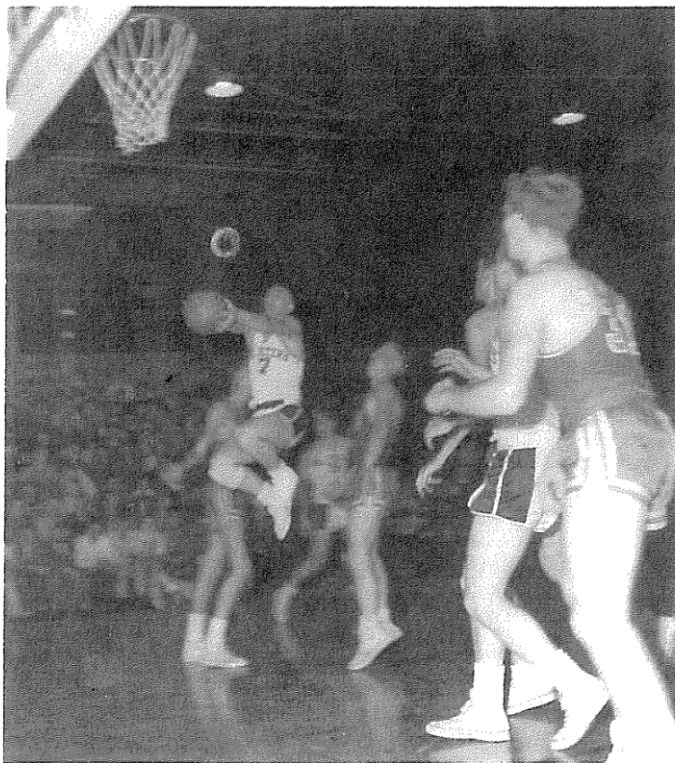


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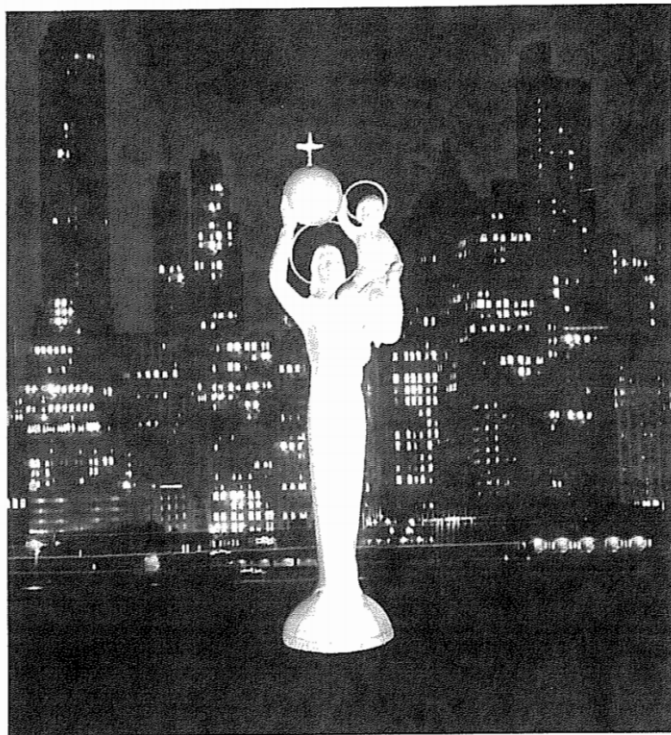
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SUPPLIANT. Don Melega kneels up, says please, but basket turns a deaf ear to backcourt leader.



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THE SPADORA BOY IN TOYLAND WILL HOLD A JUBILEE . . .



"He knows when you are sleeping . . ."



"He knows when you're awake . . ."

BABE IN TOYLAND

It's Christmas eve in Jersey Town,
The folks are all asleep,
But, shhh, Spadora has a plan
In Santa's sleigh to creep!

He watches by the window pane
To see the team of eight
And jolly, bearded Old St. Nick
Come down the chimney grate.

The house was still, the house was dark
When Santa tumbled down
And spread gay presents all about,
And then was chimney-bound.

But tucked away within the sleigh
Spadora rode adaze—
To see the workshop, way up North,
The dream of all his days.

The round was done and back up North
Ol' Santa reined his team.
No toys and dolls could hide him now:
By Santa, lo, he's seen!

"Ho, ho," the old man laughed with glee,
"Now see what have we here—
A stowaway, a little tot,
His tiny voice I hear."

"I've come to see your workshop, sir,
And how they make the toys;
The Injuns and the soldier men
And how your dolls make noise."

Now when they landed in the snow
That tints the workshop white,
Ol' Santa showed the boy his home
That glistens in the night.

Spadora stood with fondly grin
And giggled, giggled loud:
A poor old dwarf so hard at work;
He mocked him and was proud.

Darkness hovers over the Hudson.
A lady stands at the river's mouth
and lights the Freedom torch;
A beacon rests in her holy hand —
a beacon that is a Boy.
It is Christmas time and thoughts
of the Virgin's conception stir
the hearts of men once more.
Fondly we pray the Lady who stands
at the top of the world
That She pour His grace and peace
into the sea of souls
that circle restlessly around.

SO JOIN HIM IN HIS TOYLAND BENEATH THE CHRISTMAS TREE!



"He knows if you've been good or bad . . ."



"So be good for goodness sake . . ."

He laughed and laughed at all around,
Till Santa cried in rage:
"Keep quiet, child, and watch your tongue.
That man there earns his wage!"

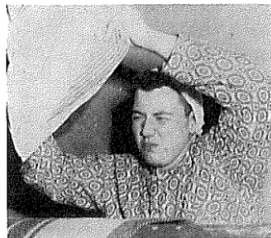
Then little, silly, fiendish child
In spite, as well as fun,
Set fire to the toyland town
To see the old man run.

"Ha, ha," the joyful cry rang out,
The ice all melted thin;
The workshop stands no more in sight,
Just reindeers' blackened bin.

The children 'round the world are sad,
No Christmas joys this year;
Instead of sleigh bells on the roof,
Just gloomy sobs we hear.

No Cupid, Donner, Blitzen dash
Or race across the sky,
But Macy's, Gimbel's, Sears, and Sachs
Our presents now supply.

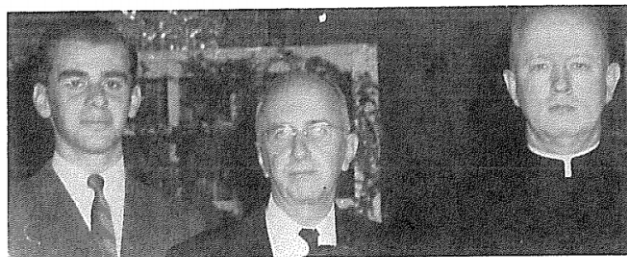
If wreaths of crepe deck toyland town,
Spadora is the cause;
Now little boys are told the truth:
There is no Santa Claus!



"You better watch out, you better not cry
"You better not pout, I'm telling you why . . ."



"Santa Claus is coming to town . . ."



Communion Breakfast Speakers: Henry Wefing; his father, Mr. Henry O. Wefing; Fr. Wood S.J.

THE CHALLENGE

The sun rose gloriously and its rays danced merrily over the windows of the Upper Church. Gathered within were over 700 Prepsters and their Dads for the Annual Communion Breakfast. Fr. Carr, S.J., our principal, celebrated the Mass and gave the sermon.

Under the protection of the Hudson County Police, the boys and their dads were at the Essex House in time for the first cup of coffee. Gregory Sullivan, M.C. for the day, asked for the National Anthem and grace. The Stars and Stripes didn't reply, but Fr. Shalloe did. Then both dad and son dug into the roast chicken and potatoes. As the last gulp of coffee settled in many stomachs, the guests at the dais were introduced.

Henry O. Wefing, Jr., Prep '58, spoke for the students. In rich bass tones, he said that the common bond between father and son was strengthened this morning at the Communion Rail. He ended with a poem dedicated to Mary, whose Immaculate Conception we celebrated Sunday.

Speaking for the fathers, Mr. Henry O. Wefing, Prep '20, told how schools today are becoming soft. Discipline is being neglected in many American schools. He showed that progressive education hinders rather than helps America. Thank God, he said, that St. Peter's isn't in that group.

In the featured address of the morning, Fr. William T. Wood, S.J., Director of the Jesuit Seminary and Mission Bureau, gave a strong address on the Missions. Father stated that out of the 7000 American POWs taken in the Korean conflict, only 5% of them were classified as non-propaganda material. Of the remaining 95%, 16% co-operated in some way with the Commies. Father attributed this to the lack of discipline in the American Army and American schools, and contrasted it with the discipline needed for the missionary life.

As an example, he told of Fr. Walter, S.J., a former teacher at Prep. This priest is very lucky if he meets, sees, or speaks to a white man while he is on his journey to save souls. His territory consists of 165,000 sq. mi. of the Pacific.

For more men and women like him, who will give up hope of ever returning to the States, ought to be the prayer of every man who has children. To pray daily for God to take at least one if not more for his missionary work was the challenge of Fr. Wood to the fathers. To the sons, he offered the same challenge when they are married and have children.

All in all, everybody had a good time and thanks were given to Fr. Butler, S.J., who was in charge of the affair by Fr. Rector, the last speaker.

Evaluation Committee

Last week the Prep received a definite benefit through the hard work of the Middle Atlantic States Association Evaluating Committee. This group consists of eighteen men from various colleges and high schools in the Middle East. The evaluators were headed by Dr. Chester G. Stocker of the University of Pennsylvania and aided by Bro. John T. Darby, S.M., principal of Chaminade High School in New York.

To be evaluated by this committee is not, as many believe, the school's obligation or something to be accepted grudgingly. A school joins the Association to receive certain dignity and recognition of superior educational advantages. Upon entrance into this organization, the school agrees that a committee of evaluators will visit the school at ten year intervals.

While the committee had many methods of evaluating the Prep in every phase of school activity, the one method which touched the student body most intimately was the student interviews in the library. Prepsters from the different activities attended the meetings and were very pleased with the friendliness, cooperation and honest interest of the committee. During a typical interview, the evaluators questioned the students about the Student Council—its functions and its methods. They inquired about activities; "What does the moderator do?", "Who can join?". They turned to the athletic and social life of the school: "Dances?", "Intramurals?", "Afternoon Teas?". The answers were frank and truthful.

The students also ventured to answer questions about certain facets which could be improved. The committee was especially interested in the students' attitude toward the Jesuit humanistic educational system. The endorsement was wholehearted except for Tom O'Mara of 4-A who fell for the trap and came out in defense of a two year Latin course. Al McCarthy immediately rebutted him and presented a great defense of the Jesuit system.

Forward Look

A great problem facing Catholic educators in recent years is the fact that many Catholic students are, after they finish high school, continuing their education in secular colleges. Due to several factors this may occasion a real danger to the faith of the student. Father Shalloe stated in his pamphlet, "Why a Catholic College?", that in a study made by the Catholic chaplain in a secular college that, of all the Catholic students who had attended that college since 1890, fifty-seven percent had lost their faith. In hope of avoiding this situation, the faculty heads here at the Prep invited a number of prominent Catholic colleges to send representatives to the College Day on Sunday, December 8th.

Fr. Matthew Rooney, S.J., head of the Philosophy Department of St. Peter's College, Jersey City, opened the proceedings with a speech on "The Value of Philosophy in the Catholic College Education". He stated that a student doesn't study Philosophy solely for the purpose of learning logical thinking, but rather, to learn the meaning of truth, a man's purpose in life, the existence of God, and various other truths which will give him a basis for, and a means by which he might regulate, his life. He added that these things are lacking in the philosophy courses offered by most secular colleges because the teachers in many of these colleges have an agnostic, materialistic outlook on life. He brought forth several examples to back up his statements.

After the formalities, the Prep men and their parents dispersed to harass the representatives of the twenty-five colleges present with a barrage of questions pertaining to cost, courses, conditions, and other matters concerned with the quest for knowledge.

The ultimate success of College Day will not be able to be determined for several months when we see what percent of the graduates attend Catholic colleges, but, considering the information gained, the success was overwhelming.

Always Hopping

Although Thanksgiving marked the close of another glorious football campaign, the bouncing Marauder band, which provided many an enjoyable Sunday afternoon for ardent football fans, only finished the first period of their year's work. The second phase, commonly called the concert season, ushered its way in with the Undergraduate Assembly on Wednesday, the 11th of December. On the 16th the troubadours gave a twenty minute performance at the monthly meeting of the Mothers' Club as an act of gratitude for the grand total of \$700.00, raised for the benefit of the band at the Cake and Apron sale. On both of these occasions a Christmas program was presented, including the old favorites, "Sleigh Ride", "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and a new number, "Kansas City". The festive tones arising from the shiny instruments at the Christmas Assembly are as traditional as the wreaths and bells.

Last Friday, band members were honored guests at Fordham's concert.

Recently Mr. McGowan, S.J., has been seen looking into his sparkling crystal ball atop his new filing cabinet in the Band room. "The future looks bright and successful", he is reported as saying. As each day goes by, his list of expected events increases. The Metropolitan Music Champions will again go over to New York to give a benefit at the Veterans' Administration Hospital and this is but one of the many such concerts the tall Toscanini expects to present during the next six months. Most of these performances, excluding the annual one at Shrub Oak and the Nuns' Concert, are expected to be given in various sections of northern New Jersey.

At the first Dance Band rehearsal a month ago, some new talent was discovered. If things go as planned, the twilight musicians, numbering about ten men, and their new pianist, Raphael Reding, should be available for the Hardwood Hop in February.

Chicago Ticket

Tuesday, December 10, brought the spotlight on the Debating and Oratory Society once again, as Prep sent its representative to the semi-finals of the New Jersey State Catholic Forensic League Original Oratorical Interpretation Contest. The Boonton farmer, Hugh McCormick, carried Prep's colors. Accompanied by Mr. Pugliese, President of the League, he entered the red, thirty-five passenger limousine which transported them to St. Dominic's Academy in less than twenty minutes for the honors.

The first part of a two round competition found Hugh persuasively arguing his convictions on "The Crisis in American Colleges" to a group of judges who were moderators from the eighteen other schools participating in the contest. As the hours slowly passed by, the contest narrowed down to eight finalists, the top of whom will go to Chicago, representing the state of New Jersey, for the finals in May.

As is the usual Prep tradition of achieving a tough victory, Hugh came through with flying colors to gain for himself and Mr. Pugliese, at least, a trip to the "Windy City".

Contest Winners

Five Seniors and two Juniors topped several other entries in the first semester Literama contest. In the Senior group, Carmine Mastrolia received claim for his story: "Lost Weekend". Joseph Rodino submitted another winner: "The Cunning Sea". "Holy Hill" by Thomas Reilly was a worthy entry. Henry Wefing for his: "The Light of Bethlehem" and James Beggans for: "Winter Rose" won top prizes in the poetry department.

The Juniors also came through with prize-winning entries. Dennis Crump of 3F grabbed first place for his essay: "Vivid Contrast". Ronald Vignone of 3D took third place in the poetry department for: "You Were the One".

Spirit Side

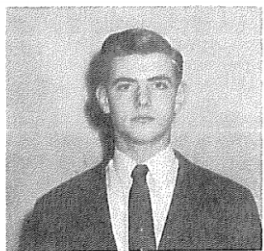
As you flip through the pages of the new catalogue, you find on page 2 the ideals of the Prep. "The purpose and objective of St. Peter's is to form a Catholic cultured gentleman, conscious of his rights as an individual, and of his duties and obligations as a creature of God and a member of human society."

To supplement the regular classroom religion course, numerous spiritual activities have been instituted at Prep. Father Shalloe reports stepped-up attendance at the noon Mass in the chapel. The Crusaders have turned out in force at the Wednesday Mass. Within the last few weeks five activities have been consecrated to the Sacred Heart.

On Friday, December 6, at the Mass in the lower church, Fr. John Egan, a Redemptorist, gave a talk on the great need for vocations and asked us to "pray that the Lord of the harvest may send laborers into his fields." Father also spoke about the attitude we should take when we are parents and our children wish to enter the convent or seminary.

Each Friday night a different year has its Holy Hour. At press time the seniors were leading in attendance with 73 present in October and 61 in December. Junior and Freshmen response was also very good; however, so far the Sophomores have made a very poor showing. Fr. Shalloe, though, was optimistic and predicted an increase in the number of Sophs making the Holy Hour.

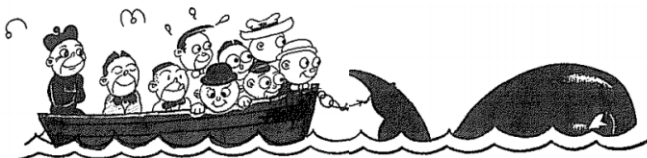
Spreading the devotion to the Blessed Virgin are our ardent sodalists. The Freshman sodalists are putting out their own newspaper; the Sophomores have been visiting the hospitals and bringing comfort to the sick; the Junior sodality has established a committee to investigate racial prejudice; and the Seniors have been planning a skit for the Christmas assembly. Last Sunday all Prep sodalists attended the Archdiocesan Sodality Congress at the Sacred Heart Cathedral.



Merit Winners: Brian Oak, pictured above, is one of the 7500 semi-finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Bob Comizzoli, who placed first among Prep entrants, and Mike Hayes, second man of the group, complete the triad of Prep winners. The three powers, on which the program is based, are determined from written exams. A math and verbal section is given to 300,000 seniors throughout the states. A list of activities is requested, and after the finalists are chosen, these functions are taken into consideration. The major hurdle, which will trip 6700 contestants and leave only 800 at the finish line, is the college board exam. The reward: a scholarship up to the sum of \$8,000.

Bundles for Bethlehem

Each week Fr. Purcell and his sophomore sodalists board the 31 bus for St. Francis' and St. Mary's hospitals. For countless years they have been bringing good cheer to those less fortunate. It has been their custom every year at Christmas to gather toys and games for the bed-ridden children. This week the Glee Club will accompany them as they distribute their "Bundles for Bethlehem." "Whatever you give to these, the least of My brethren, you give to Me."



PRIDE AND GLORY

This issue the Yawn-ing Whale breaks through the ice to honor Bill Sullivan as "P & G" man.



Bill attended Holy Cross Grammar School in Harrison, before starting at Prep. So far he has piled up a record to be proud of. He left Freshman year and Soph year with a gold and a silver medal respectively in his clutch and dons three honor pins on his lapel. A Greek student, Bill holds sixth place in the Senior ratings.

When he isn't buried in his books, Bill glitters with his trombone. You can catch a glimpse of the red-head pumping away at all band-participating functions. Bill is also a member of the Sodality and of the newly-formed German Club. First Friday of each month rounds out his busy schedule with the Senior Crusaders' Holy Hour.

As to college, Bill has not yet made his choice, but hopes to teach.



BUSY BEADLE

Doug Buffington, 3-B, attended P.S. 17 in Jersey City, is an ardent Sodalist, and member of the Greek Course where he has received several honor pins. What the future holds for Doug is yet to be seen when he haunts the deep crevices of the earth as a Paleontologist.

Bier Barrel

Three cheers for Bill Turnier of 4C. Bill made his only varsity tackle during the Dickinson game by stopping Gresham after a 7 yd. gain. Too bad the season ended when you were only starting, Bill! . . . Was that Mr. Zucconi we saw at North Pole, N.Y., last week? If it was, I wonder what Santa promised him?

No need to bring flashlights to the library now that full length fluorescents have replaced the old incandescent lights. We wonder if the change was for the students' or the committee's benefit . . . Hanlon, Blihar, Zamara and company traveled 82 miles for a pizza after the Hop. It must have been a mighty good pie!

The school must be getting soft. There was only 9 in. of snow when we got off last Thursday. Additional note—Prep's notice of no school was the first received by station WOR on the 5th. It was signed by J. Murray, S.J. (Friend of Preppers?)

4E attained the distinction of being the first class with a coke machine. While the Evaluating Committee used their classroom, 4E was moved to the Three Keys' room.

Top Boner of the Week . . . Committee member speaking to cashier Mohutshy: "Do you often find discrepancies when counting the change?" Mohutshy eager to please: "Oh yes! we get a lot of them."

Poet Laureate, Mr. McNally told Kents and Shelly to move over; 4D is moving in . . . Big hand for Les Lewandowski who made the first string All Jugendpost team . . . Memo to Freshmen: Don't forget to hang your stockings on the 24th.

Were You There . . .

6 B.C. Bethlehem . . . Joannes Sekel drooped lazily over his staff as another dreary night slowly passed away. The city was filling with people. Already the inn was over-crowded. Sheep grazed quietly on the hillside. Everything was still.

Suddenly the night was as day, and heavenly music flowed through the air. Joannes crept back in terror but an angelic voice calmed him. "Fear not. I bring tidings of great joy. For today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign . . ."

The angel departed. Joannes rose and said to the other shepherds, "Let us go and see this thing that has come to pass which the Lord has made known to us."

He was there, and you were there. For, this day, was born to "you" a Savior!

Horrorscope



Daniel O'Leary: "You'll be a well-bred man; you'll dedicate your life to selling Pumpernickel with a rye smile on your face." Dennis McCort: "Seize all opportunities to save or you'll have too much month left at the end of your money." Gregory Burke: "If you want to marry her, don't be bashful—just rattle her cage."

Candid Quotes



Denis Dwyer: The best thing that Santa could bring to Prep would be a golf team. One of the Committee men stopped me in the corridor last week and asked me if I thought Prep needed driving lessons. I told him frankly that I thought our men could use more instruction with the irons.



Paul Clisura: Prep needs an Opera Appreciation Course. Most people think opera is long-hair. Ah gentlemen, but how it curls like the bloom of the iris. But seriously, opera is a rich experience. A man who couldn't appreciate Prep's game vs. Memorial is an idiot; a man who can't enjoy the Barber of Seville has closed his mind to a world of rewarding and exciting enjoyment.



Brian Kelly: Prep needs a new language course for the "Sons of Erin." Every student should be permitted to take a good bite of Gaelic the marvelous tongue which is sung every St. Patty's Day by all true Irishmen. Ah! the flowing beauty of Celtic should be familiar to every Prepper.

PREP 72 - REGIS 61

Ruffled Feathers

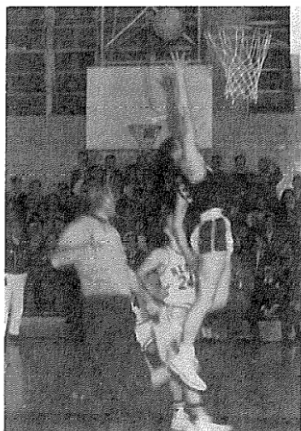
A screaming Owl waited at the Loyola gym in New York when Prep journeyed across the river to battle Regis, but the Marauders clipped the shaggy Owl's frenzied feathers 72-61. Regis was out for blood after a humiliating rout at the hands of Xavier. The Maroon and White didn't quite roll into high gear at the tilt but Bill Kretzer put on a great show. John Massaro, also, added numerous ducats to the score. Kretzer nailed 22 points while Massaro tallied 19.

Regis drew first blood when Fauci sank a charity toss. This 1-0 lead was broken for the entire game moments later when Massaro dunked a jumper from the side. Melega did a magician's steal, drove in hard, and flipped up two more points. With a long set shot, Fauci countered McLaughlin's charity point. Kretzer's jump and McKenna's free toss made the score 7-4, midway in canto 1. Fauci's steal and layup added the only two points which Regis scored until the opening minutes of the second period. Prep, meanwhile, widened the gap with a field goal-free toss barrage. Melega's jump trickled through; Kretzer hit with two charity shots. Massaro swiped and swished and Melega matched with a jump. McLaughlin's chip made it Prep 17, Regis 6 at the end of the first quarter.

During the second canto, the horny Owl, inspired by the mad cheering of about 300 Raider fans, sharpened its claws, but the Marauders scored enough to retain a ten point lead at half time, 35-25. Fauci was the Regis cannon, booming for most of their tallies. Dailey and McLaughlin chopped off two points each via jumps. Fauci and Kretzer exchanged chip shots to make it 23-10. Two more personals by Melega, bringing his total to four, brought soph Joe Kelly into the game. Kelly impressed with his fine defensive work and team play. Massaro hit with two quick jumps before Regis rallied for a 35-25 half.

The Raiders came within three points of a tie late in the third canto. While Prep gathered 14 markers this period, the Regis squad raked in 19. Keating racked two free shots; Burns jumped for two more. Kretzer and Fauci exchanged volleys. Keating racked two fine jump shots from the side. Massaro punched back with four points via his faithful set shot. Zanowski tossed in a charity shot and Bob Kelly hit with a jumper from the key. Massaro's jumper just squeaked through; Keating fired in to lay up two points. Zeman followed with a set, making the score 47-43 Prep. Kretzer's jump and Zeman's foul shot put the lights at 49-44, going into the fourth quarter.

During the final canto, the Marauders bombed rapidly to widen the gap. Kretzer, Massaro, and Zanowski scored heavily. Kretzer jumped; Massaro drove. Zanowski sank a fancy hook shot and McLaughlin added two free tosses. Jack Kennedy flipped a brace of foul shots through the net to make it 72-61, St. Peter's.



Massaro hooks against Regis.

ST. AL'S 80 - PREP 55

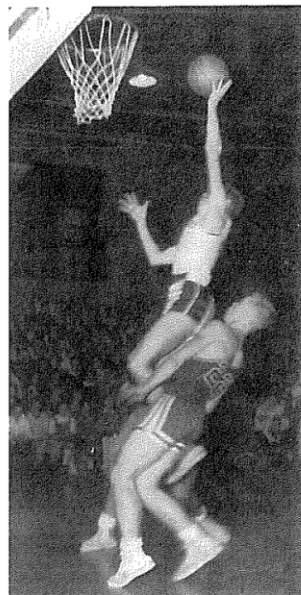
Blond Bombshell

A fired up St. Aloysius squad outplayed, outclassed and ran wild over a faltering Marauder quintet last Friday night. They say that good things come in small packages and 5'8" Vin Ernst is no exception. The little blond bomber pumped 38 sizzling points through the hoop and single-handedly led his team to a lopsided victory. Vinny couldn't miss all night as he pierced the Prep defense with unstoppable drives and dazzling jumps. Bill Kretzer paced the home team with 21 markers.

Prep was never in the game and lead only once. Kretzer zeroed a jump from the corner at the start of the contest; after that, the opposing score just continued to rise. Sponza and Ernst provided a 1-2 scoring punch as the Cardinals flew off to a 15-8 count at quarter's end. Kretzer scored 7 of Prep's first 8 points while Sponza and Ernst teamed for 13.

The second period followed the same pattern as the first with Ernst tallying 8 of the teams 14 points. Prep lost many chances to close the gap at the foul line. Most of the scoring was done in spurts with Ernst getting four quick points. Zanowski, and Massaro dumped ducats but Manthe and Ernst countered with sets. Erwin canned two fouls and back-to-back jumps by Kretzer and Orlowski bounced the Marauders back at 18-23. But again the Cardinals surged back with six straight points before the half which ended with Prep trailing, 20-29.

The intermission didn't cool off Vin as he scored 11 points in the third canto and 12 in the fourth. Coach Halligan kept switching the lineup hoping to get a rally started but the team just didn't click and frequently had the ball stolen. Kretzer did all he could, crashing 6 points through the nets but no one could stop Ernst.



Massaro goes high as Ernst studies shot.

As the fourth period started St. Al's held a commanding 10 point spread, 49-39. Ernst and Nyrie kept St. Al's ahead in this final canto with both boys netting 12 big points. Prep was run ragged and before long the lead had zoomed to 61-48. The final minutes were all St. Al's as they poured 19 points through the nets. The Cardinals outscored Prep 31-16 in the last period and took home a well-played 80-55 verdict.

Soundly trounced though they were, Prep showed more get-up and go than they had in the Regis win.

PREP 58 - ST. MICHAEL'S 57

Sunday Squeaker

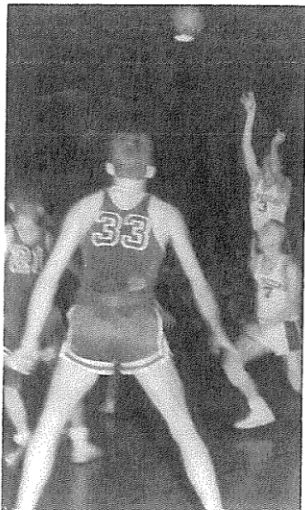
St. Michael's stormed the Prep gym Sunday, only to be set back by a fighting Prep five 58-57 in a wild, tension-tight overtime contest. Only the fabulous eye of Bill Kretzer kept the stunned Marauders from coming out on the short end of the score two games in a row, Bill's magic plus tremendous ball-hawking by the fired Prep five in the final quarter enabled them to overcome an eight point deficit.

Trailing 38-46 as the final canto opened, Prep ran off five straight points as they went into a full court press. Erwin dunked two foul shots, Kretzer hit with his favorite jumper and repeated with two free throws, 44-46. McGovern converted a foul for the Orange and Black. But Bill bounced back with a run of 10 more straight points, interrupted by two Erwin conversions to set the tally at 56-54. But McLaughlin piped home a jumper to knot the count and send the game into overtime.

Prep, weak all day on covering the 'tap, grabbed it to start the overtime. Kretzer took Erwin's tip and fed McNally who slipped in the decisive tally from the side. The rest of the overtime was used up in ball control tactics after Michaelian's Hinfield converted one foul.

The first half saw both clubs working against zones. The Mikemen were hot from the outside with Reardon, Winfield and Dillon spearheading the attack. Prep replied with four consecutive one-hand jump shots from Kretzer. Prep came within a point at the quarter 17-16.

In the second quarter Reardon hit for eight points with jump shots and drives to send the Orange and Black out ahead, 31-26. Prep switched into man-for-man in the third stanza, sneaked up to a 34-35 count on Massaro's jumper but the Michaelians pulled away, 46-38, at the quarter.



Randy Orlowski sets and scores against AL's.

Hope Ahead. Worried by the failure of the Marauder Five to jell in the season's openers, Prep fans found solid hope for the future when they squinted at the size and talent of the Jayvee and Frosh squads, both undefeated to date. A lot of tall weeds are growing in the garden patch, besides the usual quota of classy men. Frosh Dick Young and Jim Barry, both six-footers, have been the standouts to date in wins over Lincoln and Dickinson. On the Jayvee level Gladys has been pacing the attack with strong aid from McCarron. Lou Debari, 6'2" and 215 pounds, has surprised with his elephantine grace.

PREP 62 - DICKINSON 6

Roasted Ram

An explosive, powerful and entirely devastating Prep team took the field Thanksgiving for the traditional Turkey Day game with Dickinson. Prep had slaughtered the Rams in previous games but never before had they shown such complete mastery and superiority over a Dickinson team. The fabulous running of Martorelli plus the bruising line-play of Brzenk and Co. highlighted the 62-6 romp and completely dazzled the bewildered Rams.

Prep was in control right from the start as captain Cosgrove from the toss and elected to receive. Conroy gathered in Perrenod's kick on the 25 and slashed down field to the 47 before he was cut down by Geib. On the third play of the game Martorelli took a handoff from "Zudu", crashed through the line off-tackle and flashed downfield for 49 yards before being hauled down on the 1 just short of paydirt. On the next play Phil slanted over for the T.D. Meola's kick was good for the first of six in a row. After Frank booted beautifully to the 6, the Rams stalled and were forced to punt. Once again the Prep Machine

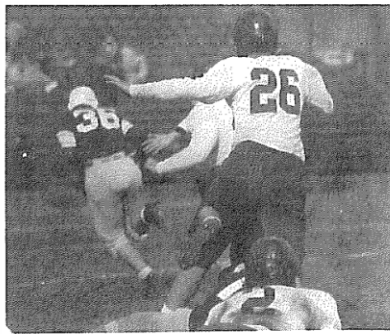
ground out the yardage as Martorelli slanted off tackle, broke away and raced 47 yards for a score. Meola split the uprights, 14-0. After the kickoff the Rams again met a stonewall and were forced to punt. Once again the Prep rolled as "Zudu" cocked his arm and fired a beauty to Kropke for 50 yds. and another T.D. for the Prep. Frank was true, 21-0. Meola booted to the 11, but after three Dickinson smashes had failed to dent the sturdy Prep line, the Marauders again stormed the goal.

At the start of the second period Martorelli burst through a gaping hole for another score. Meola? Yes. 28-0. After the kick, Sheridan and Zudu exchanged punts. Prep wasted no time as Zudu hit Conroy with a 56 yard spiral and another tally. The "Toe" was true, 35-0.

At the start of the second half Gronda recovered a fumble and four plays later Martorelli rocketed off tackle for his fourth score of the day. Meola converted his sixth in a row, 42-0. A Tyne interception, a spectacular broken field run by Filoramo, and a pitchout to Montone added the last 3 scores. Perrenod climaxed a long Hilltop drive as he bucked over from the 10 for consolation.



Filoramo starts wide . . .



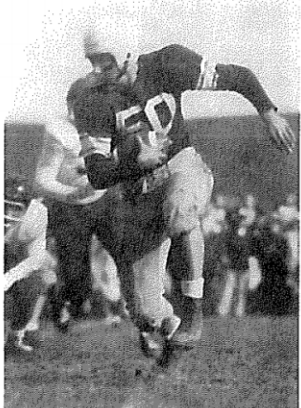
cuts in and over for 6.

Football Dinner

On Tuesday night, December 3, the Prep closed a highly successful football season with the annual dinner at Bruno's, given in honor of her lettermen. In rolling over eight opponents St. Peter's attained the status of State Catholic Champs and Jersey City Champs.

After the Preppers and their fathers had had their fill, Father Snyder, Moderator of Athletics, rose to speak. He gave due thanks and congratulations to the members of the team and the coaching staff, and then proceeded to introduce the toastmaster for the night and head coach of the team, Bill Cochrane. Bill introduced the first speaker, Rev. John B. Morris, S.J., Rector of St. Peter's. Father, being his usual amiable self, started with a joke, explained that he didn't want to take too much time, and kept true to his word. He praised and congratulated the team for its work and for the glory brought to the school. Speaking for the press, Ed Grant, Sports Editor of the Advocate, said that he had heard that this was to be a rebuilding year; that the best Prep could manage was six and three; he also said that as soon as he saw the team in action up at camp, he knew that this would be no mere rebuilding year. Fred Cranwell explained why Conroy had not been chosen on the Newark News all-state first team. "We have Brzenk from St. Peter's. Who's Hudson's next best end?" a voice said over the phone. So Cranwell gave the News Marshello's name.

Doctor Robert Cosgrove, father of senior Richie Cosgrove, gave the audience an interesting angle by expressing the point of view of the football player's father. Father Shalloe added the spiritual note by pointing out how football benefits the player and his relationship with God. Bill Cochrane gave his annual feature, a short, crisp word picture on each player. The coveted Coaches' Award, given each year to the Most Improved Player, went to Al Wiegand.



The real reason why Lou Rettino romps above is that we had an empty column. All season long Lou has been an important factor in each win. Lou's tiger slashes up the middle and fine pass blocking renders him a coach's delight. Best thing about Lou is that he'll be around next year too!

SEASON'S SCOREBOARD SHOWS

	P	S	P	SC
Score	40	0	6	0
1st Downs	9	4	6	6
Rushes	38	20	28	24
Yds. Gained	156	33	124	80
Yds. Lost	14	14	12	36
Passes	9	10	2	2
Completions	6	2	1	1
Yds. Gained	180	83	28	37
Interceptions	2	1	0	0
No. Punts	2	3	1	3
Av. Punt	28	28	38	43
Penalties	6	3	2	1
Yds. Lost	50	45	10	5

TACKLING TOTALS FOR 1957—COMPILED BY PETROC SPOTTERS

Player	Pos.	Sny	St. C	Bay	Dem	SH	Lin	Mem	Xav.	Dick	Total
Wiegand	MG	3	4	4	8	7	10	7	7	7	57
Rettino	HB	0	6	1	5	4	3	4	1	2	26
Brzenk	LB	2	6	1	2	4	5	1	0	3	24
Hartnett	LB	1	0	4	4	3	5	0	3	2	22
Tyne	LB	1	0	0	0	0	7	9	2	2	21
Martorelli	S	2	5	1	3	0	3	4	1	0	19
Grona	T	1	3	1	0	3	4	2	1	1	16
Miller	LB	3	0	0	5	3	2	0	2	0	15
Bianciella	T	1	0	2	0	1	5	3	0	2	14
Filoramo	HB	3	0	1	3	2	0	2	1	1	13
Modarelli	HB	1	3	1	1	1	3	0	2	0	12
Contreras	T	2	3	0	2	0	1	0	2	2	12
Sadlack	E	1	3	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	9
Conroy	E	0	2	0	0	1	3	1	0	1	8
McCarthy	E	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	6
R. Brzenk	E	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	5

HONORS OF YEAR

Wiegand — Most Improved, All County.
 Brzenk — Captain; All County, All Met.,
 All Catholic (Advocate), All State,
 Lineman of the Year.
 Conroy — All County, All Catholic.
 Grona — All County, All Met., All Cath.
 Martorelli — All County, All Catholic.
 Rettino — All County.
 Zdanowicz — All County.

PREP'S LEADING PASSERS

Yr.	Player	Att.	Comp.	TD	Yds.
1948	Rieger	61	29	10	568
1952	Schwarze	93	43	8	487
1953	Schwarze	83	42	10	399
1956	Amabile	78	29	13	636
1957	Zdanowicz	67	30	11	627

WHY MANY SCRIBES CALLED PREP "NEW JERSEY'S STRONGEST"

P	B	P	D	P	SH	P	L	P	M	P	X	P	D	Total
46	0	27	23	34	0	12	0	7	13	33	0	62	6	237 42
7	2	8	8	16	3	8	8	9	6	6	5	10	4	79 46
50	23	32	30	41	26	34	40	42	33	35	21	42	30	342 247
239	42	235	168	372	43	141	115	151	195	215	65	344	116	1977 857
15	29	5	14	4	89	4	52	6	27	24	27	8	19	92 307
4	8	10	19	11	10	13	12	9	6	7	15	8	15	73 97
3	3	2	9	3	3	5	7	7	2	5	6	2	3	34 36
31	31	57	119	47	48	128	64	66	32	105	49	94	21	736 484
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0	2	2	4	1	6	3	4	3	4	1	1	1	5	14 32
0	36	38	34	14	37	35	22	22	40	29	23	22	22	28 29
3	0	7	3	7	2	5	4	2	0	9	6	3	1	44 20
25	0	65	25	55	30	35	30	10	0	95	50	45	5	390 190