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SCHOOL SPIRIT HITS NEW LOW

WHY?-----

The idea of subscription has had far-reaching effects. In fact, the reach was so far as to call from the grave, many notables; such as, George Washington, Abe Lincoln, Adolf Hitler, and others. Perhaps our success has had revolting developments. Call it what you may, progress or regress, at least it's change and Mr. Woodward will agree that change is necessary for existence. By the way, in case anyone might be interested in borrowing our dictionary he will find several words blanked out. They are "quit", "cease", "stop", and all their synonyms. We found this necessary, owing to all the suppressing factors which are tending to make short work of Chips and Chatter.

Why these suppressing factors exist is indeed a mystery. They are one of two: (1) A new low in school spirit, or (2) a certain few individuals who resent Chips and Chatter. If it is the former then we will try to remedy the cause, but for the latter, we must offer admiration to a large group of followers, and the continued opportunity to read eight more issues of Chips and Chatter.

Andy Elcik

Watch next issue for an editorial regarding school spirit pertaining to other things than Chips and Chatter.

Or is it a case of misunderstanding? The subscriptions to Chips and Chatter were not overwhelming. Is it a case of your not wanting to help raise a scholarship fund for your neighbor (or even YOURSELF)? The main purpose of this newspaper is to set up a scholarship fund of at least \$50.00 by next fall. We are far short of the goal right now. Your staff put in 50 man-hours of work on the last issue, and yet there are some among us who would not aid the scholarship fund to the tune of a nickel (5¢).

All right gang---why don't you buy Chips and Chatter? What's the scoop? Why not support a scholarship fund? Don't you like your companions well enough to give them a hand? Or are you one of these--"I-Me-I" people? We expect no condolences for ourselves but we would appreciate some support in realizing a scholarship fund.

The golden rule tells us to do unto others as we would have them do unto us. The scholarship to be set up by your support of this paper can do a great deal for someone you know. Here is an opportunity to start practicing. May God grant that my kids' educational needs be administered by a teacher who observes this golden rule.

Sincerely,
W. B. Newcomb

SCHOOL SPIRIT

Interest in any subject is varied with the nature of the subject. The nature of the subject varies with its intensity, clarity, and meaning. School spirit has intensity in that it has the power to create high morale, better fellowship, and an institution of which to be proud. It seems to have clarity only when there is a shortage, and meaning, when the presence of it is evident.

We are, indeed, in that stage when school spirit has extreme clarity. The reason for its absence makes for ideal study. Why is there a lack of school spirit? Is it because of the lack of activities, or an excess of activity. Does the reason rest with us, the student body, or with the faculty? Is it because we have too many people with "get out and get it", or too many with the "so what" attitude?

Whatever the reason might be, no problem is so difficult that some solution can't be reached. Obviously no one person can find the solution, it will take the cooperation of all.

The staff of Chips and Chatter will be more than willing to act as receiving center for all opinions, suggestions, and plans of attack to bring school spirit back. If you are one who recognizes the situation as it is, then just drop your solution into the Chips and Chatter suggestion box.

Andy Elcik

Unconfirmed-----

I'm not prepared with full particulars, but unconfirmed information has it that there is a possibility that Chips and Chatter could be recognized by a national organization of college papers. If there is any truth in the information and we actually did become known by this group, it might prove to be a boost for G.S.T.C..

HELP WANTED-----

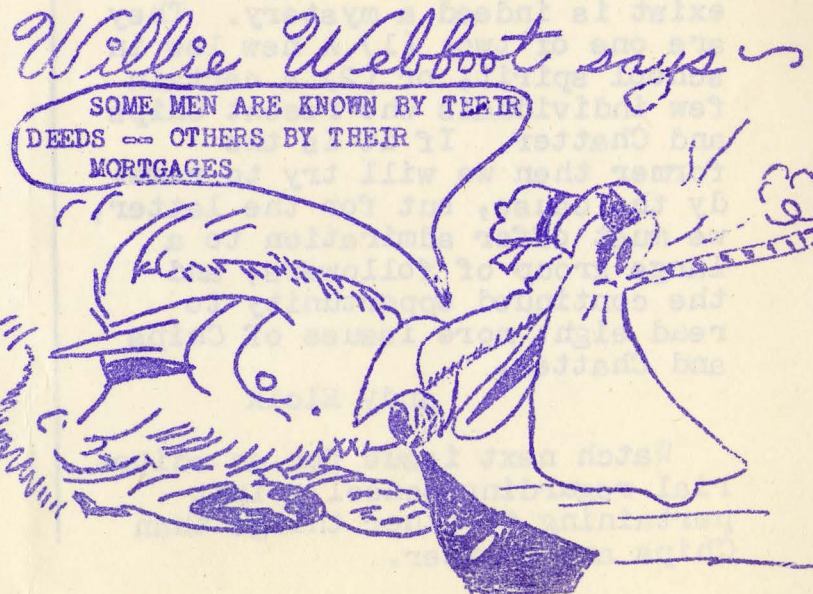
If there are any Junior High, I.A., or Elementary students interested in journalism we would more than welcome their participation in helping to make Chips and Chatter a success.

FAMOUS OR INFAMOUS?-----

We are relieved to know that we harbor here at GSTC, a group of the famous and infamous. We are missing two very important names though--Kilroy and Napoleon. However, according to our subscription blanks, we enjoy the companionship of George Washington, 'Abe' Lincoln, 'Goofus', Dick Tracy, B. O. Plenty, "Joe" College, "Alcatraz", "Willie Lump Lump", 'Dan'l' Boone, Grandma Moses, Adolf Hitler, and Abe Foffuffnick.
Eds.

Congrats. Mr. A. Martin--

on being invited to speak at Shop Teachers Institute which is sponsored by Rhode Island State Department of Ed. and Rhode Island Vocational and I. A. Association. Mr. Martin's topic will be "Shop Planning", and is scheduled for February 9, 1951, at Rhode Island College of Education, in Providence. Other speakers during the session include: Dr. Michael Walsh, R.I. State Director of Ed., Dr. William J. Sanders, Supt. of Springfield (Mass.) Schools, and Dr. Charles W. Sylvester, Asst. Supt. for Voc. Ed., Baltimore, Maryland.



GAMBLING=BONUS AND YOU----

We are, in majority, bound to agree with Mr. Woodward's article, published in the last edition of this paper. In due respect to his timely suggestion that in our critical era we might do well to make the chips fly with a minimum of chatter, here is a chip that's been bothering me for the last few months. As for timeliness---well it's yours for what it's worth.

Here in the more conservative New England area, we have not been too noticeably affected by the subject with which this article tends to deal. But those teachers of the future who are inclined to be interested in the civics of their communities must someday be confronted with the problems of legalized gambling. Problems always travel companion to gambling. Just as comprehensive civics move tandem to the happiness and the well-being of ourselves and above all, of our children.

When you do come face to face with the proposal to legalize gambling, it may appear in the innocent guise of a dilemma. Yes, even a dilemma may be of comparative innocence. And why should gambling ever appear to have potential value? That's easy. It's the way this proposition is put to you by one or more 'slick' operators. To the gullible, these promoters paint legalized gambling as a tool to be handled for the betterment of the community. "Look at all those taxes gambling will bring into the public purse", they purr. "Fine schools, churches, parks, community aids, and playgrounds for your kids".

Sounds good eh? Well let's look a bit deeper into this thing. Take a peek behind the scenes and let's see what your answer would be.

To begin with, most of those taxes are eaten up in providing a padded police force to protect

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citizens from mugs, thugs, 'con' men, and murderers who disease the communities in which gambling has been legalized. A bunch of vultures flocking to the prey.

And what happens when the balance of the income of a city finds its way into the pockets of people who smirk at virtue and laugh openly at ethics? Politicians are bribed, 'bumped', or replaced, according to the degree of their respective morals. Some 'shmoos' are bribed to the hilt. Those dangerous to gambling syndicates are 'bumped off'. The remaining few are replaced.

Yet, there is much more to it than that, friend, because gambling has a way of seeping into the home and the school, bringing hate, divorce, drunkenness, and much more. That home could be your home. That school could be the school where your little ones will spend the greater part of their youth.

And here is a common bit of bait which is waved temptingly under the sensitive nostrils of we, who are G.I., and our potential benefactors. You've heard now and again of the proposal to legalize some form of gambling, with the objective of financing a fat bonus for G.I.'s. I could use a nice bonus, and so could you, BUT----the things it would buy wouldn't afford much pleasure or satisfaction if we were to visit some of the sources of that bonus and find a kid going without bread or milk. Why? Because the 'Old Man' laid five on Hot Foot in the sixth, or Ma was so darned sure that the treasury balance would be such and such that she put the milk money on it--so it isn't little Joe's turn to eat until tomorrow. Some people must be protected from themselves.

Look Fellas, I've got a little fellow at home--he's about so high now. A lot of the rest of you have been so blessed. Those little ones, engroup, will

all too soon be faced with life. What kind of a life that will be, depends on all of us. Virtue is not a thing of which to be ashamed. But such realization must come through facing facts, and meeting problems more than half way. Not just this problem, but all problems which might endanger us.

And so you have my little sermon. Heaven forbid that you take my word for it. But if you should find through this, that you have not been doing much thinking in this vein, better read up on some of these things.

Ed.

LETTERS TO EDS.

This is sent with the wishes that Chips and Chatter may continue.

To supplement the individual sales in Corthell, I would suggest a subscription rate for either a quarter or a semester. Within a stated limit of time, commuters could designate where they might be located in Corthell, and probably, arrangements might be made with someone living in the dormitory, to deliver to the rooms.

For the library the paper makes a welcome supplement to our scrap-book which, though not complete, is kept as a permanent record of the activities of students and teachers.

Marjorie Eames

Thank you very much for your interest, Miss Eames, and also for the suggestion. As you may know by now, we are working on the subscription idea.

Sincerely,
Eds.

VIOLATORS---

Seems that two very well known gentlemen of GSTC got hauled in for going through a stop sign recently. And the day after an announcement was given in chapel concerning that matter. Boy! Is that hard on the pocketbook!

KAP KAO KAI ACTIVITIES

WINTER CARNIVAL

The winter carnival queens and their managers were chosen last week by the Outing Club committee. They are as follows:

Queens to be:

Rose Maxwell
Helen Lynch
Helen Knight
Grace Duffy
Helen Stevens

Managers:

Bob Pickett
Lennie White
Bob Brocato
Andy Elcik
Don Stokes
C. Matherson
Dave Johnson
Chuck Howe
Chas. Lipones

Barbara Wyman
Marilyn Weymouth

F. T. A.

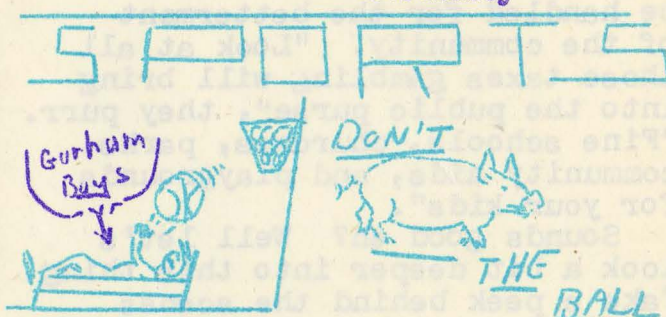
A tea will be held for Mr. Brocato on January 29 - given by the F. T. A.. All the faculty and student body are invited. In the receiving line will be Dr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brocato, Evelyn Bruns (Pres. of F.T.A.), Miss Upton, and Mr. Duso, Advisors. Mary Lou Marks is the social chairman of the F.T.A..

Committees will be as follows:

Ruth Bryant - Refreshments
Craig Matherson - Entertainment

This tea will be held in honor of Mr. Samuel Brocato, newly elected President of the M.T.A..

R. Finley



I guess the psychological effect of the exams were too much for the "Varsity" as they went

into a little slump after their two game win, to be defeated by the Keene Teachers 78 to 72. The reason for losing, as some say, was that we just didn't get enough baskets to tide us over to the end. Everyone in the small group of spectators will have to admit that the game was an excellent one from the standpoint of basket-ball although the end was fatal. The long set shots by the Keene boys put them ahead despite the few shots made from the inside scoring position. The top four scorers for Gorham were Jay Darling, "Pinky" True, Ted Jackson, and Jim Stanton. The honor for the game was carried back by Kibbee who threw in 24 points.

Keene (78)	P Gorham (72)	P
Hyde, lf	10 True, lf	12
Williams'n, lf	12 Hanson, lf	0
Leavitt, rf	13 Jackson, rf	11
Sharples, rf	0 Hall, rf	1
Kibbee, c	24 Pecoraro, rf	2
Shackles, lg	13 Kenney, c	9
McShane, lg	0 Stanton, c	11
White, rg	0 Darling, lg	16
McCattr'y rg	6 Andre, rg	8
	Koceika, rg	2

Our Jayvees showed promise for the future by out-shooting the Keene Jayvees 51 to 43.

NOW HEAR THIS: Now is the chance for every one to help see the student lounge materialize. Give us your donation of 30¢ and the Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity will give you a basket-ball game between their own boys and those of the Gorham High School, which promises to be a thriller. Remember, that is Monday nite, the 29th at the Russell gym, at 7:30.

Can you play ping-pong? If you can and are interested, you can have your name appear on the second round starters. Girls: Pat Norton, Evelyn Brunns
Joan Martin.

Boys: Ed Conoly, Richard Smith, N. Walker, P. Chadbourne, B. Burns, B. Brown, L. Wallace, A. Lehay, K. Springer, C. Liponis, D. Gagne, G. McLeod, R. Kilgore, D. Finley, A. Tevanian, R. Lunt.

INT. BALL

Now back to the sport of the day, basketball. The top five teams that came through the first round are Omega, Globetrotters, Sharpshooters, Kappa, and the Mugwumps. In the first game of the second round the Globetrotters showed off their strength to the underdog, Omega team, as the latter went down 30 to 97. The slaughter was carried out by Knapp, Laverty, and Roberge with 22-18 and 16 points. Grant fought back with 17 points but was unassisted in scoring.

The second game in this round was a little more interesting as the 54 Kappa points upset the Sharpshooters' 37. Wallace (Kappa) added five personals to his name while setting up the Kappa scorers. Humphry, White, and Townes topped the scoring with 14, 15, and 14 points.

Come to the games this week and enjoy the sportsmanship of our boys on the campus.

ATTENTION-----

Our ski club has been extended invitations from the Plymouth Ski Club and the Farmington Ski Club, to participate in their winter carnivals. All persons interested in skiing and snowshoeing should be seen at the ski club meeting this Wednesday at 10 O'clock, to help out on ideas, and leave their names as members of our organization.

IMPORTANT-----

Remember, this is your column, so let's give something to write about. I would like to hear from the sports in the women's world, to add color and change. What do you say, girls? You can have your names in here as well as the boys.

P.S. Stonehill Defeats Gorham. Score 71-61. High scorer for game was J. Darling.

Bill Gile.

FLASH! (AP)
GORHAM UPSETS SALEM 62-58 IN A NIP AND TUCK BATTLE---DARLING AND HALL SHINE FOR THE WINNERS.

CONCERNING "POINTS OF VIEW"----

Seems to me someone is looking through the wrong end of the telescope when looking at some of the present day marriages. (Not overlooking those currently occurring on the campus).

From a looking glass forty or more years long, we married ones of the campus have no doubt that all that may be seen is a dim view. Likewise, if we took our long glass and stretched it to the forty year length mentioned above, and looked back, we would be surprised if we could clean enough of the dust from the glass to make an optic nerve twitch in an attempt to make out an outline.

Time changes things, and marriage is no exception. To make marriage the exception would be an admittance of being "old fashioned." And who wants to be old fashioned?

For example; let's scrape a little more of the dust away and see what we can.....

Young farmer John has been seeing a lot of the Jones girl lately; yes, even as much as once every two weeks. He has been contemplating marriage for quite a while now, but he dare not ask her for fear of offending her. After all, he has been seeing her only these last three years. To be sure, it has been quite frequent, but a good foundation for any marriage must withstand the minimum of a four year acquaintanceship.

Going back and figuring the number of times a year young John has seen his girl, we come to the total of 26. This times three--and the grand total becomes 78 times.

We must also take into consideration the "courting radius" which is ten miles. (This information comes from a reputable source). Now, a courting radius of ten miles doesn't take in much territory, maybe only three farms away on either side.

Now it comes to light why the period of courtship is so long; due to a limited choice of prospective

mates, John is forced to pick one or stay single, and the logical followup to this is: the time is well spent in getting used to the girl. She may not be John's idea of an ideal mate and it may take him all this time to summon enough courage to make the fatal step.

Is there a good man alive who wouldn't require all of four years under the same conditions???

This is beginning to be as one-sided as another "point of view" heard in recent days, so lets put the telescope away and look at the present day situation....

1. John has a car.
2. Courting radius is now 300 miles. (This also from the same reputable source).
3. John knows by first name, about 150 girls.
4. John has picked one whom he likes.
5. He dates her four to seven times a week. (The minimum total in this case being 208 times a year).

Compared to a three year total of 78 need more be said???

As to the value of today's marriages, who is to say who takes more or less time for consideration---not I---YOU? ---Mr. Woodward?

Al Trundy

BROWNS

CONGRATULATIONS:-----

To Jane Niles, the members of the camera club, Omega Nu & Ipsilon Fraternity, Women's Athletic Association, Men's Glee Club, and all the other people who helped to make the "Green and White Day" such a success. A profit of approximately \$52. was turned over to the Student Lounge.

Also to the "working girls" who came through with another swell show for the Student Lounge, "The Variety Show".

Last, but by no means least, let's not forget the Freshman Class who got together and raised \$25.50 for a table for the Lounge.

To Rosie Maxwell for coaching a championship girls basketball team at the Bridge St. School in Westbrook. (Won 3, Tied 1.)

BEST WISHES:--

To Bob Brocato who at the time this article is being written is in the Maine General Hospital, being treated for sinus trouble. Hope to see you back soon, Bob!

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:--

According to the box, (suggestion, that is), the Freshmen Biology class would like to express its sincere gratitude for its three new student teachers.

One reader would like to know if five sandwiches are enough to feed two basketball teams. After all they're growing boys, you know.

It has been called to our attention by some of the boys who play ping-pong over in Robie Hall, that the I.A. Boys might band together and devise a new system, whereby, Miss Dickey might simply unlock and open the drawer to her desk, when someone needs a new ping pong ball.

NOTICES:--

The editor of this column would like to remind Micky Boutilier, Jo-Jo Conory, Janette Bridgem, and Leon Cook that the entrance near the door facing Robie Hall is not the only way to get into the Student Lounge.

Last of all, one of our most rabid readers would like to suggest an end to the public osculation that goes on around Robie after each meal - it's bad for your digestion.

REMEMBER:---

If you have any enemies, the BROWSIN' is your chance to get even. Be sure and jot down any news you have of anyone on the hill and drop it into the suggestion box so that we may keep

everyone informed of the latest doings of all the Joe's and Jean's of G.S.T.C.

Phil Chadbourne

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LETTER FROM GSTC STUDENT----

Dear Dad:

There is something which I would like to ask you but don't feel that this is the right time. In case you know what it is send some anyway.

Your loving son,
Sam

SAVE PAPER:--

It is a shame to have to waste the remainder of this sheet of paper but we were counting on your putting more material in the suggestion box. Please come through next time and share our "writer's cramps".

DOODLER'S
CORNER

