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JUNIOR PROMENADE DRAWS NEAR

The busy little Juniors, who have been bustling around the school, will be richly rewarded tonight when they enter the Cowell Gymnasium dressed in their best suits and gowns. They will arrive sharply at eight in order that they may not be late for this one of the big events of the school year--the annual Junior Promenade. For one delightful evening, right up until 11:30, they invite the whole school and a few outsiders to join them in tapping out some dance steps to the music of the Rhythm Makers.

One of the nicest and most natable features of the Prom is the attractive appearance of the "social steppers." Following the new trend toward self-reliance, some of the girls have made their own gowns.

Of course, refreshments will be served to make the evening perfect, and it is hoped that everyone will attend and join in making this social affair a success.

COACHES COACH COACHES

Geraldine Meech and Alan Finck, under the able tutelage of Miss Archibald and Mr. Merrill respectively, turned out winning senior teams in the class basket ball "round-up."

Team members, listed below, were presented with their letters at Assembly Tuesday morning, by their class coaches.

Girls: Virginia Amidon, Virginia Beader, Marion Lively, Lois Wilde, Mary Kuczmarski, Martha Stone, Barbara Dwight, Edna Cummings, Alice Forgette, Dianne Waste, Ruth Leavitt, and Irma Gould.

Boys: Ernest St. Jacques, Roland Streeter, James DuBois, Everett Coutu, James Graves, Joseph Giguero, Richard Long, Edward Stowe, and Raymond Burdick.

("Prom" committees are listed on another page.)

PRO MERITO MEMBERS TO BE GIVEN SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

Hear Ye! Hear ye, students of Arms Academy--a very satisfactory plan has been accepted by the faculty in favor of Pro Merito students.

Seriously, though, here is something for you undergraduates to look forward to, something which will make you want to work harder than ever.

All students who belong to the Pro Merito society are free to do as they like during study periods. They are expected to be present at assembly and all class recitations, but otherwise are free to wander at will.

Of course, there is a catch to it--not really a catch, though, if you are truly an honor student--if your marks go down and your work is not up to your usual standard it will be necessary for you to give up this privilege.

So, heads up, undergraduates, and congratulations, Pro Merito students. Good luck----and don't misuse the fine privilege.

LITTLE SUGAR, LITTLE GAS, FEW TIRES BUT PLENTY OF SCHOOL

During last week, the teachers of the School Union, including members of our Arms faculty, registered automobile owners for the rationing of gasoline. Part of our faculty worked at the Crittenden School and the Colrain Center School, and the remainder at the Cowell Gymnasium. Approximately 450 persons were registered at the "gym" during the 3 days.

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MRS. BURNHAM SUPERVISES STUDENT TEACHER

Miss Barbara Bradford of Waltham, a Junior at the Framingham Teachers' College, is doing practice teaching in our Household Arts Department. Miss Bradford arrived here the 18th of May and will be our visitor until May 29.

CHARACTER

Character might possibly be referred to as the ladder which one has to ascend in order to attain the coveted honor of wearing a Silver A. Cooperation, attitude, disposition, loyalty, and scholarship are the rungs, for without an upright character, one can hardly expect to possess any of the attributes which are referred to as the rungs of the ladder.

A person's morals, personality, and principles hinge upon a staunch character, for, as you all know, any respected individual possesses such admirable qualities as are developed from noble character.

Character is not a trait which has to be regarded as hereditary for it can be developed in any one. This is one ideal which our parents are depending on us to achieve for ourselves, but only after they have taken the pains to demonstrate to us what a profitable and satisfying attribute character is.

This is the last editorial written to acquaint the student body with the requirements necessary for a wearer of a Silver A to possess. If you have a fine upright character, you can be loyal to your family, friends, and your school, as well as to yourself. You can cooperate whenever necessary, and you can use a broad-minded attitude toward all issues. You can be regarded as a dependable person, your personality and consideration for others will always help out.

"WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK"

Has anyone joined the Marine Corps or the Field Artillery of late? If not, you should do so, according to the songs we have been practicing.

Miss Archibald has very patiently been trying to teach us the correct way to sing these songs, copies of which were handed out to us in assembly about two weeks ago.

These periods of singing have added a great deal to our usual assembly program; and from the different variations of the two songs, (sung in all keys -- in corridors as well as in assembly), it would seem that the whole student body has been enjoying them. Singing together happily starts the day right.

THE ARMS STUDENT HAS GONE TO PRESS

The "Arms Student" of 1941-1942 has gone to press. After weeks of hard work, the members of the editorial and business boards have completed the setting up of the "Student" and have sent it to the printers for publication.

The average Arms student, who will read the year book this year, may fail to realize fully, the long hours of hard work that were put into it by the faculty advisers, editor, associate editors, artists, typists, business board members, and many others. A great deal of credit is also due to these faculty advisers who have given hours upon hours of their time to help organize the year book. I am sure that the entire school joins us in extending our most sincere thanks to Miss Archibald, editorial board adviser; to Miss Outhouse, business board adviser; to Jeanne Fontaine, editor in chief; and to the staff for their splendid work.

We are confident that you will enjoy your "Student" twice as much if we succeed in impressing you with the time and effort it takes to set up a publication such as our year book.

First of all, it costs money—a lot of money—to print the "Student." The price each of you will pay for your copy will nowhere near start to pay the expenses. Therefore, we all owe a lot of gratitude to the public-minded business men of this vicinity who have made the publication of the "Arms Student" possible by buying advertising space.

SAMORISKI SPEAKS IN ASSEMBLY

Tells of Soldiers' Sacrifices

Probably not many Arms students can be made to realize the fact that it is due to men who sacrificed their lives for science that we know as much about mosquitoes and the diseases they carry, as we do. Henry Samoriski-- the young man who so calmly walked away with 3rd prize in Junior Prize Speaking and whom we were all glad to hear again, spoke a while ago in assembly. He told us how brave men toiled and tried endless experiments to discover the causes, preventions and cures against these dreaded diseases. He especially stressed the point that was due to these tireless, courageous men that we have learned much about disease control, and it was these men who sacrificed everything in order to make a healthier world.

FOOD IS A VIRTUE

This year the Agriculture department has increased its food production above that which it has had for many years. They have done more than their share in the 10% increase in poultry. Last year there were 2175 chicks owned by the boys while this year we have, or will have, about 32000, an increase of nearly 50%.

The garden projects have also increased. The victory garden idea has been an encouragement for many; for others, cash crops of potatoes and cucumbers hold interest.

The following are some of the projects being carried on by the students in the Agriculture department:

Poultry:

Howard Stowe: 100 turkeys
Fred Parker: 100 turkeys, 250 chicks
Edward Corse: 950 chicks
David J. Giard: 40 layers, 300 chicks, 50 turkeys
William Ryan: 175 chicks
Earl Temple: 600 chicks, 500 hens
Reginald Libby: 100 turkeys
James Williams: 43 layers, 100 chicks
Elmer Libby: 54 layers, 100 chicks
Edward Purrington: 100 chicks

Rationing--cont. from page 1

The following girls assisted the teachers in rationing: Marjorie Deveney, Evalyn Fitzroy, Marjorie Mirick, Ruth Leavitt, Diane Waste, Lois Wilde, Phyllis Joyce, Ruth Canedy, Irene Glaris, Shirley Thackeray, Carolyn Johnson, Lois Wetherbee, Lorraine Jasmin, Gloria Lunardi, Marjorie Richmond, Elizabeth Suprenant, Helen Suprenant, Lila Lawless, Marion Lively, Nathalie Lunardi, Sarah Baker, Virginia Upton, Doris Mills, Jean Davenport, Irene Giard, Eleanor McQuade.

"What will be rationed next?" our patriotic teachers are asking. Well, we don't know yet, but what ever it is-- gas, sugar, or yo-yos--Arms' teachers will be on the job.

FIRE FIGHTING MEDIUMS SHOWN BY MOVIE

Last Friday, the long-awaited film on the subject of what and why in extinguishing incendiary bombs was shown. This film was very instructive, but it is hoped that the knowledge gained will never have to be used by anyone in protecting lives and property in the U.S.A.

Gardens:

Willard Pike: 1/4 acre potatoes
Howard Stowe: 1/2 acre cucumbers
Edward Corse: 1/2 acre cucumbers
Felix Nadeau: 1/2 acre garden
Bernard Emerson: 1/4 acre potatoes
David J. Giard: 3/4 acre potatoes
Lyle Hall: 1/2 acre potatoes
Walter Frost: 1/8 acre home garden

Also, Laird, Pike, Purrington, Stafford, Smith, Walker, and Willis will all have garden projects.

Dairy & Hogs

Roland Call: 1 heifer calf
David J. Giard: 2 heifer calves
Ralph Pratt: 1 heifer calf
Paul Laird: 2 cows; 3 heifers
Earl Temple: 1 bull
Howard Stowe: 2 breeder hogs

Fruit:

David J. Giard: 100 apple trees
Earl Temple: 1/4 acre raspberries
James Allen: 300 strawberry plants
Elmer Libby: 100 Boysenberry project
Kenneth McCloud: Care of 400 fruit trees
James Williams: Cost account on orchard
Virginia Oates: Raspberries
Samuel Campbell: 500 strawberry plants

"I JUST GOT A LETTER--"

An interesting activity has recently been started, sponsored by Miss Chase at the request of the Freshman Latin Class. This is the practice of corresponding with boys and girls in foreign countries not too involved in the war; such as Canada, New Mexico, South America, and England.

Other students in school have had "pen pals" for some time (even short-hadn ones), and have received interesting and enjoyable letters.

Amherst Game - continued from page 4
compete with the Amherst sluggers. Long, relieving Finck, held the opponents scoreless for the remaining innings. The sole run chalked up by Arms was made when Coutu's double drove in Walden in the late innings. The final score was Amherst 6, Arms 1.

This game was a decisive one and also an excitingly close one. Amherst had been averaging at least 13 runs against their other opponents. This six-to-one win over Arms proved that Amherst has "some" competition which may prove too much for them later.

EVER HAD AN EMBARRASSING MOMENT?

Students! Cash in on your embarrassing moments. We all have 'em. Here's all you have to do: Write on the blank below the situation and sign your name along with your class and homeroom. The winning entry will be depicted in a cartoon, or "strip" of cartoons by one of our staff artists, and will appear in the last issue of the year. Here are the few simple rules:

(1) Any student, with the exception of those on the Sentinel board, is eligible.

(2) Entries are to be turned over to any member of the editorial board by the 28th at 1:35.

(3) Situation must be built around school activities.

(4) Judges are from the Sentinel board, and their decision is final.

Reward for the winner will be a copy of "The Arms Student" fresh off the press. What more could anyone want?

SAMPLE SITUATION AND CARTOON

Among life's embarrassing moments



The time you counted out the class to see which question you would have to answer, and the fellow in front of you didn't know the answer to his.

My most embarrassing moment is _____

Name _____ Class _____ Home Room _____

Receiving Line

Mr. & Mrs. Watkins
Mr. & Mrs. Avery
Jr. Pres. - Howard Binder
Vice Pres. - Gladys Geiger
Secretary - Helen Dobias
Treasure - William Crofton
Rep. to the S. G. - Gloria Lunardi
Class Historian - Erna Francis

Ushers

Dolores Putnam	William Dobias
Jeanne Peck	Robert Coombs
Eleanor McQuade	Mark Burnham
Marion Lusty	William O'Neil
Ruth Nichols	Russell Richardson
Lila Lawless	James Delaney
Marjorie Deveney	Roland Walden
Catherine Caron	Duncan Upton
Eleanor McCulloch	
Henry Samoriski	

WHO'S WHO AT THE JUNIOR PROM

Decoration Committee

Chairman - William O'Neil
Lila Lawless
Ruth Nichols

Refreshment Committee

Main Committee - Gloria Lunardi
Dolores Putnam, Marjorie Richmond

Others:

Erna Francis	Henry Samoriski
Eleanor McQuade	Thaddeus Samoriski
Catherine Caron	William Crofton
Irene Glaris	Robert Coombs
Margarite Peck	Howard Binder
Helen Peck	Clinton Wells
Roland Walden	James Williams
William Dobias	David VanValkenburg
Martin Rancourt	Mark Burnham
Jeanne Peck	James Delaney

The Sentry Box

I suppose that the majority of you are concentrating on tonight's affair instead of schoolwork, but, seeing as the Junior Prom only comes once a year, I guess we can excuse you this time. In spite of the gas rationing, I don't think there will be many of us walking either way. A number of the Junior boys on the baseball squad are thankful that there is a game out of town this afternoon, because they won't be back home in time to usher at the dance. Most of the girls seem to have a far-off look in their eyes, and I pity the damsel who didn't make an appointment at the hairdresser's until the last minute.

I am told that the school schedule during gas rationing spoiled a good many of us and I don't doubt it any.

Judging from the pictures in Baker's window, our baseball team is extremely photogenic. It's too bad Amherst spoiled our "unbeaten" title, but the game with Hopkins showed that we hadn't lost our spirit, and that's something!

See you all tonight!

"HINTS TO YOU"

Every year, in May, the Junior Class has an "extra-special prom"; and every year the same thing happens. The boys (most of them) are too shy (?) to ask the girl they secretly admire. For this reason, many girls arrive at the prom unescorted.

Instead of having a stagline, we have a whole room of stags.

When prom time comes, a girl dreams and hopes for:

An escort who appreciates her gown and hair-do--and says so.

A good time at the prom without being chained to the escort or bleachers. A steady current of good dancers is the dream of any girl.

There is also the boys' points of view on the subject of Proms. They would like to have:

A girl who is ready--or nearly so--when he arrives.

An acknowledgment of his flowers.

Her remembrance that she came with him and not with some other fellow.

Think it over, "kids." Take the hints. The Junior Promenade is the place to have a "delightful time."

ARMS CAN PLAY BASEBALL

In the week of the 10th with three games on the schedule, Arms showed some excellent ball playing.

The first tilt was with Smith school which has a team to be watched. For the first few innings it was a pitcher's duel. As the game progressed, the runs were few and far between. This made the game exciting and interesting. The final score showed Arms but 2 runs ahead of Smith School--3 to 1.

The hardest game of the three took place with Hopkins Academy on their home field. For the first six innings things began to look pretty bad for the Merrill men as they trailed by 2 runs and then 1 run. In the seventh, "the die was cast," with 2 men on bases, Walden drove the leading run home with a triple. In the next 2 innings the Arms sluggers chalked up 2 more runs to win the game. Arms-6--Hopkins-3.

The following day our boys journeyed down to Deerfield Academy. The Merrill men took the offensive having gained a lead in the first part of game. Aided by several walks given by the constantly changing Deerfield pitchers, the Arms powerhouse chalked up 9 runs to Deerfield's 4.

ARMS WINS OVER HOPKINS 9-8

With the team still much elated by the Deerfield Academy game, it "took on" Hopkins very nicely.

The crowd was a little bit jittery at the beginning of the fifth inning when the oponents scored those five runs; but, despite the errors, the team began to "clamp down."

The Arms boys played real ball in the sixth and continued to do so for the remainder of the game, Arms winning 9-8.

HOMER BEATS ARMS

Gives Amherst the Lead Over Arms

One of the longest homers that has been hit on our Crickett Field for some years cinched the game for the visitors.

Leading only by two runs at the beginning of the third inning, Amherst loaded the bases with no outs. Rogers, a speed-ball pitcher on the mound for Amherst, smacked a terrific homer which landed in the road far in center field, bringing in four runs.

Due to illness the preceding night, the Arms twirler, Finck, was not able to
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The SENTINEL STAFF offers you the program below as a souvenir of the Junior Prom. Cut it out, fold it in the middle, use it tonight and save it for your memory book.