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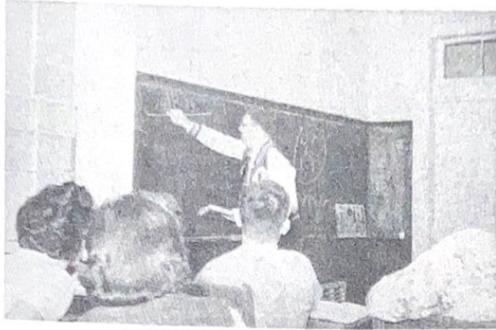
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THE WORM TURNS

Friday, March 21, proved to be a day of reckoning for the Prep Seniors. On this "Black Friday" the school was completely taken over by the seniors.

Mr. Heinlein and Mr. Coyle were demoted to eighth graders, Mr. Shepard and Mr. Felver to freshmen, Mrs. Shepard and Mr. Gaggini to sophomores, Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Ward to juniors, and Mr. Holley and Mr. Blake to seniors. The administrative affairs were taken over by Fred Sherzer, presiding as Headmaster, Kate Riddering as book keeper and Joyce Tuckey, receptionist and secretary.

The first classes in the morning ran off quite smoothly except for a few minor incidents in the freshmen and sophomore classes. In the freshmen class noise prevailed while in the junior class a water pistol was one of the predominating factors.

After the first four periods were over, the students received a rare treat. The demoted teachers, led by Mr. Gaggini and Mr. Coyle, accompanied the student body in various songs.

All the seniors participated in either conducting classes or study halls.

A great deal of credit goes to the faculty and seniors without whose cooperation this day would have been impossible.

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NEW ARGO STAFF

Starting with this issue of the "Argo", there will be a new Editorial Staff. The reason for this change is to help a new staff prepare for next year's publications. The new staff consists of four juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman. Those who are to take over the future editions are: Alice Weisfeld and Trudy Webber, co-editors-in-chief; Joyce Kannealy, Feature Editor; Joan Devine, Exchange Editor; Elfriede Riddering, Art Editor; Steve Rineberg, Business Manager; and Norman Karshner, Sports Editor.

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THE LAST CHANCE

Every year a traditional senior prom is given to the graduating class by the juniors. This year the big event will be held on May 24th.

The past dances this year have not been supported well by the student body. For example, the last one which we had was attended by only fourteen couples.

Formerly, many of the student body complained of the lax social season, and when a dance was finally planned, everyone from Jee Shme to Dick Tracy signed up, but who put in an appearance? Right! Just Jee Shme and Dick Tracy.

This is the most important dance of the year. It is also the last formal function. Let's not allow this failure of attendance to happen again.

An orchestra must be hired, and this will cost anywhere from seventy-five to one hundred dollars. This cannot be done unless good support can be insured. It's useless if only a few people will come.

Although the juniors are planning this dance, they are willing to accept any suggestions made by other members of the school. A theme must be chosen, and the help of all is needed. Let's all get behind them to make this, the Senior Prom, a success.

The seniors deserve this dance. It's the highpoint of their Prep career! It's up to the underclassmen to see that this is an affair that they'll always remember.

INQUIRING REPORTER

"What would you do if you saw an 'antimacassar'?"

Joan Devine, junior:
"I'd give it 40 lashes with a wet noodle."

Willie Flagg, freshman:
"I don't know; I'd laugh."

Alice Weisfeld, junior:
"I'd step on it."

Virginia Ann Hudson, junior:
"I'd catch it and see what it eats."

Bill Cramer, senior:
"I'd go home."

Jim Lamont, senior:
"Laugh at it."

Molly Parham, freshman:
"Jump out the window."

Emily Burke, junior:
"Change its name to Phil."

Elfriede Riddering, sophomore;
"Hide behind the nearest telephone pole."

Richard Lockhart, senior:
"Run in fright."

Lyn Golden, junior:
"Kill it."

Pat McGovern, sophomore:
"Catch it and give it to the Rutgers Crew Team."

Jim McGovern, senior:
"Circle round and run away."

Ed Taylor, senior:
"Run down the street and jump into the nearest manhole."

Ted Nestler, sophomore:
"Head for the mountains."

John Freedman, freshman:
"Spit in its eye."

Note: In case you are wondering what an "Antimacassar" is, it is a cover for the back of a chair.

DIM LIGHT

by Hortense and Chlee

Our first "Dim Light" is turned on that eminent character, Falerd Igaging. His school spirit is as excellent as his ability in discus (?) throwing, and he often reminds us of "The Discobius of Myran." His sudden attacks of seeming lunacy add flavor to the classes of which he is a part. Many of the students think that he should get an audition with "La Scala of Milan", since he possesses the rare ability of rendering delicate strains. Although Fal's vocal prowess is often exhibited during classes in strange screeching tones, we are still trying frantically to arrange a concert for some assembly period.

A lover of great music, Falerd is also an admirer of colorful ties which brighten up the atmosphere of the school.

Needless to say, even under the "Dim Light" Fal sparkles with his accustomed luster.

SPRING FASHIONS

by Jean Devine



The weather reminds us that spring is officially here and with it the new spring fashions.

The styles are varied, but the suit with the nipped waistline and short jacket seems to predominate. The duster type coat with the loose sleeve is still popular. Flower hats always usher in spring but, as the season progresses, we will see the larger hat reaching the cartwheel type. Many fabric gloves are shown in colors. The smartest of these are the striped gloves. The shoes this year start with the "Barefoot" look and are varied to the ever-popular opera pump.

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Navy blue, as always, is the popular spring color, but we will find that many of the greys, taupes and tans will follow. The summer, of course, brings out the pastel shades.

Accessories play an important part in one's costume. The plainest dress takes on a smart look with the proper accessories: a flower, a bell, or a scarf. Large colorful flowers and summer costume jewelry are being worn. The first rule of being well-dressed is choosing with care the thing that is most becoming to you.

TYRANNY TOPPLES

New Brunswick, N. J. March 21; Under the leadership of Fred Shærzer and his cohorts, Kate Riddering and Joyce Tuckey, the offices of Warden Stanley Shepard, alias "The Butcher", and matrons Olga Ward and Marienne Andrews were taken over. In the meantime, Clark White led the seniors in a revolt against the barbarians Leo Coyle, alias "Kid Coyle", Guy Blake, alias "Sly Guy", Dave Heinlein, alias "Flashbulb Heinlein", Flo Shepard, better known as the butcher's moll, A. Z. Holley, alias "Sleepy Holly" and Bill Felver, alias "Wild Bill" and Alfred Gaggini, alias "Awful Alfie".

At 10:30 anyone entering the school would not have suspected anything unless they happened to see "Awful Alfie" with a ball and chain tied to his leg. Alfie tried to organize a counter revolution but due to the espionage work of Frank Saloky and Harold Williamson the plot was crushed.

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HONOR ROLL

Alice Weisfeld
Franklin Preiser
Philip Cohen
Diane Dern
Joseph Becker
Fredric Sherzer
Kate Riddering
John Kuhlthau
James McGovern

Howard Tobin
Robert Hagar
Alan Black
Frank Saleky
Harold Williamsen
Frank Avery
John Forden
James Rothschild
William Cramer
Kalman Miller
Clementina Vitti

Clifford Griggs
George VanVechten
Eugene Pakezdi
Stephen Rineberg
James Lament
Robert Grace
Jack Paster
Stuart Edelberg
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Susanne Heins
David Handler
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Joyce Tuckey
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KAT'S KORNER

by I. Knewit



We wonder if there is any special reason why "My Darlin' Clementine" has become Alan's favorite song.

Stan and Dan were quite worried one fine Saturday evening, when they couldn't find their good friend, Pete. Where did he finally turn up, boys?

Hey, Fred, do you know what month this is? It won't be too much longer now!

To whom it may concern: Richard, you better let you-know-who out of the you-know-what before you have your car repaired. You just can't trust those auto repairmen these days!

There certainly are a lot of colds going around. Aren't there, Harold?

If you haven't seen the latest show ask Joyce when it starts.

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STAFF VISITS CONFERENCE

On Thursday morning, March 13th, a group of eight Prepsters left New Brunswick on the 9:12 train for New York City and a day's visit to the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference. Those attending were Alice Weisfeld, Trudy Webber, Jim Lamont, Jim Rothschild, Bob Lockhart, Fred Sherzer, Jim Weisfeld, and Bill Cramer.

Upon arriving in the big city, the group went directly to the Columbia University Library. In this building there was a vast display of literary material of all kinds representing hundreds of schools, from all parts of the country. The different types of school newspapers, some photo-offset, like our own "Argo", and some printed, either on glossy white paper or on paper such as our daily newspapers use, proved enjoyable reading. The magazines held their share of the spotlight, but the yearbooks seemed to be the most interesting, since hardly two of them were alike.

Viewing the display occupied the entire morning. The Prepsters then took time out for lunch after which they attended different sectional meetings. Many phases of journalistic work were grouped according to topic. The delegate entered that group which most fitted his interests.

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SPOTLIGHT

This month's spotlight turns on a popular member of the class of 1952, Bill Cramer. Bill served as score keeper and chauffeur for the basketball and baseball teams. He also helps write the Rutgers Prep column in the local paper.

His time outside of school is taken up by several activities. Among these are the Raritan Chapter of the DeMolay, and the Children of the American Revolution.

A good friend to all, Bill ranks high scholastically. He is planning to enter the Rutgers Newark College of Pharmacy in the fall.

His pet peeve is girls!!

JOKES ?

Mama Skunk was worried because she could never keep track of her two children. They were named In and Out, and whenever In was in, Out was out; and if Out was in, In was out. One day she called Out in to her and asked him to go out and bring In in.

"Wonderful!" said Mama Skunk.

"How, in all the great forest, could you find him in so short a time?"

"It was easy," said Out, "In instinct."This Week Magazine

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PLANS FOR SCIENCE DAY

On Saturday, May 17, Rutgers university has scheduled its second annual State Science Day for high school and prep school science teachers and students. This year, Mr. Heinlein has chosen Harold Williamson and George VanVechten to represent Prep.

In addition to investigating the various exhibits on display and attending several lectures, the two boys will enter two of the competitive exams. Williamson will attempt to conquer the Engineering test, while VanVechten will take part in the Biology Questionnaire.

There are several prizes for the top students in each field, including scholarships to Rutgers, gold keys and plaques.

PREP PATTER

The junior class met on March 31 to discuss the forthcoming prom. Nothing definite has been decided yet, but they plan to meet again in two weeks.

The senior ballots have been taken with some rather interesting results. These will be included in Ye Dial, which went to the printer before spring vacation. However, the advertising section will be held open for a while.

Our track team, the members of which have been working out diligently, is going to its first meet on April 21. This is against Newark Academy and will take place at Newark.

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DEAR DIARY

by the Honorable Jim Weisfeld Esq.

March 14: The Argomag is awarded third place rating by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association Conference. Can the new staff get away with this?

March 26: The "Argo" wears skirts! All are watching breathlessly...What will this new innovation bring? We all wish them success.

March 31: Why?

April 3: Mr. Coyle and Dudley Klain provide latest spectacle with their new chevrolets. Capitlists!

April 4: J.R. kills 9 cows while driving Lamont's machine. State Agricultural Commission investigates. Henceforth all domestic animals, Prepsters included, must remain under cover.

At a warm-up of the Quiz Kids radio show, somebody asked, "Can you think of any proverb that helps you in your relations with your father?" One angel-faced moppet shot up her hand and piped, "There's no feel like and old feel." The Saturday Review of Literature

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FACULTY FLAIL

Mr. Gaggini, who is Imogene?

What's wrong with progressive (bebop) jazz Mr. Helley?

Did you enjoy senior day, Mr. Ceyle?

Mr. Blake, what's your cure for spring fever?

Why don't you take your classes on a field day, Mr. Heinlein?

Mr. Helley, what is a bimbo?

What does mean Mr. Feller?

STUDENTS

HONORED

Two of our outstanding students have been elected to represent Prep at the Annual Spring Meeting of the CUM LAUDE SOCIETY. This is an honorary society for students of high school and college age. Our representatives this year are James Lamont and James Rothschild. Jim Lamont has been asked to speak on the topic "On what basis should college scholarships be awarded?"

The meeting is to be held on April 26, 1952, at the Woodmere Academy, Woodmere, L.I.

In order to be present the student must be in the upper quarter of his class. Mr. Guy F. Blake is faculty advisor for this society. Those who become members remain so for life in addition to receiving a symbolic key.

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COHEN, HEINLEIN ATTEND DINNER

On March 21, Mr. Heinlein and Phil Cohen attended the Diamond Jubilee Dinner of the American Chemical Society. This meeting was held at the Essex House in Newark for the purpose of disseminating scientific information among high school teachers and outstanding students in this field. In addition to enjoying a delicious meal, our two Prep representatives were treated to an interesting demonstration of rubber manufacture by the cold process and also a discussion of atomic energy by Professor Alyea, a Professor of chemistry at Princeton University.

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When school closed on Friday, for vacation, the students and faculty were able to say that it was one of their happiest days at Prep

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The cheerleading tryouts, which take place in the future, also deserve mention here. After the new squad has been chosen, it will begin practice for next year.

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At 12:30 in the afternoon Kid Coyle and Sly Guy masterminded an escape for all the barbarians. The escape went off like clock-work and the last time the barbarians were seen they were crossing the Raritan River picking each other's pockets.

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PIERCE WINS MAT HONORS

Recently Spencer Pierce won honors for himself and for the school in a wrestling tournament sponsored by the New Jersey Amateur Athletic Union when he capped the fourth place medal in the 121 pound class. In accomplishing this feat Pierce became eligible for the Olympic team tryouts.

ARGOMAG RUNS THIRD

This year's Argomag received a third place rating by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. A score book will be mailed shortly and the next School Press Review will contain the complete contest report.

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COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

The number of college applications which have been handed to Mr. Shepard by seniors have been very few. Nevertheless, three boys have been notified of definite acceptances by colleges. Jim Lamont has been accepted at Swarthmore College, where he will major in science; Harold Williamson at the University of Wisconsin, where he will study agricultural engineering; and Bill Cramer at the Rutgers College of Pharmacy in Newark.

STATES RATE

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