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Club Learns

Ye Dial Editors

Attend Meetings

On Friday and Saturday, October

12th and 13th, th Ye Dial Board at-

tended the 16th annual Columbia

Scholastic Press Association Confer-

ence in New York. Those who attended

the conference were: Miss Nancy Warr,

faculty advisor; Joe Messina, Editor-

in-Chief; Vic Stilwell, Art and Layout

Editor; Bernard Karshmer, Business

Manager; Martin Bertman, Assistant

Business Manager; and Flossy Schmitt,

Copy Editor.

The theme of the meetings was “The

Yearbook Reflects the School and the

Community.” In order to get the most

benefit from the discussions, the party

split up and individual members visited

different meetings or clinics. The topics

covered in the clinics and discussion

periods were numerous and varied. The

members found the clinics especially

helpful. During these clinics, the staff

members had a chance to hear an

expert criticize their book. Subjects of

particular interest to our group were

discussed at other meetings.

An excellent dinner at Leone’s Res-

taurant, followed by the movie Giant,

added considerably to everyone’s en-

joyment.

New Library Plans

Increase Facilities

by Mary-Louise Heldrich

What plans are being made for our

school library? A few days ago, Mr.

Heinlein told me just what was being

done.

There are three main objectives that

have been attained. The first of these

is that a number of reference books

and guides have been purchased. These

guides help us to find any specific

information that we are looking for.

Secondly, the library contains most

of the supplementary reading books

required on our book lists. This will

save us the effort of looking for them.

Thirdly, the Juniors and \_ Seniors

have access to the College Catalogues

for the information about colleges they

RUTGERS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Conservation

by Carl Stover

During the weekend of the nine-

teenth, twentieth, and twenty-first of

October, the Conservation Club went

on its first expedition to the New

Jersey School of Conservation which

is in Stokes State Forest in Northwest

New Jersey. Those who went were:

Dick Gutowski, Steve Hancox, Nancy

Haworth, John Maffet, Joe Messina,

Boice McCain, Dave Morland, Ed Otkin,

Sharon Ries, Allan Rackmill, Merle

Schiffmayer, Richard Schwartz, Carl

Stover, andJennifer Upton. They were

accompanied by Miss Nancy Warr and

Mr. Daviet who acted as chaperones.

Leaving New Brunswick at six-thirty

Friday evening, we arrived at the

School of Conservation at 8:00 where

we were greeted by Mr. Ben Cummings,

who helped plan our expedition.

OFF TO THE WOODS!

Saturday morning we went on an

expedition up to Sunrise Mountain and

NOTICE!

On Friday, November 16, the Key

Club will sponsor Prep’s semi-formal

Fall Dance. It will take place in the

Prep gym from 8:00 P.M. to 11:45

P.M, A theme for the dance has not

been selected yet, but it will prob-

ably be “Autumn”. A local five piece

band will provide the music, and

boys will be required to wear suits

or sport jackets and ties.

For the first time in many years,

the Key Club is active. It will be

sponsoring dances and working in

conjunction with the Student Coun-

wish to attend. These catalogues are

always available in the school library. |

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cil, This year’s six members are:

Vic Stilwell, Joe Messina, Dick

Schwartz. Merle Schiffmayer, Bruce

Gunkle and Danny Struck,

Seniors Relax After Day’s Work At Conservation Projects

November, 1956

Techniques a

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Culver Fire Tower where we were able

to see forty miles in all directions,

across the Delaware River into Penn-

sylvania, and past High Point, New

Jersey.

Later, in the afternoon, we worked

on conservation projects under the

supervision of Mr. Cummings. Haworth,

Maffet, Messina, Schiffmayer, and

Stover worked on stream improvement

with Miss Warr, while Mr. Daviet took

Gutowski, Hancox, McCain, Morland,

Otkin, Rackmill, Schwartz, and Upton

to clean out one of the stands of pine

trees.

Afterwards there was time for every-

one to go swimming it he wished. The

majority went in only to come right

out again because of the icy water.

Merle Schiffmayer, who went in three

times, regretted it later, and it was

only due to the efforts of Mr. Daviet,

Allan Rackmill, and Carl Stover, that

she didn’t suffer from overexposure.

The supper crew, Dick Gutowski,

Boice McCain, Steve Hancox, Dick

Schwartz, and Joe Messina cooked up

a fancy Italian dinner which was fol-

lowed up with apple pancakes for des-

sert.

“WHO'S THE WISE GUY?”

That night everyone lolled around in

Chimney Rock playing cards, drinking

two gallons of apple cider contributed

by Boice McCain and Carl Stover, and

listening to records. Later, when Mr.

Daviet went out, his bed was short-

sheeted. Strangely enough, Jennifer

Upton, who made the beds that morn-

ing, was blamed, and she found the

girls’ beds of full popcorn and logs.

The next day, after packing up, the

group visited Tillman’s Ravine to see

the water falls, and after lunch we

| started home, arriving at the school

at 5:00, tired but happy.

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From The

Editor’s Desk

I hope everyone took very careful

notice of the length of time it took for

this second edition of the Argo to be

printed. This was not the fault of the

Argo editorial board. We all tried very

hard to have this paper published as

early as possible, but unforseen cir-

cumstances would not permit this.

Last year, the Argo received third

place awards at the Columbia Scholas-

tic Press Conference. This year, we

would like to place our paper in an

even higher bracket. In order for us

to do this, we must have your fullest

co-operation. Everyone must work to

accomplish this since it is to the cre-

dit of our school and ourselves.

Before I continue, I would like to

explain that we are not dissatisfied

with the work that was done by the

majority of the staff. Most of the

articles were in on schedule with a

little help from our efficient copy-

editor. But, some of the work turned

in was in very poor shape, Our copy-

readers worked many hours to get the

articles in readable condition. Then,

those certain few irresponsible people

refused to get their articles in on

time.

For the next issue of the Argo, we

hope there will be more group co-

operation and precision.

FLASH...

Good News!! Does your schedule

say that Christmas Vacation starts

December 21? Well, if it does, it is

wrong. Christmas Vacation begins

Wednesday, December 19.

The Argo

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I have taken this opportunity to

discuss a subject of vital importance.

That subject is our enjoyment of life.

I’m sure that you will all agree that

enjoyment of life is essential. Since we

realize this need we have set aside two

days out of every week for relaxa-

tion.

Everybody goes home to enjoy these

two days except the students of Prep,

who spend them doing homework.

Every teacher gives twice as much

homework on week-ends because we

have two days to do it, but they forget

that other teachers have the same

idea. The result is that we spend the

week-end doing homework. I am not

asking that homework be abolished.

I’m willing to do twice as much dur-

ing the week to make up for the

loss if we don’t have homework over

the week-end. It isn’t too much to ask

if we can enjoy life, is it? I would like

to suggest that this topic be discussed

at the teachers meeting and at an

open student council meeting, and that

the student body be allowed to vote

on it.

Thank you,

Hopeful.

Dear Editor,

Last year, two greatly needed class-

rooms, a romance language and an

eighth grade room, were constructed.

This year, three main rooms have

been made available on the third

floor.

Although all of these rooms add to

the efficiency of Prep, to me the

library is most important. Every school

should have a library to which the

students have ready access.

The most important thing about the

new library is that it offers room for

expansion. In our previous library ex-

pansion was impossible. There were

two inadequate book shelves. This year

we have an entire room with empty

space for many books.

The library is a very good place to

study because there are several tables,

desks, and chairs to sit at, The library

is quiet, also. This is of prime im-

portance,

The English rooms are also welcome.

Formerly Mr. Moffat shared rooms

with many different teachers. Now

Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Moffat both

have seperate rooms, and I am sure

that both teachers and students ap-

preciate this.

Mare B. Leavitt,

SHELLEY‘ S

College Book Store

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New Brunswick, N. J.

OUR 9th YEAR AT RUTGERS

November, 1956

Inquiring Reporter

Questions Prepsters

by Amy Riddering

QUESTION: Do you think it woulq

be better for the students if the teach.

ers assigned no homework on week.

ends and increased the week-day as-

signments? (The point being that the

students can be completely free.)

LINDA LEVY: “The teachers should

give assignments on week-ends but

nct as long as the ones they are now

giving. The present assignments take

up too much of the students free time

on week-ends.”

BOICE McCAIN: “I think that it

is better to spread the homework over

the whole week rather than increas-

ing the weekday assignments to leave

the week-ends free.”

LINDA BRODSKY: “No, I think the

present schedule is satisfactory.”

IGOR GURO: “I want more home-

work during the week-ends and less

on the week-days.”

MARY BUNTING: “I think that the

present homework assignments are

enough during the weekdays, but it

would be nice if the weekend assign-

ments could be shortened.”

RONNIE JACKOWITZ: “I think we

should have homework over the week-

ends.”

ARLENE GREENBURG: “No, I do

not think that this would be any ad-

vantage to the students, for I think it

would only make their weekday nights

longer and drearier, and they would

waste their weekends.”

WALTER JACOBS: “An average

person who has a period of time in

which he has nothing to do forgets

what he has already learned. The

teacher should also take into consi-

deration that the homework given over

a weekend should be enough to keep

the student working and also allow

him time for relaxation.”

ZENA BERNSTEIN: “I think that

the schedule as it stands now is all

right.”

MARC LEAVITT: “I think it would

be better to keep weekend assignments

because we have a great deal of home-

work each night, and it is better to

have weekend homework so that we

can do it at our liesure.”

ARLENE DILALO: “There is enough

homework and it should stay that way

for the eighth grade. But, I think

there should be less for all the higher

grades everyday.”

JIMMY NESS: “I believe that it

would be better for us to have increas-

ed homework on weekdays and little or

no homework on weekends.”

SALLY SEARLS: “I think they

should give homework on weekends,

but not as much as they are now giv-

| ing. Our weekday assignments are long

| enough,”

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“SPOR TLIGHT

by Bernard Karshmer

Almost half of our soccer season has

gone by the boards and our unskill-

ful varsity has failed to post a single ||

victory. They have only been able to

ring up three goals. Dave Moreland

scored a life-saving tally against

Wardlaw, which enabled us to come

out of the game with a compromising

tie. The only time the Prepsters really

jooked good was in their hot second

half against Linden High. Joe Messina

and Dick Gutowski, each contributed a

goal in the third quarter to make the

score a respectable 4-2 at the final

whistle.

Coach O’Connel is faced with the

“pussy foot” problem. No one wants

to shoot the ball when they have the

chance. As for defense, Little Scarlet

appears to fare well in that category.

I certainly hope that Coach can solve

this problem before the varsity season

ends.

Welcome Al. It is certainly good to

see you back at the old gym. Most

of us remember those exciting basket-

ball games where you lead the O’Con-

nellmen to many a tight victory.

Congratulations to Burke’s Bombers,

the only undefeated intramural bas-

ketball team.

The Little Scarlet (J.V.’s) looked

pretty good in their first encounter

of the year. Keep up the good work

boys.

Prep Bows To Long Branch 3-0

The Little Scarlet’s varsity soccer

team fought a losing battle against

Long Branch High, Friday, October

12th, losing 3-0. Prep kicked off first,

but the wind was with Long Branch

who took possession of the ball and

scored a goal in the very first quarter.

After this, the Prep team settled

down and put up a good fight. There

was no score on either side in the

second quarter. Bob Fazekas, the golie,

did the best he could to stop all of the

shots. He was helped by Earl] Nielson

and Bob Bronfman, the fullbacks;

nevertheless, the opposing team scored

two more goals

Danny

in the third quarter.

Struk, Bruce Gunkle,

offensive

son, the Prep team was unable to score

and

Jim Burke kept the ball near Prep’s

line even when Long Branch

was advancing. Despite the many shots

by Steve Holsten, Steve Hancox, Dick

Gutowski, Al Thode, and Jake Thomp-

Wardlaw D

In Hard

Capt. Messina Heads For Gym

Prep Jay Vees Bow

In Season’s Opener

Rutgers Prep’s J. V.’s played their

first game to a three to one defeat

with Jamesburg last week. Jamesburg

scored the first goal against Prep in

the first few minutes of play. Though

Jamesburg got a good start, Prep’s

backfield held them for the rest of

the period, with the help of the golie,

Bill Smith.

The second period was highlighted

by a penelty shot by Bruce Gunkle.

Mr. Sperduto’s eleven played a beautiful

second quarter, and the only scoring

was by Prep, making a tie of 1-1.

The third period was quite different.

The score remained tie until the

Jamesburg booters got the ball 2nd

came straight down the field toward

the Prep goal, not stopping until the

ball was in. Although the fullbacks

were stealing the ball and feeding it

up to the line, the Prepsters could not

score, leaving Jamesburg in the lead

2-1.

In the last period, both lines and

back fields played beautifully, the only

owns Prep

Fought Game

by Steve Holsten

The Prep booters met the Wardlaw

soccer team at Wardlaw School last

Friday. This was the second meeting

of the two teams, with Wardlaw tak-

ing it six to one. The first game re-

sulted in a one to one tie. This is the

first time in many years that the

Wardlaw team has been able to heat

the Little Scarlet.

From the start of the second game,

it was a futile attempt by the Prep-

sters to put a check in the win column.

The Wardlaw center forward put one

through the stakes after about three

minutes of playing. The prep eleven

held Wardlaw to one more goal during

the first half by the excellent saves of

the Prep goalie, Billie Smith.

Prep kicked off to open the second

half and went right down for a score

with Joe Messina providing the boot.

It now looked as if the team still

had a chance, but Wardlaw soon re-

taliated with another goal, making the

score three to one.

From then on the Little Scarlet just

fell apart, offensively and defensively.

The Wardlaw team took advantage of

the let down to score three more goals.

The Prep front line had many chances

but couldn’t score even though they

had the ball down in Wardlaw terri-

tory many times during the first half.

During the whole game the Wardlaw

team showed that is was vastly im-

proved over last year’s eleven. The

Wardlaw players’ kicks were very good

and their team work was excellent. On

the other hand, the Prepsters bunched

up on the ball and got into each

others way. This resulted in the scor-

ing of two goals for Wardlaw off Prep

players.

score being made on a penalty shot by

Jamesburg.

In the J. V. line-up were Bruce

Gunkle, Danny Struk, and Steve Hol-

sten who are also varsity men. The

team showed promise for the rest of

“Meet To Eat” at the

MAYFLOWER

RESTAURANT

Corner SOMERSET and EASTON

New Brunswick, N. J.

the season by the way they booted

against a strong Jamesburg team. One

was off Dan Struk’s head as he tried

to get the ball out of Prep goal area

and the other was off Bernard Karsh-

mer’s foot when he tried to kick the

ball down-field.

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Exchange Editor

Makes Contacts

The National Foundation for In-

fantile Paralysis has made an appeal

for the Argo to explain exactly what

problem the teen agers are faced with

polio. Last summer over 1,000 people

of Chicago were stricken with this

dreadful disease, none of which had

had all three antibiotic shots. This is

only one example of what may hap-

pen. The Foundation urges us all to

act immediately while the Salk Vac-

cine is plentiful, before it is too late.

This year the Argo is exchanging

issues with many more schools than

before. Some of these include Bound

Brook, Highland Park, Perth Amboy,

New Brunswick, St. Peters, and Mc-

Donogh School in Maryland.

Let us not forget to extend congra-

tulations to the newly engaged alumni.

Harold Williamson, class of '52 and

Trudy Weber, class of '53, became en-

gaged this past week. Also, in the

class of ’54, Virginia Riegger announc-

ed her engagement during the past

week.

Connell Report

This year’s class officers for Student

Council were elected during the second

week of school. The class members

elected are: Sid Wooten, eighth grade;

Bruce Miller, freshman; Bruce Gunkle

and Irv Quackenboss, sophomore class;

Bill Smith, junior class; Dave Stephen

and Andy Piscatelli, senior class.

The four Council officers elected last

year are: Steve Hancox, president;

Joe Messina, vice president; Bernard

Karshmer secretary; Danylo Struk,

treasurer.

The class officers asked their classes

whether to have class trips or one

large school trip. It was decided that

each class will have separate trips,

except the seniors and juniors, who

will go together.

Every two weeks, Bernard Karshmer

will write up his minutes and have

them printed for the students. These

sheets are to let the students know

what is going on at our Council meet-

ings.

The Argo

LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

John Schmitt

A new French class has been added

to the Elementary School this year.

On Thursday afternoons, Madame De

Visme, a semi-retired French teacher,

instructs the fifth, sixth, and seventh

grades in French.

The eighteen boys and girls of the

fifth grade have been presenting alter-

nate Friday morning programs to the

class. A chairman of the group is

chosen each week by Mrs. Kehoe.

There has been a great variety of

material thus far, including poems,

songs, stories, riddles, and a play.

Interesting hobbies have been on dis-

play.

Mrs. Ellis’s class, the sixth grade, has

been studying about Egypt. The whole

class has made scrolls on this subject.

They also made clay tablets with

cuniform writing. They have just

started studying about Rome.

Mr. Sperduto’s seventh grade had a

presidential election during the first

week of school. When the ballots were

counted, it was found that the can-

didates had tied. The ballots were cut

out from the magazine, World Week.

CHEERLEADING

by Suzanne Hancox

This year, so far, we are very proud

of the commendable job that the

cheerleaders have accomplished. The

squad is composed of captain Merle

Schiffmayer, Jen Upton, Sally Searles,

Barbara Lipman, Arlene Greenbers,

Jackie Kaufelt, Jo Milliken, and Suz-

anne Hancox. Our substitutes are

Sharon Ries and Nancy Tompkinson.

Since J. V. cheering has been elimi-

nated, the Varsity squad has been

made much larger. We have all spent

many afternoons practicing for soccer

and basketball games.

It is customary for seniors on the

squad to be given a small gold mega-

phone engraved with an “R” at the

end of the year.

Now that the team is backed by

cheerleaders, we hope that it will give

them an incentive to win.

RUTGERS CHEVROLET

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November, 1956

Students Stargaze

in Astronomy Club

The Astronomy Club, a majority of

whose members are freshmen and

sophomores, meets weekly to study the

heavens. Mr. Heinlein is the club's

advisor.

The club plans to study the stars,

and to do this, a reflecting telescope

with three lenses has been purchased.

The club plans to study the sun and

the sun spots with this telescope. Mem-

pers also plan to meet on some eve-

nings in the school and study the

stars with it. They will be aided by

charts, indicating the positions of the

stars. Later on in the year members

of this club will take turns having

this instrument in their homes where

they can study the sky.

The Astronomy Club has plans to

visit the Rutgers University Observa-

tory on the campus. A bus trip to the

Hayden Planitarium in New York

City is being planned for a later date.

This club has elected a planning

committee of five members.

MYTHOLOGY CLUB

This club is in the second year of

its existence. The main purpose of

this club is to discuss topics of interest.

The club elected as president, Jon

Margolis, and Steve Holsten as secre-

tary. These and the planning commit-

tee are the only officers of the club.

After this the club went right to work.

The first topic the club discussed

was the modern fad, Elvis Presley. The

discussion was led by Kirsten Kvam

who did a very good job.

The next discussion was about the

coming Presidential election. There

was a report for each side. The one

for the Republicans was prepared by

Zena Bernstein, and the one for the

Democrats by Mary Louise Heldrich.

Both of the reports were well prepared

and the discussion of this material

lasted for two weeks. There were many

interesting views exchanged with Mr.

Dumarae, the club advisor, and .he

president who were acting as modera-

tors.

In the future the club has planned

more topics which make the club

activities very interesting and enjoy-

able.

New Library Plans...

(Continued from page 1)

The library has been named

“Rudolph's Memorial Library.” It is in

honor of a boy, Mr. Rudoph, who was

a Rutgers Prep student and whose

parents donated money to our school

after his tragic death.

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