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BLOOD, UPTON, CAHNERS STAR AS TRACK TEAM HOLDS TIME TRIALS

Sobin And Doug Pitman
Approach Junior Records
In Informal Meet

NICK GAL STEALS SHOW

Carr, Ross, And Crossman Share
Honors Of Victory

Although dismayed when the meet with Northeastern Freshmen was called off, the track team brought out most of its members in an informal intra-squad meet on Saturday. Dick Kurth has been lost for the winter season because of an appendectomy, but nevertheless the other cripples are slowly returning to form. Don Green and Bruce Calver have returned from the infirmary and are expected to be in good condition. The long-awaited return of Larry Blood and Art Upton has at last taken place: Blood, reputed to be the finest harrier ever developed at Andover, strode four laps Saturday in loping, seemingly effortless ease, confirming the rumor that he will run the 1000 this winter. Another speedster whose appearance brought joy to Coach Boyle was Art Upton, who, having finally shaken off his illness, will shoot for the Cage record in the 200.

Co-Captains Kelsey and Fisher, together with star 1000-yarder Eric Veren, watched the practice meet Saturday, but most of the rest of the team enjoyed a long workout. In the 100-yd. dash, Walt Cahnners squeezed through in a blistering finish, trailed by Chan Hall and Tom Smith. Apparently not satisfied with this result, the officials moved the finish line back five yards, only to have the same order of finish occur once more. No one need worry about a dearth of good tracksters at Andover when stars like Cahnners, Sobin, Hudner, David, and Pitman have two or three years more to go. In the 300, Carr, winner of the first heat, had a fifth of a second advantage over Jack Miller, in the fair time of 37.0. Tom Irwin finished second to Miller in his heat and

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Athletic Awards Given To Andover Men At Yale

Many Andover men at Yale received awards for participation in athletics during the fall term. The awards indicate their classes at Yale.

FOOTBALL

Major Y to the following members of the University football squad: C. Burnam, '41, F. H. Harrison, '42, H. Seymour, '42, and D. Bluth, '41.

Numerals went to C. J. Kittredge, '43, and P. C. Anderson, '43, for placing third and fourth respectively in managerial competition.

Numerals to the following members of the Freshman football squad: F. Burke, Jr., B. Smith, W. P. Arnold, Jr., E. P. C. Constantin, W. B. Macomber, Jr., A. H. Morse, Jr., J. V. Lindsay, T. W. Hoopes, J. C. Coughlin, Jr., and J. Kubie.

Y with 150 to the following members of the varsity 150-lb. football team: J. W. Castles, 3d, '43, and A. Pugh, '43.

SOCCER

Numerals to the following members of the Freshman soccer team: Anderson, T. C. Dickson, 3d, P. Carter, Jr., and I. S. Outeridge, Jr.

Lt. Col. Isham, Leading Authority On Boswell, Reveals His Adventurous Past To Reporter

Lt.-Col. Heyward Isham's lecture at the Library on Sunday, February 2nd, revealed little of the colonel himself. An introduction by Mr. Fuess hinted at his exciting life. Mr. Scott Paradise, English professor at Andover, had told his classes something about this man. But the whole story wasn't out.

He was born during the nineties in New York City, where he now resides. His education is something of a career in itself. He went several years to Pingrey School in Elizabeth, New Jersey. After graduating brilliantly from there, he entered Cornell, where an operation forced him to drop out for a while. To recuperate he went vacationing—in the Malay jungles. His complete recovery took a year, and he ended his rest cure with a trip through Europe to the States.

He entered Yale this time, ready to start anew in 1910. While a freshman, he wrote newspaper and magazine articles about his experiences on the Peninsula. He also drifted into the field of fiction, succeeding in having several short stories published. Occasionally today he will run across one of these—and, according to him, he is always shocked by the stuff he wrote.

Yale didn't suit him—and that's only half the story. At the end of his freshman year, he had determined to make his living as a writer. And from 1911 to 1916 he spent his time writing, travelling,

and having experiences which most men enjoy only once in a lifetime. His ability to completely alter his accent (you may have noticed it during his lecture) once enabled him to be dined and wined on fashionable Long Island yachts as an Italian count.

The war came, and by 1916 he was on board a Dutch boat headed for England. Arriving there at a crucial moment, he joined the army as a cadet, was trained to be an officer, commissioned a second lieutenant, and sent to the front. From second lieutenant, he was promoted up the line until at the end of the war he was a lieutenant colonel. This is a record for promotion seldom found in any army.

Today he is a ranking reserve in the British army. He has offered his services as an officer in this war. But the British government has assured him that he might do the British cause more good in America than in England. The colonel realizes that machines, not men, are Britain's need.

He thinks that the British are the most sporting, fairest people in the world. According to him, "They can't try to change the rules after the game has started." America is entering this war, he says, for the same fundamental reason that it entered the last—to stop German domination of the world.

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CONCERT PRESENTED BY HARPSICHORDIST

Claude Chiasson Gives Varied
Program On Interesting
Old Instrument

Claude Jean Chiasson, one of the world's foremost harpsichordists, played for the Adult Education Group in George Washington Hall on Monday night. Mr. Chiasson described the mechanism and history of the harpsichord and gave a recital taken from the music of 16th to 18th century musicians.

The harpsichord was one of the musical instruments for three centuries, from 1400 until the advent of the piano in 1711. Mr. Chiasson's instrument, which he made himself, is one of the largest types used; it has two keyboards and six pedals, which are used to change the keyboard note to a higher or lower octave. The harpsichord has little resemblance to the piano except in keyboard manipulation; the music, which is created by plucking the strings with pieces of leather controlled by the keys, is more like a string instrument. And the thickest harpsichord strings are the same size as the thinnest on the piano. The old instruments were all handmade, each one different from the others, and so there was no written music. Because of the intricate arrangement and delicacy of the strings, the harpsichord is constantly getting out of tune, and wrenches and spare parts and bits of string are necessary to keep it in good shape. Mr. Chiasson was tuning the harpsichord used in the recital Monday from 3:30 to 5:30 that afternoon.

Bach's French Suite, No. VI, in E Major, of old French dances, was the first and longest selection on the program, and included the typical French dances of "Menuet," "Bouree," "Gavotte," and "Gigue," and the higher, faster "Allemande" and "Courante." The solemn and

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BLUE J. V. HOCKEYMEN FACE EXETER TODAY

Red Has String Of Victories;
Andover Places Faith
In Coordination

The Junior Varsity Hockey team will face Exeter today at Andover. The game will be played at the rink, and will be the second of two games scheduled with Exeter. The first of these, played at Exeter, resulted in a defeat which showed up the Blue men as being inexperienced and lacking co-ordination.

Besides the Exeter game mentioned, Andover has played only one other game, that with Stoneham High on January 31st at Andover, in which the home team was defeated by a score of five to one.

Men who will probably play today include Fuller-Marshall, Berkeley, Bidgood, Larry Eccles, Gene Dines, Dick O'Leary, Norman Barrett, Bob Ashburn, Lawrence Ward, Mitchell Fish, Frank Strout, Howard Marshall, Garfield Chase, John Gault, Howard Gray, and Everett Jules.

Games during February have been tentatively scheduled with Governor Dummer (February 19) and Rivers School.

Notices

All boys who are candidates for college are reminded that they must make their applications through the Recorder's office.

There will be no week-end or day excursions on February 8th or 9th.

The swimming meet arranged with the Harvard All House team for Wednesday, and the one scheduled with Harvard Frosh have both been cancelled. The latter was to have taken place Saturday. In its stead there are to be some inter-squad races.

A-E Hockey Game

The Andover-Exeter hockey game is to be played at the Boston Skating club on Wednesday, February 12. Boys who are not on No-Excuse or Probation will be allowed to attend, subject to the approval of the Medical Department. This will not count as one of the regular excuses, nor will it prevent a boy from having an excuse on Prom week-end. The price for the trip, which will include transportation and a ticket to the game, will be \$2.00 for reserved seats and \$1.50 for standing room. As the seating capacity of the Boston Skating club is very limited, it will be necessary for most of the boys attending the game to stand. The date on which the tickets will go on sale will be announced later.

LIEUT. COL. ISHAM GIVES LECTURE ABOUT BOSWELL

Collector Praises Boswell's
Fearlessness In Writing
Truth—Without Blanks

Lieut.-Colonel Ralph Heyward Isham lectured on James Boswell at an informal meeting Sunday afternoon in the library before a group of invited guests, students, and faculty. He was introduced by Dr. Fuess as a man of many pursuits but above all as an amateur collector of English literature. After the presentation the speaker placed a small object on the table, explaining, "I always bring a clock with me; it has been said, though it is not true, that I once spoke for four hours." With this hint of the humor and human understanding that was to follow, the audience prepared for an interesting lecture, and was well satisfied.

He immediately plunged into his topic by telling a few interesting facts about Boswell's ancestors; he took the listeners back to 1504, the year that one of Boswell's ancestors was given a large estate for distinguished military service. He emphasized the character of a Scot by saying, "A Scot has nothing if not his pride. . . They are very sensitive and apt to be hypochondriacs."

His lecture fully explained why Boswell was able to write such a magnificent biography as "The Life of Samuel Johnson, LL.D." At twenty Boswell, as he wrote in his first journal, was already enthralled by Johnson's writings. "He found help in reading Dr. Johnson's virile philosophy; he gained strength from it as if it were a bible." Without him Boswell would have lived a shorter life and accomplished little. "Although some men think very little of Boswell, he saw the genius of the lexicographer and wanted the world to know it; the object of his life was 'to examine the great mind and write about it.' His examining angered Johnson at times, but he could take any kind of insult because he was determined on completing the task he had set out for himself. Nothing stopped Boswell from being curious, remembering every detail of conversations and recording every word spoken.

Boswell thought, explained the speaker, that "the greatest gems of human minds are produced in conversation" and resolved to preserve the mental jewels of a common-sense philosopher who was an artist at talking.

"The most important things about Boswell," Lieut.-Col. Isham

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P. A. PUCKSTERS EDGE NEW HAMPTON SEXTET IN CLOSING SECONDS

Closely Contested Encounter
Ends With Andover Ahead
By 4-3 Margin

BACON SCORES THREE

Knightsmen Show Improvement
Over Previous Games

Last Saturday in the sixth game of its regular 1941 schedule the varsity hockey team won its third victory, defeating New Hampton by a score of 4-3. In this game Andover was matched against a hard-fighting opponent which held the score tied during most of the game, the Royal Blue making the winning point 25 seconds before the end of the game.

The first period was very evenly played, with Andover keeping the puck mostly in New Hampton territory. The first score was made by Bill Bacon with an assist by Pyle two minutes after the start of the game. Having failed to complete a counter-score, through the agility of the P. A. goalie Gardner, who stopped a beautiful shot by the opponents which threatened to tie the score, New Hampton came back five minutes later with a point by Spillman with an assist by Evans. The rest of the first period was scoreless.

Two minutes after the start of the second period Bacon scored again, with Pyle again assisting. After that the play went evenly, with Andover being rather hard pressed for a while when it was a man short. Again the P. A. goal was threatened when there was a pile-up in front of the netting while the fight for the puck went on. The danger was removed, however, when Gardner fell on the puck, putting it out of play. A minute or so later Hawse, the New Hampton right defense, was knocked to the ice and winded so that he was momentarily removed from the game.

Coming back for the third period Spillman of New Hampton evened up the score three minutes after the start. After a hard fight Wood scored for P. A., again giving up a thin one point lead, which the team had to hold for eight more minutes. Changing goals when half the period was over, so that both teams might have the advantage of the sun, the Royal Blue held the opposition in

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P. A. WRESTLERS IN CLUB TOURNAMENT

The club wrestling tournament has reached its second round, the first of which was held on December 23. The competition is keen and interest at high peak. So far matches in five classes have been held with the following results for the second round.

In the 120-lb. class Reinheimer defeated Humphries by a decision. There were two matches in the 128-lb. class. Davidson overpowered Heckel by a decision, while Maclaren downed Metcalf with the first fall of the afternoon. Moving up to the 135-lb. class Enos and Davis defeated Moody and Ault by falls. Also in this class Adams won a decision over Northrop. In the 145-lb. match Palmer overcame Weiner by a fall. Berg and Bentley were defeated by French and Waters in the 155-lb. class, the two victors each winning by a fall.

These tournaments will continue weekly with the final round being played off at the close of the season.

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Spare Time

How much spare time does the average Andover boy have? If this question were asked the student body, the number of variations in the answers would probably add up to about seven hundred. It is obviously a question to be answered individually, and yet it is possible to make a general inquiry as to whether our curriculum is so worked out that even those boys who have the hardest time with their work have a reasonable amount of spare time. Any psychologist will tell you that play is just as important in the development of a character as work, and in this instance we are not referring to organized athletics but to completely free periods, which a boy is at liberty to spend as he wants. In theory, we are supposed to study at certain hours, and have certain time free, such as Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday afternoons. In practice, however, this does not work out for the vast majority. Even the brightest students in the two upper classes find that they must sacrifice a great deal of time "outside of study hours" to compile history notes, for instance. On free afternoons, the reference room is always crowded, and those who have athletics on those days are often extremely hard-pressed for time. This leaves only broken up short periods of freedom for the average student—such times as from seven to eight, or right after lunch. These periods are often spent in the pursuit of extra-curricular activities, which we have always maintained do not flourish as they should in a school as large as this, principally because they are hard-pressed for time. Students who are not involved in publications and clubs of various kinds, spend these short free periods turning over the pages of a magazine, playing ping-pong, or just talking. A certain amount of this sort of recreation is necessary, and the brevity of these after meal periods does not permit anything else. An occasional study period which turns out to be free is spent in the same manner.

To our way of thinking, there are three types of recreation necessary in a school, to complete the balance of work and play. The first is the idle type of "dicking" we have just mentioned; the second is extra-curricular activities; and the third is a reasonable amount of consecutive free time, to follow up a hobby independently, read an interesting book, or take part in such "amateur" athletics as touch football in the fall and softball in the spring. The compulsory athletic system, whose benefits cannot be questioned, does not completely cover this last phase, for to many boys who take uninteresting athletics such as gym classes and posture classes they are more like work than play, and although they build the body, they do not have much more fun value than the classes which build the mind. To those who enjoy their athletics it is also probably more actual fun to get outside for an informal game of softball without any attendance checking or drill on fundamentals. In any case, organized athletics are not enough, free time is needed to accommodate the three types of recreation listed above.

In Andover each boy, on the average, gets enough free time to accommodate either one or two of the three types of recreation. But the urge for them is often so strong, that, when free time is not enough, they worm their way into study hours, causing late nights and unprepared work. Often a boy has worked hard for several days, finding little or no time to spare, and starts to put off his work to

squeeze in an hour of idle "dicking." If he can afford the time, all right; but many are the boys to whom this time is too valuable to waste. If enough spare time were allowed in the curriculum, these boys would be much more ready to work during study hours. And too often do you hear the answer, "I'm too busy to take part in any extra-curricular activities."

In short, we believe that not enough stress is laid on the recreational side in the Andover curriculum. In the small amount of broken-up free time that is afforded the student body, very little except the natural urge of an idle talk or game is accomplished; extra-curricular activities are hampered through lack of time and therefore interest; and there are not enough consecutive free hours for a boy to derive independently any of the benefits of constructive recreation.



A few issues ago we praised the heroes of the Gym ordeal in high terms. Little did we suspect then that a new type of hero was to appear on the hill—comparatively unsung perhaps, but much the more heroic of the two. If the heroes of the gym could be said to have endured bullets, these new Caesars of the Syringe must be said to have stood dum-dum bullets, mixed with shrapnel and elephantitis germs. Possibly you have noticed in the last few days an occasional undergraduate limping painfully and carefully judging each step. Perhaps you have noticed them studying, swathed in pillows. Perhaps you have attributed it to wounds received defending the Royal Blue on the athletic field; perhaps the slippery condition of the roads has seemed to you a valid explanation. But no, you were wrong. Ask the man who owns one (of these wounds) and he will tell you a gory story of secret laboratories, mad scientists, and other tales, partly inspired by Isham, and partly by Amazing Comics. What a term this has been!

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A little while ago, we heard somewhere that the worthy Bird Banding club has finally opened a permanent, cozy home for itself. For the benefit of those who have not been here long, this organization has lost much of the fame it was afforded in past years and has retired pretty much out of the limelight. Probably they are better off shielded from the scorching glare of publicity by the four walls of their club house, but still, they have lost some of the glamour that was theirs in the Golden Age of Bird-Banding, when the immortal Schultz, P. A. '40, Princeton '44, led his legions to victory over Exeter to the tune of 3-2, tying the record of Herman E. Hermanson, '17. (We refer you to THE PHILLIPIAN, May 27, 1939.) This was the year that Captain Joe Gans and the dark horse, Q. Xavier Murgitroyd, led the Chinese Checkermen to victory and to the capture of the eastern title. However, in the height of their glory, the Bird-Banders were persecuted viciously in the press. Twice a week, in these very columns, biting, cutting remarks about them were published. But now, Bird-Banders, all is forgotten and forgiven. Schultz and his satellite, Dulmage, have departed from the hill, and you may retire to private life like an ex-president or a graduated football hero.

Dirt On The Discs

Latest news from the Victor factory is a recent Hal Kemp memorial album, containing the eight favorite tunes of the jovial maestro. Included among them in his theme song, *Got a Date With an Angel*, with the vocal refrain by Skinnay Ennis. On the other side of this disc is the old tune *Remember Me*. Both of these feature the muted trumpet. The rest of the tunes include *Whispers in the Dark*, *Lamp-light*, *Love For Sale*, *Speak Your Heart*, *In Dutch with the Duchess*, and Raymond Scott's popular *In An 18th Century Drawing Room*. All those who have enjoyed the music of Hal Kemp should certainly possess this album, a fitting tribute to a great band leader.

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Artie Shaw, after a tremendous success with *Concerto for Clarinet*, produces two new hit numbers with the Gramercy Five. The first instrumental hit is entitled *Dr. Livingston I Presume*, featuring the drums and the clarinet of the maestro. On the other side is a song bearing the title of *When The Quail Come Back To San Quentin*. Absolutely no relation of the *Capistrano Swallows*, this number is a hot jazz arrangement all wrapped up by the little five.

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To close with we should like to mention two new tunes recently waxed for Decca by the Andrew Sisters. This week the hit is *Bounce Me Brother With a Solid Four*, the title bearing semblance to other recent tunes delivered by the Will Bradley Club. However, this new number is just as welcome as the two preceding hits. On the other side the three female vocalists come through with *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*, another one of those jumping jive numbers. Both the tunes are from the Universal picture *Buck Privates*.

Sport Shots

This week finds several sports in the spotlight with basketball and track among the leaders and football and baseball news running a close second. Down in New York the indoor track season opened with a bang, with the Milrose games. The various races proved that competition will be red-hot in such events as the mile, the two mile, the hurdles, the dashes and the intermediate distances.

The New York Wanamaker mile proved the fact that no one man will easily take up where the old warrior, Glen Cunningham, left off. Competition should be keen between Walter Mehl, Chuck Fenske and John Munski. However, later in the season it is my belief that Fenske will again rule the boards, as he is getting a little older and needs time to whip into shape. Chances for a new world's record are possible but highly improbable this season, as the new men need just a little more experience on the indoor boards.

The two-mile should produce a new record this year as Don Lash and Greg Rice resume their old feud, with Rice just a little ahead at a killing pace. The first two mile events have produced times within six seconds of the record, which is fast running. In the hurdles Fred Wolcott, former Rice University star, seems to have the edge on Ed Dugger and Allan Tolmich, who have been keeping the champ at his highest speed. In the sprints a newcomer from the coast, Davis, seems to be in fine shape, with Kenny Clapp, Mozell Elerbee, Herb Weast and Barney Ewell rounding out a very fast field. In the intermediate distances Jim Kehoe, Campbell Kane, Charlie Beetham, and Ed Borican seem to be the main names.

Top news in the football world is Elmer Layden's signing of a contract to lead pro-football. Layden has had many fine teams since the death of his own coach, Knute Rockne. After a brief and unsuccessful apprenticeship at Notre Dame, Hunk Anderson moved on and Layden took over. Since that time he has had many football stars under his tutelage. There has been Bill Shakespeare, Andy Pilney, Wally Fromhart, Don Elser and Fred Carideo, all great backs, then there was Mike Lautar, Bill Kerr, Wayne Milner, and Joe Peinor, ranking among the country's greatest linemen. Recently he brought Bobby Saggau, Jilt Piepel and Lou Zontini into the public eye. Thousands of spectators have cheered on Layden teams in all sections of the country. While he will not be remembered as a great coach, he will be remembered as a Notre Dame coach, which in itself is praise enough for any man.

INTRAMURAL COMPETITION FOR MEDALS ON SATURDAY

Squads Of Wrestling, Swimming, Track, Fencing Compete In Contests

Intramural competition in medals in track, swimming, wrestling, and fencing will be held on those sports on Saturday afternoon. Since there has been very little varsity or club competition in the last few weeks, because of the cancellation of many of the outside meets, the meets on Saturday will give much-needed practice to the teams which have now gotten back most of their players from the infirmary.

Coach Cy Carlson, assisted by Mr. Peiters and Manager Bill Spengler, has arranged a competition of the instruction classes in wrestling, to take the place of the meet with Milton Academy planned for this Saturday. Medals will be given for the winners of the matches, in which about thirty of the matmen from the instruction group are expected to participate.

Medals for swimming will be given to the first, second, and third places in each event, with the contestants divided into two squads taken from the Varsity team. Outstanding in the 50-yard freestyle are Case, Naugle, Farnsworth and Thickers; in the 100-yard freestyle, Crane, Searle, Corse and Dunlap; and in the 200-yard, Carrington, Sheridan, Wickwire and Hobbs. Hallett, Fallon, Pendergrast and Burns will swim the backstroke, and Palitz, Crawford and Foster, the breaststroke; Cuthbertson and Nicholson will do the dives. In addition to the Varsity intersquad meet, there will be also a club swimming meet on Friday, the third so far this year.

The Varsity track squad has had several meets this term in spite of the sickness of many of the members of the team, but they will also have a competition for medals on Saturday afternoon. Anyone is eligible to compete in this meet.

The Royal Blue fencers will compete against each other Saturday in the fencing room of Graves Hall. Medals will be awarded to the winners, and handicaps will be given to those fencers whom Messrs. Bars and Hasenclever, the coaches of the 1941 Andover fencing team, decide deserve or need them between now and Saturday. As the members of the regular fencing team will not be the only fencers, no forecast of contestants can be given; nor can a prediction of probable winners be given, because the proposed handicaps may turn the tables on the best fencers and make any up-coming fencer a winner and medal-receiver. This is particularly true in the foil class, where there are about forty mediocre fencers who, with a little luck and perhaps

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FENN-FEINSTEIN showing

at the ANDOVER ART STUDIO

WEDNESDAY, February 5

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Headmaster Addresses Boston Alumni Dinner

**Williams President, Don Green
Also Speak At Reunion**

The Andover Alumni Association of New England held its annual dinner on Monday at the Harvard Club in Boston. It was addressed first by Dr. James Phinney Baxter, President of Williams College, who told them that "despite what Colonel Lindbergh says, the United States has a very definite stake in the survival of the British Empire." Dr. Baxter, an authority on British affairs, went on to describe the role of the British navy as the balance of power between democracy and totalitarianism.

Dr. Fuess then addressed the assembled alumni and said that "young men of the schools and colleges today are fully cognizant of the part they will have to play if war comes to our shores." He said that, in the light of the sloppiness of the post-war decade, it was amazing that this generation had manifested an attitude of loyalty and obedience, which offers hope for the future.

The alumni then heard Don Green, who, using last term's *Mirror* survey as a basis, expressed the willingness of the P. A. undergraduate body to do its part. He said that many students are willing to volunteer, and practically everyone would go if he were drafted.

The new president of the New England Alumni Association, Mr. Ehot A. Carter, '05, presided. Other officers present were the vice-president, Mr. John O. Stubbs, '17, the secretary, Mr. Nathaniel T. Clark, '30, and the treasurer, Mr. B. Allen Rowland, '28.

The Science Of Contract

By Asa Spades

Today's hand brings a further discussion of the elements of proper defense, illustrating a trick, which, correctly used, may bring discomfort to any declarer. In the play of any hand the variation of leads, discards, ruffs, etc., can often be successfully employed to bewilder opponents into making a blunderous case and a consequent misplay. Such irregularity of either bidding or play ceases to be irregular if overused. If such tactics are employed at the wrong time, your partner is also liable to submit to your own chicanery, and you will be handicapping yourself instead of injuring your opponents' chances. This is the main danger to such play and consequently, choose the time for your "wild bid" or odd play correctly at a time when little or no damage may be inflicted upon your partner's holdings. Today's hand illustrates just such a successful case of irregular play.

The Hand:

S-A 4 3
H-8 5 3 2
D-K Q 10 9
C-8 7

N

S-7 5 2 S-K J
H-A K 9 7 4 H-6
D-7 6 5 W E D-J 8 4 2
C-Q 4 C-J 10 6 5 3 2

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S-Q 10 9 8 6
H-Q J 10
D-A 3
C-A K 9

South Dealer.

Rubber Bridge.

The Bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 S	2 H	3 D	Pass
3 N	Pass	4 S	All Pass

The bidding of the hand was rather straight-forward and simple. North's 3 Diamond response was risky and improper considering that it was based on only a four card suit. It is unlikely that any defense could have defeated a three No-Trump play by South, but for that matter, the Spade contract was almost as sure.

West took his Ace and King of Hearts on the first two opening leads and then led a low Heart, the four, toward East after observing his partner's discard on the second lead and after making sure by count that South would not over trump. On this play East purposely trumped the trick with his Spade King according to the following logic. Four tricks were necessary to set the hand, and so no fourth trick seemed certain in his hand, and be-

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Intramural Competition For Medals To Be Held Saturday

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a handicap, may outscore some of the few good foil men. The meet scheduled with Harvard Freshmen has been called off, and arrangements are being made for a meet with Worcester Academy, since the meet scheduled with them last Saturday had to be postponed.

Some of the probable duelers in the epee class are Charles Gardner, David Carter, Cal Pratt, Arnold Reiche and John Wheeler. Saber stars might be any one of the following: Lucius Biglow, Cooper, Jim Bassett, Robert Hale, Joseph Park, Howard Stewart, or Captain George Winburn. Any one of this array of swordsmen may win a medal in the foils (that is, if he isn't foiled): Dave Carter, John Carter, Crossly, Cyril Crimmins, Pete Crimmins, Rod deKay, Lewis, Graham, Robert Lord, Alan Richardson, Stewart, Thompson or Pat Wolfe.

Lieut.-Col. Isham Gives Lecture About Boswell

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states, "are his simplicity and fidelity." Boswell would go home after spending an evening at Dr. Johnson's club (which still flourishes in England) with every word spoken there memorized. Then he would sit up until early morning writing down everything that happened. His writing is alive because it "went from ear to pen." He took notes, recording conversations as they were with no additions or alterations. Parts of his biography are mere copies of his notes; some of the manuscripts exhibited in the library are proofs of this fact, that his notes were the "verbatim manuscripts" for his great biography.

Boswell told his son to memorize all that he could in order to develop the ability to write realistically. He regarded truth as the most important essential of good writing. The absence of exaggeration and affectation and the predominance of truth caused the Boswellian collector to exclaim, "His work will live when those of others today who leave blanks will not."

With the greatest sincerity, the speaker said that if Boswell's works are read for pleasure and not as a school assignment, "all the men and their personalities will live for you."

Boswell's faults were stated with no apologies; people scandalized him because of his fondness for champagne, lobsters, and women. Some resented his energy and curiosity. Col. Isham said, in explaining Boswell's affairs with women other than his wife, "He really loved only one woman, his wife." Because Boswell could overcome his unconsciousness and emotions and get out of himself, the lecturer said that he never worried about conversation and was liked by all. The reading of Boswell's letter proposing marriage to Margaret Montgomery revealed his consciousness of his follies. His plea was sensible and not passionate. "He wrote what he felt and observed—without fear." This was the main message of the lecture.

The speaker disclosed many interesting stories about the discovery of the Malahide papers, which are on exhibit in the library. After Boswell's death, his family, ashamed because Boswell had become a drunkard in the last part of his life, told scholars who asked to see his letters that they had all been burnt. One day about one hundred years after Boswell's death, a gentleman of Boulogne noticed that a package he had bought at Madame Noel's store was wrapped in some very interesting paper, in some old letters signed "James Boswell." He immediately purchased all the papers from the storekeeper to "wrap up some packages." The letters were published on Christmas day, in honor of Madame Noel.

But the Malahide collection was still hidden and entirely forgotten by even Boswell's descendants until one Sunday a clergyman called at Malahide Castle. Lady Talbot, who was an actress before her marriage, asked the minister if he had ever heard of Oliver Goldsmith. She had

found a letter from him. He replied, "Even though it is Sunday, don't be silly." This incident was followed by a rumor of the manuscripts, and several attempts were made to purchase them; all of them failed because Lord and Lady Talbot were busy raising wolf-hounds and not aware of the value of papers to scholars. When all others had failed, Lieut. Col. Isham made a successful attempt to induce the Talbots to sell. The inducement consisted of merely mentioning the value of the papers.

After the purchase of the papers, Lady Talbot began to censor them. She had previously thought of doing this by merely burning any manuscripts containing words such as "naked, intoxicated." The collector pleaded with her against this, and, after she had burnt one of Boswell's journals, convinced her that black paint would do as efficient a job. Before the manuscripts were delivered, she conned every page: the owner gave as one example of her censure the sentence, "I lay

naked on the floor"; when she came to this, she quickly ran her brush across the word "naked." In many cases, she blackened whole pages. It took experts a year to delete her deletions; the collector called her work an example of "Love's labor lost."

Since the first discovery of papers at the castle, there have been others. The speaker has searched the castle, and, after a two day search in a cold room, found at the bottom of a rusty chest Johnson's diploma from Oxford. This he gave to Oxford University. Some more manuscripts were found in an old croquet box, and he said that he wouldn't be surprised if they found "Boswell himself alive in a well."

The message of Lieut. Col. Isham was interesting and inspiring. His personality, his scholarly attitude towards Boswell, and his complete mastery and love of eighteenth century literature were impressive and inspiring. All who heard him had a vivid picture of Boswell and a real interest in the Malahide papers.



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VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM. CANCELS WEYMOUTH MATCH

Meeting Planned For Saturday
Replaced By Class Matches
For Varsity Posts

In place of the previously scheduled meet with Weymouth High School last Saturday, the varsity wrestling team held an inter-squad tournament. This was to see if any new men were ready for the first team. A fairly large group turned out with the results as follows. In the 121-lb. class King defeated Howe. Captain Slack overpowered his opponent Moorhead to win in the 130-lb. class. Overall downed Merryman in the 155-lb. match. Also in this class, Thrass defeated Phelan by a fall, the only one of the afternoon. Moving on to the heavier unlimited class Hellebush defeated Mayo, while "Moose" Heron overpowered Ashley for the final bout of the afternoon.

These results should help the coaches to decide the best men in each of the classes and they afford an excellent chance for new men to break into the starting lineup. As the score shows, there were many close matches, all being won by decisions except one. This shows the keen competition in the race for varsity posts. However, the full squad has not worked as a whole for quite some time and those men still unable to practice have to be reckoned with.

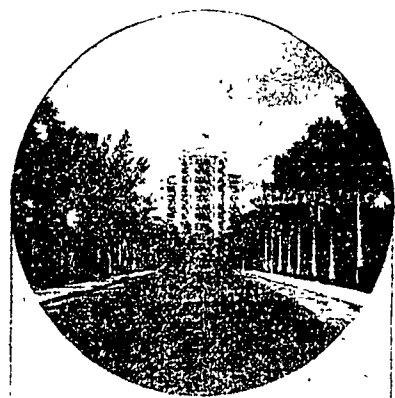
Coach Cy Carlson is dubious as to whether the varsity meet at Milton Academy next Saturday will be played, but in all probability this match too will have to be omitted.

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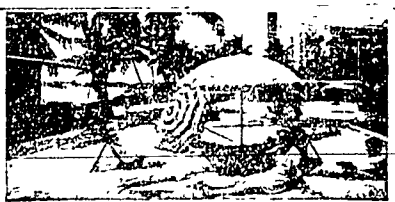
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Blood, Upton, Cahners Star In Track Time-Trials

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placed third in the event. We suggest a Carr-Auller matching as a coup de grace.

The 600 was one of the most spectacular races run here this year. But Ross assumed his usual role of pacemaker and reserved just enough to squeeze out a victory over the last-closing Jim McAlahon in 1:24.8. The big surprise of the meet was the showings of McAlahon and Dave Peet, running the event for the first time. Peet, having wandered all over the track in coming up from last place, snatched the lead away from Ross on the third lap and might have lasted had he cut in soon enough. Rube Siegel ran a well-paced race to save third from the tiring Peet and the disappointed Jerry Klotz.

The 1000 saw Dick Crossman pile up a tremendous lead, dissipate it as Bill Traker caught up to him but summon up the necessary strength for a two-yard victory in 2:41.6. John Finn, most improved member of the team, was a quarter-lap behind in third place.

While all this rumpus was taking place, the Juniors managed to insert a few races. After a mix-up and a lost shoe had spoiled one start, the 300-yarders were off with Sobin coming within two-fifths of a second of the Junior record. This observer thinks that T. Hudner will not have his record on the wall very long at the present rate. Stevens finished second to Sobin. The 600 produced another embryonic star as Doug Pitman raced to an easy victory in 1:27.6, Farrington and Ennis finishing behind him at well-spaced intervals.

Those spectators who were still present were treated to some laughs as Nick Gal gave two exhibition sprints—"The Mighty Atom" bade fair to knock down the backboard with his ferocious charge, bouncing back some ten yards at the impact.

The afternoon was concluded as Stan Howard and Ed Pyle cleared 5 ft. 4 in. in the high jump, and, together with Chan Hall and Jack Ferguson, failed in a score of tries to clear 5 ft. 6 in. You are advised not to go into mourning yet, because Stan was doing his first jumping of the week, and the margin by which Chan missed was so small that it wasn't even funny.

We're sorry, but we don't know a thing about Harvard Fresh. They haven't any Greater Boston stars, we think, but this is a big country and they may spring a surprise. However, a team as well-balanced as Andover—our only possible weakness is the broad jump—should give Harvard more than they can bite off.

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Bill Howe, the P. A. hockey captain, who led his team to a 4-3 victory over New Hampton last Saturday.

Noted Harpsichordist Presents Concert On Ancient Instrument

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more dramatic bass of the second number, "Chaconne et Rondeau," by Jacques Champion de Chambonniere. Mr. Chasson terms "a sort of sixteenth century Boogie Woogie." The next two pieces, both by John Dowland, contrast sharply, the gay rhythm of "The Shoemaker's Wife," written originally for the lute and later transposed to the harpsichord, and the slow "Melancholy Gairdard." Both are also dances. The next piece, Wanda Landowska's "Bouree d'Auvergne," is a mixture of old French folk songs into a fantasia which has caught the spirit of French peasants. Last on the program were the "Ayre and Echo Gavotte" of an Englishman, Thomas Arne, and the "Sonata in E Major," a curious arrangement of allegro by Domenico Scarlatti.

Mr. Chasson played several encores, and then let the audience come up on the stage to hear the harpsichord more closely, and to watch its operation. To show the importance of ornamentation in music and how a piece may be completely changed by additional trills, he played as one of his encores "America," ornamented at every opportunity, which he had found in an old manuscript under the title of "Minuet, Anonymous."

The Science Of Contract

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lieving that if his partner had had another sure trick, he would have led it under ordinary circumstances, and since he was sure of only one Spade trick himself, his high ruff with the King would make South think that he held only the Singleton King of trumps. This is exactly the way declarer interpreted East's play. East led back the five spot of Clubs, which South took with the Ace. South, then assuming that East had held only the Singleton King of Spades, arrived at the conclusion that West must hold four trumps, including the Jack. This called for a finesse against his Ace in the dummy. Accordingly, South led the 10 of Spades, and when West failed to play the desired Jack, he let it slip through, playing low on the board. East, of course, took the trick with the Jack and thus set the hand. His strategy worked. South easily took the rest of the tricks, discarding a losing Club in his hand on the Diamond Queen from the Dummy after clearing the rest of the trumps.

P. A. Pucksters Edge New Hampton In Closing Seconds

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check until with one minute to go Bacher, the opponents' left defense, evened the points unassisted. After the face-off both sides struggled for the puck to gain that final winning point. Then, as the timekeeper raised the horn to his lips Bill Bacon did the trick and threw the puck into the New Hampton netting, with an assist by Orrin Wood, to win the game 25 seconds before it was over.

Saturday's game was the first here at Andover to have a clear sky and a fairly warm temperature, as the sun was warm enough to soften the ice a bit. To add to the victory was the feat of Bill Bacon who "turned the bat" by scoring three times during the game.

The lineup was as follows:
NEW HAMPTON ANDOVER
Cornwell, g g, Gardner
Hawse, rd rd, Welch
Bacher, ld ld, Hammer
Berglund, rw rw, Wood
Haines, lw lw, Howe
Devine, c c, Boynton
Spares: New Hampton—Spillman, Blair, Evans, Snow, Velehm, Graham.
Spares: Andover—Bacon, Pyle, Coleman, Kittredge, Knapp, Stevenson, Stevens, Coulson.

Lt.-Col. Isham Tells Life Story To Phillipian Correspondent

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In regard to our attitude toward Germany, he says that it takes two to make a peace, but only one to make war. We've got war forced on us. We have no choice.

In the British army he came to know the famous Lawrence of Arabia who was killed in a motorcycle crash in the British army a few years ago. The colonel said he was one of the few real geniuses that he had met—and certainly one of the most modest. "But," he added, "shyness is a characteristic of the British."

At the close of the war, serving both under Army Intelligence and Civil Authority, he became Deputy Commissioner of Scotland Yard, where he worked for over a year directing the search for British public enemies.

Resigning from both Scotland Yard and the Army, he spent several years in England in business. Of course, he didn't stay in England during all this time. The colonel is constantly traveling; he has often visited America and the Continent. But when his father passed away in 1925, he came to America to stay.

He remained in the United States until 1927, when the greatest moment of his life was approaching. That year he secured the bulk of James Boswell's papers. Since then he has devoted his life to studying, editing, and preparing these papers for the world. 1930 saw him get more papers, on a second visit to Scotland.

According to the colonel, Boswell wrote accounts of Voltaire and Rousseau which will equal his *Life of Johnson* when published. He is working now to prepare these papers for the press.

Since 1935 he has lectured on his collection at colleges everywhere from the University of Nebraska to Princeton, Harvard, and Yale. He spends his spare time hunting. He has just returned from a hunting trip in Atlanta, Georgia.

Colonel Isham's philosophy counsels—objective curiosity, searching out the mysteries of literally everything around one. His mind is constantly inquiring, constantly alert to other people and other things. Indeed conversation with him is like skating on smooth ice. He maintains that conversation is no trouble to anyone who lets nature take its course.

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