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Argo Members Visit

Local Press Meeting

On February 4, a scholastic press con-

ference was held at the Highland Park

High School. The purpose of this con

ference was to get the members of va-

rious school newspapers together tc

discuss common problems. Those rep

resenting our school were Carl Baratta

Joe

Messina, Dick Schwartz, Louise Di-

and Florence Schmitt.

1e beginning of the conference, <

al assembly was held.

e main speakers were Miss Lou P

problems, Some of the work-

which our members aittendei

were: What Makes a Better Editor

Headlining, Better Sports Page, whict

our editor-in-chief, Carl Baratta abl

moderated, and Page Makeup.

Between each workshop, there were

15 minutes breaks to allow the boys

and girls to get together and talk about

their papers and respective schools.

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RUTGERS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

March, 1956

Prepsters Hop In Honor

ot Victorious Basketeers

On Saturday, March 3, a dance was held in the Rutgers Prep Gym in honor

of the basketball team. This winter sport theme for the dance was quite

Vitti and Dusckock talk over dance

plans.

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SENIORS! Don‘t forget your

College Boards Exams —

March 17.

Prep Will Offer Two Spring Plays

By Peter Wintersteiner

On a date in April that has not yet

been settled, the eighth grade will pres-

ent a play called The Miracle Maker,

by James M. Morris.

This play will be a radio play. It

will be “broadcast” from one of the

rooms in the school to the Study Hall,

where the audience will be seated.

The directors of The Miracle Maker

are Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Frisch, the

two eighth grade English teachers. The

entire class will have some kind of part.

Some will have speaking parts, and

some will take care of the sound ef-

fects. If there are not enough parts for

all, another short skit will be present-

ed. The Miracle Maker will probably

take about half an hour,

On February 29, the eighth grade

chose the play. Regular rehersals will

begin soon,

To high-light the spring season, the

Dramatics Club plans to present a three

act comedy entitled Family Circle. The

date has been set for May 4, at 8:30

M.; the place is the Rutgers Prepara-

tory School Gymnasium.

The play will be the third dramatics

production by the school. The Dramat-

ics Club was created three years ago

to afford those interested in acting an

opportunity to exercise their talents.

There was a fine turn-out from the

student body, and tryouts are now be-

ing held.

The first production of the club was

The Man Who Came to Dinner. This

was followed by Time Out For Ginger.

Family Circle, with its cast of ten, is

a dramatization of the early life of

Cornelia Otis Skinner.

This play, as its predecessors, will be

directed by Mr,

supervision proved so vital to the suc-

cess of the first two plays,

|

successful. The team won the State

Championship against Admiral Farra-

gut the same day of their dance.

The dance committee, headed by

Gail Duschock and Clemmie Vitti, did

an exceptionally good job. They were

ably assisted by Bill Smith, Earl Niel-

| sen, Bernard Karshmer, Dick Twitchell,

Stan Rosenblum, Sharon Ries, and

| Rolfe Harrison.

Deviating from the normal pattern,

the cheerleaders did several cheers in

honor of the basketball team. The

highlight of the dance came when

Coach O'Connell distributed Varsity

and Jay-Vee soccer and basketball lett-

ers. The varsity team received their

letters in a gym filled with the shouts

of a happy audience.

Danced in socks

The Prepsters showed up in exorbi-

tant numbers. The idea of dancing in

their socks amused all of them, and

they enthusiastically proved that it was

loads of fun. The overall feeling of

victory was prevalent the whole eve-

ning, and everyone took advantage of

it.

The music for the evening was pro-

vided for by the Royal Airs. They

managed to play a mixture of songs

and beats to suit the tastes of all.

The faculty was again depended upon

to serve as chaperones and turned out

in good numbers. Mr. and Mrs. Hein-

Jein, Mr. Holley, Mr. Daviet, Mr. and

Mrs. O'Connell, Mr. Dumarae, and Mr.

Gaggini added their presence to the

fun-filled evening.

Several favorable comments were

made concerning the decorations. The

gym was done in black and white. The

printed black and white backdrops

captivated everyone.

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FACULTY ATTENDS CONVENTION

On March 3 and 4, the annual S.E.B.

Convention was held at the Statler in

New York. Mr. Heinlein acted as chair-

man of the Saturday afternoon con-

|ference which had as its theme the

science curriculum for grades seven

Dumarae whose able} through nine. Teachers from the lower

j and upper school attended the various

| meetings concerning their fields,

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Editorial

Two years ago. a new idea was slart-

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vas a success. The Council

school excursion

{ und so in 1955, Prep

visited the Franklin Institute

in Philadelphia.

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affair

stucents

This year the date and place of this

trip still remains tentative. The Stu-

dent Council is faced with the task of

selecting a destination that will be

favorable to both the students and Mr

Heinlein.

I am sure the President of the Stu-

dent Council will appreciate any sugges-

tions you may have concerning this

subject. One of the possible places al- |

ready discussed by the council as worth

seeing is the Statue of Liberty. Regard-

less of the destination, however, I am

sure that this trip will prove to be as

it has in the past two years, a memor-

able success.

The Argo

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Although I must compliment Prep on

the ever-increasing number of improve-

ments, I believe that one very impor-

tant feature is still missing. That fea-

ture is a student lunch and recreation

room.

In this room students could eat their

lunch. Milk and Coke machines would

be available and music could be fur-

nished by a radio.

This situation would eliminate the

congestion present every lunch half

hour in the study hall and would also

eliminate the rubbish all over the floor.

One of the available rooms on the

third floor could be used for this pur-

pose. It would be an asset to the school

as well as to the student.

Sharon Ries

Dear Editor:

Our basketball team has won its first

trophy since 1938. It was congratulated

by everyone for its success, and the boys

were all given letters and will get jackets

from the school. With all the excitement,

not many people stopped to acknowledge

the cheerleaders.

Through the basketball season, the

girls backed up their team with enthu-

siasm and spirit. Taey worked many

| nours trying to make a good showing in

honor of their team. When it was all

| over and the tournament ha

no one gave

showed them ¢

they had done.

In my opinion, they

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appreciate it and

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that might seem a little

but would serve the

jackets.

This is only a suggestion, because, of

course, there are any number of little

remembrances the girls would appreci-

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Sincerely,

An Interested Fan

Dear Editor:

Because the dance turned out nicely

Saturday night, I think it would be an

excellent idea to have more dances of

the same sort. Coach O'Connell did

his share of work in getting the major

part of the student body there. With

his help and other assets, the dance

was a huge success. There was an

unusually big stag turnout. Enthusiasm

filled every corner of the gym and

everyone shared in the enjoyment, I

think that a stag dance is the most

appropriate in a school such as ours

because there is such an odd feeling

of segregation among our students,

Thanks a lot,

Charley

March, 1956

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March, 1956

SPOR TLIGHT

By Joe Messina

Well, basketball at Prep is over for

another year, and this year the mem-

pers of the Little Scarlet team are

especially proud of the outcome bring-

ing the Prep School Group III Trophy

here for the first time since 1938. Clos-

ing the season with a mediocre 10-10

record, the Prepsters suddenly caught

fire to beat Pingry, the holder of the

Group III Trophy for tae past 3 years

by a substantial margin and a favored

Admiral Farragut team 57-45. Congrat-

ulations, fellows! Now let’s keep the

title here for awhile!

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The members of our championship

ballclub were honored on March 3, the

night of their tremendous victory. Lett-

ers were awarded to Marty Metzger,

Bill Utter, Stan Rosenblum, George

Friedlander, Andy Piscatelli, Bob Tam-

maro, Bob Torrone, Carl Baratta an

Joe Messina. What's this I hear about

jackets, Coach?

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Marty Metzger, our high scoring cen-

>t for All-County and All

ter, is a

Prep All Ste honors. One of the best

rebounders in our area, Marty has also

amassed y 500 points this season.

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Soce have also been awarded

since paper. Recipients of them

Stan Rosenblum.

were rorrone,

0 ) Bob Smith, Carl Barat-

6 struk, Bruce Gunkle, George

Friedl Sill Utter, Andy Piscatelli,

Marty ‘er, and Joe Messina.

Speaking of coming tnhings, Porky

Friedlander is after baseball recruits.

He and Bob Tammaro are oiling their

mitts for the oncoming season. Come

on, fellows! Let’s get out and support

these guys; let’s give Coach a success-

ful baseball season.

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Prep Wins Tournament

As Metzger, Utter Star

For the first time since 1938 the Rut-

gers Prep baseketball team ended their

season with a win in the finals of the

Headmasters’ State Invitational Tour-

nament. They easily defeated a Pingry

School opposition by a score of 81-60,

Marty Heads Tournament

Prep Sinks Admirals

For Our Ninth Win

A three point play in the final period

by our tall center, Marty Metzger,

proved to be the turning point as a

visiting Rutgers Prep team registered

a 54-48 victory over a taller Admiral

Farragut quintet.

Prep went ahead 10-8 on a basket by

Bill Utter in the first quarter and held

the lead until the fourth period where

the Admirals pulled out in front 40-39.

At this point, Metzger put in his three

points on a field goal and a foul shot.

This put Prep ahead by two, never to

be headed again.

After Marty’s three-point play, Bill

Utter rimmed a two-pointer and George

Friedlander dumped in two points from

the foul line. George netted seven points

in the game, Bill Utter got 19, and

Stan Rosenblum six. It was the ninth

win for the Prepsters, against seven

losses.

Dick Wheeler, Farragut’s tall foward

was the high man for the losers.

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and then went on to sink favored Ad-

miral Farragut in the finals of the

tournament by a score of 57-45.

Pingry Played First

Traveling to the St. Benedict’s hard-

wood, the O'Connell men faced Pingry,

their traditional tournament stumbling

block in the semi-final, After over-

coming a slow start, the Prep cagers

easily defeated Pingry by a score of

81-60.

Pingry, getting a fast start on three

consecutive baskets by their hard-dri-

ving guard Ed Conk, went out in front

6-0. The Prep schoolers soon got hot

and midway through the first canto

knotted the score at 12 all. The winners

shen connected for a string of six

peints. Bill Utter, Marty Metzger and

Stan Rosenblum each contributed a

deuce to bulge the score to 18-12. The

Prepsters were never headed after that.

By the end of the third period the New

Brunswickites had a 35 point lead; the

fourth canto found a new Prep squad

on the floor.

The team was paced by Bill Utter,

Marty Metzger, and Stan Rosenblum

with 29, 18, and 14 points respectively.

Navy Sunk

Little Navy was the last obstacle in

Prep’s climb to the Group I title.

Despite the fact that the Academy had

fallen once before to Prep, they were

still favorite for the crown. The Little

Scarlet, however, gave the sailors a

bigger battle than they had expected

and came out of the first period with

20-13 lead. In the third canto they

broke a 36-36 tie with a seven point

string and were never led again.

Through the first period the score

was tied three times and changed

hands three times before Stan Rosen-

blum dropped in two fouls to give Prep

a 10-8 lead. Marty Metzger scored the

Prep’s first eight points in that period.

Big Lou scored 17 points. Bill Utter

and Stan Rosenblum contributed 16

each for the cause.

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Council Report

By Stan Rosenblum

The Student Council has adopted a

complete accident insurance plan which

will cover all the students in the school.

The policy was brought to us through

the Department of Student Health in

Rutgers University. The plan covers the

students both in school and out. It will

pay up to five hundred dollars for anj

one accident. To collect for any mishap

the student should save all bills and

attach them to a form which may be

obtained from the office. The office

will then mail the claim and in a pe-

riod of two weeks the money will be

refunded. Policies for each student will

be given out soon.

For the remaining months of school

the Council has made plans to have a

school trip, a dance, and a field day

which the entire school will attend. Thc

day will be planned by Mr. O'Connell

A definite date has not been set bui

a sunny day in May would seem ea

great “time” to get together for a last

“time”!

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The second and third grades have

joined together and are currently work-

ing on The Sleeping Beauty, one of the

plays to be presented later in the

spring.

Mrs. Eby’s second grade has written

a play from the book, Mr. Doolittle

Goes to Africa, In it they sail a boat

on a wooden stage. They plan to give

their play on Friday afternoon, March

9.

A new dancing teacher has come tc

the elementary school to help Mr. Wals}

demonstrate the art of dancing.

“Meet To Eat” at the

The Argo

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Inquiring Reporter |

By Florence Schmitt

Question — Would you rather have the

two publications, the Argo and the Ar-

gomag, continued, or have one discon-

tinued and the other expanded? Why?

Replies—

Amy Riddering — “I think it would be

better if we continued both. That

way we keep up with the school news

and also the work of the students.”

Arlene Greenberg — “Both have diff-

erent functions. Therefore I don’t see

any reason to discontinue one for the

benefit of the other unless both func-

tions are taken care of in one publi-

cation.”

Mr. Heinlein — “I think there is ade-

quate energy and material for both

publications. Each publication attracts

the writings of different students and

serves several different purposes. I be-

lieve that our school would lose some

of its stature if it lost either one of

these publications.”

Joy Newman — “I like both the Argo

and the Argomag, but I think we

should have the Argo more regularly

and at least four Argomags a year.”

Mr. Holley — “I concur entirely with

the remarks of Mr. Heinlein.”

Jay Goldsmith — “I think we should

have one publication and make this

one superb and above all others in

years past.”

Bob Carlon — “I think they should both

be continued as they are both very

good.”

Mr. Gaggini — “In my opinion, there

is no doubt about it. They should

both be continued.”

Jim Ness — “I think they should both

be continued, but they should both

be expanded.”

Loretta Ness — “I believe that one

should be expanded so there woulc

be more pleasure in reading it. There

also could be a bigger variety in the

type of articles.”

Mr. Dumarae — “I believe that both

should be continued and both ex-

panded to further cover student ac-

tivities. However, may I extend my

compliments to both staffs.”

Barbara Brennan — “I would rather

have a bigger school paper that tells

more of school events.”

For Better Values . . .

March, 1956

Club News

By Steven Holsten

Four French I students have been

invited to join the French Club. This

club was formerly open only to French

II students. The new members are

Kathleen McCabe, Peter Wintersteiner,

Victor Stilwell, and Richard Schwartz.

Busy Advisor

Mr. Moffat is the advisor to four

clubs at Prep this year — the Speech,

Aviation, Navigation, and Mechanical

Drawing Clubs.

The aim of the Speech Club, which

meets on Thursdays, is to prepare stu-

dents for public speaking or for speak-

ing better with friends and groups. The

club members have memorized docu-

menst such as the Gettysburg Address.

The club members have also read

poetry and discussed the real meaning

of the poems. At present they are taking

up debating.

The Aviation Club’s idea is to teach

boys about light planes that they may

some day fly. The Club has gone over

the construction of planes and\_ the

operation of the instruments. Each

week an assignment is given out to one

of the club members who makes a re-

port. The officers are Steve Hancox,

Dick Twitchell, and Ear] Nielsen. This

club meets on Wednesdays.

The Prep Navy

The Navigation Club’s aim is to learn

about boats. So far the club has dis-

cussed the upkeep and landing of

boats. The members have also taken

up efficiency in the water and signals

of navigation. This club operates in

the same way as the Aviation Club.

Each week a different member brings

in a report. The officers are Steve

Hancox, Irving Quackenboss, and Vic-

tor Stilwell. This club meets on Mon-

days.

The object of the Mechanical Draw-

ing Club is to show its members the

use of drafting instruments and teach

them how to pick an object and draw

it from all perspectives. Leroy Thorn.

one of the advanced members, has gone

into advanced designing. This club has

no officers and meets on Tuesdays and

Fridays.

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