel thirteen coverage of the championship match. With or without the knowledge of Shelby Lyman, channel thirteen's prized announcer, but certainly with his flair for showmanship, the summer faculty of Prep has heatedly rethought the match.

One only had to walk near the teacher's room to come in contact with the noise from inside. Often the noise was the result of an argument about the current positions of Fischer's white rook, or whether Spassky's use of the nimzo-Indian would succeed, whether or not the debaters knew what a nimzo-Indian was.

Informed sources have said that the two faculty members who seemed to know the most about the chess match were Mr. James Morrill and Mr. Robert Fenstermaker.

However, whether or not the teachers had expertise in debates, they did much to enliven a normally dull summer term.

Seniors Work Hard On Senior Room; Intent On Reaping Rewards

If the senior class plans remain constant for the summer's remainder, Rutgers Prep will have its first ever hand-built and fully decorated senior room. At this writing, the room has been paneled and roofed, and by the end of the first month of school, it should be completed. Plans call for a deep shag rug, tasteful pictures and furnishings, as well as a pool table and possibly a television set.

All this luxury will be contained in the basement room which once served as the school's bookstore. The seniors are quick to admit that the room is small, only 17½' by 14', but they hasten to add that it is much more homey.

The immediate problem for this intrepid senior class was finance. They hit upon a plan which would allow each senior to contribute to the room. A ten dollar donation was asked of each, and in this manner, the hand of each senior touches the creation of the room.

The dedicated group of builders, who are doing the actual work on the job, is led by Mitch Mutnik and Lou Gevirtzman. They have hit upon a true gift for the school, one which should greatly enhance the reputation of leisure time at Prep.



The new Senior room under construction in early August.

Girls Led By Rubin

by Kathryn Pierson

This year's sports will be interesting both outside and inside the lockers, as girls are allowed to come out for boys' sports. The only exceptions are the contact sports, for instance, lacrosse and soccer.

Starting off the girls' athletic season is cheerleading. There were spring tryouts for some, however, for those who didn't get their chance last spring, there will be the opportunity to do so this fall. There will be tennis both intramurally and interscholastically. The interscholastic competition has both girls' and boys' teams.

Immediately following will be intramural basketball. Swimming will be offered to the girls who wish to come out for it. The spring season's sports will consist of softball, baseball, tennis, and intramural volleyball.

There are rumors that a GAA (Girl's Athletic Association), may be started. The GAA is equivalent to the boy's Varsity Club, and will probably do nearly the same things. The GAA members would receive jackets and hold meetings to organize various activities.

More and more, interest and enthusiasm is growing in girls' athletics. The '72 season in basketball and softball for instance, showed greatly improved winning percentages.

Mrs. Leone can take partial credit for this improvement. She worked hard with both teams. Mrs. Leone is an excellent coach, and should be applauded for her superb efforts. The girls are fortunate to have her again this year.

Miss Eveland is again in charge of gymnastics. As a former dancer, she has proved to be a competent teacher. She has done very well in working with the girls in gymnastics. Also, she is to aid Mrs. Leone with the girls' tennis team.



Relaxed before a match, Senior Bob Rutter is all effort while running.

In This Corner . . .

by Rich Cooke and Jeff Miklos

Hi there, sports fans. As we enter the 207th year at Rutgers Prep, we are looking forward to an outstanding year of athletics.

Here is a rundown of soccer. At center forward and right fullback will be this year's co-captains, Jim Jasionowski and Rick Paulus. Jim as a junior was elected to last year's all-state soccer team. Rick Paulus, a tough competitor, will be expected to make the team gel. Returning from last season are linemen Joe Smutko, Juan Nogeras, Kevin O'Connell, Jay Grossman, and Mike Matyas. Up from last year's superb JV team, are Al Archer and Rory O'Connell, competing for the inside spot.

Returning halfbacks are Mike Borras, Bob Fievosohn, Rick Weitzel, and Paul Smith. Gaps left in defense by Gary Hawzen, Bill Paulus and Warren Silverman, will have to be filled. Competing for these spots are George Grabowich, Miles Ross, Jeff Miklos, and Mitch Reisberg coming up from the JV's.

With all this talent Coach Speduto is very optimistic about this year's team. And, for the first time, the NJISAA will sponsor a State Soccer Tournament.

SPORTS SHORTS

Switching to the Pro scene in baseball, the competition for the MVP is Dick Allen of the White Sox, and Ron Blomberg of the Yankees.

As for the pennant race in the AL East, the Yanks look tough and are coming. In the AL West, it looks like the A's. In the NL East, the Pirates are way ahead, and in the West, the Red Machine has worked out its engine trouble and is running smooth again. Look for the A's and Pirates in the World Series. But don't count out those tough Bronx Bombers.



In last year's action, Senior Wing Mike Matyas fights opponent.

Soccer Team Gets New Uniform

Early last spring, the returning members of the Varsity Soccer Squad were summoned to athletic Director Richard (OKEE) O'Connell's office to pick a new soccer uniform. The players chose a crew necked, long sleeved jersey with Rutgers Prep written on them. The jersey is made of a nylon stretch material with elastic neck and cuffs.

The elastic cuffs allow the players to wear the sleeves short in hot weather early in the season, and at full length in the colder weather of November. Each player, Mr. O'Connell has said, will have two jerseys; the old also, in case of uniform similarities with other teams.

The uniforms are being imported from England by the firm which supplies uniforms to most of the professional teams of Great Britain. The uniforms should have already arrived by September 1. However, if they are late, they have been promised for the first game.

Kamin Heads CC Squad

Plagued by "senioritis" and inexperience, Coach Robert Fenstermaker's Cross Country team never lived up to last year's expectations. However, the team did afford some pleasant surprises, ones which should make this year's squad very good indeed. In particular, the surprises included the spectacular running of first year man Jack Kamin, and the great effort of rookie Dave Modestino.

Kamin, now a senior, won the team's Most Valuable Player award. He was consistently the team's best runner, most often finishing among the leading runners. With a year of experience under his belt, hopes are high that Jack can lead the squad, and perhaps break the Prep course record.

Modestino, now a junior, became the number two man on the team. He and Kamin would consistently place one-two for Prep. With his first year safely past, Modestino should provide a great part of this year's excitement.

Returning harriers include Frank Caglionone and Bob Rutter. Both Bob and Frank were rookies last year, and they suffered the misfortunes which most first year men encounter. Both showed promise, and should improve markedly over last year. With a little work, both will enhance the team's chances for a better year.

Coach Fenstermaker and the Athletic Director, Richard S. O'Connell, have come up with a slightly altered schedule. They have obtained new teams, more closely related in ability and enrollment-wise to Prep.



Preps summer camps, here football is seen, were a huge success.

Varsity Soccer Aims For Best Season Yet

by Ricky Paulus

Another soccer season has begun and with it go the day to day practices, the first one starting today, September 7. As last year, Coach Rick Iacono will be in charge of whipping head soccer Coach Speduto's squad into shape for the toughest Varsity Soccer schedule in Prep's recent history. A quick scrimmage against Franklin H.S. will be held at home on Friday the 15th.

The Varsity squad has a 15 game regular season which will begin on Wednesday the 20th against one of the new additions, Metuchen, on their home field. The home opener will be against Newman Prep on the 23rd at 11:00. Neuman has been dropped from the league and consequently the squad only gets one chance to beat this fine team from Wayne.

A couple more changes include the replacement of Jamesburg HS with Lawrenceville, and the acquisition of Delaware Valley HS. Although Jamesburg has been dropped from the fall line-up, Lawrenceville is equally reputable as being a winning team. This should prove to be the best opponent. The match will be played on Prep's home field at 3:00 on Wednesday, October 11. The game against Del. Val. will be away on the following Monday.

Wardlaw Day will be held on Saturday, October 21. Although a complete schedule for the day will be available, the Varsity and JV soccer games will start at 11:00. Wardlaw Day Away, will be on Saturday, November 4, and the Varsity and JV teams will begin their games at 1:30. This will allow players taking SAT's enough time to meet their obligations.

Prep Camps End Another Summer

by Michael Borras

Rutgers Preparatory School's Athletic Director, Richard Strong O'Connell, once again did an outstanding job in coordinating a summer full of athletic activity at the summer Athletic Camps. This year's summer program included a Junior Athletic Camp, Senior Football Camp, and Senior Basketball Camp.

The Junior Athletic Camp ran from July 10 to July 23, covering a three week span. The camp was open to the younger set, ages ran from ten to fifteen. Each camper had his choice of soccer, football, basketball, and baseball. The camp was open primarily to those too young to specialize in a certain sport.

The Senior Football Camp ran from July 31 to August 18, also a three week period. This was a specialty camp, open to 14 to 18 years olds who wished to gain practical knowledge of football. Among the football coaches present, was Highland Park High School head Football Coach, Jay Dakelman.

The Senior Basketball Camp had its run simultaneously with the football camp, the three weeks from July 31 to August 18. This camp specialized in giving experience and coaching to 14 to 18 year olds. Many of those who came to the camp are on their school's varsity basketball team. This camp in particular was the base for a number of fine athletes.

Coach O'Connell had an outstanding assemblage of high school, college, and professional coaches, as he has always had since the camps originated in 1957. In that year, basketball and baseball were started. With the addition of the fieldhouse, and the increased popularity of football and soccer, these sports were later added.

Perhaps the most exciting change in this year's schedule is that instead of Prep's own past season tourney, the Rutgers Prep Invitational, the First State Soccer Tournament will be held. The tournament schedule will be set up later in the season, and the games will be played during the weeks of November 6 and 13. Another notable change for Soccer '72, is the acquisition of new Varsity Uniforms.

Last season's veteran team will be enhanced by a few JV players coming off the best JV season ever. They are: Al Archer, who led the team in scoring with 13, goalie Mitch Reisberg who posted 7 shutouts, and Rory O'Connell. Due to the basketball bug, last year's Varsity halfback, Paul Smith, and JV captain, Jeff Miklos, might not play varsity soccer this year.

Winter Sports Get Review & Forecast

by M. G. Borras

The fall, winter, and spring athletic teams at Prep should provide many moments of excitement and success this coming year. Soccer and Cross Country, the fall sports are reviewed in separate articles, and the spring sports will be reported in a later issue. To give you an indication of what's in store for winter, some capsule reviews follow.

BASKETBALL

This winter's basketball squad stacks up as a powerful one, not however, as strong as last year's team. The loss of last year's Captain, Walt Rockhill, through graduation, will weaken the team. The fortunes of the squad now rest on Senior Paul Smith's 6'6" frame. If Smith finally matures into his full potential, the squad will be well on the way to an excellent season.

Other key men include Seniors Tom Raba, Todd Cohen, Jim Jasionowski, Kevin O'Connell and Junior Jeff Miklos.

SWIMMING

Coach Fenstermacher's swimming squad loses almost no one through graduation. The teams MVP, Mike Matyas, now a senior, returns along with Senior Butterflyman, Robert Nashed and Junior Marc Baldinger. These three should carry the burden of the team's success. Look for a squad more successful than last year's team.

WRESTLING

The graduation of last year's Captain Warren Silverman, and its prolific 98 pounder, Dave Scott, will hurt the squad's chances of success. However, there is a fine core of returning underclassmen, led by Seniors Jay Grossman and Howie Hirsch and Junior Carl Wohlforth. The team will probably not be as successful as it was last year, but it will have a good season.