

MARAUDERS PROVE MERIT IN SUN & MUD!



END ZONE ACTION: Jim Kropke barrels 7 yards for paydirt as an unknown Cecilian tries to halt the inevitable score.

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EMBER DAYS!





Campbell and O'Connor discuss year's problems

Undecided Now

"Who are you?" queried the amazed girl, gazing at the grotto. "I am the Immaculate Conception." So in 1858 Our Lady showed her approval of the Church's definition of the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. And now one hundred years later, the selective staff of senior subscribers is pondering over the possibility of making this centennial celebration at Lourdes the Petrean theme.

No matter what theme is chosen, it's hoped that this edition will prove to be colorful and commemorative.

These last few weeks have found the seniors in the spotlight of the Vinodd Studio. Once the proofs from this sitting, which compose the picturesque pages of posing seniordom, are returned, the greater part of portrait arrangements can be struck off the list. That leaves the functioning activities and individual classes yet to be taken. As usual the roaming photographer will snap those formal informals.

This entire enterprise seems clear and simple in black and white, but it needs that "hint of mint." The patron drive has not yet started, but when it does, that hint has to become a concrete, crisp green.

Time To Change

Bread is the staff of life. Without food existence is not possible. This also applies to our souls. Without the Bread we cannot nourish our souls to keep them alive.

Today American youth must be the Eucharistic Generation if there is to be any change in the pathetic condition of the world. The Church has made it possible to receive Our Lord Himself not once or twice a week, but daily. The rules concerning fast and evening Mass have been modified to excite more fervor and devotion than ever before.

Here at the Prep the trend also follows. Mass is celebrated daily at 12:35 P.M. If it is impossible to hear Mass, a Prepster can at least partake of the Food of Life in the Upper Church. Five minutes of one's time now can make an eternity of difference. It's time to change your habits!

Friday masses are meaningful now that each student has his missal. The next advancement to be looked for here at the Prep is congregational singing. What could pack more overwhelming impact than five hundred lusty voices bursting forth with the rolling chorus of the Kyrie? God does love to hear men sing.

Creditors Coming

In case you haven't noticed in your catalogue, Prep is an "accredited" institution. And just to make sure we stay in that category, we will submit to a voluntary examination in December.

A non-partial committee, headed by Dr. Stocker of the University of Pennsylvania, will give Prep the once-over. This group represents the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Besides looking into the physical end of Prep, such as gym equipment and proper lighting, they will roam through the corridors, asking frank questions and seeking honest answers. Even the sacred classrooms will be invaded to see how our favorite teachers perform.

Reputation is an important thing in the business of running schools. It is the result of many things: buildings, teachers, administration, and most important of all, the quality of its graduates. The small word, "accredited", is another feather in Prep's cap.

St. Peter's is proud to have been one of the first members of this exclusive association. For the past quarter of a century

Prep has not failed to live up to its reputation and be listed high among the other schools. We are certain that this year we will again merit top honors on the list of accredited schools.

Things Clicking

High honor came to the Prep's Camera Club when the acting provincial of the New York Province selected it to take the pictures for vocational literature for province-wide use. This is just another notch in the Cam-Club's long line of illustrious lens operations.

Mr. Marzolf, S.J., master at things scientific and a mathematical wizard, is the new moderator, who replaces the energetic and efficient Mr. Rohr, S.J. He is definitely keeping the work up to its high standards of perfection. Directly under the moderator three Juniors supervise the department. Bob Selinske handles most of the developing; Jeff Outwater takes most of the pictures; and Eddie Nolan, who is on a six month leave of absence, is a printer par-excellence. He is being replaced by Jack Considine.

The Camkids snap all the pictures for the Petroc, the Petrean, and the press.



Senior Prexies: D. Connolly, A. McCarthy, J. Kozmor, R. Campion, F. Meola and G. Wiley

Looking Sharp!

Things were really popping in Section 2 at Roosevelt Stadium on opening day against Snyder. As the "look sharp" notes of the Gillete song filled the Stadium, the small fry in the stands made like "Pop", using the imaginary razors on imaginary beards. When the Marauder musicians began to "Rock Around the Clock", the kids went "Cuckoo" with their hands circling in a mad flurry of enthusiasm. At the calypso strains of "Marianne" the lovesick hearts of all seniordom tilted.

This performance was typical of the band's extraordinary ability to get inside of people and send the melody rolling around the soul, and it bore out Mr. McGowan's prediction of a memorable year. From the time Hugh McCormick, with head high and chest out, strutted onto the Stadium turf at the head of the Maroon and White until the final gun 12,000 ears were cocked to the background music.

The single disappointment of the day was Mr. McGowan's failure to give out with any solos. However, don't lose hope; there are still seven games remaining, more than enough time for "Satchmo" to turn green!

Last Sunday's weather tested the spirit of those musical Marauders; nothing dampened their enthusiasm, nor their crazy rhythm.

Dateline: Debating

Deep thoughts on the subject of Foreign Aid are already beginning to emanate from the newly-painted, smoke-filled office of the debating team. With Mr. Pugliese, S.J., the recently elected president of the Catholic Forensic League of N.J., at the helm, the debating team is off to a flying start.

At a meeting held on September 25th, Greg Sullivan was elected president; George Ambruster, recording secretary; and Leo Clossey, corresponding secretary. With the purpose of furthering interscholastic cooperation, a forum was held at the Prep on October 4th to discuss the various aspects of Foreign Aid. Present there were

representatives of St. Al's, St. Dominic's and Xavier. Hugh McCormick and Leo Clossey on the affirmative and Frank Ciesla and Chris Lane on the negative took part in a sample debate on Wednesday, October 2nd.

Mr. Pugliese, a pounding and purposeful speaker, hopes he has the makings of a team which will really stuff the turkey when it gobbles against the other schools. So begins the '57-'58 debate season on a note of hope and a promise of success to come.



Band deploys for anthem at season's opener.

Senior Sodality

Once again the modern Myrmidons of Christ's army assembled in the Senior Sodality. Reorganized under the direction of Fr. George Butler, they quickly got down to business.

This year, the aim of the Sodality is first to train its members to live their Sodality way of life fully as Seniors; second to help them in choosing the right vocation. They'll also unite and try to draw better crowds to daily Mass and Communion.

At the second meeting, the annual election was held. Ed Bradley came out as victor with an almost unanimous vote as prefect. Vice-Prefect went to Ed Campbell. The pen was put in the hands of Mike Bonifanti; while hoarding of the money will be placed at the discretion of John Petrozzi. The Sodality Library will now be managed by the new librarian, John Ford.

A group of generous volunteers will sacrifice a few hours a week to train the future altar boys of the parish. In addition, Sodality members will collect all types of books for the Jesuit missions to be put to good use in foreign mission schools. As usual they will lend a hand to the Stamp Drive, a project of the Junior Sodality.

Fr. Butler stressed that Sodality members should participate more thoroughly in school activities and lead the way with good habits. He adds they should promote a genuine school spirit and seriously try to profit from their studies from a spiritual and utilitarian motive. "A Sodality member's school life is his Sodality life. He's got to attend school as a Sodality member."

COVER STORY. Expect an outburst of bubble gum among the faculty, men! The Pope has asked the Jesuit legislators, meeting at Rome, to eliminate smoking. Meanwhile, a few months of grace for the men in black. Don't worry, though; The Senior Room stays open by Papal edict!



NEW BUT NOBLE. This year Prep has the honor of annexing Mr. Thomas Cross to its faculty. A graduate of Regis High and St. Peter's College, he makes his home in Jersey City and at the present time hasn't taken the step from bachelorhood to married life. His two years in the Army should be of assistance to him in drilling the fundamentals of P.A.D. into the heads of his freshmen students.

League Leaders:

Every league boasts of a leader—be it the Braves or Yankees. The League of the Sacred Heart is no exception. It needs top flight leaders to inspire the student body with a flaming zeal for the Heart of Infinite Majesty.

In process of formation at the present is the League of Leaders at Prep. Membership is limited to one man for every ten men in his class. Applications were made in person to the Student Guidance Counselor's Office last week.

The many duties of these men include: four Communions of Reparation each week, attendance at Mass during the Thursday lunch period, distribution of the monthly League leaflets and the promotion of the monthly Holy Hour.

"Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced."

THE SIGN OF CIVILIZED MEN:



3A—Joe Nussoniello

3B—Roger LaGratta

3C—Phil Martorelli

3D—Charles Zanowski

Council Capers:

Fr. Carr gave the signal. The ribbon was cut by Fr. Butler and Gary Wiley threw the switch. The machinery began to roll. The first meeting of the Student Council was held, with the newly elected class presidents in attendance. Bleary-eyed and bewildered sat the frosh. Speaking with an air of importance, the sophisticated sophs asked the questions. The merry Juniors answered their inquiries. The elated seniors sat back and kept shining and polishing their rings.

How had the Council been chosen? A busy week of nominations, approvals, elections and final approval had done the trick! "Say Mister", cried each beadle, "we need time for class elections. May we do it now." After a reluctant O.K., the meeting had started. Ten names were put forward for the post of president and likewise ten more names were received for each subpost. Time consuming, the counting and



2A—Wayne Zdanowicz



2B—Joseph Kelly



2C—Joseph Delaney



2D—Louis DeBari



1A—Richard Carroll

1B—Thomas Lynch

1C—Lawrence Besserer

1D—Joseph McDowell

THE RIGHT TO MAKE THEIR LAWS



3E—John Murphy

3F—John Massaro

3G—Paul Jordan

3H—John Spadora

recounting of the ballots followed. Finally after thirty busy, merry minutes the candidates had been chosen. By this time the "nice" Mister was boiling and soon he sizzled as he handed out two hours of written homework. But it was worth it!

Under the guidance of the Student Council, a rally was held on Thursday, September 27. With Gary Wiley running it and Mr. Kennedy behind it, a round of sporadic cheers burst forth from the upper-classmen. Head coach Bill Cochrane spoke and Fr. Snyder enumerated the praises of the team. President Wiley then introduced the senior members of the team. Mike Bonifanti sang the school song. The following Friday, another rally was staged prior to the St. Cecilia's game, which was highlighted by Coach Joe Zucconi's speech. A vociferous crowd kept the rally going even after the Memorare.

Topping the agenda for the fall season is the social to be held tonight. Yes, the Student Council is really rolling.



2E—George Smith

2F—George Gernert



2G—Charles R. Miller

2H—Robert Dolan



1E—George Brogan



1F—Russell Pepe

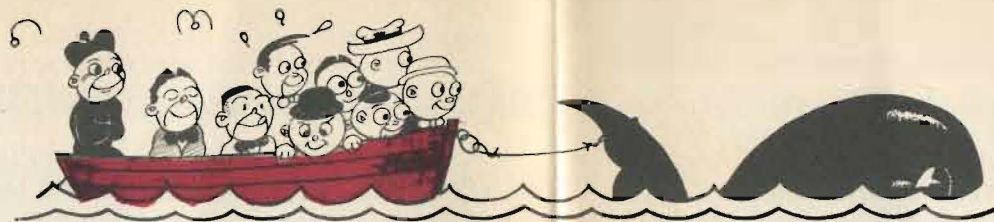


1G—John Murphy



1H—Gerald Cuozzo

LIFE IS



GRAND AT WARREN

PRIDE AND GLORY



The name which has made Jersey City famous throughout the nation and even into distant parts of the world is Cosgrove. Dr. Sam, grandfather of this week's P&G, did great work at Jersey City Medical Center in the field of obstetrics. Dr. Bob, Richie's Dad, is carrying on the tradition of the family. Small wonder, then, that another Cosgrove should be Prep's Pride and Glory.

Richie in his own right is a fellow we're all proud to know. Crackerjack guard on the football team, Richie was injured in the first scrimmage and was just recently released from the hospital to the joy of all seniorhood. So that his great talents won't be wasted, "Rich" will be line coach of the frosh team.

Richie's friendly smile and quick sense of humor have made him one of the most popular seniors at Prep.



BUSY BEADLE

The "Whale" salutes John Ford, 4-D's beadle, for this issue. John hails from Bergenfield and is very active in extra-curricular activities here at Prep: PETROC, Debating and Crusaders to mention only a few. On the scholastic side, he has three honor pins dangling from his lapel. Ford has hopes for Detroit U.

Bier Barrel

Excuse us this issue, men, we're really scraping the bottom of the barrel.

A big hand for Junior Bill Hanrahan. The Marauders' avid fan, decked out with binoculars and megaphone, led the Prep cheering section for the first two games. Let's find him a uniform.

Fr. May received the first shipment of Senior Rings last week to the delight of a few of the more confident seniors. For the not so confident, it's another two months. Envy! Envy!

Cicero scholars of 4D and 4E are invited to attend Mr. O'Donnell's renowned parsing parties from 3:30 to ??? Sorry, no refreshments.

By popular demand, prints are being made of the picture of fourth year English teacher Mr. McNally, appearing in the window of Vinodd Studios. For this fotog Vinodd was presented with this year's first Charley Gombosh Award.

First rally falls flat, second top hat!

Some seniors got their first tickets last week when a row of diagonal parking violations were pinned on the windshields of cars at the Gregory Project.

It's more like free-for-all than volley ball at the nets during lunch. No refs!

Mr. Kennedy, who broadens the Senior's knowledge of History, announced that he was taking a course in Psychological Testing at Fordham for his Master's. He explained that major corporations use these tests to fill big vacancies, something he does three times a day—Breakfast, Lunch and Supper!

Were You There . . .

English Channel, 1588 . . . Down in the hold of the vessel Santa Cellardoor, cabin boy Georgeona Pierro struggled heroically with the leaking plank. As water poured through cracks in the boards, Georgeona pulled corks from the valuable casks of Amontillado and stopped up the rushing water. The battle with the English raged fiercely above but Georgeona was having his own troubles below. Corks were running out and water was running in. The situation seemed hopeless.

Suddenly a cannon ball smashed through the hull and likewise through his neighbor. Quickly Pierro picked up his fallen comrade and stuffed his head in the opening. Another one burst through. With nothing left, he shoved his own head into the channel.

The next day Georgeona was awarded a medal. Unfortunately he was unavoidably detained.

Horrorscope



Louis Capozzoli: "Your future looks fairly negative; you will be an all-American flop at photography." Joseph Buonocore, "You will continue to shock people in the future. You will be the electrician in the Sing-Sing death house." Ray Jusiewicz: "You are athletically inclined and are certain to clean up in sports; you'll make the scrub team every time."

Candid Quotes

What is the best book you ever read?



Tom Zidiak

"Ben Hur." This is my favorite because I can picture myself in Roma Aeterna racing at the Circus Maximus. I can see the great pageantry as the golden horses race around the track while the crowd cheers. Some people might think it's the only big book I've ever read. That's false, I've read another one.



Ed Zdziarski

"Green Pastures." I didn't really read the book, my grandmother read it to me during the summer. It was very novel and humorous. What I liked best was that throughout the play "Da Lawd" favors people by presenting them with 10-cent Zdzee-gars, see? Oh never mind if it's too involved. It's just another ash in the tray.



Bill Zuberbuhler

When I was in Grammar School I didn't read very well. Whenever a book report was due I would save 15 cents and buy a Classic Comic or go to see the motion picture. But since I've been at Prep my reading habits have improved. I like to spend an afternoon in the book store. I'm ready to dig into the Merchant of Venice now.

PREP 40, SNYDER 0

Tigers Ragged

Guided by the magnetic arm of "Zudu" Zdanowicz and the fancy prancing of Phil Martorelli, The Maroon and White rolled over Snyder to a count of 40-0. 6,000 fans were on hand as the Marauders opened the season with a victory more than satisfactory but less than spectacular.

Standout on the credit side of the afternoon was the passing poise of the soph quarterback. "Zudu" completed six of nine passes for 180 yards and four touchdowns. Martorelli was also brilliant as he intercepted one pass, running it back 40 yards, and scored two touchdowns. On defense Joe Contreras was constantly in on every play, rushing the passer and making many bone-crushing tackles that caused the Tiger ball carriers to fumble. On the debit side was the failure of the offensive line to open the holes necessary for off-tackle slants, Prep's bread and butter play.

St Peter's old two-headed coin must have been lost during the summer, for it was only the third time in three years that we lost the toss. Responsible for the wrong call were Tony Montone and Bill Sadlack, Prep's captains for the day. Starting from

their own 20, following the opening kick-off, Snyder sent the crowd to its feet with a 45 yard completion from De Simone to Perkins. But they fumbled on the next play and Prep recovered on their own 35. Immediately the Marauders began to roll and in 12 plays moved the ball 65 yards to score. The drive was highlighted by two passes from "Zudu" to Conroy, a topflight end all afternoon. The first covered 20 yards and the second led Conroy right into the end zone for Prep's first tally of the afternoon. Meola missed the extra point but the fans now had something to cheer about.

After the kickoff the ball changed hands three times in six plays, causing plenty of excitement in the stands. First, Contreras recovered a fumble on the Snyder 40, then Olkewicz picked out a blooping pass and the Tigers took possession. But Bob Filoramo brought the thrilling quarter to a close with a neat grab of De Simone's pass and fought off two tackles before being knocked out of bounds. The Maroon drive stalled and Filoramo came in to punt. Snyder had trouble moving but picked up a first down when Prep was detected roughing the punter. Thus was set up the best play of the afternoon when Martorelli scoot-



Martorelli tries to scamper past two Tigers but loses 5 yards



"Zudu" is corralled by four enemy linemen and makes a break for it

ed off with De Simone's pass, broke loose along the sidelines for 45 yards to the Snyder 36. On the following play, "Phonocious Phil" took a pass in the flat, faked out the Snyder defender and raced into the end zone. This time Meola found the mark, 13-0.

The Tigers, a little shaken, fumbled the ball one play after the kickoff, and soph "Richie" Brzenk pounced on it. Rettino bulled his way up the middle for a 14 yard gain and Martorelli slipped through right tackle for 8 yards and another TD. Meola? Yes! 20-0.

Prep was still red-hot after the intermission and scored its fourth touchdown on only the second play. This time it was "Zudu" who found Conroy clear and promptly hit him with a neat pass good for 40 yards. Meola was wide and, with a 26 point bulge, replacements started coming in. Snyder picked up only two yards in three plays and was forced to punt again. Prep started another drive on its 36 and rolled to a score in 10 plays. Rettino and Martorelli toted the leather, with Lou exploding over from the 3 yard line. Frank's boot was on target, 33-0.

Not being able to break through Prep's tough defense, Snyder punted at the start

of the fourth period. With the ball at the Prep 25, Zdanowicz once more got the attack moving. Mueller, due to be a chug-plug in the years to come, jimmied up tackle for 8. "Zudu" wedged for 5, then faded back and met Heideberger with a nifty pass. "Heidel" hobbled 40 yards on the scoring end of a play that totaled 67 yards. Meola closed out the day's points with his fourth PAT, 40-0.

NEWS NOTE: Richmond, Va., Oct. 1 (AP).

"Quarterback Bobby Schwarze, who led The Citadel to its 13-6 upset victory over George Washington in Arlington last Friday, has been named Southern Conference football player of the week.

"Schwarze completed 8 of 13 passes for 165 yards and set up both Bulldog touchdowns, one with a 52-foot aerial to the GW 5-yard line.

"Coach Eddie Teague praised the play-calling and defensive play of Schwarze a 5-foot-10, 175-pound junior . . ."

Bob was Prep QB in '51-'53 and all-state QB his last year at Prep.

PREP 6, ST. CECILIA'S 0

Mud Masterpiece

There was half a hurricane in the heavens last Sunday but a whole one on the field. Figure Filberts had said that it would be the strong Cecilian eleven from out of Englewood; the story of the game, however, told a different tale, as the brilliant line play of a spirited Prep team overpowered the Blue and Gold, 6-0. 2500 football fans braved the wind and rain to sit in on a great Marauder win; a good day would have found 10,000 and a sweltering score. But the outcome would have been the same. The Maroon was masterful, even though mud-marked.

The Marauder forward wall, out-blocking, out-charging and out-tackling, made the difference in the final analysis. Richie Gronda and Bill Sadlack, Frank Brzenk and Johnny Conroy led the assault. The game witnessed some of the hardest Prep tackling seen in many a month, and more than one Cecilian back knew that he had been hit.

Cecilia's was every bit as good as pre-game reports had figured them to be. Tom O'Dea was a strong punter and ran the club with finesse. Natale, O'Meara, Paisley

and Marcolini were hard-running, threatening backs. But Prep's 53 defense, sparked by smart end play and crackling line-backers contained them all afternoon, limiting them to 20 yards net, gained rushing in the first half and slightly more in the second. The Goldrushers penetrated to the Prep 29 and 23 in the opening half, took the ball back to the Maroon 22 at the start of the third quarter and then spent the rest of the afternoon penned up deep in their own territory.

Co-captains Frank Brzenk and Gary Wiley picked the wrong side of the coin and Cecilia's chose to receive. Meola's boot carried to Natale on the Saints' 15 and he returned to the 20 where Brzenk belted him home. With Prep deployed in a 53 defense (Brzenk, Miller and Dow backing up), Cecilia's split the tackles for an initial first down on the Cecilian 30. Sadlack broke through to nail Marcolini for a loss of 8 on an attempted end sweep, then O'Dea took to the air. He found Jack Paisley, a delayed receiver, who slipped in behind Kozmor, and fed him a lob for a gain of 40 yards. Paisley, sailing clear along the sidelines, was finally pressed in by Rettino, who forced him to cut back to the middle, where Brzenk nailed him, ruin-



It's either Kropke (40) or Zdanowicz (44). Whales suspects latter.

ing the one real Cecilian chance for a score all afternoon. The Blue and Gold was hit with a 5 yard penalty to make it 3rd and 6 on the Prep 34; Paisley, cracked by Gronda, fumbled and Kozmor recovered for the Marauders on the Prep 34.

Peter's started to roll immediately. Martorelli sliced off tackle for 8 yards; Rettino followed, ramming up the middle for a first down on the Cecilian 48. Phil fought for 4 more, then Rettino powered on a trap for 5 yards to the Cecilian 39. "Zudu" sneaked for the 1st down on the Saints' 35. Prep bogged down as an attempted pass was grounded; Filoramo came in to punt nicely to the Cecilian 10-yard line. O'Dea kicked back as the period ended; the bounding boot had good "go" and mudded home on the Prep 36. This time Prep went the distance in eleven plays.

"Larrupping Lou" Rettino led the charge, belting over guard for 9 yards to the Prep 45. On the next play "Zudu" spiraled a slippery ball to Jack Conroy who crouched low to snatch it on the Cecilian 38. Martorelli slanted off right end for 6 yards, Rettino plummeted up the middle for 7 yards and a 1st down on the 15. The band was blaring, the wind raging, the atmosphere was angry during the ensuing time out.

Prep hopped out of the huddle against what was practically a nine-man line. Martorelli fired the first salvo for 4, Rettino netted a tight 2, Phil squeaked in barely a yard as the Blue and Gold trenchmen really dug in. Here was the toughest choice of the young season. Bill answered it with a dilly as he ordered a trap sprung for Jim Kropke, who hadn't touched the ball all day. Kropke responded beautifully with a twisting lurch for the important 4 yards and the 1st down on the Cecilian 4-yard line. Rettino hammered in for 2; then Prep was nabbed for an offside back to the Cecilian 7. But back came Kropke, springing loose off the Prep left tackle for a fancy, spinning drive and the game-win-

ning TD. Meola, forgetting to line up off center on the PAT attempt, saw the wind float his kick wide. Prep's all-important seventh point was missed and the pressure to score was still heavy.

In the last minutes of the half, a 4th down gamble by Prep failed by inches to make a 1st down on their own 47 and the Saints took over. O'Meara and O'Dea teamed up for a 1st down on the Maroon 34; then Conroy made a magnificent play to fight off a blocker and nail O'Meara on the last sweep of the half. It was 6-0, Prep—but the skies and the Saints loomed threatening.

The threat, from the standpoint of scoring position, was limited to one Saints' assault at the outcome of the third quarter; from the standpoint of scoring potential, it only died with the gun. Putting the ball in play on their own 27, the Gold drove for three consecutive first downs, as Natale skirted wide for 6 and 15 and Paisley hit the other flanker on a sweep for 15 more. With a 1st down on the Prep 35, a pass fell incomplete and Gronda then slapped O'Dea for a loss of 11 yards to end the threat. For the rest of the game the Cecilians served around their own 20-yard line.

Prep had several scoring opportunities from point blank range but "Zudu" had fourth quarter trouble on the handoffs from center. Still, it failed to detract from the fine performance that the soph field general displayed as he hit with two key passes and hid the ball superbly all afternoon.

In the Prep backfield, junior Jim Kropke erased any hopes that Tony Montone might have had about regaining his varsity starting post. Kropke ran like a flickering shadow and slipped and slid away. He showed enough finesse to put him right into the jaunty Junior class with Martorelli and Rettino, two power runners who bolt and blast at will.

Bayonne tomorrow night!

AMBERGRIS

by The Junior Whalers

The Junior Whalers took their first trip to the Press Box in Roosevelt Stadium for the Snyder game and saw something which the Prep team has been blessed with for the past seven years—a soph quarterback in action. This one goes by the name of Wayne Zdanowicz. Though he flashed many fine qualities, there are a few things Zdanowicz can't do. The first is "be pronounced"; therefore he has been rechristened "Zudu" . . .

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Early in the second quarter of the Snyder tilt, Phil Martorelli, a veteran "swing 'n' sway" back, brought volcanic cheers out of every Prep fan. After intercepting a pass on the Prep 20, the Flash from Bogota took off behind a bumper of three blockers and raced down the sidelines. To almost every fan, this looked like a sure touchdown for Phil as three Prep blockers were taking on all comers. John Conroy, displaying fine ability, threw the key block, knocking two Snyder tacklers out of the play in true bone-busting form. Unfortunately, anxious Lou Rettino barreled right past the last tackler, and Phil was nailed.

But remember this: if it's punch and power you want, rely on Lou. He's got the stuff that makes a back tops in the trade.

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A tip of the Whale's tail to Al McCarthy for a most spectacular and unique tackle. Al, coming downfield from his end post on a punt situation, was blocked savagely, and spun around, yet he stayed on his feet and came down with the Snyder ball-carrier. Al, like everyone else, was surprised at his unexpected catch.

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No sooner did Bob Modarelli appear in the defensive than he picked off one of DeSimone's aeriels. Bob, one of our better

defensive backs, has a chance of pinning down the fullback slot, since Bill Cochrane has been thinking of moving Lou Rettino to his best position, right half, where he can do some fancy leather-lugging. Bob could make a fine blocking fullback.

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Have you realized that you've been watching Prep's youngest team in action. Six juniors and one soph hustled out into the kickoff huddle. The juniors include No. 85, Richie Gronda; No. 74, Joe Contreras; No. 78, Jack Dow; No. 58, Phil Martorelli; No. 50, Lou Rettino; No. 40, Jim Kropke, and the solitary soph, "Zudu" himself, No. 44. Dow, who was only recently shunted to tackle, performed nicely in the Snyder battle, but the outstanding lineman of the day was Joe Contreras. Plenty of reason, too; Joe has that good Greek blood running in the veins of his legs! Another Marauder to watch is soph Charlie Miller who snapped back the pigskin on the extra points. Miller seems to be the right man to fill Frank Brzenk's shoes next year.

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From up the radiator pipe in the Petrean office Curtin tapped out the following message. "St. Cecelia's is the most powerful team, aside from Memorial, Prep has had to face since meeting Xavier's 1950 club. We played this Englewood squad as frosh and lost, 20-0. I was a halfback on this team but I have since given up my uniform." Curtin, in his last sentence, has given the reason why all of us were betting that St. Peter's topples the Englewood Saints.

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Tall Tom Reilly dropped in the other day and desired to have his observations published. Professor Reilly states: "We look great. We'll go undefeated." Trouble is, no one knew whether basketball manager Tom referred to the football team or the cage team; nobody ever knows what he's talking about anyway!

Cinder Chatter

"Get set! Bang!" and another Track season starts in Lincoln Park. The happy wanderers are crossing hill and dale these autumn afternoons with the hope of the City championship, to be held on October 29, driving them on. The spirit is high.

There is reason for our hope. The squad is power-packed with experienced punch and should take the first cross-country title. At least, for a change, they are the team to beat. All years except the frosh will be represented on the cinder-crunching team. The seniors include Walt McInerney, Tony Neusch, Hank Wefing, Ed Bradley, Den Dwyer and Jerry Drummond. John Riordan, Paul Jordan and Doug Ryan compose the Junior delegation. The lone soph representative is Al Hollp.

The squad is definitely veteran. Walt McInerney and Paul Jordan have clocked countless kilometers on last year's mile relay brigade. Ed Bradley and John Riordan both saw scenery slipping by in the half mile and mile jaunts. In the city's first Development Meet the Prep squad rolled to a clean sweep.

The indoor team is also going through preliminary paces on the outdoor cinders. Seniors Tom Cunningham, Dave Connolly and juniors Den Wagner and Den Kahrar, along with Al Hollp, are out there almost every day. It is the real spirit of confidence breathing everywhere that is the most appealing quality of this year's squad.

Even the frosh have caught on. The turn-out of the first year men was good with regard to numbers and excellent in ability. They topped off their first week of training by taking first place honors in their divisional meet with City rivals.

Best wishes to Coach Bill Sharlowe from all at Grand Street! Rumor has it that tomorrow he goes for the "Marrython". May the trophies be many in the years to come and all the children have winged feet!

Vatican City,

July 24th, 1957

Reverend and Dear Father Morris,

I learned the same day from your letter of July 19th and from our good friend Mario Violini, who came to Rome for a few hours, that dear Brother Maurice F. Burke had left this earth to go to his eternal reward. I know how beautiful and holy his death must have been, the worthy culmination of life spent in the loving service of our Divine Master in self abnegation and the gift of himself to others.

I know personally how he worked to help the poor of my diocese whom he never would see or even know of, and how he cooperated in every way he could with my good Mario Violini to help him in the various and often complicated good works he undertakes. Such as he are a gift of God and a wonderful example to a community and to all of those who come in contact with them. I will certainly remember him in my poor but grateful prayers, but I will also invoke his intercession and ask him to help me from heaven as he did so well on earth. I will have a Holy Mass celebrated for the repose of his soul.

His death must be a great loss for your Community and he will be difficult to replace. You have my sincere sympathy.

With kindest personal remembrances and union in prayer for each other's apostolic intentions, I am, Reverend and dear Father Morris,

Faithfully yours in Christ,

GIUSEPPE CARDINAL PIZZARDO,
Secretary,

Congregation of the Holy Office,
Bishop of Albano.