

# The Argo

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## VOTE SPLITS POLITICAL PARTIES

### Barbecue Dance Proves Success

On September 25, an outdoor barbecue and dance was held at the Rutgers Prep School gym. There was a large turnout as was anticipated.

The committee for the dance was headed by Clemmie Vitti. Other members were: Clifford Griggs, Estelle Newman, Carl Baratta, Nancy Haworth, Dave Hendler, Joe Messina, and Stuart Edelberg.

Estelle Newman donated a loud speaker for the music. Stuart Edelberg and Dave Hendler donated the barbecue pits. The records used were those of many students.

Mr. Holley led the group in a number of amusing games and immediately following these games, there was an announcement of the results of the election for the Student Council. The remaining part of the evening was spent in dancing.

### Class Election Held For Representatives

by Moreen Hudson

During the third week of school each class elected its representatives to the Student Council.

The eighth grade elected: John Roze; the freshmen: Arthur Karshmer; the sophomores: Joe Messina and Victor Stilwell; the juniors: Howard Tobin; and the seniors: Gerry Gorczyca and Bob Shorosky.

The seniors favored post graduates as leaders of their class. Gerry Gorczyca and Bob Shorosky, doubtless, will give their full support to the Council.

The juniors favored Howard Tobin. Howard who is now in his fourth year at Prep should be able to handle his job competently.

Joe Messina and Victor Stilwell, both very good students academically and otherwise, will more than fill their positions as representatives.

Arthur Karshmer, a member of the school last year, will undoubtedly do his share of work for the Council.



New Council Officers, l. to r.: Edelberg, Rosenblum, Seamon, Vitti.

### PLATFORM PROMISES

by Dave Hendler

The political campaign is over and the officers to the Student Council have been selected. After the dust of the campaign had settled, the students asked such questions as, "Will the campaign promises be carried out?"

This year, in our student election, the two parties had as different a campaign platform as any one may have. The Diplomatic party aimed its campaign at the school.

The Diplomats offered among other things new flag poles and a hot water system. They also planned to supply the athletic team with jackets for the letter winners and uniforms for the cheerleaders.

### Prepsters Plan Activities

The other party, the Prepsters, set up their platform with the idea of more and better student activities. The Prepsters plan to have a trip to an opera, two formal dances, and an informal dance every month and also a "Senior Day". A portion of the platform was devoted to the underclassmen to insure a wonderful time for them at Prep.

As of now three of the plans have been carried out by the Student Council. They are the Prepsters' Jamboree, which was the first of these promises, transportation to the games and a Hayride.

### Edelberg Beats Bey For Top Position . . .

From one of the fieriest Student Council election campaigns ever to be held at Rutgers Prep emerged a combination group of Prepster and Diplomatic candidates.

The Prepsters' president nominee, Stu Edelberg, and the Diplomatic nominee, Stan Bey, fought tooth and nail to a close decision, with Stu Edelberg the victor. The Diplomat, Rog Seamon, defeated opposing candidate Cliff Griggs for the vice-presidency, but Clemmie Vitti of the Prepsters was voted in as secretary, in spite of Marian Veale's vigorous race for it. The Council board was completed by the election of Stan Rosenblum of the Diplomats who defeated Joe Messina in a close contest. Carl Baratta and Dave Handler were managers for the Prepster party and Pete Schwartz for the Diplomats.

Interviewed after the election results were announced, Stu Edelberg, winner of the presidency, said, "I would like to thank the student body for electing me and my only hope is for the strongest and most active Student Council possible."

### Loser Urges Support

Stan Bey, losing candidate, gracefully accepted defeat by stating, "I am sorry that I did lose, but I do hope that the student body will give the Student Council its 100% support. I would like to thank those who did vote for me."

Both parties presented their platform on Wednesday and Thursday preceeding the elections.

The Prepsters advocated closer teacher student relations, more dances, better transportation facilities to and from sports events, and other minor changes.

The Diplomats motto, "government for the students and by the students," had top billing, with further promises including new uniforms for the cheerleaders, jackets for the varsity players, and added hot water facilities. Promises of possible outings and excursions were made by both parties.



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## Council Plans Many Events

The Argo Staff wishes to extend its congratulations to the entire student body for the fine school spirit which it has shown in the first few weeks of school.

As you remember, the editorial of the Argo's first edition dealt with the poor school spirit of Prep which was prevalent in previous years. However, the tide seems to have changed and Prep once more stands out with Public schools in school spirit.

The barbecue dance which was held two weeks after the opening of school was a tremendous success. Attendance at soccer games is at an all time high, and our only hope is that this athletic enthusiasm will continue through the basketball and baseball season.

We were pleased to see how the Student Council was pressed to run another social activity at the end of October. A hayride will probably be the event run by the Student Council by popular demand.

The Student Council has offered to run as many social events as the students themselves will back. As we look at the situation now there will be two proms, and in addition informal events run every month. There will also be two bus trips, one to the opera and the other will be to one of the museums.

Another matter which has long troubled the student body at Prep is being taken care of by this year's council. This is the matter of social events which lower classmen can also enjoy. The '54-55 school should prove a success to all.

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I think it's near time the hardworking cheerleaders had some new attire. These so-called maroon skirts that we are wearing for soccer have been handed down through the ages for I don't know how long.

The only way we'd get new uniforms would be to buy them ourselves and I don't think our mothers' pocketbooks would appreciate that too much. I realize our school isn't actually rolling in dough, but I tell you, sir, "This is a necessity!"

I hope you will answer my plea by providing the sparks of your school with some new apparel so that they will not only be nice but look nice, too . . .

Hopeful.

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Dear Editor,

In the beginning of the year one of the candidates stated in his speech that senior advisors would be of benefit to new students and eighth graders.

I, as a new student, feel this would be most helpful. The first day I attended Rutgers Prep, I was slightly bewildered because I had trouble finding my classes.

The senior advisors could also help teach the new students the rules of the school and introduce them to the upper classmen. This would help them to get to know their school and fellow students.

A New Student.

## Prep Plans Hayride

At the Student Council meeting, the foremost discussion on the floor dealt with some sort of social event. The night on which the event is to be held will be the 30th of October.

After some debate, the council decided on having a Hayride. When discussed, it seemed to be both fun and economical. Mr. Heinlein agreed to its possibilities.

Several trucks or wagons will be the means of transportation. The distance and route of the ride have not been decided on as of yet.

This affair is open to all students and their dates. "As usual," the Student Council says, "the cooperation of all the students will be necessary to make it a great success."

The Hayride is a new experience for Prep. For many years, a Hayride was promised to the students, but it always fell through. This year, however, it is a reality.

# MOVIE REVIEW

by Roger Seamon

Herman Wouk's current novel, the "Caine Mutiny", has been put into its third medium and with a great deal of success. As a film, much of the original content of the book is omitted but the remainder has been molded into a powerful story of life on board the D. M. S. Caine which climaxes the modern sea saga. The movie stars Humphrey Bogart as the paranoiac captain of the Caine. The ensuing conflict between Queeg and his officers forms the basis for the court martial of Marek, who was portrayed by Van Johnson.

The typhoon, during which Marek assumes command, is one of the most exciting scenes on the screen in a long while.

The "Caine Mutiny" is filmed in Technicolor and I recommend it to anyone who enjoys a movie containing laughter and romance.

## Limelight

This issue of the ARGO has chosen to "Limelite" one of the most popular and well liked seniors in the school, Clifford Griggs. Clifford is in his fourth year at Prep, has a good sports record and an even better scholastic one.

In spite of the fact that Cliff was not elected to the student council this year, he still has a lot of interest in school activities. He is a member of the soccer team and will also be on the baseball and track squads. Cliff has been a member of the "Varsity R Club" for two years and was a representative on the Student Council in his junior year. He also was on the Jamboree and Hayride committees and will contribute his efforts to any further activities at Prep.

Cliff's specialty is that he is one of the better students in both Algebra III and Trig. These will aid him in becoming an engineer, which is his ambition. He would like to go to Rutgers University, and we wish him the best of luck.

## Who Am I?

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# SPORTLIGHT Pingry Defeats Prep 3-0 In Opening Soccer Game

by Cliff Griggs

Prep will have what we all hope will be the best team in basketball that the school has ever seen. This column of the "Sportlight" will try to name some of the players that are expected to do so much for the Prepsters this year.

First of all we have Roger Seamon. Rog did a great job last year for Prep at his guard position and will surely prove to be a great help this year. Another man who returned to us from last year is Chuck Martorelli. Chuck was a varsity man and has improved to the point where he can be a real spark plug.

A great deal of good players from outside Prep are with us this year. This new lot of players is studded by such names as Gerry Gorczyca, Bob Shorosky and Dave Whalen. Gerry was a big help to St. Mary's of South Amboy last year and a big thorn in the side of Prep. In three years of high school ball, he reached 800 points.

Bob Shorosky comes to us from Sayreville where he did a colossal job. He scored very well and Coach O'Connell is looking forward to having him on the team. Dave Whalen came this year to Prep from St. Peters. He, too, should prove to be a great asset to the team.

Last but not least we must not forget Roger Lambertson. Rog also played for Hoffman High where he did a great job at his forward position. Coach O'Connell said that he may be small but he is a little ball of fire.

I would like to comment at this time about the record of our soccer team. Up to now, have not won a game but the team is getting better. Jamesburg, here we come!

## Soccer Line-up G.

J. Gorczyca

F.B.		F. B.
C. Griggs		C. Martorelli
H.B.		H.B.
G. Piatacciato	S. Rosenblum	B. Sathmary
R.I.	C.F.	L.I.
R. Lambertson	J. Messina	S. Edelberg
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## SPORTS FLASH

The Prepsters' Soccer team received its third defeat of the season from Linden High School. The final score was 2-1.

Linden scored in the first period to take an early lead. Then in the second period, Stu Edelberg tied the score for his second goal of the season. The assist on the goal went to Stan Rosenblum. The second period was sparked by a brilliant defensive play on the part of Cliff Griggs. Gerry Gorczyca, Prep's goalie, was pulled out of the goal and the ball was kicked in front of the open goal. Cliff Griggs, Prep's full-back, literally sat on the ball preventing it from being kicked into the goal until Gerry could pick up the ball.

However, Linden scored in the third period to win the game.

## SOCCKER REVIEW

by Joe Messina

Although our soccer team lost its first game, I feel it should show much improvement throughout the season. No one can deny that the team has good material. It is just a question of how soon it will begin to click.

Our forward wall led by Stu Edelberg, is a great threat to other teams. Roger Lambertson, who never played soccer before in his life, played a great game and is a great asset to the team. With a few fine wings, a line can soon start to go.

Our half-backs, led by Stan Rosenblum, are playing a good game. The team's defense is gradually shaping up, with Cliff Griggs and Bert Sathmary playing full-back and Gerry Gorczyca protecting our goal. Looking ahead to future games, there is no question that Prep has a tough schedule. Peddie should have a very good team, but ours should be at its very best when we play them. After Pingry it's Jamesburg, a team we'd like to beat.

After our Pingry game, the team felt very confident. Although we lost, we made a very impressive showing and we can expect to do a lot better. We have the best team on the field right now in three years. I am sure you will be proud of the team. Come out and cheer them on to victory.

Last week, Rutgers Prep opened its third year of soccer with a loss to a tough Pingry eleven. It was hard fought by both teams, but Pingry capitalized on a few breaks while Prep failed to take advantage.

Pingry scored their first goal midway through the first period when Hooker headed a centering kick over the head of Jerry Gorczyca. The rest of the period was scoreless, but both teams played hard all the way.

After changing goals for the second period, Pingry scored again. This was a beautiful play which caught two Prep fullbacks on the same side of the goal. After a slight cross, McCowell booted Pingry's second goal.

The third period saw no scoring but a lot of excitement. Prep had some beautiful chances to score but failed to capitalize.

Hooker of Pingry scored again in the beginning of the fourth period. After this, Pingry played a defensive game, stopping many Prep threats.

Although Prep lost many players played a great game. Stu Edelberg, as usual, played a good game. Gerry Gorczyca, also, on his first attempt at goalie did very well. Stan Rosenblum and Cliff Griggs also played well.

We, too, must give a lot of credit to the superb Pingry team. Their fullbacks were tremendous, not letting the Prep line get anywhere near the goal. Their halfbacks, also, were great getting the ball down to an equally superb line.

Prep has many more games left, including one more with Pingry, one with Linden, one with Peddie and two each with Jamesburg and Wardlaw.

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## LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Collected  
by Nancy Lee - James Salomas

The lower school is taking up a collection which will be donated to the reconstruction of the steeple of old North Church. The seventh grade will head the project. Three students, Billy Long, James Smith, and Stuart Nixon of the seventh grade will collect information about Paul Revere and Old North Church. This information will be given to the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades in the form of short speeches.

Mrs. Alexander Colt is back for her second year of physical education instructing. Mrs. Colt teaches all classes from kindergarten to fifth grade and the sixth and seventh grade girls. The sixth and seventh grade boys are instructed by Mr. Sperduto at Buccleuch Park.

The only new addition to the lower school faculty is Mrs. Ethan Ellis who teaches sixth grade. Mr. Ellis is head of the history department at Rutgers University.

This year, Mrs. Mildred Ford is once more holding art classes at the lower school twice a week. In addition to this, Mrs. Ford will teach an extra class each week for those students of the upper school who take an interest in water colors, oil painting, and ceramics.

There are many new faces in the lower school this year. All seem to be making friends very quickly and are becoming loyal students of Prep.

## Cheerleaders Hold Tryouts

by Barbara Lipman

Rutgers Prep has now officially opened its 1954-55 season of sports. To back up the team with their color, pep, and enthusiasm are the cheerleaders. They add a lot to the school spirit. Whether winning or losing, they keep up the the vigor and morale of the fans.

Ten girls tried out for cheerleading, including three from last year. Eight out of these were chosen. Noreen Hudson, one of last year's cheerleaders, was picked as this year's head cheerleader. Nancy Haworth, and Clemmie Vitti are the other two from the 1953-54 squad. The new-comers, Gail Duschock, Marian Thompson, Sharon Reis, Pat Rose and Barbara Lipman are all pleased with their new adventure.

Dressed alike, in maroon skirts and white sweaters, they perform in unison. Many long hours of practicing the cheers have been necessary to work as a co-ordinated team.

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## CLUB NEWS

by Rolf Harrison

One of the biggest clubs at Prep this year is the Science Club which is headed by Mr. Daviet. Members of the Science Club will represent Prep at the Central Jersey Science Fair which is to be held on April 1, and 2, at Rutgers Commons. All winning exhibitors will be sent to Purdue, Indiana, to compete in the National Science Fair.

Another of the Clubs at Prep is the Slide Rule Club instructed by Mr. Blake. The Club is supposed to be a benefit to all students who require the use of a slide rule in their studies.

Last but not least is the Varsity R Club which is made up of all letter winners at Prep.

## Inquiring Reporter

by John Rosa

What would you do if you found a couple of sabots in a hat shop?

Roger Seamon—"I'd bring them home and use them on Sunday."

Cliff Griggs—"I'd call a cop."

Stan Rosenblum—"I'd ask my girl about it."

Gerry Gorczyca—"I'd bring them to a shoemaker and have them repaired."

Vic Stilwell—"I'd try them on for size."

John Perduk—"I'd throw them out."

Martin Bertman—"I'd give them to Mr. O'Connell for the soccer team."

Lou Bognar—"I'd put a leash on it."

Howard Tobin—"I'd give them to Mr. Daviet and have him analyze them."

Ray Koperwhats—"Give it to Mr. O'Connell."

Roger Lambertson—"I'd take them for a ride."

Dave Hender—"I'd step on them until they don't move any more."

Diane Dorn—"I'd be pretty surprised."

Carl Baratta—"I'd take them to school and give them to Mrs. Wilson."

Pete Schwartz—"I'd put them in my gas tank."

Barbara Lipman—"I'd crush them."

Chuck Martorelli—"I'd wear them to school instead of a jacket and tie."

P.S. For all those who are interested, a sabot is a wooden shoe, worn chiefly by the peasantry in European countries such as Holland.

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## New Seniors Supply Spark

by Howard Tobin

Dave Whalen, a local boy from Stelton, attended St. Peters High School for four years and is now at Prep for a P. G. course. Although he has not decided on his future college, Dave plans to study law.

Dave has a great interest in humanities and philosophy, but he is by no means a book-worm. In his years at St. Peters he played varsity football, basketball and baseball.

As far as school goes, Dave's favorite subject is English, but his main outside interest is music, especially his number one band, Les Brown.

A graduate of Dickinson High School in Jersey City, Gabe Pitaciatto is also here for a year of post-graduate work. While at Dickinson High, Gabe played football, was a member of the golf club, and also played sax and clarinet in his school band and orchestra. When he graduates Prep, he hopes to go to North Carolina University and take up Chemical Engineering.

Gabe's athletic abilities have already shown up on the soccer field. Having a good strong kick with both feet, he is a great asset to the team.

Gabe's main outside interests are music (his favorite is symphonic music) drama, and his '46 Plymouth. In school, his favorite subject is chemistry.

Jerry Ludwig, another post-graduate, came to Rutgers Prep from neighboring Brunswick High. He is planning to go to Rutgers where he expects to major in engineering.

While at Brunswick Jerry tells us, he played basketball, baseball, and (made beer in his cellar). Jerry's outside interests are summed up in three words: (wine, women and song) and as far as the women go, his ideal is a blond with a lot of stuff.

Jerry's taste in music centers around "Bop" and his favorite band: Les Elgart.

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