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AWARDS MADE IN ASSEMBLY

In Friday's assembly, the agriculture and football awards were given out. The awards in fruit judging in the second elimination contest were given to R. Mitchell and R. Goodnow; in vegetable judging in the state final contest to V. Oates, E. Temple, and R. Miller; in poultry judging in the state final contest to R. Mitchell, C. Bellows, and R. Miller; in dairy judging in the first elimination contest to W. Fitzgerald, D. Lee, and C. Bellows. W. Fitzgerald won third place in the final dairy judging.

The individual scores at the Greenfield Fair were M. Batchelder first in dairy judging, W. Fitzgerald second in dairy judging, and R. Mitchell, second in poultry judging; at the Cummington Fair, D. Lee first in dairy judging; at the Northampton Fair, the dairy team composed of E. McCloud, M. Batchelder, and D. Lee came in first.

Mr. Aaron awarded the varsity and J. V. football to the following boys: Varsity; Capt. A. Pratt, E. Coutu, H. Marble, P. Giacapuzzi, E. Hale, H. Giguere, and P. Miller. Junior Varsity; D. Fitzgerald, B. Francis, J. Laplant, P. Shulda, R. Mitchell, F. Stone, A. Brown, H. Binder, F. Crofton, W. Crofton, J. Delaney, G. Dinsmore, J. Giguere, J. Hoffer, K. McCloud, K. Rice, M. Smith, D. Upton, C. Walden, and managers, J. DuBois and A. Lunardi.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SENIOR PLAY

Receipts	
Matinee	\$ 11.00
Evening	194.55
Candy Sales	16.70
Total Receipts	\$222.25
Expenses	72.06
Net Profits	\$150.19

STONE BASKETBALL CAPTAIN

Francis Stone of the class of 1940 was chosen by the members of the varsity basketball squad to be their captain for the 1939-1940 season.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The French Club held a Christmas party last Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the assembly hall, with the freshman Latin class as guests.

The program consisted of a representation of the first Christmas showing shepherds, wise men, and peasants bringing gifts, with a girl's choir singing in French, an explanation of Christmas customs in France, and songs sung in Latin and French.

Games were played and gifts were exchanged. Pop corn balls and candy canes were given to all present.

COMMERCIAL CLUB MEETS

The third meeting of the Commercial Club was held Wednesday, December 13, in Room C. During the business meeting Shorthand and Typing awards were made, and a Ways and Means Committee consisting of Ruth Harris, Viola Pellegrini, and Marion MacDonald was chosen by the President. There were nineteen members present.

After the meeting scrapbooks were made to give to the Shrine Hospital for crippled children.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Frude are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of their second daughter, Cynthia Margaret, born on December 7, at the Franklin County Hospital.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Several million people at war on Christmas! How futile seems the observation of Christmas this year. Millions will note the date and then take their usual places at the front again.

But do we of the neutral nations keep in mind the fact that those who bear the actual hardships of the war are those not responsible for bringing it about? They have been ordered to kill, and kill as many as possible each day--only to be killed perhaps the next.

The present wars have caused much hatred on our part for those of the aggressive nations. This fact is evident when you hear the bitter tone in which most speak of the Germans, Russians, and Japanese. But if we stop to think and realize that those who do the actual fighting are wishing to obtain a just and permanent peace as much as we wish to keep it, and then give them their deserved share of goodwill and a wish for a truly "Merry Christmas", we will have gone a long way toward observing Christmas in the rightful way.

The Old Custom

It was Xmas for young "Butch" McDuff, Santa Claus was presenting the stuff, But "Butch" quickly did ask, "Say, Pop, why wear that mask? You can't fool your son with that bluff."

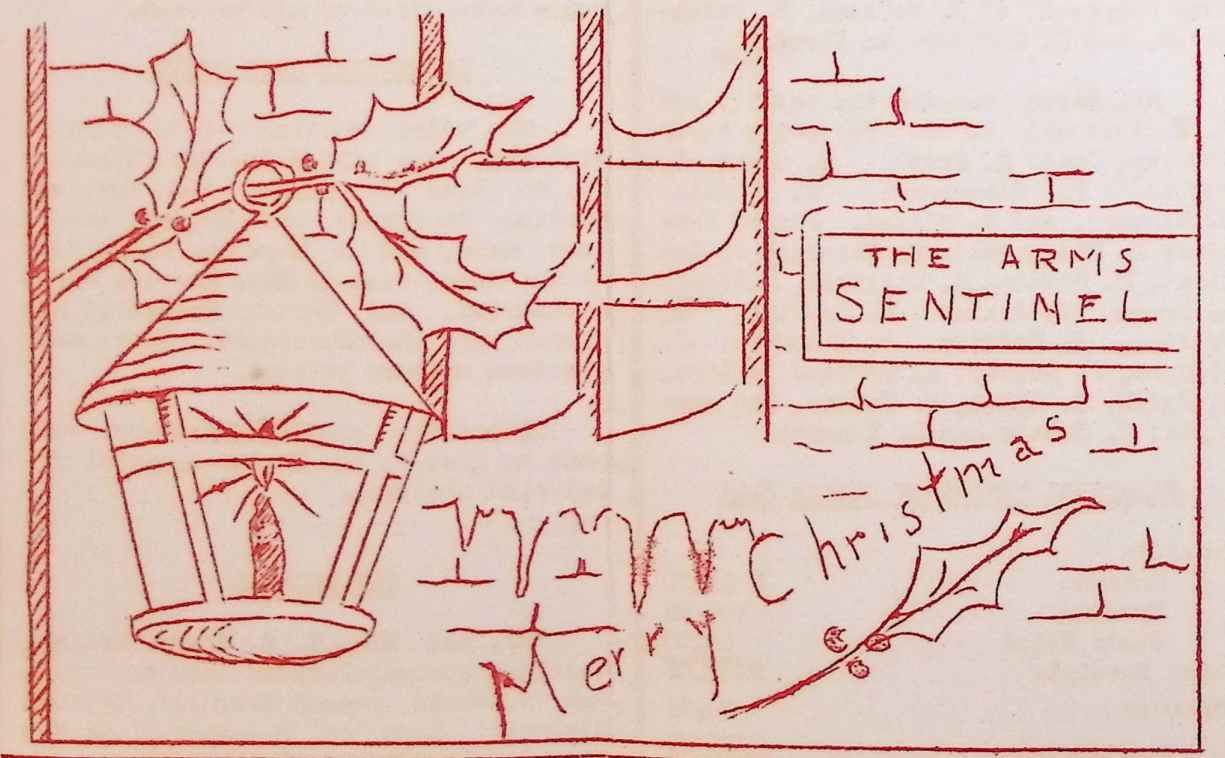
Dere editer i am a freshmun in this school an seein your editer of this paper i thot praps u cud help me with my problems editors are suposed to be helpful arnt they this problum has ben trublin me fur a long time is there or aint there a sant claws if there aint am i big enuf tbo stop belevin in him?

"Sufficient Unto the Day"

Football went out with November; Basketball comes with December; But now we shall pause To greet Santa Claus, And that's all I care to remember!

another thin that trubled me was those cards my teecher gave me she caled it a report card or somthin like that anyways i had sum prutty leters on it that loked like this F does this mean my teecher likes me an will i git another one of these fur Xmas?

Doubtful



CHRISTMAS AT 787 1/2 MATTERHORN PLACE

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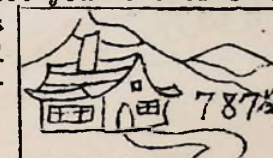
Hark, what sound is this that falls upon the ear? I repeat--what sound is this that falls upon the ear? I repeat--Why, it's your friend and my friend; its everyone's friend--genial George, the musical mountain goat.



George is really an adorable fellow. Of course, sometimes he occasionally makes a social blunder, but then don't we all?

"Hey, Santa claus, do you want to meet George? Of course you do! Wh--t! George, come over here. I want you to meet my friend, Santa Claus. What's that, George? Come to your house for tea? Why, we'd love it, wouldn't we, Santa?" So you see that's how it started. I mean George's not getting any Christmas presents until two days after Christmas.

George led us up the mountain to the coziest Swiss chalet you've ever seen (if you've ever seen one) at 787 1/2 Matterhorn Place. George's mother, Mrs. William (The Kid) Goat, nee Nanny Antelope, served us the most delicious cheese sandwiches, tin cans, apple strudel, and goat's milk.



As we were eating and chatting and chatting and eating, as one is wont to do at such an afternoon affair, Santa suddenly asked George what he wanted for Christmas, which was rapidly approaching (only thirteen more shopping days) George replied entirely spontaneously (we would like to believe), "A crutch for Uncle Bunctious Ram, a hypochondriac; a new set of horns for my "deer" friend Mr. "Rein"; and an ear trumpet for my African missionary friend, poor deaf Miss Ella Fant."

Santa was indeed impressed that George was such a generous little boy, BUT--he did not know that George had--(Horrors! let it be said in a hushed voice and never in the best of company) an ulterior motive! He had a secret gnawing passion to have (hold your hat) a swing band! Of course, I know how he would have used the trumpet and horns, but I never did quite understand why the crutch unless possibly for comic relief. (You know, funnier than a crutch!)

Since it was time for Daddy (Billy) Goat to get home from the Alpine Acme Dairy for his supper, Santa and I left.

We said goodbye, and Santa left for the North Pole in his autogiro "Molly."



One night when Santa was listening in on his "Brainoscope" (an instrument for probing little folks' brains to see if they have been good), he happened to tune in on George. Well, honestly, Santa sat right down and wailed and gnashed his teeth and groaned and tore his hair. He was positively hurt because he had had such faith in George. Santa decided that he'd be "darned" if George got anything for Christmas. Santa's mind was made up and it stayed until--



One day George was out playing, running from Alp to Alp, when surefooted as he was, he slipped, and genial George rolled down the gorge. As he rolled over and over and over down the Alp, he began thinking how awful it was to deceive Santa as he did.

It was while George was in this mood of remorse that Santa tuned in, and he clasped his hands over his ample self and jumped for joy. Result: Two days after Christmas a large queer looking crate arrived at 787 1/2 Matterhorn Place. When opened it revealed--Kay Kyser and his whole College of Musical Knowledge!!!

WHAT TO DO NEXT WEEK, IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT

SKATING



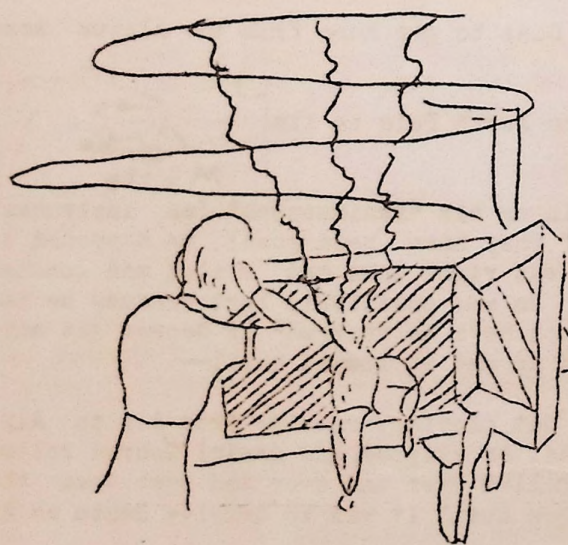
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START WEARING PILLOWS

SKIING



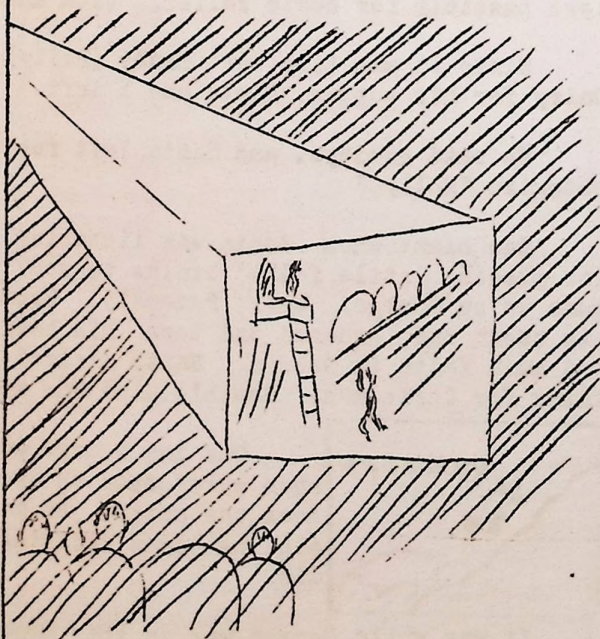
Poor Sense of Balance
Directions: Kinda lean forward
While taking a jump or sumpting

TO THE BAKERS



How to ruin a cake
Directions: Forget that
you had a cook book!!

BEST BET YET



Go see a Movie

Senior Play Sound Effects

Have you ever wondered how the sound effects for the senior play were made? Some of them were made by the shop boys under the direction of Mr. Scott; such as the head light on the train, signal bell, garden roller telegraph, and the fire in the stove. The other effects were all perfected by Mr. Scott, Mr. Miller, and a crew of shop boys. To explain the back stage work I think that it would be best to take you back stage to give you a true picture of what went on, just as it happened.

When the curtain was raised, the telegraph, which was run by Calvin Clark, could be heard. This was connected with a battery to get the power. The cheery, red fire which you saw in the stove was made by a red bulb, and the over-hanging lantern was in reality an electric light. Then came a faint whistle. At this point Donald Fitzgerald started the crossing bell; Mr. Miller showed the headlight down the valley; Mr. Scott started the incoming train record which gradually increased in volume until the train came into the station. The crossing bell stopped here, and Charles Clark and Andrew Hayes tumbled the milk cans and trunks around. Meanwhile George Dinsmore was letting air off as steam from one of the tires borrowed from Blassberg's garage. At the signal on the cue board Donald Fitzgerald waved the white lantern, and shouted "All Aboard!" Then the record for the outgoing train was started by Mr. Scott, and Harlow Churchill rang the big train bell from the Boston and Maine railroad.

The green flares next to the window were turned on to give the face at the window a realistic effect. To tell the stage crew when to start the effects on time, a cue board was used. The other train effects were on the same principal as the first one. The wind and rain effects were made by the records such as are used by radio stations. The lightning was made by flickering the lights backstage off and on, and the thunder was made by Harlow Churchill starting the thunder sheet, which was a large sheet of metal. The shots were only blanks shot off by Charles Clark. To give the effect of an explosion planks were dropped while Mr. Miller snapped the red flares on. The whole success of these effects depended upon each unit acting together

HEAR, ALL YE PUPILS, HEAR

Canto I

A tisket, a tasket,
Why do they give us a waste-paper basket?
Have you ever heard a teacher roar:
"Pick up those papers off the floor!"
The moral of my song is this:
Don't be sloppy, be ye lad or miss!

Canto II

"Rah, rah, rah, rah!,"
Or if you will, then, "Sis boom bah!"
Our cheering leaders yell and leap;
The rest of us just give a peep.
The moral of my song is this:
Yell loud for Arms, be ye lad or miss!

Canto III

They're brown and white (supposedly!)
Those saddle shoes so dear to me,
But after only a week or two,
Turned up and over, a blot to view.
The moral of song is this:
Clean your shoes, be ye lad or miss!

Canto IV

When to school socials Arms steps out,
The students' actions make me pout!
The girls sit here, the boys sit there,
Afraid to dance, they "tear their hair."
The moral of my song is this:
Come, shake a leg, be ye lad or miss!

A MAIL BOX DISCOVERY

Dear Editor:

Since Andy Hayes gave a topic on The Burden Marriage Bears, I suggest he be made The Sentinel's love-lorn editor.

You may want to know my name,
But that, ain't why I came
To your lil box
As sly as a fox
I hope no one saw me
'Cause folks might outlaw me;
But now I will close
'Cause everyone knows

I'm

Anonymous

FOUR TEAMS SINK CHARLEMONT
28-12

Four of the most cooperative teams yet to trod on an Arms court very decisively defeated Charlemont High 28-12. As the game was the "opener" for the Arms lads nobody really knew what would result. "Everybody" soon found out. The starting five composed of Mills, Johnson, Brown, Marble, and Hale really showed great promise for the oncoming season. Although a little weak on ball-handling, due to the time of the year, they ran up a decisive lead before the next five players took their places.

All of the members of the four squads appeared to be in excellent condition, probably due to the hard scrimmages of the past week. The squad also seemed to be very well drilled on the new Hampshire league rules, which can be very mystifying to a spectator even though thoroughly explained before hand.

There were really no "high scorers" in one sense of the meaning even though both Mills and Shulda scored an even six points. There were really five teams that took the floor for Arms as the "New Babies of the Squad" were born. Those who played for the Freshies were Binder, Walden, Crofton, Upton, and Smith.

BOYS' BASKETBALL SCHEDULE-1940

Month	Date	School	Place
Dec.	15	Charlemont H. S.	Home
	19	Williamsburg H. S.	Home
	21	Alumni	Home
Jan.	3	*South Hadley H. S.	Away
	5	*Smith School	Home
	9	*Amherst H. S.	Away
	12	*Smith Academy	Home
	16	*Hopkins Academy	Away
	19	*Orange H. S.	Home
	23	*Deerfield H. S.	Home
	26	Deerfield Academy JV's	Away
Feb.	30	*South Hadley H. S.	Home
	2	*Smith School	Away
	6	*Amherst H. S.	Home
	9	*Smith Academy	Away
	13	*Hopkins Academy	Home
	16	*Orange H. S.	Away
	20	*Deerfield H. S.	Away
26	Sanderson Academy (pending)	Home	

* League Games

All home games start at 7:30 p.m.

INTERSCHOLASTIC SOCIAL

Last Saturday night an interscholastic social was held at Amherst high school for the six schools belonging to the Hampshire County Basketball League, namely, Hopkins, Amherst, Smith School, Deerfield, Smith Academy, and Arms.

About thirty students, under the chaperonage of Miss Flaherty, Miss Burkill, and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron, attended from here.

After an entertainment by students from the various schools, a dance was given with music furnished by Web Maxson and his orchestra.

ARMS DEFEATS CHARLEMONT

The girls' basketball team defeated Charlemont by a score of 24-12 last Friday evening in the first game of the season. High scorers for Arms were Carolyn Cress and Doris March who registered twelve and nine points respectively.

The cooperation of the team, together with promising work on the part of the players predict a promising season for the squad.

GIRLS MAKE SECOND VICTORY

In the second basketball game of the season the Arms girls defeated Williamsburg High School, Tuesday evening, by a score of 31-14.

During the second half of the game the sophomore squad played a large part of the time and gained real playing experience, which showed fine prospects for next year.

ARMS WINS OVER WILLIAMSBURG

The Reds and Whites stepped out on their right foot again by handing a speedy Williamsburg quintet a 28-14 loss.

The scoring honors go to Captain Stone and Harold Mills, two of last year's veterans. We got off on a shaky start in the first half, but in the last half we began to "click".

We start off in the league January 3, by facing South Hadley High (there) and it is expected that we can give them some stiff opposition.