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202 School Year Opens With Morning Assembly

by Mel Greenwald '69

The 1967-68 school year of assembly, at 9:30, there were the Rutgers Preparatory School commenced on Monday, September 11. Approximately 250 students answered the bell, which opened the School's 202nd academic year.

Host Program Expanded

Again this year, in keeping with recent policy, an expanded host program was in effect. Each new student was assigned a host, who showed him around the School and introduced him to other students and members of the faculty so that the new student could become more familiar with his new surroundings.

At 9:00, the program of the day officially began with an assembly of the entire School in Baldwin Hall. Welcoming addresses were delivered by Dr. David M. Heinlein, Headmaster, and Michael Stein, President of the School Council. Immediately following the

Short academic periods which will last only one half hour, will take up the rest of the day. Students will be able to meet their teachers and become familiar with their schedules. The day will end with a final assembly and the singing of the Alma Mater.

After the assembly, Dr. Sperduto, Mr. Daviet, and Mr. Beronio will be available in Baldwin Hall to answer questions on the previous activities.

Finally, at 3:30 the first practice of the soccer team will take place on the athletic fields. All students who wish to go out for the sport should attend.

Heinlein Praises Student Potential

There is always something special about each year's student body. There is an unique quality about you. You have an unknown potential for responding to the year ahead.

I believe that you will live up to your potential for growth and learning, that you will contribute to the life of the Prep community, and that you will respond positively to the discipline of being a Prepper.

One out of every three of you in the Upper School has not experienced the way we live and work together. So you must learn from the returning Preppers as well as from the faculty what your obligations and privileges are and how you can play a role in Prep this year. Two out of every three of you have experienced Prep's way of life and know how you can shape it for the best year yet. You can call upon the new students to show their talent and enthusiasm as you help them join you in your activities, projects and School government.

In your academic work I urge you to probe deeply into the content of your courses always trying to understand how and why people behave as they do. You should also try to participate in art, music, drama and team sports. And, from time to time, I would ask you to try to think and talk about the seemingly unrelated facts and experiences which man has not yet explained.

So—welcome to Prep's 202nd year and good luck to you.

David M. Heinlein
Headmaster

Break Ground For R.P.S. Field House

by Judy Alsofrom '69

The ground breaking ceremony held on the Elm Farm Campus July 11, 1967 marked the beginning of the Rutgers Preparatory School Field House. Dr. David M. Heinlein, headmaster; Dr. Frank Sperduto, assistant headmaster; Mr. Harold Levy, and Mr. Max Krachik, members of the Board of Trustees of the School attended the event. The gold plated shovel used to break the ground was put on display in the School in commemoration of the occasion.

The site of the Field House located across from the playing fields, will be ready for construction this month. The new building will consist of two levels containing the gym and bleachers. There will also be a stage, lockers, boys' and girls' showers, examination rooms, and offices for various personnel. It is intended that the stone and masonry structure also house a lobby, a recreation area, and space for the Reading Center.

The estimated completion date is in ten to twelve months. Dr. Sperduto commented that, "I am anxiously awaiting the day we can move into the building, as I am sure all Preppers are; and am confident that this building will be put to good use."

Waverly Builders Incorporated is the general contracting firm for building the Field House. Reilly-Klayton Associates designed and drew up the plans for the structure. Mr. Frank Delany is the general supervisor of construction. He feels that "the Field House is a wonderful idea and a great asset for the athletic competitions in the Prep School."



Photo by Frank Mikes
Ground breaking ceremony begins construction.

All new equipment will be bought for the gym with the exception of the wrestling mats, acquired by the School last year. Also, the scoreboard donated by the graduating class of '65 will be transferred to the new gym.

The detour from the main entrance to the Upper School is only temporary. When construction is completed a new road will circle the building and its parking lot. Dr. Sperduto indicated that the building is progressing at a very rapid rate. "The ground clearing took only three weeks, and by the beginning of School steel pillars should be in sight."

The new Field House will be replacing the old gym on George Street in New Brunswick, which has been Prep's headquarters for over forty years.

Dr. David Heinlein, who has been with the School for twenty-five years, stated that, "We have been planning for this Field House as far back as 1957. We have been waiting for funds and the co-ordination of the movement of the entire School to the Elm Farm Campus. First, the Elementary School; then the Upper School and the athletic fields had to come before we could begin with a gym."

Heinlein Completes 25th Year At Prep

by Barbara Lehn '69

With the close of the 1966-67 school year, Dr. David M. Heinlein celebrated his anniversary marking his twenty-fifth year of service to Rutgers Preparatory School.

After majoring in Science Education, Dr. Heinlein graduated from George Williams College in Chicago in 1936 with a B.S. He later attended Springfield College in Massachusetts and graduated in 1942 with a M.Ed. In 1959 Dr. Heinlein acquired a D.Ed. at Rutgers University.

Taught in Asia

Before joining the Rutgers Prep faculty, Dr. Heinlein taught science at the American School in Japan for two years, and then served at the Brent School in the Philippine Islands as a science teacher and athletic coach. From 1940-42 Dr. Heinlein was a biology assistant at Springfield College.

In 1942 Dr. Heinlein came to Prep and taught Science for 10 years. During the first five years Dr. Heinlein coached Varsity Basketball and helped Mr. Holley coach the football team. Dr. Heinlein recalls when he came to the School and Prep took boarders, and when he and his family lived at the location of Rutgers University Library. Dr. Heinlein then served as Acting Headmaster until his appointment to Headmaster in 1953.

At a School assembly on May 22, 1967, Dr. Sperduto spoke in behalf of the faculty and presented Dr. and Mrs. Heinlein with luggage to honor their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary as well as Dr. Heinlein's anniversary with the School. Last year's Council President and Vice-president, Peter Lampen and Patti Neivert, respectively, presented Dr. Heinlein a plaque from the student body thanking him for twenty-five years of service to the School.

On that same day Dr. Heinlein expressed: "One of the best ways to pass through twenty-five years is with young people, because then you aren't aware of your own years passing. It seems rather that one looks forward to dreams to be realized and hopes to be fulfilled."



The Heinleins celebrate their 25th Anniversary.

Gaggini Returns To R.P.S. Taught French In Frankfurt

by Joan Serin '68

Mr. Gaggini, head of the Language Department, has returned to Rutgers Preparatory School after spending a year in Germany at the Frankfurt International School. At the school, he held the position of Language Co-ordinator, heading fifteen teachers of French and German, and also taught French. The Frankfurt International School is a private school, serving children of the consulates and of foreign business men. Although the majority of students are American, there are also students from such countries as Israel, Britain, Canada, Australia, Japan, the Philippines, and native Germans attending the school.

Mr. Gaggini commented that it was hard to make a comparison between the Frankfurt International School and Rutgers Prep. He said that in teaching at another school, "the good thing is that you find out how good your own school is. The main thing that I got out of teaching was the proof that we are better than most." Discovering qualities beneath the surface of another school helped reinforce his realization of the wonderful opportunities both teachers and students have at Rutgers Prep. Mr. Gaggini also discussed a contrast in student freedom, remarking that students at our School have more chance for self-expression, and that our School Council is much more effective.

Mr. Gaggini arrived in Germany at the end of August last year; but, during his vacations, he traveled throughout Europe. He visited many major cities of Europe between Stockholm, Naples, London and Istanbul. He also traveled into the Russian satellite countries of Bulgaria and Rumania where he was impressed by the poorness of the living conditions in comparison to Western standards. Within Germany, he spent some time in the divided city of Berlin. Mr. Gaggini remarked that West Berlin "doesn't seem real; it is a little island maintained by unnatural means instead of an independent city." Within East Berlin, he found constant reminders of World War II; most of the great cultural center of that city is still in ruins.

Internat'l Background Qualifies New Teachers

by Alice Maleski '69

Dr. Frank V. Sperduto has announced the appointment of four additional members to the Rutgers Preparatory School faculty. They are Mrs. Sandra R. Roberts, Mr. Eugene Bratek, Mr. Carel Hordijk, and Mrs. Rufus Cornelison. Four previously announced faculty members are Mr. Barry Chamberlain, Mr. Jonathan Holdem, Miss Helen Hommersand, and Mr. Michael Stang.

Mrs. Sandra R. Roberts, who will teach Spanish, received her Bachelor's Degree from Oberlin College in Ohio, and her Master's Degree from Pennsylvania State University. France, Mexico, Spain, and other Latin American countries; she formerly taught Spanish at Wardlaw School, Plainfield.

Teaches History and English

Mr. Eugene Bratek, who is interested in political science and American government, will teach eighth grade English, junior English, and U. S. History. Mr. Bratek is a graduate of the University of Virginia where he worked on college publications.

Mr. Carel Hordijk, who will teach History, World Affairs, and Afro-Asian studies, is a native of the Netherlands. Educated in Europe, he spent several years in Rhodesia; for the past year, Mr. Hordijk did graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania.

Directs Prep Chorale

Mrs. Rufus Cornelison, who will direct the Chorale, received her bachelor's degree of Music Education from Shurtleff College, Illinois and her master's degree of Sacred Music from Union Theological Seminary, New York. Previously, she was the organist-choir master of the Emanuel Lutheran Church, the organist-choir master of the Baptist Church, and the director of the Anshe-Emeth Temple choir. Mrs. Cornelison also directed the Oratorio Choir in New Brunswick and gave private organ, piano, and voice lessons.

Plan First Dance For Friday Night

The annual Burger Blast, sponsored by the School Council of Rutgers Preparatory School, will take place on Friday, September 15. The Dance Committee has not yet decided on the time. Weather permitting, students will snack and dance outside on the Upper School Campus. In keeping with the tradition set down by Mr. A. Z. Holley, retired Assistant Headmaster of the School, the primary purpose of the Burger Blast is to familiarize new students with faculty members and "old" preppers and to renew old acquaintances.

The School Council will employ a teen age rock 'n roll band to supply music for the occasion. Hamburgers, hot dogs, soda, along with other refreshments will be on hand for students and faculty. The dress is casual: girls may come in a skirt or slacks outfit; boys may wear sports clothes.

Rutgers Prep Sponsors Summer Trips to Expo



A view of Expo '67 from the Mini-rail. Photo by Judy Alstrom for the Argo.

Fourteen students and three faculty chaperones left for a camping trip in upper New York State and Expo '67 on Monday, June 12, 1967. This was the first of two such trips sponsored by the School in the summer months. The other trip ensued in the following week.

Prepare Campsite

On the first outing, Mr. August Daviet and Mr. Robert Fenstermaker drove the two school trucks over three hundred miles to the Cumberland Bay Campsite area in Plattsburg, N. Y. This was "home" for the entire week as well as for the later campers. With the help of Mme. Helene Spratford, the third chaperone, they had pitched tents before nightfall.

Tuesday's target was Whiteface Mountain. After climbing the summit, all agreed to take the elevator down. That night marked the first trumpet serenade by obliging neighbors who continued each evening, also for the second week's campers. Mr. Fenstermaker produced a game of Scrabble.

ble which helped divert attention away from the multitude of mosquitoes and other bugs.

Visit Expo '67

The following day the group was allowed to divide and lose itself in the crowd at Expo '67, about sixty miles from camp. Returning at two a.m., the group expressed a unanimous opinion of the Exposition in the form of the question, "When do we go back?"

They did go back on Friday, after spending the previous day sleeping and taking the mile and a half tour of Ausable Chasm. On Friday evening, Preppers went on a side trip to Montreal Airport where they saw Geoff Ridell '67 end his year with Prep and leave for his native South Africa with a short stopover in London.

Happy Memories

Parents were waiting late Saturday afternoon to welcome the campers back. No one was able to completely express his delight; the memories were unspoken between the group members.

DR. D. M. HEINLEIN VISITS ENGLAND FOR CONFERENCES

by Barbara Lehn '69

This summer Dr. David M. Heinlein, headmaster of Rutgers Preparatory School, attended the Conference of Internationally Minded Schools at Bishop Otter College, Chichester, Sussex, England. Dr. Heinlein, along with representatives from about forty other schools, participated in meetings from August 6 through August 15.

Each day was scheduled with speakers who discussed various topics, such as "Leadership and World Society," "The Emerging Discipline of World Order," "Voluntary Service Overseas," "The Educational Scene in Niagara," "Use of the School in Leisure Time," "The Idea of World Education," "New Perspectives in Human Destiny" and others.

There were representatives from the United States, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Italy, France, Ireland, Spain, British Colonies, Africa and many more at the conferences.

This year Preppers have the opportunity to have an article printed in a magazine published by the conference. The articles may be in English, French, German, Spanish, Latin or other languages, and the writer may discuss any topic.

Another new program will be started to enable students from all over to acquire a "travel scholarship." They apply to be sent to a certain country for a research and work project, and are given a specific amount of money to live on. They are not allowed to contact family or friends and must live in complete independence for the time they are gone.

Council President Welcomes Students

by Michael Stein '68

As President of the School Council, I would like to welcome not only our returning students, but the newcomers to Rutgers Prep. Last year's students are fully familiar with our program, routine, and staff; but our new students will, for the next few weeks, participate in an unfamiliar and different school program.

Council Takes Part

It is the intention of our School Council to promote and emphasize the assimilation of the new students during the first three weeks. We hope, in that time, to meet them, as they will meet us. We hope to learn of their interests, capabilities, and talents, which may be nurtured for their own, as well as the School's, benefit.

We hope to bridge the gap of unfamiliarity as quickly as possible, to allow greater participation in group activities as well as daily individual associations. We urge the wearing of your identification tags as long as it takes the rest of the student body to know each of you on a first name basis.

This familiarization period is important because, in three weeks, your class officers will be elected by you, not only to lead their respective classes, but to participate as active members of the School Council in planning and expediting the student activity program for the year.

Establishes Pep Club

This year the students of Rutgers Preparatory School plan to establish a Pep Club to help promote spirit within the School. Its primary purpose will be to aid the cheerleaders during the athletic seasons.

The Pep Club hopes to raise the attendance at soccer and basketball games this year. The members of the club will not only try to attend as many games as possible, but also will try to encourage non-members to attend. They will supply information about the games by posting large announcements of game and bus schedules throughout the School.

Aid Other Clubs

Besides attending games, the club also plans to help promote participation in other activities by making posters and generally offering its services where needed. Evidence of future members of the club is the posters in the hallways indicating the varsity soccer schedule for the fall season and the room directions.

The Pep Club will only need a few minutes after school for meetings, so that members can catch the buses. The Club needs only one regular period session to get organized. If done this way, members will have time to join other clubs and attend the regular weekly period set aside for activities.

Ask for Courtesy

More important than the planned extra-curricular program, which will be presented by the full School Council after its formation, will be the attitude of the individual student. We hope to promote a high esprit de corps, a pride in Rutgers Prep, a genuine feeling of belonging and being part of the action. We hope to promote personal friendships that haven't bloomed. We want good fellowship that is lacking. We want good manners, respect and courtesy to flourish in Rutgers Prep as it flourishes nowhere else.

We want respect for each other, our faculty, our parents, our visitors, our associates. The monetary cost to each of us will be nothing; the value received thereof incalculable. If we are not to be remembered for what we learned here, let us never be forgotten for the good manners we had.

May I remind each student, that the members of our Council have the primary obligation of service and help to all the members of the student body. We are rightfully your target for reproach, criticism, correction, as well as your help, assistance, and cooperation.

Var. Soccer Outlook Bright; Experienced Players Return

by Gordon Olson '68

After an excellent season last year, including a tournament victory, Rutgers Prep's soccer team is looking forward to another successful season. With many returning lettermen the squad has a strong nucleus of seasoned ballplayers. This year, Rutgers Prep has high hopes of participating in the Fieldston Invitational Tournament.

Last year's high scorer, Bob Szeles '68, returns to anchor the front line. At center forward, he is expected to lead the attack and to provide scoring punch. Gordon Olson '68, a letter winner last year at inside left, should also score heavily. Marc Manzione '69 will probably start at wing, along with Hugh Chodosh '68 or Ray Ambrose '70. John Racine '69 probably will also see action as an inside. Many J.V. players of last year will move up to add depth to the offensive unit.

The halfbacks of the team are all experienced players. The loss of co-captains Ken Lehn '67 and Roy Mittman '67 will hurt, but there are capable halfbacks to move into their places. Doug Spiro '68, Dennis Pansy '68, and Peter Cizak '69, all varsity members last year are returning.

The defense will definitely be solid. With Doug Alstrom '68 and Miner Wilcox '68 at fullbacks, both starters last year, the defense is both experienced and tough.

Goalie seems to be the only position where a varsity letter winner is not set to step in. Due to the graduation of Steve Weiss '67, last year's goalie, there is a large void in our defensive squad. Either Jon Kaufelt '69, last year's J.V. goalie, or Gary Applebaum '69, a newcomer to Prep and the sport, will get the nod this season.

With many experienced ballplayers and promising J.V.'s, the outlook for this season is indeed bright. Prep should fare well in the NJISL and also against opponents outside the league.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES FOR THE '67-'68 YEAR

	Homerm	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Miss Bauer	201	201 Eng. II	201 Eng. II	201 S.				201 Eng. II
Mr. Burke	202	202 Eng. I	202 Eng. I	Lunch	206-07 S.		202 Eng. 8	202 Eng. I
Miss Mackiewicz	206	206 Eng. IV	206 Eng. I	206 S.	202 Eng. IV	B.H. Lunch		205 Eng. IV
Mr. Pierce	110	110 Eng. III	110 Eng. III	Lunch		110 Eng. II	110 S.	110 Eng. III
Mr. Gaggini	205	205 Fr. III	Element.	Element.		205 Fr. I	205 Fr. I (8)	205 Adv. Fr.
Mme. Spratford	205	104 Fr. II	Element.	Element.	205 Fr. I		204 Fr. III	207 Adv. Fr.
Mrs. Rhooda	204	204 Ger. II	Element.	Element.		204 Ger. I	Study / Lunch	204 Gr. III-IV
Mr. Bianchi	207	207 Lat. III	207 Lat. II	207 Lat. I		201 Wild.His.	207 Lat. III	201 Art. His.
Mrs. Roberts	203	203 Sp. III	203 Sp. I		Lunch	203 Sp. I	203 Sp. II	203 Adv. Sp.
Dr. Sperduto	Off.	Liby	U.S.					
Miss Hommersand	106	106 Lib. S	106 Wid. Aff.	106 Hist. 8		106 Mod.His.	106 Rus.His.	106 S(8-B)
Mr. Hordijk	107	107 Wid. His.	107 Wid. Aff.	107 Hist. 8		107 Wid. His.		107 S(8-A)
Mr. Bratek	108	106 U.S.		105 U.S.	106 Eng. 8		206 Eng. III	B.H. S.
Mr. Beronlo	108	108 Alg. I	104 Math 8		105 S.	Lunch	Alg. I	
Mr. Meyner	103	103 Adv.M.I	103 Adv.M.II		Lunch	103 Math IV	103 Adv.M. I	103 S.
Mr. Chamberlain	105	103 Adv.M.1	105 Alg.I(8)	105 Geom.		105 Geom.	B.H.	105 Geom.
Mr. Holden	104	108 Adv.M.I	B.H. S	104 Calc.		206-07 S.	104 Alg. II	104 Alg. II
Mrs. Wilkerson	108	105 Alg. II		103 S.	105 Alg. II			
Mr. Daviet	Sc.off.	101 Sci. 8	109 P/C	109 Chem A	109 Chem B	109 Chem C		
Mr. Fenstermaker	111	111 Sci. 8	111 P/C		111 Phys.	111 Phys	111 E. Sci.	
Mr. Carls	101		101 Bio. A	101 Bio.	101 Bio.		101 Bio. C	101 Bio.
Mrs. Sturkie	Art Room		Studio Art	Studio Art	Studio Art		Art Hist.	

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