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Fred Capers introduced the quartet with a brief word concerning their work with the Y. M. C. A., and they opened their first group of songs with a semi-classical piece, followed by the "Shadow March" and "Jump Back, Honey, Jump Back."

The next group consisted of the spirituals, "Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho," "He Had To Run for the City of Refuge," "Ain't Gonna Study Wa' No Mo'," and "Heaven."

Mr. Baldwin then spoke, expressing regret that Mr. Wilson, a representative of the Y. M. C. A., and the quartet's accompanist, could not be present. He gave an interesting, short talk on the American attitude toward the negro. He stressed the fact that the quartet came, not only as entertainers, but as workers.

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TRACK TEAM TO MEET EXETER MARCH 17TH

Capt. Harding, Furse, Wolf, and Stevens Show Up Well In Practices

Coach Shepard feels that track prospects for this year are fairly good. The tryouts for all events will be held at the cage today. As yet Coach Shepard has not announced those who will lead the Blue team in the running events. However, there are several likely candidates for the relay team among whom are: Kitchel, Smith, Brayton, Furse, A. Wolf, and J. Stevens.

Manager Woolsey has just made public the 1934 track schedule which is:

- Jan. 20—New Hampshire Fresh
- Feb. 3—Open
- Feb. 17—Harvard Freshmen
- Feb. 24—Relay race with Harvard Freshmen and the Andover In-scholastics (at Andover)
- March 3—Dartmouth Freshmen (at Hanover)
- March 10—Worcester Academy
- March 17—Exeter

This year the Blue track team will be led by William Harding who stars in the pole vault.

SENIORS FACE UPPER MIDLERS AS PHILO SOCIETY OPENS 109TH YEAR OF DEBATING

Mr. Tower Elected To Mass. Basketball Board

Mr. Oswald Tower has recently been elected to honorary life membership on the Eastern Massachusetts District Board of Approved Basketball Officials. Mr. Tower is the official interpreter of the rules for the National Basketball Committee and has been editor of the Basketball Guide for twenty years.

JANUARY ISSUE OF BULLETIN APPEARS

Articles By Dr. Fuess, Mr. Baldwin, Jesse Moss, and Mr. Blackmer

FRANK POWELL WINS PHOTOGRAPH AWARD

The January issue of the *Phillips Bulletin*, the Alumni magazine of Phillips Academy, came out at the end of last week. It contains, as usual, a few articles by faculty members and alumni and a column devoted to general school interests. There are also some pictures, among which there is a fine portrait of Dr. Fuess recently painted by Richard Merryman.

In the editorial, the editor, Man R. Blackmer, speaks of the student's new social attitude. He says in part: "Although the needs, and aptitudes, and weaknesses of each individual student now govern his treatment as never before, he is being guided, not so much that he may express himself and create, as that he may achieve an adequate adjustment to his environment and become an effective unit in a social system." He also tells how changed the classrooms of to-day

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MR. L. F. BURDETT TO COACH BASEBALL

To Take Place Of Billhardt For
Coming Season; Meeting Of
Candidates Today

Mr. Leonard Flint Burdett has recently been appointed coach of the Andover varsity baseball team to succeed Karl Billhardt. Mr. Burdett, of the class of '09, played three seasons of baseball and was captain his senior year. He graduated from Yale in 1912 having played two years as varsity catcher. The New York Giants offered him a job which he declined, and now Mr. Burdett and his family live in Swampscott, Mass. The new coach is going to have a meeting of all those who intend to go out for varsity baseball this afternoon.

PETERSON, FLETCHER, COOPER OPPOSE CROSS, BISHOP AND BURDICK

Large Attendance Expected;
Mr. Higgins To Judge
Contest

DEBATE AT SIX FORTY-FIVE

Subject: "Resolved That The Student Who Disregards School Rules Can Be A Success"

Philo opens its one hundred and ninth season tonight at six forty-five in Peabody House with a debate on the subject "Resolved: That the student who disregards school rules can be a success." Upholding the affirmative will be a team composed of seniors, Peterson, Fletcher, and Cooper; on the negative will be Bishop, Burdick, and Cross of the Upper Middle class. As usual the Boston papers favor the seniors in view of their experience, but this should not give them too great an advantage over the inexperienced but able defenders of the upper middle honor. Mr. Higgins, faculty adviser, will be the judge of the contest.

All those interested in signing up for Philo are requested to be present, and those who have al-

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RANGER MARTINDALE
Friday's Lecturer

STUDENT CONFERENCE SUBJECT AT PEABODY

Breck, Rounds, and Capers
Give Impressions Of
Conference

MR. SIDES TO ADDRESS
MEMBERS ON WAR SOON

The recent Student Political Conference was the subject at the regular Friday meeting of the Social Problems Club. Three Andover men who had attended, Breck, Capers, and Rounds, headed an informal discussion, telling many interesting sidelights. All agreed that Norman Thomas, the eminent socialist, was by far the best speaker. Perhaps the most noted talker was Henry Wallace, the Secretary of Agriculture. He was rather critical of American Youth claiming that it was smug, complacent, and self satisfied, and he also stated that college life did not provide adequate training for leadership.

Rounds gave a general review of the conference, giving its aims and accomplishments. Breck said the affair, to him at least, was a disappointment, that there was hardly

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Dr. Fuess To Speak At Yale This Afternoon

Dr. Fuess will make a short trip to New Haven to speak at the Yale University vesper service this afternoon, January 17. Tonight he will be the guest of Dr. Allan Valentine at Pierson College, one of the new college units. Thursday morning Dr. Fuess will speak at the morning chapel service. He is expected back in Andover Thursday evening.

FIRST HOCKEY GAME TO BE PLAYED TODAY

Platt, Gardner, Shean, Davis,
Forman, Knowles To Start
At Boston Garden

CONTEST TO BE WAGED
WITH HARVARD J. V.'s

Andover has better hopes to win the hockey games this year for two reasons: the attainment of a more experienced coach, Mr. Jackson, who is a new member of the faculty this year; and the prospect of more ice for practice. There are ten returning lettermen: Captain Platt, Thompson, Gardner, Knowles, Rosenfeld, Davis, Curtis, Cushman, Johnston, and Wickwire. Shean and Simmons are two promising new men. Six candidates are trying for position of goalie: Johnston, Soutter, Stannard, who is new this year, Holt, Forman, and Macdonald.

Coach Jackson believes the starting line-up of today with the Harvard Junior Varsity team will be Shean, center; Knowles, left wing; Davis, right wing; Platt, left defense; Gardner, right defense; and

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SECOND ROGERS HALL TRIP FOR GLEE CLUB

Concert And Dance Planned For
Musical Clubs This Term;
Over 40 Sign Up

A second trip to Rogers Hall for a concert and dance is now being arranged by the Musical Clubs. Although this trip is planned for only once a year, because of popular demand another concert and dance will be given at Lowell sometime early this term. Already over forty have signed up, and it is expected that even more will go than last time. The orchestra will accompany the Glee Club and will give a program of classical music besides the renditions of the Glee Club. Although everybody had an enjoyable time on the trip of December 9th, it is expected that the coming dance will be even more of a success.

Changes In Marking Of "College Boards" To Give All Candidates An Equal Chance

No longer will anyone be able to exclaim after failing a college board, "Oh, I didn't get the breaks. My exam was much tougher than the average." The College Entrance Examination Board has heard these complaints for many years, and now it is going to do something about them. Hereafter all marks will be adjusted so that at least 65% of all the candidates taking any examination will pass. The ten year period 1922-32 was studied carefully, and it was found that about 65% of the answer books were graded 60 or over. This was how the figure of 65% was arrived at. To illustrate, suppose in an examination only 50% of the

MR. MARTINDALE TO LECTURE ON LIFE IN YELLOWSTONE PARK

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Mr. Martindale's knowledge of the Yellowstone and his deep study of its wild animal life have given him a fund of information scarcely approached by any other. In the past six years he has trained three different horses to stand at attention in the presence of grizzly and black bears when they come in to feed. The "bear lecture" is a feature of the entertainment at Old Faithful, the only place in America where a large audience may observe uncaged wild grizzlies at close range. Nearly 3,000 persons listen

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WRESTLERS PREPARED TO OPPOSE TUFTS '37

Tryouts Completed But First
Team Not Yet Named By
Coach Carlson

Coach Carlson of the wrestling squad spent Friday of last week and Monday and Tuesday of this week watching the tryouts for the bout this Saturday. Although he is not yet ready to give a list of the team which will represent Andover against the Tufts Frosh, the following results should be at least preliminary indications. The results of Friday's tryouts are as follows: 115 lbs.—Spencer defeated Burnett; 126 lbs.—Huffard defeated Lederer; 135 lbs.—Mudge defeated Peters, Capers defeated Latham, and W. Richardson defeated Kausel; 145 lbs.—Hackett defeated Flanders and Shirley defeated Whiting; 155 lbs.—Gosline defeated Townsend; 165 lbs.—E. Porter defeated Daniels, Gregg defeated Acer, and Woods defeated F. K. Wallace; heavyweight—Meador defeated Cleveland. Monday's results: 145 lbs.—Mudge, Stevens, Shirley, and Lawrence were victorious over Capers, Stratton, Hackett and Robertson respectively; 155 lbs.—Burr defeated Fine; heavyweight—Hegeman overcame Meador.

Canvasser Reveals Average Bedtime Of Andover Students Comparatively Early

His first few words to the interviewer revealed the fact that this canvasser was happy, may eager, to give voice to his feelings regarding what he saw in the rounds of his professional duties.

Asked first what the most noticeable aspect of the campus was, he replied that the most remarkable thing was the difference in atmosphere between the various houses and halls. One, he said, would be in an eruption of pillows, bags of water, shoes, etc., while the next would be so peaceful that you would think there was nobody living there. "Business," he added wryly, "isn't so good in the first mentioned dormitories."

When queried as to whether the quiet dormitories were never found in upheaval, his reply was that, on the whole, there were certain dormitories which were usually noisy and certain others which, for the most part, were peaceful. "One night," he said, "I found that the peacefulness in one house was produced by the fact that nearly the entire population had gone to the library."

When asked what seemed to him the next most striking feature of night life, he answered by saying that he was astonished to find how many members of the school retired at an early hour. He stated that in every hall he found quite a

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**Student Conference
Subject At Peabody**

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any free discussion, and that nothing concrete had actually been accomplished. Capers added that he was very surprised that the conference had been so predominantly radical.

Many interesting programs have been planned for the Social Problems Club. It is hoped that sometime soon Mr. Sides will address the members on the subject of war.

**First Hockey Game
To Be Played Today**

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Forman, goal. Simmons and Rosenfeld, who are both regular left wings, cannot go to Boston because of the No-Excuse rules. It is rumored that one of the J. V.'s was the star of St. Paul's team a few years ago and was just recently cut from Harvard's varsity. In the Boston Garden today there also will be a game between Exeter and the Crimson's Freshman team. The game scheduled with Noble and Greenough for last Saturday was called off on account of poor ice.

Manager Cooper announces the following schedule for this year:
Jan. 17—Harvard Junior Varsity
Jan. 24—Belmont Hill
Jan. 27—Brooks School
Jan. 31—Melrose
Feb. 3—St. Mark's
Feb. 10—Exeter

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are, how members of the faculty try to make their rooms attractive by putting up pictures and posters, and how the teachers are collecting such illustrative matter as libraries for their class rooms. He states that in his opinion the depression has made the students care about the political and economic problems which surround them. He pays a tribute to the physical department for their success in keeping sickness at such a minimum.

The next article is the speech which Dr. Fuess delivered before the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools on December 8. His subject is the development of education.

Another article is entitled *Recollections of Andover in the 1860's*.

It is by Jesse Moss, a graduate of that time. He tells how different those times were from the modern age. In those days there were no organized athletics at Andover, and the only sports in which they indulged were in winter. He tells how good the bob-sledding was on Abbot Street and how the boys spent most of their time in winter there. In another amusing episode he relates how his whole class went over to Lowell, without notifying the school authorities, to see General Butler, who was living there at that time. The class got into a lot of trouble, but they were forgiven finally.

Mr. Baldwin explains the different phases of the religious life of the Academy in the succeeding article. In the column devoted to general school interests, there is an announcement saying that Andover boys did better than any other secondary school in the College Board Examinations held last June. To finish up the issue there are several pictures among which there is one taken from inside the Art Gallery showing the entrance door and the statue in the hallway. This picture was taken by Frank C. Powell, who won the prize of five dollars offered by *The Phillips Bulletin*.

**Mr. Martindale To
Lecture On Life In
Yellowstone Park**

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each evening to these interesting talks while Ranger Martindale stands his horse "Nig" within twenty-five feet of huge grizzlies as they come in out of the timber for their evening meal.

Ranger Martindale's descriptions of the habits of wild animals come from experience and years of close study. He holds his audience with stories of actual happenings, often humorous, sometimes tragic—for the wild has its comedians and tragedians too. There is nothing "bookish" about the Ranger's talks. Rather, they are the relation of experiences of a man who has lived his life out-of-doors, who knows his subject from having lived it and who knows how to tell about it in a human, interesting and understandable way.

The bears of the Yellowstone are probably as famous as its geysers and attract as much attention. Ranger Martindale's lecture contains many interesting and humorous references to bears,—bears in

hibernation,—how cubs are educated—how William and Gertrude (bear cubs) are taught to hold up tourists and beg for provender—intimate details of how bears actually live and reason. The lecture also covers stories of elk, moose, deer, beaver, coyotes and many others. One incident of unusual interest is the method covotes use in hunting—how one will attract the attention of their prey while the other remains in hiding.

Another interesting part of the lecture describes the Ranger Service—how they live for six months on skis—the Boundary Patrol—the reaction of two men without company, living together in their snowbound cabin.

**Seniors Face Upper
Middlers In Debate**

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ready done so are asked to get up their own teams of three and give their names to Mudge at the meeting or later in the week. Those who have signed up will be consulted on Thursdays or Fridays by vice-president Fox as to teams and will be referred to Emerson for their subject on the Friday evening preceding the debate. Tryouts for the Exeter debate will, in all probability, be held in the middle or latter part of February, and the team will be chosen early in order to get some experience before the contest. The Robinson Prize debate will come early in the spring term and may, as last year, be between the team which debated against Exeter and the team which gave the best debate in the Philo meetings during the year.

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ship in this organization are that the candidate must debate at least once, attend at least two-thirds of the meetings, and pay the customary fifty cents as dues. The attendance rule will be enforced this year. Speeches are to last four minutes and rebuttals five with a ten-minute intermission for preparation. At the end of their time, speakers will be requested to close their speech in a sentence or two.

A list of topics for debate will be kept on hand in 1 Bartlet Hall from which teams are asked to select one by mutual agreement. If, however, these are not acceptable, one may be made up by the two teams and approved by Emerson. Subjects must be chosen by the Saturday noon preceding the debate, and if by then no agreement has been reached, a subject will be assigned.

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**Changes In Marking
Of College Boards**
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 Latin, only a very small group of real scholars take the examinations, and so on the average about 80% or more pass. It would be grossly unfair to mark down these papers, so a special exception would probably be made for these cases.
 Of course, this plan will only be fair where there are a large number of candidates. If the number is sufficiently large, at least a thousand or so, there is practically no difference in the average mental ability, and so if all examinations were of equal difficulty, the percentage receiving 60 or more would remain constant. But in a very small group, the law of averages does not always hold, and hence the average mental ability might easily vary from year to year. Hence the adjustment of grades on an examination which only a few take would not be fair, and undoubtedly it will not be done. As a matter of fact, because of the ex-

pense, the Board is seriously considering abolishing all examinations in which there are not many candidates.
 But this is not the only action taken by the Board. Other changes of varying importance have also been made. For one, the examinations in Italian and Physiology have been discontinued due to the small number of candidates taking them. The definitions of the requirements for Biology, Botany, and Zoology, have been changed, so that anyone intending to take examinations in these subjects should learn these new definitions. Also changed is the definition of the requirement in English.
 The College Board Examinations have at times been severely criticized. Opponents claim that some secondary schools give their pupils only the instruction necessary to pass the boards, paying little attention to the other phases of the subject. While this charge has basis in some instances, it is doubtful that the influence of the examinations is as harmful as implied. At any rate, the members of the Board by the above mentioned changes are attempting to make the examinations as fair and impartial as is humanly possible.

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**Canvasser Reveals Average
Bedtime Of Andover Students**

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 percentage retiring as early as nine o'clock, or even slightly before. At a quarter past nine, and at half past the same hour, there is even a greater number of those on their way to bed. Between nine and ten there are only a few who look as if they were not planning to stay up any longer. It might be added here that there are no rating exams going on at present!

He said that he has noticed the great increase in games of "Camelot" since before the Christmas holidays. He stated that every faculty house seems to have one, in addition to the bridge games which he has seen flourishing in many of the halls. As for music, he affirmed that only one of the dormitories seems addicted to the music of the phonograph. Though there are a great many victrolas in the school, there appears to be only one house which persists in playing them at all times.

He passed lightly over the matter of how he was greeted, saying that a lot of the students are busy studying and don't want to be interrupted. However, he did say that the farther east one goes on the campus, the more abrupt answers get. He said that he wasn't complaining, most of the fellows give the canvasser a "break" and that, he stated, is all a good canvasser needs.

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