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## "MASS PRODUCTION"

Under the able instructions of the teachers, many new and diverse phases of shop work are being enjoyed by the boys in the shop course. The biggest and most recent accomplishment of the shop was the completion of the Sanderson Academy tables and benches. In all there were ten tables and thirty-two benches finished just before vacation, last. Some wooden salad dishes were made on the new lathe, also some mallets were turned out to be used in making copper plates. Now being produced under the direction of Mr. Rolfe are some new and beautiful tables, among which are some coffee tables and a large drop-leaf dining table.

Mr. Scott, who heads the automotive industry in the shop, has been kept busy by the ever increasing list of cars to be overhauled. This year there has been more fender straightening work than ever before. The stage foot lights, to illuminate future illustrious productions, are almost ready to be set up in the Science Hall.

## SPEAKING CONTEST WON BY DEANE LEE

Deane Lee, a member of the Future Farmers of America, won first place of District 5 and 6 in the Agriculture Speaking contest held February 16 at Sanderson Academy. The competitors had to write original themes, and Deane's topic was "Milk, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." They were judged on delivery, and the themes themselves.

The winning of this contest entitles Deane to compete in the final to be held at Amherst, March fifteenth. The winner there will represent the state in the national agricultural speaking contest.

## PRIZE SPEAKING

About twenty-five juniors are trying out for Prize Speaking this year. At present they are working on their selections. No try-outs have been held yet, so no one has been eliminated from the contest. The final contest for the public will be held on March 29 in Science Hall.

## STUDENT COUNCIL REVISES RULES

At a recent meeting of the Student Council it was voted to take the rules which have been on the bulletin board in the back of the Main Room, look them over, and make any changes necessary. These rules were made several years ago by the members of that Student Council to make Arms Academy a better school. These new rules are entitled "Regulations at Arms Academy" and will read somewhat like the following:

A Loyal Arms Student Does Not and Others Must Not:

1. Leave the school grounds without permission during the recess period.
2. Smoke in, about, or within sight of the school buildings.
3. Interfere with other people's property in lockers, desks, cloakrooms, or any other place. This includes lunches.
4. Throw paper or refuse on the school grounds or about the buildings. Wastebaskets are provided for this purpose.
5. Drive his car on the campus.
6. Eat in inappropriate places and leave his refuse lying around.
7. Go into the Gymnasium except at duly appointed times.
8. Rough-house in the buildings.
9. Fail to report accidents, avoidable or unavoidable damage to school property.
10. Fail to willingly comply with these regulations and help to make Arms Academy the kind of a school which he can like and defend.

The Arms Student Council

"THERE'S A LULL IN MY LIFE"

Now that the rush of the basketball season is over there will be a more or less inactive period in the school life of most Arms students before spring sets in, bringing with it the things "a young man's fancy turns to" . . . baseball and things!

When Spring Fever attacks its victims, we all know the effect of the malady on studies and on any other serious undertaking one attempts.

Therefore, we Arms Students should take advantage of the little lull in our lives just now in order to do some plugging and accomplish some real studying. In this way, we can take it a little easier when spring comes; -- Ah, spring!

DAY DREAMS

Did you ever, perchance, when your glance was wandering, happen to see someone deep in a day dream? And then did you condemn them because they were wasting good time? Well, friend, don't be too hard on the idle day dreamer. A certain amount of dreamy contemplation has a definite value. In one's thoughts he is usually a very nearly perfect character. By comparison one may find his own shortcomings and improve himself.

All great people have been profound thinkers. Surely Caesar, Lincoln, or Edison could not have done what they did without basically sound ideas. They had also the other quality which goes with dreams--action. Every dream needs an impetus to set it into motion. Of course, if too much time is spent always visualizing things and never accomplishing them, there is a lack of balance there which can be disastrous. One should strike a happy medium!

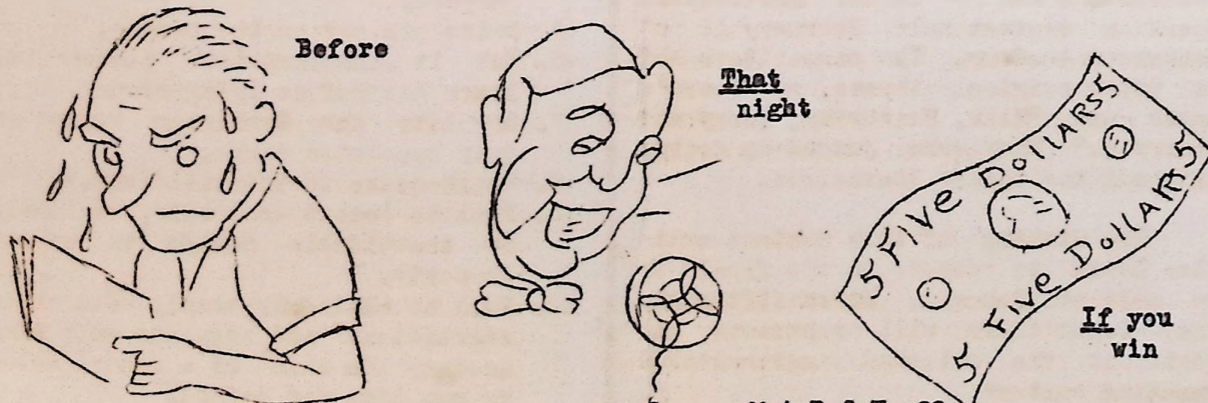
So, next time you are in a rut, strike up a pose similar to Rodin's "Thinker" and do some tall day-dreaming.

CREDIT WHERE IT IS DUE

Another basketball season has passed. We have cheered ourselves hoarse (supposedly) for our hard-working teams. But enough credit isn't being given to those who do some of the work less conspicuously. At every game have been the ticket-sellers and takers. These jobs require time, thought, and work, especially the task of ticket-selling, as you would know well if you have ever tried.

But, of course, these aren't the only ones at athletic contests who have been faithfully doing essential work. At the presentation of the plays and other school affairs have been the ushers, ticket-managers, etc.

They don't receive letters, the students don't publicly applaud them, but those are just two more reasons why we should give them our whole-hearted appreciation.



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"Stray Bits"

This column is dedicated to the Arms students, as we of the "Sentinel" staff feel that we ought to have a column which will record the "pulse" of the school. Some of you, perhaps, would like to voice your opinions about school life and its complexities through the facilities of this newspaper. If so, this is your chance.

We would like to make this column a forum where any complaints, suggestions, or favorable replies may be presented to the "Student Body," so that all may judge them. We realize that in any democratic form of government adjustments have to be made, and this column is open to any and all suggestions concerning the school or its accompaniments. All we ask is that you can substantiate your beliefs with good, sound judgement.

What you should do is write your comments on paper, state some good facts about the case, and place your letter in the "Sentinel" mail-box. The only thing required of you is that you address your contributions to "Stray Bits."

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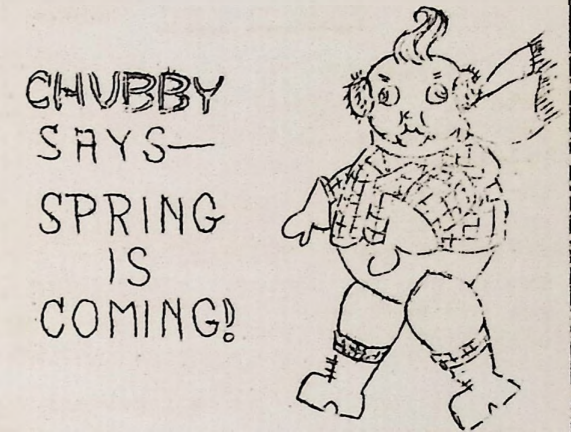
The quotation of the week was written by George Washington, one of America's greatest men, and whose birthday we have just commemorated. Washington believed that "To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace."

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The following is a little story which, we hope, will please you. Listen! He gazed into her bright and glowing eyes. Her lips were saying those three wonderful words he had waited for so long to hear. He could not believe it, and yet it was true. Again she said it, fulfilling the dream of his life. (No English Assignment). Do You Like It!

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Come one, come all, and let's get some replies promptly so that by the next issue we will be able to present some problems or comments to the "Student Body."



Chubby says . . . . .

You're lucky that he got here at all this week; he says this skiing idea isn't so hot. From now on he'll stick to "sheing" . . . he didn't know that cooties liked stones, but he's learning . . . now that league basketball is all over, our eyes are supposedly turning towards baseball, but it's a bit difficult with all this snow on the ground . . . he heard all the girls' little hearts go patter-patter when they thought they had a new boy in school-- what a disappointment to discover he was only a visitor . . . GWTW (Gone With The Wind) seems to be taking a lot of Arms students along with it . . . he's not usually of a jealous nature, but it absolutely cuts him to the quick when his own Alma Mater goes about quoting an old Chinaman; but then, as "Confucius say" . . . he misses the skating rink these days, and so do plenty of us . . . he's looking forward to prize speaking . . . oh, yes, Chubby's parting words this week were: "Don't forget your rubbers!"

BRAIN TEASER NO. 7

A bus leaves New York for Hartford every hour and gets to Hartford in 4 1/2 hours. If you drive from Hartford to New York in the same time, how many buses will you meet?

Answer to teaser No. 6: 7 1/2 seconds  
Explanation: We do not count the time before the first stroke. Therefore, for 3 seconds there are two periods of time--1 1/2 seconds each. For 6 o'clock there are 5 periods of time--5 x 1 1/2 = 7 1/2.

Winner: Bill Fitzgerald

SEASON'S OVER!

Basketball is all over here at school. Throughout the entire season our lads have faithfully turned out to practices and games. We must admit that our "Reg'lar Fellers" gave us a good showing all year. Perhaps the record of games won and lost was poor, but we can say that the other teams did not run away on us and pile up a score such as Smith Academy did last year.

All of the games were good and clean--the fact that three of our men were fouled out in one evening doesn't make them "dirty players." It takes a lot of nerve to foul someone purposely.

Amherst scored the highest against us with over 40 points, but in that game we scored 34. The biggest margin of defeat was at the hands of Hopkins which resulted in 29-9. At home we held the champions to their lowest score and made an excellent game out of it. One that the fans enjoyed.

We put one over on Fred Riel's team by beating them, though it was our only league win -- -- until Wednesday night (see last paragraph)!

To the hats off department: We must congratulate our high scorers, two veterans from last year, Captain Stone and Harold Mills. We extend further praise to our guards Rice, Hale, and Marble, and also to our other forwards Goodnow and Shulda.

The second team did well this season and turned in quite a number of victories. They beat South Hadley, away; Hopkins, twice; Orange, once--the other game being cancelled; Smith Academy, home; Smith's School, away; lost two games by one point and another by two. They lost one game by an amazingly low score against Deerfield Academy, 10-9.

The second's highest score was 34, the lowest 19. Amherst made 36 points against them for our opponent's highest score, while we held Smith's school to 17.

F L A S H ! - - - - - E X T R A ! ! !

News from the South (Deerfield) has arrived that Arms has again entered the victorious ranks of the winners with a score of 30-26 against South Deerfield. Congratulations, Coach!

ARMS LASSIES WIND UP SEASON

The Arms lassies in their familiar red and white last Monday evening completed a highly successful season by taking over the Sanderson "fillies" to the tune of 33-11. A highlight of this game was the exchange in positions of our forwards and guards.

The season, on the whole, was one of the best the Arms girls have seen for many a moon. Of a total of twelve games, the lassies took nine and dropped three.

The team lead by Captain Sarah Richmond was certainly a credit to the coach, Miss Flaherty. The team was capably managed by Viola Pellegrini, assisted by Eleanor Perkins. Both Doris March and Carolyn Cress piled up scores.

PUPPET SHOW

At the February meeting of the French Club, held in the Assembly Room on Wednesday afternoon, there was an unusual entertainment of hand puppets after the business meeting. Following stories, poems, songs, and dances by the puppets, refreshments of punch and cake were served.

The committee in charge was Jacqueline Mockler, chairman; H. Johnson, J. Peters; D. Waste; M. Mirick, and E. Fyfrom.

"CONFUCIUS SAY . . ."

In keeping with the current vogue and not wanting to be considered "back woodsy, we would like to throw our hats in to the "Confucius Say" ring and do a bit of commenting.

We understand that the original Confucius was a sage Chinese philosopher and religious teacher. He coined many a wise saying. Recently Walter Winchell in his column began quoting from said Confucius. Other people got the idea and soon Confucius was being credited with many lively remarks which we're sure might turn him over in his grave. All of this is very confusing (not to be confused with Confucius)--now we're all mixed up, so our only comment will be what Confucius' son say--"Old man talk too much."