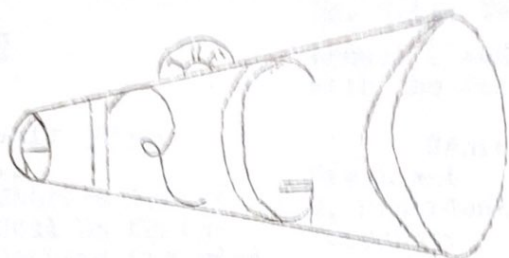


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## SCHOOL TO CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The following is the program of songs for the Christmas Glee Club concert to be given Friday, December 10, in Kirkpatrick Chapel. This program is to be given with the Glee Club of the Hartridge School for Girls, in Plainfield, and will be repeated in Plainfield on the 16th of December.

Today There is Ringing  
O Gathering Clouds  
Bring a Torch  
Jeanette Isabella

Rutgers Prep Glee Club  
Christmas Hymn  
O Tell me Children Dear  
The Shepherd's Carol  
As it Fell Upon a Night  
Christmas Song

The Combined Glee Clubs  
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming  
Lully, My Liking  
Hush, My Dear  
O Holy Night

Hartridge Glee Club  
Jungle Town  
The Sleigh

Rutgers Prep Glee Club  
The Holly and the Ivy  
The Twelve Days of Christmas  
'Twas the Night Before Christmas  
The Combined Glee Clubs

There are a few numbers yet to be included, but with the above list, it promises to be a good performance, and it would be well worthwhile for all Prepsters to attend.

### FOUR DAY HOLIDAY

On Thursday, November 25, the whole nation will again celebrate Thanksgiving Day. This day is set aside by the President and Governors so that the people of the United States may give thanks to God for the good things that they have received during the past year. This holiday is celebrated in the 48 states and all the possessions.

The origin of Thanksgiving Day goes all the way back to 1621, when the Pilgrims, who had come the previous year from England, invited everyone in the colony of Plymouth to the first harvest feast, consisting of turkey and all the trimmings. This custom of feasting after the harvest was carried on often during that, and the ensuing century.

Thanksgiving Day has been used for many purposes other than to offer thanks for a good harvest. In 1789, President Washington set aside a day to commemorate the ratifying of the Constitution; in 1815 President Madison offered a day thanking God for the return of peace. In 1863, President Lincoln issued a proclamation making Thanksgiving the last Thursday in November, and since that time all the following presidents have made it the last Thursday in the month.

The presidential proclamation makes it a legal holiday in the District of Columbia, and all the

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BE A PREPSTER

The football team has done a good job this year in earning a good reputation for themselves and Prep. Yet while they were out there plugging all the way, many Prepsters couldn't decide whether or not to go to the next game.

Football is over now, and basketball is taking its place in the sports spotlight. You have a swell bunch of fellows out there working for you, so why don't you show them that you appreciate it?

Certainly, no one can deny that, up to now you have made a rather poor showing in backing the team. Because our school is smaller than many we should be more united, and possess more school spirit.

Here's a list of cures for that bored lazy feeling. If you will do one or more of the following you will be rid of that dusty stuff that surrounds your spirit.

1. Go out for, or go to basketball games.
2. Attend the glee club concerts, and dances.
3. Become a reporter for the Argo, or take pictures for Ye Dial.
4. Help make social events a success, and don't pass up the Theatre Club!

Get a move on now, surely that reading and writing stuff isn't that interesting.

Ed. Note: Two weeks ago the annual class elections were held with the following results.

## Senior Class

President Bill Driscoll  
V. President Joe Januszewski  
Secretary John Garboski

## Junior Class

President Red Gorman  
V. President Neal Macfarlan  
Delegate George Pauk

## Sophomore Class

President Ed Lunn  
Delegate Dick Connolly

## Freshman Class

President Jack Anderson

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These newly elected officers will serve on the student council with the three members elected last spring: Dick Gumerlock, Council President. Chet Turdo, Vice Pres. Red Gorman, Secretary. Because of the double election of Gorman, the junior class held an additional election, and chose a delegate.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many times, so far this year, we of the Argo staff have held meetings, each with the idea of, "What will be good for the school, as well as interesting." We are trying to organize a Theatre Club, we are plugging all sporting events, we held a student ballot, and plan to hold more in the future, to see just what your opinions are on various subjects. Recently we thought up the idea of having a "Letters to the Editor" column, in which you, of the student body, could submit ideas, criticisms, or possibly things praising us.

This is now the fourth issue of the Argo, and we have received to date 2 letters, only one of which was of any interest to the school as a whole. This is your paper, without your support we can not hope to achieve the goals we set when we restarted it. So think it over, and let's have some letters instead of verbal critics, who only look with scorn.



## THANKSGIVING...

possessions, while the governors of the states set aside a day also, in their respective states. Until the last few years the day did not coincide, and in various parts of the country Thanksgiving was celebrated on a different day. In the past few years, however, it has been standardized and now the whole country celebrates this day on the last Thursday in the month.

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## DANCE A SUCCESS

Last Saturday night the gym at Prep was the scene of society life here on the campus. Once again the annual football dance got underway, and with it the usual amount of Jive, Jitterbug, and Jazz. The music was furnished by George Bache and his orchestra, who, by the end of the evening, had everyone impressed with swing and sway arrangements.

The Jitterbugging was furnished by our own local talent aided by their pert and beautiful dates. Possibly Dr. Gallup and some of his learned colleagues could take a lesson from some of the Prep boys who were polling 1000 as far as picking their dates was concerned. As the evening drew to a close and the couples began filing out, I could tell by their smoking feet that they had become quite heated up at the dance.

We all owe a unanimous vote of appreciation to the members of the faculty, and the student body, who contributed so much toward making this dance the success that it was.

## BASKETBALL

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## BETA HOUSE "BUBBLES"

This is the Beta House:

On floor number 1 we have the dining room, where evaluators are fattened up. On floor number 2 we may peek in and see a coatless, grumbling gentleman slouched stiffly in a newly upholstered chair, glasses on forehead, and reading a copy of the Saturday Evening Post. Next door there is a young man who dries coffee beans and tobacco on the radiator and who says of the students, "Let them have A.M." Finishing off the second floor we have the "Bronx Bombshell", Irwin Roth, and two bathrooms.

Storming the third floor (just to be different) a rather brawny lump of flesh may be seen combing his hair and mumbling to himself. He's so quiet, sometimes, that one rarely knows just what he is thinking. Next door is a person who seems to own only underwear and red hair. His fingers are usually dabbling on paper---with many colors, the results of which send his next door neighbor into fits of revulsion and shock. This one is a highly moral individual who holds 100% stock in "Dates, Inc." and other "nice things". The "nice one's" roommate is what is known in short as a character. His melodious ditties and quaint tales of foreign and domestic women are constantly marveled at by the inhibited unfortunates who live with him. (Before we turn the corner to visit the two most alike, yet contrasted individuals, we would like to state that these of whom we've told you are real people. That's all.) One reminds us of Bill Stern, Grantland Rice, and a typewriter. And the other of a moth-eaten tapestry (for he was recently afflicted by various and sundry diseases). The scribe finds more projects for his endeavor than an old cat in a garbage can. The afflicted one has much to do, but never does it. This, believe it or not, is the Beta House.



# SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

## PREP LOSES TO NEWARK ACADEMY ENDS BEST SEASON IN DECADE

PREP-13

ST. PAULS-0

Rutgers Prep tallied once in the first and again in the third to defeat St. Paul's of Garden City by a score of 13-0. Both T. D.'s were made on long runs by Dick Gumerlock. The conversion was made by Bill Driscoll.

In the first part of the first period, Ken Strong of St. Paul's was forced to kick on fourth down; Dick Gumerlock took the ball on St. Paul's 45 yard line and ran the remaining distance for the touchdown. Bill Driscoll's conversion, however, was blocked.

In the third period, Prep again started to move. On four plays they brought the ball from their own 47 to the St. Paul's 31, Dill and Waldman carrying. Gumerlock raced the rest of the way for a T. D. Driscoll kicked the point.

The last part of the game was played in St. Paul's territory.

### CANDIDATES TO REPORT MONDAY FOR BASKETBALL

Let's see everyone out for Basketball! Coach Housman has announced that there will be both varsity and J.V. teams, and that he would like to see a Freshman fundamental session during sixth period. Of these he will pick a select few to play on the J. V. team.

Practice will start Monday, November 29, at 2:30 p.m. in the Rutgers Prep gym. We can only have a good team if all the students that have ability along the basketball line will come out to practice. Please Bring Your Own Equipment!

PREP-0

NEWARK-26

Newark Academy swamped a favored Rutgers Prep 11 on a mud-soaked field at Johnson Park. The "minute men" scored in every period but the first. Rutgers Prep heavily outplayed Newark but could not get the ball over the opponent's goal line. All the touchdowns were made on long plays, the shortest being 52 yards. Other touchdowns were made on a 69 yard reverse, a 69 yard end run, and a 57 yard pass.

Prep, though losing badly, kept up their fighting qualities throughout the game.

### SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The football team under the direction of Coaches John Housman and A. Z. Holley had a very successful season. The maroon and white won six games, while dropping only two.

The high scorers were Dick Gumerlock and John Garboski. The former made nine touchdowns, while the latter made five. Also contributing to the scores were Roy Dill, Karl Schreefer, and Red Gorman. Bill Driscoll attempted all the conversions and made 13 in 18 tries, giving him an average of .723. Throughout the season, Prep made only one safety, with Veros and Garboski doing the tackling.

Dick Gumerlock was awarded "Player of the Week" for his outstanding performance in the Borden-town game, where he made over 13 yards per try.

Injuries were few, and only three players were kept out for most of the season. They were Powell, Moran, and Allgair.