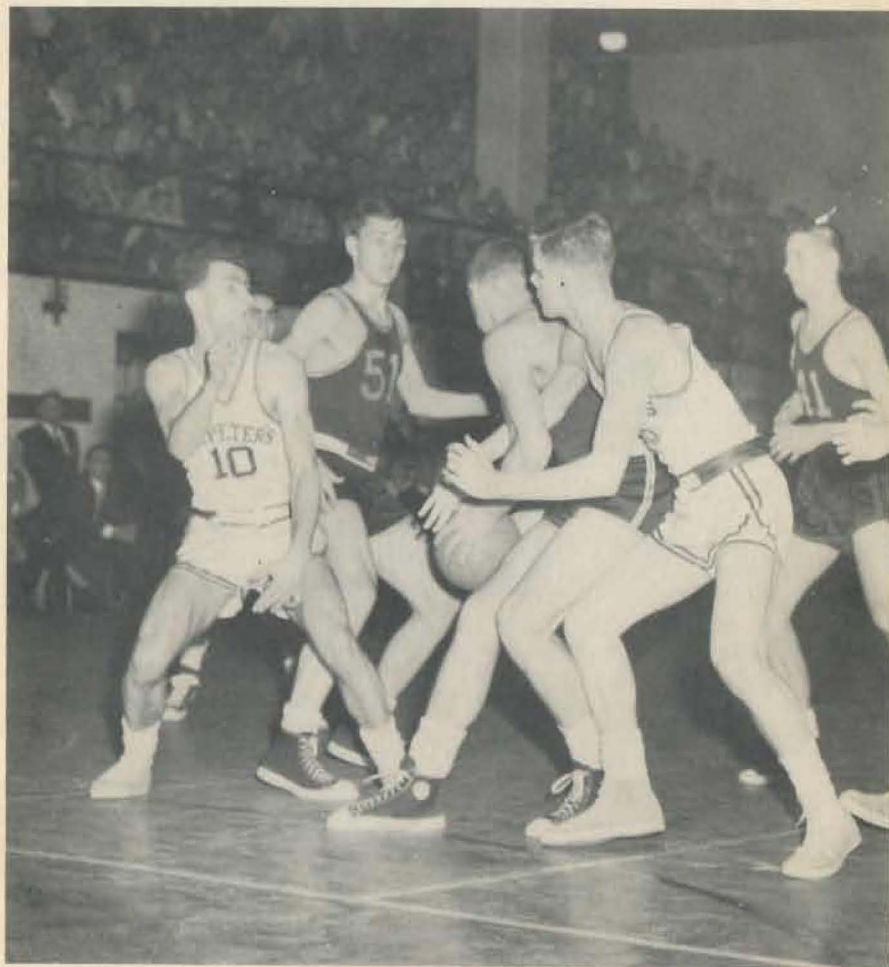


A JIGGER OF A WIN:-ONE GOOD SHOT!

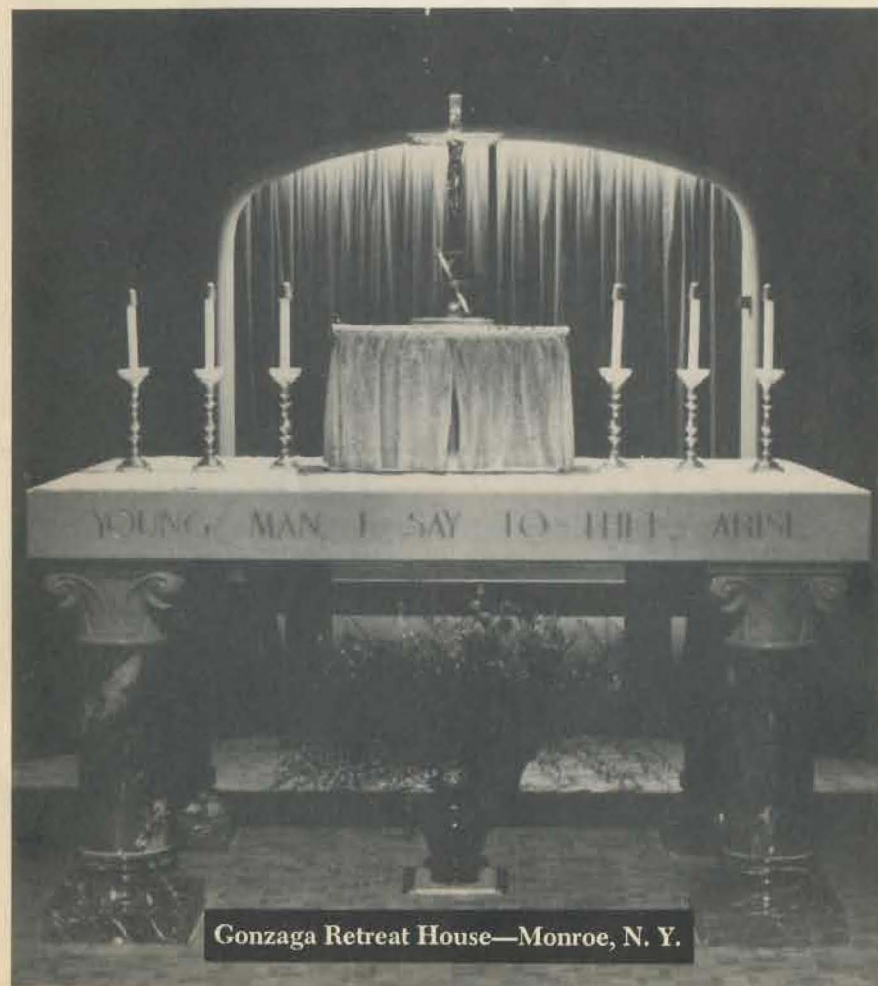


INTRICATE MOMENT. Blaney locks arms with Simonovitch as he combines with Pedone to tie up the big fellow in County finale.

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Gonzaga Retreat House—Monroe, N. Y.

Dramatic Preview

Next Thursday and Friday evenings the Grand and Warren Dramatic Society will present the melodramatic comedy "Stalag 17". The St. Peter's Auditorium is being primed up. The spotlights are being adjusted. The scenery and props are receiving the final touches. Mr. Colby and Mr. Meisse, S.J. are in the last days of wrinkled brows and frayed nerves. Final castings have also been announced.

In what would be called the lead role, John Hogan plays the part of Albert Sefton. Sefton is a real rat. Acting in a way which he considers "practical," he selfishly caters to no one but himself. Survival is his only aim and his outlook is "dog eat dog". Mr. Hogan has affected a complete change of personality. His usual Irish mirth and sense of good humor are hidden behind a mask of gruff hostility. So, if you see Jack in the corridors this week and he barks back at your friendly greeting, attribute it to Albert Sefton.

Price, the German spy acting as the compound security officer, will be portrayed by "Jon" Mangum. Price is the sneaky type. He strolls around as the P.O.W.'s best friend. Constantly, an atmosphere of deep concern and calm common sense surrounds him, but within he is motivated only by the

intent to glean more information for the Jerries. Jon, with a voice that somehow stands out, promises an extraordinary Price.

The clown of the barracks, Stosh Urbanek, is brought to life by Bob Porowski. A wise crack is ever on the lips of this Polish-American delight. He and Harry Shapiro are the compound cut-ups and the play's tension is often split by their antics. Mr. Porowski, although he isn't that much of a buffoon, has the necessary background both ethnic wise and cinema wise.

Captain Hoffman, the barracks leader, called for a polished, mature, and respect drawing performer. Terry Kennedy, the only veteran thespian in the group, will lend his dignified personage to this role. Terry seems to have a distinguished air about him as he drew the part of the only sane person in the Brewster house in last year's "Arsenic and Old Lace."

George Wallace will prance around as Harry Shapiro, Stosh's sidekick. He is ever the foil of Stosh's kidding and his zany retorts add zest to the production. Harry is a Jew from the Bronx. Wallace has to hide his Irish ancestry behind a Tremont Avenue accent. "A sterling part," says Mr. Wallace.

Marko, the "At EASE" messenger, has found a home in the person of Tony Arlotto. This in the PETROC's humble

opinion is perfect casting. Tony with his small stature, his pesty face, his bold assurance, and his twangy voice fits the part to a T. The messenger provides a sort of comic relief and we predict that all hats will be off to Mr. Arlotto.

Bob Alderman with his simplicity and his quick smile plays Herb, the kid of the stalag. He's a lad about nineteen, clean-cut. This is his first exposure to the brutality and inhumaneness of the world. His simple frank answers rouse many laughs.

James Schyler Dunbar, a downed flyer with a country club background, is played by Dan Algie. Dan's suave, suburban mannerisms will afford a realistic Dunbar.

Moritz Bergmeyer will play the aged Geneva Man, the 'truce monger with the cares of the world on his shoulders. Herr Bergmeyer's fluency in German added to his acting ability will expertly flavor this role.

The boots of the German officers will be filled by Paul DeVries and Joe Kennedy. DeVries will strut around as the omnipotent Commandant with fire in his eyes and hate in his heart. The role of Corporal Schultz, the German non-com who one minute is friendly mingling with the prisoners and the next barking out orders and inflicting penalties, is handled by Kennedy. The rolling R's and the guttural z sounds are being readied by these Soldaten.

Bob Kibbler as Reed, Dunbar's buddy, Jack Murphy as Duke, and Will Horan as the mute Joey round out the stalag crew. The last dash of flavor is added by the German guards Dennis Kulvicki and Bill Van Giesen.

STALAG 17

THE CAST OF PLAYERS

S. S. Guard	Dennis Kulvicki
Stosh	Robert Porowski
Harry Shapiro	George Wallace
Price	Jonathan Mangum
Herb Gordon	Robert Alderman
Hoffman	Terence Kennedy
Sefton	John Hogan
Duke	John Murphy
Joey	William Horan
Marko	Anthony Arlotto
Corporal Shultz	Joseph Kennedy
Dunbar	Daniel Algie
Reed	Robert Kibbler
German Captain	Paul DeVries
Geneva Man	Moritz Bergmeyer
Second Guard	William Van Giesen

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

Act I

Scene 1: December 23, 1944—Early morning.
Scene 2: Later that evening.

Act II

Scene 1: Afternoon the next day.
Scene 2: Later that night.

Act III

Scene 1: Christmas 1944—Afternoon.
Scene 2: That night.

The entire action takes place in a Barracks of Stalag 17, somewhere in Germany during World War II.

To be presented in St. Peter's Auditorium, 8:15 P. M., Thursday, March 8, and Friday, March 9.



John Hogan as Sefton.



George Wallace as Shapiro.

Cover Story. A memory of the blessed days at Monroe is the altar of the stone chapel with its pointed imperative, "Young Man, I say to thee, 'Arise'." Prep's last senior section completes its retreat this Sunday. All Prep is justly proud of this year's seniordom.



John Mangum as Price.

Retreat Notes

The cold, snow-blanketed peacefulness of the Catskill Mountains was harshly interrupted as a distant bell tolled forth its awakening cry. In the shattered stillness thirty five odd Prepsters arose only to be blinded by the snow reflected sun. Perhaps this glaring sunlight reminded some of the illumination that had and would enshroud their souls. To a man, every Senior who made the three day Retreat at Gonzaga experienced some new and exciting spiritual evaluation. All agreed it was three well spent days. This year the usual complaints about food and beds were hardly audible, there was a unanimity concerning spiritual profit.

Among the Retreatants there was a great number who looked forward simply to three days of respite from the drudgery of class-work and a complete rest. Three days later this group was three times as tired and a hundredfold more at peace. On arrival the Prepsters were met by their respective Retreat Masters who briefed them on lay-out and history of Gonzaga Retreat House. In the first conference, rooms and various duties were also delegated. After a brief period of getting acquainted with the new surroundings, Stations of the Cross were held to initiate the Spiritual Exercises. Also at this point the burden of speech was removed and the gift of silence imposed. There followed a triduum of prayer, meditation and penance.

We all know that meditations are periods in which we ponder a preceding explanation of matter and apply it to our relations with God. The average Prepster usually finds these periods boring simply because he's at a loss of words and thoughts. Not so at Gonzaga! The manner of presentation by the Retreat Masters was so dynamic and soul-searching that one often found himself wishing for more meditation time. It seemed so much easier to talk to God when you knew what to say.

The meditations, which formed the ma-

jority of the Retreat, were divided into three sections. The first was a review of the past. In many cases this was a harrowing task and, in all cases, it was the most thought-provoking. Next, our present status with God was brought to light and mulled over. In the final sequence future plans were laid and resolutions formed. Thus in three short days each phase of life was dealt with.

However, one must not think that the Retreat was all work and no fun. The retreatants are provided with a recreation period each day. During this time silence is broken and the stillness of the Catskill Mts. is really shattered. A football field is included on the grounds as well as a number of towering mountains. One group proved themselves adept game hunters and returned with a rare ring-tail racoon.

The racoon was a symbol. So adept have we become in taming animal nature in the three day span!



Ben Franklin, Monroe's classy chef.

Town Talk

The stroke of twelve o'clock noon on Saturday February 18, heralded the television debut of the first Democratic president from St. Peter's, Charles Beirne. This latest product of Mr. Dwyer's favorite project, the Speech Club, smiled benignly as he was introduced to the viewing audiences of W.A.T.V.'s Junior Town Meeting. However, this was one of the few times during the program that Mr. Beirne was seen as his usual gracious self.

Elucidating on the major differences between the two political parties with regard to domestic issues, he unleashed a vigorous attack on the current administration's farm policy and it's handling of the public power program. His major bone of contention was that the Republican farm plan offered no immediate help to the farmers and that there was no competitive bidding for the public power contract. Coconcentrating his full fury on these two examples of what he terms "Administration bungling," Charlie became Adlai Stevenson, addressing the National Democratic Committee on Republicanism.

As the final arguments were being presented and his competitors from De Witt Clinton High School in the Bronx, Thomas Jefferson in Elizabeth, and South River High School were summarizing their cases, it became apparant to all that Charlie's clear, concise style was very convincing. His method of picking out specific instances to illustrate his point, in contrast to his opponents' method of speaking about the general theories behind the issues, won high praise from the judges.

The Prep debaters have also been very busy, gaining valuable experience for the numerous tournaments on the agenda. On Saturday, February 11, a team of Beaudevin debaters journeyed to Camden, where they engaged in bitter struggles with the finest debaters from South Jersey and nearby Philadelphia. St. Peter's College was the scene of the Peacock Tournament on Wash-



Charlie Beirne makes like Sen. McCarthy.

ington's birthday, where the Prep debaters shone in competition with the elite of the Metropolitan area. These contests were in the way of preparation for the Georgetown Tournament tomorrow, when the finest teams of male debaters will be met in competition for the championship of the East.

Breakfast Bit

"There's a feast in your future," says Father Smith. Yes, the beloved epicurean entrepreneur has finally turned fortune-teller, and he sees a big meal looming in the not-too-distant future; in fact, it looks like a Communion Breakfast.

Father asked his ouija board where this breakfast would be; the answer: Newark's Hotel Essex House. Consulting his palm, our black-cloaked swami learned the date is Palm Sunday, beginning with 8 o'clock Mass here and ending in Newark about 11:30.

Some tea leaves told him there are 800 seats to be sold, 8 to a table, \$2.50 apiece. And they advised he sell them by the table, in twenty-dollar blocks. The entrails of a moribund hen provided the speakers' names: Seniors Joe Keating and John O'Mara, and Father Raymond Anable of St. Peter's College. No menu's been found as yet, but Father is looking hard.

SCHOLASTIC RATINGS FOR TOP 10% OF SENIOR CLASS REVEALED.

No. 1
KennedyNo. 2
McInerneyNo. 3
WeglinskiNo. 4
RichvalskyNo. 5
Pflug

Gold Stars: The five distinguished men pictured above comprise the top five of the Senior class. Joe Kennedy, number one, was a surprise to no one since he clearly dominated the field. The other four represent the perfect blend of sport and scholastic talents. Our heartiest congratulations to these gold star winners.

The remainder of the top 10% of Prep

Seniordom is as follows: 6. Bate, Raymond; 7. Barnitt, Richard; 8. Ulicki, Edward; 9. Piccolo, Joseph; 10. Konveliotis, Henry; 11. O'Brien, Joseph; 12. Lally, Gerald; 13. Hogan, Thomas; 14. Suruda, John; 15. Burakevitch, Joseph; 16. Moriarty, Brian; 17. Brozek, Robert; 18. Connolly, William; 19. Coleman, John; 20. Flynn, James; 21. Haggerty, William; 22. Urso, Richard.

SPELL BEE CONTESTANTS: HERE SUNDAY, MARCH 18

Assumption, Emerson; Assumption, Jersey City; Assumption, Wood-Ridge; Blessed Sacrament, Elizabeth; Blessed Sacrament, Newark; Corpus Christi, Hasbrouck Heights; Epiphany, Grantwood; Holy Angels, Little Falls; Holy Cross, Harrison; Holy Cross, Mountain View; Holy Family, Nutley; Holy Name, East Orange; Holy Rosary, Elizabeth; Holy Rosary, Jersey City; Holy Rosary, Passaic; Holy Trinity, Hackensack; Holy Trinity, Passaic; Holy Trinity, Westfield; Immaculate Conception, Hackensack; Immaculate Conception, Montclair; Immaculate Conception, Secaucus; Mt. Carmel, Newark; Mt. Carmel, Tenafly; Our Lady, Help of Christians, East Orange; Our Lady of All Souls, East Orange; Our Lady of Czestochowa, Harrison; Our Lady of Czestochowa, Jersey City; Our Lady of Fatima, Fort Lee; Our Lady of Good Counsel, Newark; Our Lady of Grace, Hoboken; Our Lady of Lourdes, West Orange; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Bayonne; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Boonton; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Ridgewood; Our Lady of Sorrows, Jersey City; Our Lady of Sorrows, South Orange; Our Lady of the Assumption, Bayonne; Our Lady of Victory, Jersey City; Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Maywood; Sacred Heart, Bloomfield; Sacred Heart, Irvington; Sacred Heart, Jersey City; Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newark; Sacred Heart, Vailsburg; St. Adelbert's, Elizabeth; St. Aedan's, Jersey City; St. Agnes', Paterson; St. Aloysius', Jersey City; St. Aloysius', Newark; St. Anastasia's, Teaneck; St. Andrew's Sunday School, Clifton; St. Andrew's, Westwood; St. Anne's, Fair Lawn; St. Anne's, Jersey City; St. Ann's, Jersey City; St. Anthony's, Hawthorne; St. Anthony's, Jersey City; St. Antoninus', Newark; St. Augustine's, Union City; St. Bartholomew, the Apostle, Scotch Plains;

St. Benedict's, Newark; St. Brendan's, Clifton; St. Bridget's, Jersey City; St. Brigid's, North Bergen; St. Catharine's, Glen Rock; St. Catherine's, Elizabeth; St. Cassian's, Upper Montclair; St. Cecilia's, Kearny; St. Elizabeth's, Linden; St. Francis', Ridgefield Park; St. Genevieve's, Elizabeth; St. George's, Paterson; St. Henry's, Bayonne; St. James', Newark; St. James', Springfield; St. John's, Bergenfield; St. John's, Jersey City; St. John's Cathedral, Paterson; St. John Evangelist, Leonia; St. John the Apostle, Clark; St. Joseph's, Bayonne; St. Joseph's, Bogota; St. Joseph's, Hoboken; St. Joseph's, Lincoln Park; St. Joseph's, Oradell; St. Joseph's, Passaic; St. Joseph's, Roselle; St. Joseph's, Union City; St. Joseph's, West New York; St. Leo's, East Paterson; St. Lucy's, Jersey City; St. Lucy's, Newark; St. Mary's, Dumont; St. Mary's, Jersey City; St. Mary's, Passaic; St. Mary's, Paterson; St. Mary's, Rahway; St. Mary's, Rutherford; St. Mary's, West New York; St. Michael's, Cranford; St. Michael's, Elizabeth; St. Michael's, Jersey City; St. Michael's, Newark; St. Michael's, Union City; St. Nicholas', Jersey City; St. Nicholas', Passaic; St. Patrick's, Elizabeth; St. Patrick's, Jersey City; St. Paul's, Clifton; St. Paul's, Jersey City; St. Paul's, Ramsey; St. Paul of the Cross, Jersey City; St. Paul the Apostle, Irvington; St. Peter's, Jersey City; Sts. Peter and Paul, Hoboken; Sts. Peter and Paul, Jersey City; St. Peter the Apostle, River Edge; St. Philomena's, Livingston; St. Philip Neri, Newark; St. Rose of Lima, Newark; St. Rose of Lima, Short Hills; St. Stephen's, Arlington; St. Stephen's, Paterson; St. Stephen's, Passaic; St. Theresa's, Linden; St. Teresa's Summit; St. Thomas the Apostle, Bloomfield; St. Vincent de Paul, Bayonne.

Chanteclair

Previous "Prom Problems" have dissipated with the emerging of a new site, the "Chanteclair." The uproar of protest that greeted the announcement of Mr. Sampson S.J. and the Dance Committee that the Senior Prom would be held on Monday night has likewise abated. The problem was this; At the previously proposed site, the Mayfair Farms, the only open date was the 21st of May, Monday. This meant that the Seniors' dates would arrive home at about 4 or 5 o'clock and rise at 7:30, fresh and eager for a day of snoozing in their various schools. Now, however, the problem has been solved with the discovery of this new spot. The "Chanteclair" is a high class terpsichorium in Milburn, about five miles out of Newark.

A preliminary inspection was conducted by Al Gellene whose optimistic report aroused hope in the Senior Council and Prom Committee. Since then nearly twenty seniors have journeyed to Milburn for their personal observations. The impressions were favorable and the only drawback was the size of the dance floor. The site was found to have accommodations easily capable of entertaining Prep Seniordom in complete comfort.

In addition to this welcome news, comes word that every Senior will have not only a voice but also a vote in the final arrangements. In the near future a map of the interior will be provided for each Senior.

The best part of this new disclosure is the fact that there will be a different date. The new date is Friday, the 18th of May. Therefore, it is obvious that this place could be the answer to all problems. However, the right of vote can not be omitted and the Senior class still can make the efforts of the Dance Committee null and void. The decision will be forthcoming sometime in early March. Whatever the outcome the Prep Senior knows that his best interests dwell in the hearts of the faculty and his student representatives.

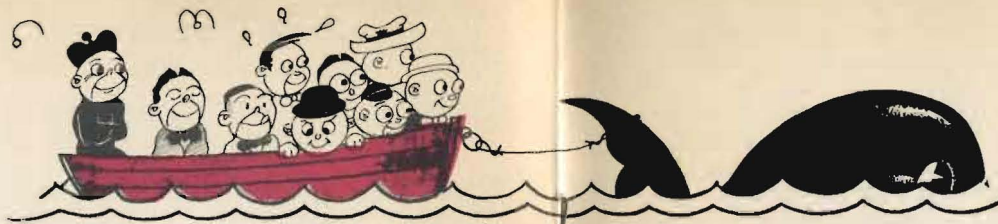
BRIEFETTES

Mite Box Drive: The annual mite box drive is really going at full speed. The grand total of \$414.73 for the first week was taken in mainly by the Sophists, followed closely by the Seniors and the Frosh, with the Juniors still hanging on. The classes that really shone in the collections for the first week were 4F, 2D, 2C, 1D, and 3B, who have been really tossing in the coins. If the classes keep this weekly total up, the end of Lent should find Prep over \$3000 for the former Prepsters working as missionaries in the Marshall and Truk Islands.

Showers After Gym: Since cleanliness is next to godliness, and some of the Prepsters get pretty grimy during P.T., the gym classes are at last permitted to use the showers after their weekly workouts. Now the last ten minutes of every gym period are reserved for the refreshment of our musclemen. Clean, fresh Jersey City water is also included in the bargain. Colgate supplies the soap — you supply the towels.

Novena of Grace: The nine days preceeding March 12 are set aside to honor St. Francis Xavier, and to seek his powerful intercession in Heaven. This devotion is commonly known as the "Novena of Grace." It was suggested by St. Francis himself to honor his canonization which took place March 12, 1622. All Prepsters will recite the prayers every school day during the novena, and they should be said privately on non-school days. If we make the novena every day with fervor and devotion, "we will infallibly experience the effects of my great power in Heaven." (St. Francis Xavier).

Copy Please: Prep's third best publication, Literama, is slowly, but surely coming to life. But Literama is still in need of literary masterpieces by Petreans. They need not be works of Shakespeare. You have nothing to lose and a lot to gain, so why not drop an essay, short story, or poem in the large envelope on the Literama door. It's on the second floor of Mulry Hall.



PRIDE and GLORY



Terence Kennedy is what is known as the "Class Wit." Many people interpret this as outright deformation of character. This viewpoint is an extremely narrow-minded one. It is an art to be able to say the right thing at the right time. That is exactly the task of the "Class Wit." Nothing eases the tension and strain of daily class like a good laugh. Moreover it's always easier to resume those tensions after a good score. Terry, alias "Tiger," alias "Battler" is, unquestionably, the top scorer in seniordom. To prove the point one has only to look at his exceptional performances in the school plays. Last year he gave a laugh-provoking performance in "Arsenic and Old Lace." This year we can look forward to another great performance in "Stalag 17." Greenville, Jersey City has contributed a warm, rich and generous personality in Terry.



BUSY BEADLES

The distinction of being Busy Beadle goes this week to the pride of juniordom, Tom Hogan of 3-A. Tom hails from St. Mary's parish in Jersey City and his smile is known to every junior. Tom has chosen to spend the rest of his days as the hated enemy of all children, a dentist.

Moseyin' McGuire

Paddy's Day Piece. As I was walking, last St. Patrick's Day, around Piccadilly Circus, I heard an ominous roar. I looked up and saw a neck and neck drag race proceeding at a slow 85 miles an hour. As the cars drew nearer, I distinguished a green and white Oldsmobile with a diced bobby in the grill. The other car was a black Cadillac with various old ladies and little children dangling from behind it.

Behind the wheel of the Olds was a tall, thin, elfin figure looking for all the world like a living leprechaun from the bogs of Killarney. This was Ray O'Novakaine, a foul Pole.

Piloting the Cadillac was what must have been an Orange-man, for his head was as square as an orange crate. They tell me his name was Charlie McVoorhees from Ulster. He was a stocky lad, for he drank a lot of milk to cure his Ulster.

As they tore up the streets and left large tire marks on the sidewalks and on peoples faces, they turned off the Circus and went up Downing St. which is a one-way street going down. They passed through a traffic light, for all the lights are green on Paddy's day. O'Novakaine swerved to hit a baby-carriage and a bobby raced up to him exclaiming, "Begorah, lad why did you hit these two beautiful colored children on such a day?"

"Why officer," O'Novakaine replied, "Don't you know that every loyal son is pledged to get a Black and Tan on St. Paddy's day?"

This is what always happens when a leprechaun ties a bog on!

Candid Quotes

They have been telling us that the Closed Retreat would be the best three days of our lives. Do you agree?



John Squeo. You bet. Too bad that the seniors are the only ones who can go away for their retreat. It's great for mind and soul. You don't know yourself when you come home. Probably the most enjoyable parts were the conferences in the chapel with Father English.

Pat Smith. Without a doubt. The thing that I liked best was that the retreat taught me how to meditate. Meditation used to be a big word that had almost no practical meaning except when you went to church. Second best thing was the bus ride home.



Bill Plastine. Certainly do. It was the first time that I had a realization of God through meditation. It came like a bomb. I was also surprised to find out you can eat in silence and enjoy the food. I really mean it when I say the retreat was great.

Dr. Algie Answers:

GRETA NEUSBAUM ASKS: What is the difference between a Mongloid and Siamese twins?

A. Approximately four thousand miles.

SAL A. PATICA QUERIES: For some time now I have had a tickle in my throat. My physician said that it was caused by a preconcary tursus, which had inflamed and was pressing against the orcona proboscus nerves, thereby impeding the blood in the mantusa demossus vein from reacting convexly with the phylonicus tendon. Do you agree?

A. Who are you trying to impress?

A. CANARY WRITES: I am a professional song writer. However, none of my songs ever reach the top. I try so hard and nothing happens. I'll go crazy soon if I don't get some results!

A. Patience, there's a ward in sight!

PT TEACHER WRITES: I excused a boy from gym last week because he said he was a victim of chiasmus. Did I do right?

A. Definitely. Don't trifle with it.

Horrorscope



M. Roach. Your future in bowling is well assured. We have no sooner seen the photo of your stunning backstride in the Jersey Journal's Father & Son tournament than we realize you have the weight to spare. F. Manzano. You will someday become a successful colored tie salesman, i.e., a tycoon. W. Zircher. You will teach Chinamen how to play knife and fork on the piano better than we play chopsticks.

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County Special

First take two high caliber basketball teams, put them in a spacious gym stuffed with 2,000 howling fans, add a smidgin of strategy, then throw in a County Championship and you have the boiling ingredients for a lovely heart attack or at least the dizziest basketball game you ever saw. The din never ceased and the temperature rose to fever pitch and the Marauders and Memorial sweated right down to the line till Crotty made an unbelievable shot, before unbelieving eyes with an unbelievable second of time left, to pull the trophy right out of Memorial's showcase.

Napoleon once said that "God is on the side with the most artillery." According to this, Prep had just a pop gun of a chance when they took the ball out with ten seconds remaining. But when Crotty pulled the popgun trigger, the explosion was deafening and the impact enough to stop Napoleon's army faster than the Russian winter. The final count was 47-46 but nobody cared whether it ever got onto the scoreboard; and by the time it did, the game was over, and the Marauders were mauling Crotty.

The first period pace was slow and cautious. Both teams played it close to the vest, but the Marauders were a little faster on their feet, which enabled them to pick up an early lead. Richvalsky broke the ice with a pair of fouls and Desert lit the Mems' scoreboard with a push. Simonovitch followed with a pivot deuce and Richvalsky converted a tap, knotting the count at 4 all. The Mems were deployed in a 2-1-2 zone and attacking deliberately, trying to force Prep to play their type of basketball. But they did not succeed at the outset as McDonald made like a professional purse snatcher and spirited away the ball twice for a drive and push, 8-4. Pedone destined to play tremendous ball on offense and defense all night long, proved he was a member of the same syndicate as he

curled in a fast break chippie before the Mems found Simonovitch again for a pair of hooks. The big fellow was using his weight nicely and was the key man in the Mems slow prodding attack. But sharpeyed Joe Burns, All-County ref, caught Sim for the second time charging Richvalski who added a free throw and set up Pedone for a rebound, 15-8. A little South Hudson shenanigans with Crotty behind the-back-passing to McDonald upped the margin to 17-12 at the quarter.

The second quarter was something of a freeze-out for the Prep. After Crotty had scored on a spiffy tap play, the Maroon drew a leash hand for the quarter until the last second when Blaney curled in a layup at the buzzer. Only Crotty's mid-period set prevented Prep from going scoreless for 7 and a half minutes. Meanwhile the Mems were connecting for 14 points to give them the halftime advantage of 26-23.



Mac converts a fast break for 17-10 edge.

Everybody expected a switch in Prep's tactics as the second half opened. Consequently no one was surprised when the full court press was ordered and the Mems thrown off stride under the hawking and harrassing hands of Halligan's Hooligans. The hustle paid off as the Mems were unable to feed Simonovitch who hardly touched the ball in the second half. With Crotty shackling O'Brien, the Mems' other top scorer all night, Prep surged into a 34-32 lead at the quarter's end.

Crotty lit the fuse on an explosive fourth stanza with a twisting hook shot, then added the foul. Another worming drive brought the score to 39-32 and it looked like the Marauders were on their way. Grasso hit a set but Richvalsky hung up a chippie and Blaney widened the gap to 43-34 with a brace of fouls. But with the game-busting hammer in hand, the Marauders suddenly slowed down without Coach Halligan's instructions. Before time out was called, the Marauders had lost the momentum and the lead was cut to 43-39.

With 3:10 remaining, Pedone and Karach matched free throws. Then Karach ripped the bottom out of the box with a three point play to make the score 45-44, Prep. But the Marauders had possession at 2:35 and froze effectively till 0:40 when McDonald was put on the line by a desperation foul. Mac blew the shot, Prep came up with the rebound but Crotty missed underneath and the Mems' recovered.

Now pandemonium was pounding on the walls and stomping on the stone seats. The Mems came out of their huddle, worked upcourt, Grasso heaved a set that fell wide and short. A wild melee under the boards, we had it, they slapped it away, Simonovitch grabbed it, went up and put it through. A frenzied roar: Mems 46, Prep 45. Time out!

The play was called in the huddle. It was "Clear the center lane and let Crotty drive." McDonald tossed it in and John dribbled furiously upcourt. Coming into the circle, he lost control; the ball and the

PETROC SCOREBOARD

PREP	Score	MEMORIAL
RCH ● ●	2-0	OB 0 0
	2-0	DES push 15 ft.
	2-2	SIM push pivot
	2-4	
McD 0	2-4	
RCH tap	4-4	
McD steal	6-4	
McD push 20 ft.	8-4	
PD layup	10-4	
	10-6	
	10-6	SIM hook
	10-8	OB 0
PD jump	12-8	SIM pivot
RCH ● 0	13-8	
PD rebound	15-8	
	15-10	KRH fadeaway
McD break (0:01)	17-10	SIM hook
	17-12	
QUARTER		
CR tap play	19-12	
	19-14	COL jump
	19-16	SIM tap + 0
	19-18	COL ● ●
CR 30 ft set	21-18	
	21-20	SWN rebound
	21-22	KRH backflip
	21-24	SIM hook
(0:28)	21-26	COL ● ●
BL layup	23-26	(0:02)
HALF		
	23-28	OB popper
BL 20 ft. set	25-28	
PD jump	27-28	
PD jump	29-28	KRH 0
CR 30 ft. set	29-30	COL side push
	31-30	OB under
PD jump	31-32	
McD 0 ●	33-32	
	34-32	
QUARTER		
CR hook + ●	37-32	
CR hook	39-32	
	39-34	GR set
RCH drive	41-34	
BL ● ●	43-34	
(4:30)	43-35	COL 0 ●
	43-37	GR ● ●
	43-39	KRH jump
PD ● ●	45-39	
(2:55)	45-41	KRH ● ●
(2:35)	45-44	KRH push + ●
Time (1:35)	45-44	
(0:40) McD 0	45-44	
(0:08)	45-46	SIM under
CR !!!!!	47-46	(0:01)
CHAMPS	GAME	RUNNER-UP

title were rolling toward the sidelines with Crotty in hot pursuit. He snagged it in the corner, turned and pushpopped. You stopped breathing. The ball arched up, came down, hit the far rim, went up, came down and 1,500 people will swear it went in.

FERRIS 79 PREP 72

Streak Snapped

Old "13" has done it again! With a string of twelve thrilling victories under their belts and offered the golden opportunity of clinching the Southern County Ribbon, the Marauders just didn't have enough to subdue the fired-up charges of the ferocious Ferris Bulldog.

Following the initial tap, John Crotty, Prep's answer to "Boston Bob," tickled the cords with a miraculous left hand drive. And when Jim McDonald whistled in two jumps, Prep leapt in front 6-0. But this slim margin was quickly erased, as Lisco and Malta ripped holes in the Marauder defense on successive drives. Wierciszewski, whose uncanny shooting thwarted many a Prep spurt, caged a brace of fouls to knot the count. After a Richvalsky jump matched Lisco's deuce, "Weg" tapped one in and Lisco sizzled on another drive, giving Ferris a 12-8 lead at the 3:00 mark. Crotty and "Mac" found range on two circle stabs, but this time it was Malta with the ace.



Here's to Mikey . . . and the Hoofa!

Richvalsky then banged a stray rebound through the strings and, assisted by a beautiful Blaney pass, dunked a chippie to put Prep a bucket up, 16-14. Again Ferris came back. With the "Wiz" virtually bulling a path through the Maroon, the Bulldog munched a 20-16 bone at the quarter.

McDonald, playing the game of his life, opened the second canto with a deadly jump. "Wiz" still had a hot hand and after exploding a corner bomb, he drilled a jumper home. Richvalsky countered with a tap, but again "Wiz" connected. Lisco joined the parade and Malta dropped in a chip before George Blaney meshed a booming set. With tempers flaring and 4:50 remaining till intermission, Prep was called on a technical foul. When Lisco would not miss, the Marauders were down ten, 35-25. Paced by McDonald and Crotty, the Petreans sped back within 6, but Wierciszewski timed the buzzer with a hook.

The third period saw the Prepsters stage one of their famed rallies. "Mac" beat the field for two and Blaney answered a pair of Lisco charity flips with a bullet-like jump. Then Crotty and Pedone teamed to cut the bulge in half, 45-41. After McDonald and Wierciszewski had exchanged 3 point plays, "Wiz" again poured in a short jump. Mac countering with little delay, racked a push and Crotty followed by dumping two in from the line. When Crawford failed to cash in on a free throw, Crotty fed McDonald, breaking fast, for the tying deuce at 50 all. Pedone's jump kept things rolling and big George brought the house down with a sweeping hook. However, the inspired Bulldog five was not to be denied. Malta and Lisco matched a Pedone special to tie the score 56 all as the quarter closed.

During the final stanza the Marauders definitely began to show signs of fatigue while Ferris appeared fresh as ever. The Maroon hung on gamely. But when Malta, sinking back to back drives, gave the Bulldogs a 71-62 spread at the two minute mark, Prep's second defeat was assured.

PREP 84 DICKINSON 49

County Prelim

The Marauders copped their third title of the year, "The South Hudson Diadem," when they crushed Dickinson 84-49 on the feast of St. Valentine. The game was not as much of a romp as the final tally might indicate. At the three quarter mark Prep led by a scant nine pts. but they exploded in the final 8 minutes to outscore the Rams 32-6. Crotty was high with 29 but he fell six short of Purnell's league leading total of 203.

Richvalsky opened the scoring with a turn-around jump and Pedone cashed in a pass from Crotty before Snyder broke the ice for Dickinson with a charity toss. He followed with a drive but the Marauders ripped off ten in a row. Pedone and Blaney hit with jumps and Crotty picked his way through for an easy chippie. Jumps by Richvalsky and Pedone closed out the streak but Musante came through with three consecutive drives and a foul shot to cut the lead to 4. Pedone's rebound and a driving layup by Richvalsky made it 19-12, Prep at the quarter.

Musante bombed a long set and McDonald answered with a drive to maintain the 7 point lead. Next Carola and Snyder hit on back to back drives before Crotty banked in a jumper. McLaughlin connected on a long set and Carola gunned a jumper to cut the Prep lead to one, 23-22. From here Prep moved slowly ahead, paced by Pedone and Richvalsky, to a 9 point advantage at the half.

Richvalsky canned a quick 5 points in the first minute of the third canto but Carola came right back with a drive. Snyder and Musante followed with a pair of fouls each and McLaughlin chimed in with a three pointer, Prep 42 Dickinson 37. Blaney broke famine with a foul toss and Richvalsky and Crotty wrapped jumps around a drive by Musante. Two fouls by Richvalsky and a "Pedone Special" made it 52-43 at the three quarter pole.

With 5:55 remaining, Prep still led by only 9 points but at this point the dams burst and Crotty rode the crest of the victory wave. John started the onslaught with a 3 point play and he backed it up with a chip and jump. Snyder broke the spell with a drive but Crotty was right back with 5 more, 68-47. Next Duffy and Crotty hit jumps and Mac and Hannon put in 3 drives before Musante banged in a jump, 78-49. A Pedone jump and two drives by Potyrala finished the scoring at 84-49.

It was big George Richvalsky who kept Prep in the game until Crotty came through with his hot streak. This quick spurt has become the mark of the team and the fans hope that it will continue in the upcoming "Blue Ribbon" tournament games.



"Ric" and "Wiz," two poles, vault!



Blaney takes the jump away from Grasso in first half action against Memorial.

Noisemaker

Before a howling but well-mannered crowd, the Pedone-led Petreans eked out a 83-79 overtime win against St. Al's. Magical Mike garnered 30 points to stop the stubborn Aloysians in a free-shooting game that saw John Crotty chip in 19 and Jim McDonald 14 to offset the Red and White bucket brigade, paced by Corbalis (27) and Kaminsky (19). In the final analysis it was Pedone who turned the tide with his rebound shots.

Though Prep led by two at half time, the danger sign was hung out early in the third quarter. Pedone had four fouls charged against him and at the period's close Crotty had been caught in the act four times also. Prep had to rein up its drives and by the time the referee tossed up the ball to start the fourth canto, the scoreboard showed St. Al's leading by 3, 62-59. Pedone came to the fore at 6:15 with a 3-point play to knot the score but Dilonardo broke loose to tally 5 points in an Aloysian surge of 9. The rooters gleamed at what appeared to be the

biggest upset of the season. Prepmen packed in tight, grew gloomy. Then Potyralla hitched up a shoulder and dropped in a jump. St. Al's hard pressed over the court, threw up a few careless shots. Prep capitalized on them as Pedone struck fire and brought the Marauders even with two minutes left. The score remained tied at 75 all, as the buzzer sounded.

In a game in which every basket had been greeted with a deafening ovation, the overtime period changed the noisy excitement from frenzy to hysteria. Pedone picked off the opening tap and sent Prep ahead 77-75. Prep scored twice more but Krumm retaliated for St. Al's with a brace of baskets, 81-79. Then Prep went into the deep freeze and with 20 seconds left, Blaney passed to Pedone underneath for the clincher.

So Prep came to the end of the regular season's competition with a well-earned 14-2 record. Despite the two blots there's a strong conviction around these parts that the Marauders are the best five in the State. The future should prove it.

GRAMSIT Opening

The eighth annual GRAMSIT opened on Washington's Birthday with the small fry sizzling. In the first game St. Francis of Ridgefield eked out a 43-34 win over St. Michael's, as Anonie hit for 26. With Burke ripping the cords for 15, Mt. Carmel crushed O.L.V. 57-25. St. Peter's, the host team, romped over St. Ann's. McGovern was high with 15. Rittberg of St. Michael's, U. C., garnered 15 as the Irish trounced Bender, 54-28.

St. Joe's of Bogota had an easy time taking St. Nick's 66-18, as Lehner poured in 20. McCaffery bombed for 22 as St. Anastasia clobbered St. Aedan's 60-33. Bob Martin's 14 points gave St. Paul's a 33-22 victory over O.L.S. and in a squeaker Sacred Heart, led by Jim Brogan's 14, beat Holy Family 36-34.

St. Stephen's, Arlington, pulled away to a 48-26 win over Sts. Peter and Paul as Dittan racked up 22. St. Vincent's, coached by John Crotty, ran away from Sacred Heart 51-29. Sullivan's 20 was high in the game. Lettino's 18 paced St. Elizabeth's to a close 37-34 win over Good Counsel. St. Anthony's was awarded a forfeit when St. Andrew's failed to show.

Harry Orlando's younger brother hit for 16 as St. Augustine creamed Corpus Christi 66-21. In Holy Rosary's 48-28 win over St. Mary's, LaPorte and Servino both scored 14, and in the best game of the tournament so far St. Lucy's edged Assumption 50-45. High for the victors was Danny Waddleton with 26, a tally equalled by Assumption's Ritchie Titsh.

SCORING TABLE TO DATE

	G	FG	F	TP	AVG.
Crotty	17	118	119	355	20.6
Pedone	15	117	46	280	18.6
Richvalsky	17	84	48	216	12.7
McDonald	17	86	36	208	12.2
Blaney	17	52	28	131	7.7

The Sporting Thing

Newport. Tonight is George Washington's birthday and the place is still hopping over yesterday's win. You can be sure that it is also being replayed up at Newport where the ESCIT braintrust is meeting to select their invites for the annual tournament to be held up there March 22-24. There is a more than a good chance that Prep will receive a bid, since we only need one more win to retire the trophy. All Hallows is in the same boat. The Prep problem is that only two New Jersey teams will be invited and St. Mary's of Elizabeth, as defending chance, rates an automatic comeback.

Swim. Prep's tankers sank the Ferris Frogmen, 43-25, as Captain Frank Iccobelli sped to a pair of wins in the 100 yard breast-stroke and in the individual medley. Juniors Daley and McHugh copped first places in the 200 yard free style and the 100 yard back-stroke respectively. In their next meet the Marauder Fish were nosed out by Lincoln's speedy crew, 37-31. Bob Devine picked up our lone victory by capturing the 100 yard free style.

Grid: Father Snyder has all but completed the football schedule for next year. There are a few changes of note. St. Cecilia's, a newcomer to Prep, opens the season on September 23 at Jersey City. The Bayonne game has been moved back to Friday night, October 12. One open date appears on the schedule as listed below, October 7. Father Snyder attempted to get Seton Hall, but their other commitments killed that. Camden Catholic is trying to clear its way for the open weekend. All games will be played at Roosevelt Stadium.

Sun., Sept. 23: St. Cecilia's; Sun., Sept. 30: Snyder; Sun., Oct. 7 (open); Fri. night, Oct. 12: Bayonne; Sun., Oct. 21: Demarest; Sun., 28: Lincoln; Sun., Nov. 4: Memorial; Mon., Nov. 12: Xavier; Thurs., Nov. 22: Dickinson.