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RUTGERS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

December, 1957

Glee Club Carolers Open Season With Yule Program

Varsity R Sponsors

Intramural Sports

The Varsity “R” Club, reinstituted

this year at Prep, sponsored an intra-

mural sports program. However, be-

cause the club is not yet well organized,

the whole burden of the program lay

on only a few of the members, espe-

cially Bernard Karshmer who was

responsible for its success.

This intramural program proved suc-

cessful at the first attempt, for every-

body enjoyed the intramural soccer

for boys, and the girls were enthusi-

astic rooters. All the boys were divided

into four teams, each coached by one

of the “R” men. Each team played

two games, which were refereed by

members of the “R” club. The result

of this stiff competition was that

Burke’s Bombers and Margolis’ Ma-

rauders tied for first place (0-0), and

Karshmer's Kool Kat Kickers and

Bromfman’s Bruisers tied for second

Place (1-1).

This was followed by the girls’ intra-

mural basketball, which turned out

just as well. All the girls in R.P.S.

were divided into four teams. Each

team played three games, Jackie's

Jesters taking first place, Barb's

Bobblers second, Sally’s Set Shooters

third, and Arlene’s All Stars fourth.

Encouraged by its success, the Var-

sity “R” Club is planning a third pro-

gram, boys’ intramural basketball,

which everyone is anxiously awaiting.

Old Club Acquires New Name

Continues To Discuss Bible

The group of students known un-

officially last year as “Mr. Dumarae’s

Discussion Group” has this year ac-

quired a new and official name,

Gamma Sigma. The name represents

Socrates’ words, gnothe sauton, which

mean, “Know thyself.”

The members will again discuss the

Bible when their club begins func-

tioning fully in activities period on

Wednesdays after the Christmas holi-

day.

FLASH!

Remind The Faculty:

No tests should be scheduled

between December 20 and

January 6.

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Hark! The herald angels ‘sing

The Glee Club gave its annual

Christmas festival at the gymnasium

Friday night, December 13. Besides

such works as “Cantique de Noel,”

“Sing Gloria,” and “Ye Watchers and

Ye Holy Ones,” the audience heard

traditional Christmas carols and a

selection by Johanna Rooda, soprano.

Students Swing At

Senior Square Dance

by Martin Levowitz

Passers-by and peekers-in were

enraptured on Wednesday, Novem-

ber 27th as they beheld the magnificent

decorations which had been concocted

by some of the more progressive

senior class aesthetes. Everyone agreed

that Ye Olde Prep Gyme looked very

much like a barn, and although the

creative geniuses had a\_head-start,

they deserve a lot of credit for de-

vising such a wonderful facsimile.

The calling was done by Jack

Vetter, who is a real “vetterin” at

making square-dances successful. Be-

tween the stamping feet and the free- |

got a}

flowing cider, the gym floor

stimulating massage.

The dance was arranged by Jackie

Pel-

Kaufelt, Arlene Greenberg, Ed

lichero, Dick Conrad, Bunny Karshmer

“Little Levo” Caesarwitz and smiling

Jon Margolis.

The shindig (literally) had

received valuable

toy

post-card,

cial dances

including: a

slightly bent

purse.

and an

came as birdlike Bruce Gunkle soared

flower.

Suddenly the air was filled with danc-| of temperament

up and grabbed a dangling

Mrs. Durkee led the Glee Club, which

sang for an appreciative crowd.

The concert opened with a series

of traditional Christmas carols. They

were “Joy to the World,” “O Little

Town of Bethlehem,” “Deck the Halls,”

and “The First Noel.” Then follewed

some more serious choral works:

“Sing Now With Great Rejoicing,’/

“Carol of the Bells,” “As it Fell Upon

the Night.”

The chorus from the Elementary

School then moved into the spotlight

singing “Angels We Have Heard On

High,” “Rocking,” “Bring a Torch,”

and “The Sleigh.”

The Glee Club returned and sang

“Welcome Yule,” “Santa Claus is Com-

ing to Town,” “Winter Wonderland,”

and “Cantique de Noel,” featuring a

soprano solo by Johanna Rooda.

After the elementary School Chorus

recited “Twas the Night Before Christ-

some

exciting features too. Winners of spe-

prizes,

carpet-sweeper, a

old | training

The highlight of the evening) nakedly

mas,” the Glee Club sang “Pat-a-Pan,”

| “Sing Gloria,” and “Ye Watchers and

| Ye Holy Ones.” The evening closed

; with the audience joining the singers

jin “Silent Night.”

Other solos were by Suzanne

Dushock, Linda Brodsky, JoAnn Mil-

liken, Gabrielle Gibbs, Nancy Lee, and

Judy Hecht.

New York Times Article

Stresses Liberal Education

| “To a people accustomed to thinking

| of themselves as supreme in science

} and technology the appalling deficien-

|cies and shortages in our scientific

system that have been so

exposed the last few days

have come as a jolting shock...

“Because of that peculiar volatility

that characterize

ing colors as a profusion of balloons|as much as any people on earth we 5

floated to earth.

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Interveitw With Mr. Gaggini

by James Burke

Prep’s fine French teacher, Mr. Alfred C. Gaggini, is once -again wreaking

his temper on the pupils this year. In spite of this supposed fault, most of his

students emerge from school with a reasonable grasp of the course, and no

fatalities have yet been recorded. Since the material is literally “pounded” into

the students, they either learn or are executed. (French class executions are

carried out by “chairing” the student since no stones are available.) Although

insanity thrives in his classes, everyone will tell you where he ranks: with the

tops.

His sparkling sense of humor has won him many friends the world over.

Last year he traveled to Cambodia, a small country in Southeast Asia, where

he taught English in a National School to French-speaking students. Cambodia,

now having a quite retarded educational system, is growing rapidly. The Prof

remarked, “The number of students in schools in Cambodia has increased

about 300% in recent years, so you can see the country is making progress.”

Concerning his stay in Cambodia, Mr. Gaggini commented, “I had the most

interesting and rewarding experience of my young life but I cannot say J

enjoyed it entirely because of the lack of modern conveniences.” Cambodia is

a country with insect-infested food, a scarce supply of fresh water, and above

all, primitive educational facilities. “The greatest value of my stay in Cambodia,”

Mr. Gaggini continued, “was that it made me see the fault of so many Amer-

icans who think they are the best in the world and that everyone should

strive to be like them.”

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Inquiring Reporter

by Amy Riddering

Question: What do you think of

bumblepuppy?

Stu Silverstein—“I don’t know. What

do you think of the sociopolitical

situation in Lower Slobbovia?”

Arlene Greenberg—“I think it’s much

. more efficient than pupplebumbby.”

ye: Moffat—“Well I think we have a

few of them around. Jon Margolis,

for example.”

Bunny Karshmer—“I am an alternate

center —centrifical, and along with

the requear center — centrifical I

will represent Prep at the bumble-

puppy rally in New York.

P.S. “Rutgers Prep has the first or-

ganized preparatory school bumble-

puppy team in the East.”

Susy Margolis — “He couldn’t beat

Nashua!”

Mr. Gaggini—“I think they’re here to

stay!”

Tom Dunn—“I have seen bumble bees

and I have seen puppies but accord-

ing to this we should change an

old saying of ours—‘The birds and

the dogs.’ (Maybe I’ll get one for

Christmas.)”

Tom Chester—“I think it’s a very good

idea if it used correctly. Only honor

students (like me) should be allowed

to practice it in study hall. It is

very good on rye with mustard.”

Martin Levowitz—“I think that Karsh-

mer is an imposter because I’m

£ really the center- centrifical. I don’t

know how we expect to win if we

don’t get organized.”

Bruce Gunkle—“Bruce thinks

it’s a

wonderful game but we \_ shouldn't

show off about it because then girls

will start watching it and someone

might be embarrassed.” (As told by

Explanation of Bumblepuppy

by Jon Margolis

Since you have just read the column

on the left (and if you haven’t, hurry

up and read it; don’t dawdle over this

glop), many of you are probably won-

dering just what bumblepuppy is. We,

the erudite editors of this noble jour-

nal, will now endeavor to explain it.

Everyone wants to be on a team,

and there are those who are. But then

there’s the rest of us, you and me.

What are we to do? Cheer up. For us,

the nothings of the world, bumble-

puppy has been found... Anyone can

make a bumblepuppy team if he can

duck. That is the only talent needed.

Aside from being a source of enjoy-

ment, bumblepuppy also represents

what makes modern America great:

organization. Everyone is on a com-

mittee. A weekly news-letter is being

prepared. The reason that nobody

knows exactly how to play is because

committees are continuously making

rule changes and preparing for the

grand tournament at Madison Square

Garden.

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\Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I have been in this school for over

a jear. Having joined several clubs, I

find that they are to my liking. This

year I notice that there

more activities.

Even though I am a freshman, }

still have the same advantages as g

senior in joining different clubs except

for the chemistry and conservation

clubs.

Each student has some kind of in-

terest which he wants to learn more

about. In just about any interest he

has, the school has a club. The clubs

have many benefits for the student,

They give him a chance to learn more

about the subject he likes, make more

and better friends and still have lots

of fun.

I think the activity schedule worked

out quite well this year. It gives each

student a chance to participate in

any club from science to music any

day of the week.

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Arlene DiLalo

From The

Editor’s Desk

“ach spring the Argo staff publishes

our school’s literary magazine, the

Argomag. This publication constitutes

the best literary achievements of the

students in each grade level as judged

by the editorial board.

A student may submit any of his

work for consideration which he deems

worthy.

All poetry and prose works, including

themes, essays and book reviews, are

acceptable. We urge you not to delay

in submitting your work so that it will

not be misplaced.

Give your literary gems to Mrs.

Wilson or any member of the editoral

board NOW!!

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The game, of course, will never be

played.

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IN THIS

CORNER

by Bernard Karshmer

“In This Corner” it looks to me

though the unfortunate and inexperi-

still has an

that old

elusive .500 mark. Bruce Gunkle, Norm

Schubert, and Co. played a hard game

against St. Mary’s S.A. but didn’t

auite make it. They hit only (to say

enced “Little Scarlet”

outside chance to “dunk”

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as

basket for basket.

the least) 26% of their shots. “Monk”

Feldman had a fair day, but some of

his shots seemed more like rifle blasts

than set shots. Steve Holsten shows

promise but needs much experience

against big guys. As far as Jim Burke

is concerned, just wait; one of these

days he’s going to have a hot streak.

In my opinion. Bruce Gunkle would

do a lot better if he would try to

drive a little rather than bring the

ball to the outside. A few good moves

here and there could be the difference

betwen 23 and 30 points. Last but not

least comes Norm Schubert. Let’s put

it this way — what he lacks in ability,

Although Prep lost by 33 points, our

boys played an excellent game. They

Just couldn’t equal the terrific shoot-

ing of the boys from Brooklyn Poly.

It seems that none of Prep’s five

could match Brooklyn's Bob Brower

who scored 41 points. Prep’s Bruce

Gunkle, however, tapped the baskets

for 23 points and Art,

Feldman scored 16 points.

The Game By Quarters

The first quarter turned out to be

the deciding one of the game. Before

the “Little Scarlet” had a chance to

“Monkey”,

he makes up in hustle.

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If the name Bob Brower seems

familiar to you loyal Prep basketball

fans, it ought to. The 6’ 3” Poly for-

ward single-handed rapped the “Little

Scarlet” with his 41 point effort on

December 7. Back on January 28,

1956, Mr. Brower, a sophomore at the

time, was in the starting lineup

Poly Prep edged the Prepsters by a

78-74 count. That day he cut the

cords for 11 points. On February 7,

‘57 Bob dunked a mere 16 points

against Ron Jackowitz and Co. and

Prep bowed 174-63 count.

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Erstwhile Prepster Jim Murray

doing a good job for the Rider Frosh,

while Ron Jackowitz is thought of as

one of the best basketball prospects in

many years at Upsala.

breathe, they had fallen behind by

17 points at the end of the first

quarter.

During the second quarter the Prep

five decided to settle down to work.

By means of good team work and

excellent shooting, the “Little Scarlet”

just about matched Brooklyn Poly

throughout the quarter.

After receiving a “pep talk” from

Prep’s new basketball coach, Jim

Dickinson, the boys came out for the

second half ready and raring to go.

During the third and fourth quar-

ters, Prep’s quintet, once again, de-

cided to get down to playing serious

basketball. Throughout the third and

fourth quarters, the “Little Scarlet”

played an excellent game, although it

seemed that the harder Prep tried the

better Brooklyn Poly did.

During the next few weeks the bas-

ketball team will face a tight schedule.

Although Prep dropped its first two

games, the prospects of winning the

next few is very bright.

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“Gunk’ and ‘Monk’ Dunk ’Em In

As Prep Cagers Lose 85-52

Minus the services of Captain Jim

Burke and Steve Holsten, Prep was

| handed its second defeat in as many

starts by Brooklyn Poly on December

7. Although the final score was 85-52,

Prep's five played “even-stephen” ball

with the boys from Brooklyn except

for the first quarter in which Prep

fell behind 26-9. Throughout the three

remaining auarters, the “Little Scarlet”

just about matched Brooklyn Poly

Hey Bruce, where’s the basket?

VARSITY BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

December

19 South River

January

8 St. Benedict's

10 St. Mary’s (S.A.)

15 Highland Park

17 Creyden Hall

21 Jamesburg H. S.

24 Croyden Hall. ....

Away 8:00

Away 3:30

Away 8:00

Away 8:00

Away 3:30

Away 8:09

Home 3:30

February

1 Blair Acad. ....

4 Jamesburg H. S.

5 Lawrenceville

7 South River ...

Away 2:09

Home 3:30

Away 3:45

Home 3:30

12 Admiral Farragut Acad. Away 4:00

14 Sayreville H. S. Home 3:45

15 Pennington Prep . Away 2:00

19 Peddie ...... Home 3:30

21 Pingry ... Away 3:45

25 Wardlaw Home 3:30

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JOHNNIE’S COFFEE SHOP

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EDUCATION (continued from p, 1)

will now undoubtedly go all out for

bigger and better scientific training,

scientific courses, scientific schools,

scientific scholarships,

“This is all to the good, and if

Sputniks I and IT did nothing else than

awaken our countrymen and\_ their

political leaders to a crying need we

should be grateful for that alone. But

what will it require to bring about

the realization in the U.S. that it is

not merely more scientific education

that we require, but more education?

This is the real crux of the question

that has been facing the American

people for years, before Sputnik was

ever heard of. The youth of the U.S.

(not to mention their elders) need

greater opportunity and greater incen-

tive and greater direction toward be-

coming educated men and women.

“Scientists and technicians, yes, and

the more the better. But the essential

base before becoming a scientist or

anything else, is to obtain a glimpse

of the broader horizons of life, the

literature, the arts, the history, the

philosophy, the language, the human-

istic studies that constitute the foun-

dations for our culture, and place it

in relation with the ages and the

experiences of mankind that have gone

before. This is what we really need,

what we have always needed, and

what we should make sure does not

get lost in the sudden rally to the

standard of science. Nor is there any-

thing contradictory between stressing

humanistic as well as scientific educa-

tion. The two are not opposites, but

rather correlatives...

“The new emphasis on science will

be self-defeating if we aim to produce

mere technicians rather than educated

men. What we as a nation have to

do goes far beyond establishment of

a few new scholarships or special

projects, desirable as such programs

are. We have to think big in terms

of education as education, aiming to

improve its quality... We have to

revise upward our national attitudes

toward teachers and toward teaching

and educational standards; we have to

build billions of dollars’ worth of

schools and colleges; we have to re-

think the relationship between stu-

dents’ abilities and their opportunity

for higher education; we have to take

a more mature view of what higher

education is and what it is not...”

Excerpted from New York times

editorial Reprinted in NEA News of

November 22, 1957

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FLASH!

Martin Bertman, class of 1957,

recently pledged to the Tau Epsilon

Phi fraternity at George Washing-

ton University in Washington D.C.

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‘Club Members Enjoy

‘Numerous Activities

French Visitor Honors Club

The French Club does something

new every week, At several meetings

we saw slides taken on Mr. Gaggini's

trip. They proved very interesting.

We enjoyed a visit from Micheline

Stutuoyner, a French girl. She spoke

little English, so that we were obliged

to speak French. We all asked her

questions. Jim Burke asked her if she

liked American boys, but she kept her

answer to herself. Jackie Kaufelt said

that she had beaucoup de questions,

and between giggles managed to ask

them. After that we listened to French

Records,

Conservation Club Reconvenes

The Conservation Club was opened

this year to all members of the senior

class who presented to Mr. Daviet a

composition which gave the students’s

reasons for wanting to become a mem-

ber.

The club is composed of twelve sen-

iors. James Burke was elected presi-

dent, Norman Shubert vice president,

and Sally Searls secratary.

The club plans to do their small

part in any phase of conservation

available to them which might be help-

ful to the state. The first project is

planned for the latter part of Decem-

ber.

Advanced Chem Club

Takes Trip

The recent activities of the Advanced

Chem. Club have led them into two

different, yet fascinating, areas of

science. The group with Mr. Daviet

on Friday, December 6 visited the

Photo Products Division of Dupont |

Parlin, where they were given a highly |

inclusive tour by Mr. A. M. Peterson |

and Mr. Wesley Welch. The club en-|

joyed this trip immensely and only

wished they could have stayed longer.

During activities period, Thursday,

December 12, Mr. Milton Cowan, Mid-

dlesex County Agriculture Agent, show- |

ed the club the techniques of soil

testing, which the club plans to make

a project of as a service to the com-

munity.

COMPLIMENTS

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CHESTER’S

ROD & CUSTOM SHOP

December, 1957

Lower School News

Mrs.

interesting

week. The demonstration was given by

Mrs. Dixon’s seventh grade.

Mrs. Warr's first grade and Mrs.

Hancox’s second grade entertained the

Taylor’s class enjoyed

demonstration

a very

science last

parents of the children in a very in-

teresting way. The two classes invited

the parents to see their children at

work. The idea has been received

wholeheartedly and will be tried by

other grades at a future date.

The third grade boys and girls of

Mrs. Lipman’s class are making scrap

books. The scrap books will go to

children in the hospital.

The Woodbridge Vocational High

School saw an original Thanksgiving

play presented by Mrs. Wolfson’s fourth

grade. The play was written by Mrs.

Wolfson’s fourth grade class. Those

taking part in it were Suzanne, Brede-

meier, Margaret Bower, Katherine

Molnar, and Carey Delcan.

PARENTS ATTEND TEA

A tea for the parents of the lower

school pupils took place in the Prep

sym on Thursday, November 21. The

tea presented a perfect time for the

parents and teachers to become

aquainted and discuss the children’s

work and marks. Refreshments, pre-

pared by the faculty, were served.

These consisted of punch and cookies.

Mrs. Kehoe and her faculty were

hostesses. Both parents and teachers

considered the tea a worthwhile and

enjoyable endeavor.

JIMMY,

NEXT TIME

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“Meet To Eat” at the

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Corner SOMERSET and EASTON

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