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A.A.S.A. VICE PRESIDENT APPOINTED BY STUDENT COUNCIL

At a recent meeting of the Arms Student Council, Howard Binder, of the Class of 1943, was appointed vice president of the Arms Academy Student Association to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James Delaney.

Delaney offered his resignation because he felt that he could not fill the post efficiently due to his many other outside activities.

PRO MERITO ELECTS WALDEN PRESIDENT

The Arms Academy Pro Merito Society held its first meeting on October 1.

Plans for the coming years' activities were discussed. Officers elected are as follows: Charles Walden, president. Catherine Caron, vice president, Gladys Geiger, secretary, and William J. Dobias, Representative to the Student Council.

Also included as members in the honor society are Helen Peck, Marjorie Deveney, Helen Dobias, Leona Peters, Dolores Putnam, Phyllis Joyce, Margaret Peck, James Delaney, and Herbert Furrington.

Speakers who represent Scholarship, Loyalty, Honor, Service, Dependability and Leadership and who take part in inductions will be chosen later by Mr. Muir.

CONGRATULATIONS!

A LITTLE LATE BUT STILL HEARTY!

Due to the flurry caused by new teachers, new schedule, etc., The SENTINEL completely neglected to mention the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Moran.

Belated congratulations are in order of Mr. and Mrs. Moran who also have a son, Kirk.

SENIORS HOLD HALLOWEEN DANCE

A big Halloween social will be held by the Senior class, in the Cowell Gymnasium at 8:00 tonight. The whole school is cordially invited to come and dance to the swaying rhythm of Dick Minott's orchestra. During intermission cider and doughnuts will be served.

In the receiving line will be Mrs. Greene, Mr. Muir, and the Senior class officers: President, James Delaney; Vice President, Lila Lawless; Secretary, Phyllis Joyce; Treasurer, Henry Samorski; Representative to Student Council, Ruth Nichols; Class Historian, Jeanne Peck.

The committee in charge is as follows: James Delaney, Howard Binder, Marjorie Deveney, John Hoffer, Phyllis Joyce, Lila Lawless, Gloria Lunardi, and Dolores Putnam.

The following seniors will serve and usher: Eleanor MacQuade, Marjorie Deveney, Marjorie Richmond, Jane Graves, Gloria Lunardi, Juanita Rich, Catherine Caron, Mildred Bruffee, Marion Lusty, Helen Dobias, William Dobias, Roland Walden, Howard Binder, Robert Coombs, Duncan Upton, David Van Valkenburg, Mark Burnham, Martin Rancourt, Kenneth McCloud, and Jacobus Lankharst.

FILM DEPICTING FOOTBALL

FUNDAMENTALS SHOWN

"Know Your Football," a silent movie depicting essential football tactics was screened recently in assembly. Various plays and situations in actual games in which the play would be carried out were depicted.

The film was particularly interesting in view of the game the preceding day in which the Merrill-men proved that they knew their football, when they won the game against Turners' at Turners Falls, 13 to 0.

CALENDAR FOR FIRST-HALF

SCHOOL YEAR 1942-43

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| Wed. | Sept. 9 | School Opens |
| Wed. | Sept. 16 | Franklin County Fair |
| Wed.-Fri. | Sept. 30 | Agriculture Exhibit |
| Fri. | Oct. 2 | Freshmen Reception |
| Fri. | Oct. 30 | Senior Social |
| Thurs.-Fri. | Nov. 5-6 | First Quarter Exams |
| Wed. | Nov. 11 | Armistice Day |
| Tues. | Nov. 17 | Parents' Night |
| Thurs. | Nov. 26 | Thanksgiving |
| Tues. | Dec. 8 | Senior Play |
| Fri. | Dec. 23 | School Closes |
| Wed. | Jan. 4 | School Opens |
| undecided | | Sophomore Party |
| Wed.-Fri. | Jan. 27-9 | Mid-year Exams |

The date for the Sophomore party is indefinite because of basketball games, while the schedule for the final half year is as yet incomplete. The SENTINEL will publish the party date in addition to the remainder of the schedule as soon as possible.

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTS

OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1942-43

Student Council officers for the school year of 1942-1943 were elected at a recent meeting of the Arms Academy Student Council.

The officers selected are as follows: James Galipo, president; Russel Tognarelli, vice president; Catherine Caron, secretary.

ROBERT DELANEY HEADS CLASS OF '46

The freshman class, holding their election recently, elected the following to lead them during their first year at Arms: President, Robert Delaney; Vice President, Lucille Shaw; Treasurer, Thomas Cimonetti; Secretary, Marguerite Messer; Representative to the Student Council, Howard Pratt.

An interesting sidelight at this election is that we now have two Delaneys as class presidents: Robert-Class of '46 and James-Class of '43.

COULD BE!!

Miss Gross: What is the most important thing to think of when writing a composition?

R. Coombs: Marks!

CANNED MUSIC BUT NOT CORN

For the past two weeks a new idea has held sway over the school. Every Wednesday and Thursday a group of senior and junior girls instruct an ever-increasing group of students who feel the urge to dance, but lack the fundamental training.

The music is furnished by the amplifying equipment that was given to the school by the Classes of 1940 and 1941. The records are loaned by the pupils who bring their favorites for all to enjoy.

The class was started to benefit the freshmen and sophomores who find it difficult to enjoy themselves at the socials because they cannot dance. Another purpose of this meeting of the students at noon hour is the breaking down of that feeling of self-consciousness and formality that haunts our socials.

So far this experiment has been very successful and many have benefited by the instruction, but if more people would come and try to dance instead of watching much more could be accomplished.

This is opportunity knocking at your door! Come on over and get into the "swing" of things. Tonight you'll see some changes made--everyone will be on the floor having fun, except those of you who slammed the door when Mr. Opportunity knocked and said, "Come on, Pal, there is a dancing class over at the gym just for you!"

Seriously though, we'd like to see everyone over there having lots of fun and enjoying the socials much more than usual.

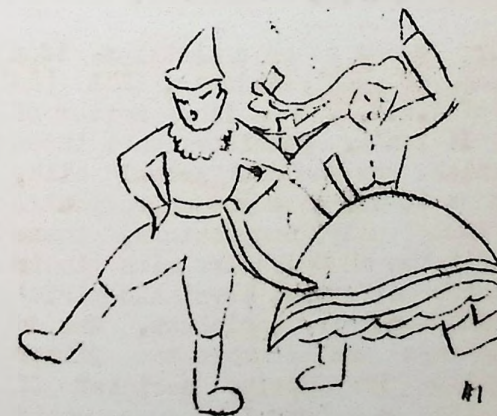
Come on, Kid, hit the road! It's dancing class today!



"GENERAL" THINGS

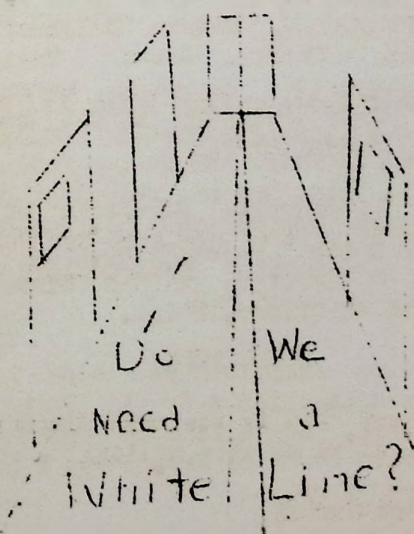
So many things have been going on around this "knowledge center", that our ever-present "general" doesn't know whether he is in the new building or the old, but allow him to inform you that he is well aware of his surroundings the minute he bounds into the gym on Wednesdays and Thursdays. For the first few minutes, he is rather quiet because he sees all those Junior and Senior "tee-churs" giving their respective pupils the once-over, but the instant that one of them invites him on the dance floor for a little practice, he gets right out there and really cuts the rug. The only thing that seems to irritate the general (and others) is the fact that quite a few Junior and Senior "Casonovas" have accidentally on purpose forgotten how to "swing and sway." There ought to be a priority established on such competition, but maybe the social tonight will remedy that.-----Everybody has been praising the football team for that "super" game they played a couple of weeks ago. According to your roving reporter you can't expect much else when there are four or five red-heads on the team. They ought to adopt as their theme song, "We don't want to set the world on fire, we just want to get hold of some gas and tires."-----Speaking of songs, it seems as if the old tune, "Pennies from Heaven" should be given a definite revival, and it might be appropriate to dedicate it to "Buddy" Coombs, although the title should be "Pennies from Matching."-----If you haven't got enough music in your soul by this time, be sure to come tonight to the Senior Social. Come anyway, and be sure to dance-----all of you!

P.S. Everybody has colds,-----the general is watching his-----are you?



WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF-----

1. The junior boys paid their A.A.S.A. dues one hundred per cent?
2. A certain red-headed sophomore boy would bring his library books back on time?
3. Mr. Merrill wasn't always surrounded by a group of boys?
4. A certain senior boy, quite prominent on the football team, got to school on time?
5. A certain group of boys got tired of matching pennies?
6. Mr. Frude's "bite was as bad as his bark?"
7. The freshman and sophomores lost their appetites?
8. Sweaters and skirts went out of style?
9. Miss Melnick lost her sense of humor?
10. All girls would conform to the rules and regulations in gym classes?
11. The sixth period Latin class didn't giggle?
12. Martie Rancourt didn't make a trip to the library at least three times during a period?
13. A certain senior boy lost his giggle?
14. What would happen if Horace York rang his bell on time?



SENTIMENT OF NEW TEACHERS AT ARMS

Capably filling teaching posts made vacant by six resignations are several new teachers each with experience in the field of education.

Mrs. Louise (Fisher) Greene, a former Arms teacher (1933-35), has also taught at Gonanda High School. Following her graduation from Whitcomb High School Bethel, Vermont, she received her A.B. degree from Florida State College for women. She also has served as councillor at Teela Wookit Camp, a girls' summer camp in Roxbury, Vermont. Her husband, a lieutenant in the United States Army, is now on overseas duty in England.

A graduate of Deerfield High School and Simmons College, with a B.S. degree, Mrs. Eleanor Taylor comes to us with several years' teaching experience at Deerfield High School and Everett Senior High School behind her. Mr. Taylor is elementary school principal in South Deerfield.

Miss Doris L. Gross, who holds A.B. and A.M. degrees from the University of Maine, and who is a graduate of the Stonington Maine High School taught previously at Danforth Maine High School and at Stonington High School before coming to Shelburne Falls.

Miss Queenie Parvanian who has taught previously at Brooklin, Maine and the Peoples Academy in Morrisville, Vt., is a graduate of Lynn Classical High School and the Salem State Teachers' College.

A recent Skidmore College graduate, Miss Marion Melnick, hails from Deerfield where she graduated from high school and Deerfield Academy. She has done practice teaching at Saratoga High School.

Another teacher from Maine is Miss Adelaide Keyes, a graduate of Sullivan High School in Maine and Nason College, Springvale, Maine who has substituted at Hanford High School and St. Joseph's Academy in South Berwick Maine. She has also been a secretary at Camp Chinvo, a summer camp at Oxford, Maine.

Teachers whom the preceding have replaced are the Misses Gracia Burkill, Anne Stewart, and Elizabeth Outhouse; Mrs. Marjorie Burnham; Mrs. Gladys Hager; and Roxford Avery.

ARMS STRIKES BACK
SCORE TWICE IN INITIAL WIN

After taking much ribbing and criticism for their defeat by Templeton, the determined home squad met the Turners J. V.'s on the Crickett Field, October 16. The appearance of the Turners' squad slightly weakened the Merrill Men at first, but after the first play they realized that their competition hardly equaled their own strength.

The first half was much like that of the Templeton game, even, but with no score.

The last half of the game held as much excitement and intensity as any game could. The "A" formation used during the first half was suddenly changed to the "T" formation previously used against Templeton. This resulted in our first touchdown with Caprari smashing over the end zone for six points. Gaffigin added the extra point, making the score 7 to 0, Arms favor.

Our next score came on a fake place kick with Galipo striking pay-dirt for the second time.

In the last quarter a costly fumble gave Turners the ball on the Arms 15 yard-line. On their fourth down they ploughed through center to bring the score to 13-6. The game ended with Arms 7 full points ahead.

This victory was not only won by the hard fighting and determined Arms squad, but by the splendid support given to them by the student body with their parade and cheering. The Seniors led the parade, which entitled them to lead the parade and to carry the Arms' banner.

THE A.A.S.A. SERVES YOU!

There seems to be a mistaken idea among some of you students, that the payment of A.A.S.A. dues is a matter of choice. It isn't. Consider what these dues furnish you and your school with, and perhaps it will show you where you're wrong. Among many, many things, these dues outfit the cheerleaders with their snappy uniforms; furnish boys' and girls' sports with necessary equipment. Who do you thing pays and sponsors the Silver "A" and the Pro Merito Society? Of course, its everybodys' dues—paid promptly!! So what do you say?