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CHIPS AND CHATTER

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FIVE CENTS

SHORT-SHEET CULPRITS AT LARGE

We are informed by Bob Pickett that the night of March 17, witnessed a scene of desperate confusion at the Keene House. Roomers danced to the tune of some fifteen "short-sheeted" beds. The short boys were only slightly disgruntled,--the tall boys were confronted with problems.

Investigation revealed that the culprits performed their 'coup de grace' sometime between seven and ten p.m.. At latest report no incriminating evidence has been uncovered. However, the investigation committee is prepared to go to great lengths in a attempt to apprehend the culprits.

In the meantime, better keep your eyes open. We hear that the "short-sheeters" are armed----- with a terrific sense of humor.

DON'T MISS IT!

The Omega Spotlight Revue will be presented in Russell Hall, April 6 and 7, by Omega Nu Epsilon, the newest fraternity on campus. Craig Matheson, general chairman of the Revue, has announced that Norman Fickett, 11 year old former winner of the Horace Heidt show in Maine, will be the featured guest artist.

Gorham students will be admitted for forty cents, other adults for sixty cents.

Watch Chips and Chatter for an article on graduation plans.

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED **

David Johnson and Melissa Dunn have been elected representatives to the annual conference of Eastern States Association of Professional Schools For Teachers, in New York Friday and Saturday. Miss Mary Peabody will be faculty representative.

Both David and Melissa have been very active in college affairs and should represent the college very well.

AMICITIA CLUB INITIATION IN FULL SWING

Gee! Have you noticed the beautiful complexions of the pledgees of Amicitia? Some of the costumes are pretty sharp too!

No, we are not back in the olden days again, those black stockings that you see flashing around campus are just part of the initiation.

We hope that everyone that has a car gets it parked in the right place but if by any chance complications should arise please contact Betty MacDowall, and she will gladly help you find a place and direct you to it.

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RECRUITING MORE TEACHERS

The committee on recruitment and professional standing of the Maine Teachers Association is sponsoring a series of conferences in four of the teacher training districts of the state.

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EDITORIAL

THE BELLS DON'T TOLL

Clock watching is fruitless. Most of our synchronized classroom timepieces are either ahead of the game or in the hole. On the face of things this situation should present no serious difficulties. Actually, it does result in a few complications.

If something isn't done soon, I fear for the health of the student body, especially those who are addicted to friend "coffin tack".

Have you ever watched some studious being try to cram five minutes of relaxation and smoking into one purloined minute? It is quite a feat, and it doesn't taste good.

Then too, there is the possibility that some one may wake up in the middle of a class, take a gander at the clock, decide he belongs somewhere else, and make a mad dash for the hall. Some poor innocent bystander might be trampled.

And think of the high blood pressure that might result from having students wander into class late because no one heard the bell, including the teacher.

Seriously though, many of us feel that something should be done about the bell system. I'm sure that a move in this direction would be appreciated by both faculty and students.

WE GOT THEIR GOAT

We think that Chips and Chatter readers will be interested to note the similarity between the following article from a 1940 edition of "The Oracle", the school paper of a few years past, and a recent article in Chips and Chatter.

"Wanted---One Mascot

With so much talk of school spirit at Gorham floating around,

suggestions have been made that we find ourselves a mascot. A mascot, it is believed, would bolster this spirit and give our teams more incentive to "fight on to victory". It would also provide the school teams with a nickname, so that the Gorham Normal School Varsity Basketball Team could be shortened to the Gorham "Rams", "Scotties" or something else appropriate. If you have any stray mascots which followed you home, or any brilliant ideas on the subject, report them immediately (and I do mean now) to some member of the "Oracle" staff.

What do you say? Don't just talk about it a little and then let it die out. Get busy and put your minds to work! (A change is good once in awhile!) You're a member of Gorham Normal as much as anybody else, so why not shoulder a little responsibility?

Well, that was only eleven years ago. We're gaining.

Ed.

The staff of Chips and Chatter and the student body wishes to express its deepest sympathy to Andy Elcik Jr. on the recent loss of his father.

FACULTY NEWS AND NOTES

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin on their 20th wedding anniversary. We understand that the Martins are celebrating this singular occasion by dining out.

"Woody" Padham's comment on one of Mr. Cilley's drawing tests.

"Well, that should cull the men from the boys."

COMING

SPORTS

Baseball
April 11 (Away)

Gorham	1	0	0	4	0	?	?	?	?
Salem	2	1	0	0	2	?	?	?	?



"Baseball"

Once again the name of baseball has entered the vocabulary of most all of the human people here at Gorham, and elsewhere. Despite the weatherman, our baseball boys have been, and still are, working hard to produce a good as well as a winning team. Cliff Hall has survived a one year slump with his pitching arm and at present he looks like our number one hurler. The other ball slingers will have to work hard to take the mound away from Cliff this year. Gus Phillips is working hard to help out with the relief work. Around the diamond we will find Kenny on first, Jackson on second, and Howe on third. A fight is on between Brocato and N. Wentworth for the position of shortstop. C. Wentworth will be hiding his face behind the mask for a large majority of the games. C. Winslow may be seen in the same position throughout the season. The usual scramble will take place in the outfield. Slugger Page and Burns will probably be seen in the field along with Gilpatrick, Springer and T. Day. The other boys will also put up a fight towards their respective positions.

The managers of the team for this season are Dick Smith and Norm Walker. Dick Erskine was elected by the M.A.A. as a fresh-

man manager for the season.

Best of luck to all of the boys.

Softball -----

All fellows that wish to participate in the spring softball league must have their teams together and turned in the first of next week to Pinky True.

There will be an excellent schedule this season for all the teams. Plenty of games will be on docket and we expect to see many good and exciting games.

I hope to see a goodly number of students down at the hockey field each and every day a game is played.

NO MORE ROLLING

Do you ever feel like swearing
When some drawings you're prepar-
ing

So you lay your pencil down to
take a rest;

Then just to make you sore

It rolls (off) upon the floor

And you pick it up to find the
point a mess?

Well, here's a clever "kink"

That if followed out, I think,

Will keep your pencil points

from breaking on the floor

Take an unemployed thumb tack,

Jab it in the pencil's back,

And it won't roll off the table

any more. (School Shop)

FIELD TRIP NO WASHOUT

The E. Hanson Co. of Portland (dealers in Studebaker cars) played host last Tuesday, to a rain-drenched score of Gorham I.A. students.

The sophomore transportation class was led, in its quest for knowledge, by its instructor, Mr. Duso.

The educational theme of this expedition was "The construction and use of the automatic transmission".

Chanting their theme, the 'male' must go through, these brave souls donned suitable weather gear and waded merrily along to Portland, there to be cordially received and lectured by a sales representative and service man of the Co.. This was followed by the pleasurable experience of driving the new Studebaker.

Second to the popular concern over wet snanks was the fear that our friend Wayne Farland might get his six foot (and a half inch) frame entangled with the controls. But no extractions were necessary, so they returned, a soggy and lightened group.

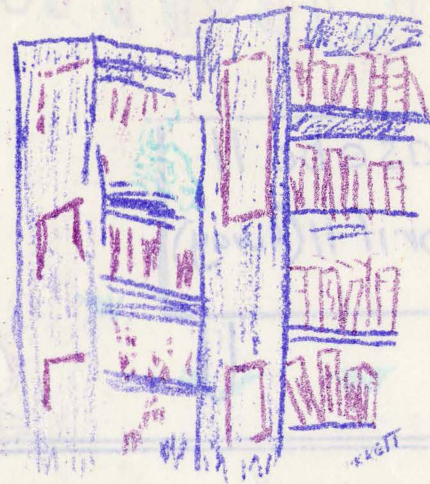
The most valuable side benefit of education derived from this stopping, never made a masculine stop at the chthon of a car which has an automatic transmission. I hope to see a goodly number of students.

A COURSE IN SWIMMING

Last Tuesday night, a group of college students finished their six week course in Jr. Life Saving at the Portland Boy's Club. They were: Helen Lynen, Rose Maxwell, Helen Anignt, Richard Jenkins, Carleton Lavery, Charles Castle, Robert Hunt, William Brown, and "Woody" Anderson. Congratulations gang.

AMICITIA CLUB (Contd. page 1)

We have seen Constance Eleanor Pooler taking her morning walk at 8 o'clock to escort Mr. Pooler to his office. Faye Harriman has



The Library Rameo

a very nice voice too, just ask Mrs. Brown.

Some of the group duties the girls have to do are washing cars, cleaning rooms, and shining shoes. Oh well, they say there is nothing like experience.

Is it any chance you would like to know the middle name of any of the students, just look on their macaroni heads and you will soon know.

The students should have a very large vocabulary, that is if they had that dictionary they carry around with them all the time.

Well girls, have a good time and please remember the movie schedule and the members favorite past times, and keep as many of those beads as possible.

The neophytes of the club are as follows: Constance Pooler, Janice Hogan, Maybrite Nelson, Jeannette Lebel, Louise Ponang, Lorraine Ponang, Faye Harriman, Joyce Elvin, Lucille Koster, Collette Wilbur, Lorraine Jones, Mary Hayes, Charlotte Loring, Betty McDowell, Yasuko Narutomi, Patricia Ames, Audrey Peterson, Barbara Proctor, Jeannine Belisle, and Natalie Larson.

Hope we haven't missed any.

Many thanks to Bob Pickett for contributing several cartoons to Ch. Ips and Chatter. To last week's typists, Marilyn Castle and Anne Leach.

This is for the purpose of stimulating interests of teacher training recruitment. The dates, tentatively, are May 7-9, for Farmington and Machias, and May 22-23, for Gorham and Presque Isle.

The programs in each college are planned by joint committees representing M.T.A. and college faculties as well as representatives of the F.T.A.. Posters and announcements will be issued by the M.T.A. to the various high schools over the state as an introduction. Juniors and seniors will be invited, and the M.T.A. will pay luncheon expenses for three students from each school which sends representatives.

As soon as a date is set by Dr. Bailey, a meeting of joint committees will plan a program which is probably to consist of entertainment by student talent and outdoor activities, weather permitting, and of course a luncheon. We hope to get an outstanding speaker for the general session and part of the program will provide for visitation periods around the campus. If it is possible to arrange it, there may be a social event in the evening.

Enthusiastic cooperation should be forthcoming from every student on campus. We should do our best to make the visitors feel at home.

S. Brocato.

I.A. DEPT. REMODELS PROGRAM

Industrial Arts students can expect drastic changes in their programs for next year. All of us gathered this from the talk by Mr. Arthur Martin, head of the I.A. Dept., in last Tuesday's assembly. But to refresh your memories, here is the printed word from an interview with Mr. Martin.

If plans materialize, the Industrial Arts Dept. will have



The Incomplete Biology Student

a brand new course next year called Arts and Crafts. Tentative plans call for units in textiles, leather work, plastics, lapidary, and photography. These units are to be combined into a general shop plan. That is, the units will be situated in one room. This room is located in the new Industrial Arts Building on the second floor, next to the classroom.

Another change in courses is the election of advanced shop courses by juniors and seniors.

One of the major changes is the student teaching schedule. The entire senior class of the I.A. group will do their practice teaching during the first semester of the next term. Only one factor is lacking in completing this plan, that being the location of eight more schools to which students may be sent. Those now available are: Pittsfield, Skowhegan, Jay, Livermore Falls, Lewiston, South Paris, Cumberland Center, Scarborough, Fryeburg, and North Berwick. Nineteen are needed all together.

According to Dr. Bailey, there will be no changes in the student teaching schedule of the academic group senior class. This is due to lack of placement facilities.