

"Blue Chips" Hit With P.A. Audience



Tenley Albright led the Boston Skating Club in their annual presentation of Blue Chips on the Sumner Smith Rink last Sunday. She received constant applause from the crowd of students and Andover townspeople as she danced to some difficult modernistic music. Tenley Albright is the U. S. Ladies Champion, and former World Champion, losing the crown as a result of an unfortunate slip last winter in Colorado, where the World competition was held. Now, after extensive training, she is back in top form, and expects to regain her title this winter. Her acts preceeded the Finale, so all through the show there was an undercurrent of impatience

to see her perform. The response was so great that she made two encores amidst wild cheering. A suitable climax to an exceptional show.

Sylvia Tilley, the New England Novice Ladies' Champion, again showed her great skill in acrobatic skating this year in her solo act, also performed to modern music. She went through a routine including all kinds of spins and twists, and ended up with a spectacular split. A short encore was due tribute to a fine performance.

The final girl's solo was made by Sarahan Wilson, who, replete with parasol and unusual spotted dress, gave a performance which truly lived up to her title of Eastern Novice Ladies' Champion.

A most spectacular improvement over last year was exhibited by Bradley Lord, who made a fine demonstration of graceful skating. He is the Eastern Junior Men's Champion, and aspires to become the U. S. Junior Champion this winter.

An ingenious new stunt was added called the Royal Blue. Seven female skaters dressed in white jerseys with blue A's on them, went out on the ice and performed a mock football game in time to the *Royal Blue*. They went into a huddle, got a football which was painted white and blue from the sidelines, and preceded to hike it. After having made two fumbles, amidst great cheers, and to the strains of the *Royal Blue*, they rolled on for a touchdown.

"Top Hat and Tails", another group number, done by six girls, was another laugh provoker, this time, however, unintentionally so. During the course of the act they all laid their top hats on the ice, whereupon, an inquisitive dog decided to slither over to investigate. What the act was like, nobody knew, for the dog was offering too much competition for the girls. And then, when the dog was finally gotten off the ice, pushed by the wind, the hats started roving all over the

FACULTY PLAY

"Many Happy Returns," a three act farce, written by Mrs. N. Penrose Hollowell and directed by Mr. Hollowell, will be presented to the student body this Saturday night at 8:00 P. M. in G. W. Hall. Admission free.

rink, till finally one of the skaters, trying to avoid one, landed rather abruptly on the ice. When the act was over, there was great cheering, and several cries for an encore.

Arthur Drinkwater, an alumnus from the class of '96, was on hand again this year, and did a dignified dance with his partner, Nancy Conway. Later on in the act he was joined for the first time by Richard Jackson of the class of '29. Other highlights of the show was a duet by the National Silver Dance Champions, Sidney Foster and Franklin Nelson, a repeat performance from last year called "Saint Louis Blues March" by Marilyn Lamar and Bradley Lord, and a final duet by Rosemary Crowley and Dorothy Dillon, called TV-ANA. This last

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Faculty Wives Debate "A Boy's Best Friend Is His Mother;" Philo's Team Decided In Season's Last Debate

Philo climaxed its Fall term session by a stimulating debate on the subject "A Boy's best friend is his mother". The affirmative side was ably supported by three faculty wives,

Mrs. Hoitsma, Mrs. Wetmore, and Mrs. Powell, the negative consisted of Fritz Cooper, Doug Brown, and the lover of laughs, Tom Lawrence. President Gerry Jones called the meeting to order in his own inimitable way, tapped the mallet three times, grinned bashful, and with dignified composure, announced the right names of all the speakers. The affirmative warmed the hearts of the whole gathering by giving a mourning wreath to the boys, and then proceeded to kill the negative's arguments. Mrs. Hoitsma was the first constructive speaker for the mothers. After channeling the terms of the debate away from abnormal circumstances, Mrs. Hoitsma set up the basis for the affirmative's points by five definitions of friend.

The first speaker for the negative, who had made a dramatic if tardy entrance a few minutes before, was Fritz Cooper. Cooper, referring periodically to Merriam Webster and Dr. Kinsey, redefined each of the terms of the resolve. He stressed that Mother is not all she is thought to be. He said that Mother is often too protective, stunting a boy's abilities and his education.

Mrs. Wetmore, the second speaker for the affirmative, emphasized

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VESPER SERVICE

At five o'clock Sunday afternoon, December 12, the annual Christmas Service at Phillips Academy will be held. Preceding the service will be an organ recital by Mrs. Banta — which will begin at 4:15 — and the Brass Choir will play Carols on the steps of the Chapel at four o'clock.

The five o'clock service will include the reading of the Christmas Story by the Student Deacons, and Christmas music by the P. A. Choir.

Film Society To Vary Program

This winter the Film Society will present an unusually fine program of interesting, humorous, and renowned films. The first film on the fare will be a comedy starring the late W. C. Fields called *My Little Chickadee*. Following that picture *dee*. Following that picture the Society will show *Million Dollar Legs*; the new British comedy, *Mr. Hulot's Holiday*; *Rasho Mon*, the Japanese picture which won first prize at the Vienna Film Festival and *Dead of Night*, a mystery. The five films listed above are the only ones which have definitely been ordered.

However, there are many other pictures planned whose availability has not yet been made known to the Society. Among these pictures are *All The King's Men* which won an

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Northfield "Talks" Illumine Minds Of Andover Religious

Last weekend the annual Northfield Religious Conference was held, in which participated representatives from most of the New England Prep Schools. Among the approximately one hundred boys attending, seven were from Andover: Jim Liles, John Brubaker, Tony Barlow, Carl Horn, Art Kelly, Jerry Drummond, and Tom Hale. We left here at 2:30 Friday afternoon, and arrived back Sunday Afternoon.

The program of the weekend consisted of three group meetings and a Sunday service. The main topic of the three meetings was "Vocation and Christian Faith." The first meeting was held Friday night, at which the two speakers, which had been obtained to lead the conference, started the discussion off by throwing out various ideas as to the relationship between one's faith and his vocation. They suggested that work and religion should not be separated, because one of the most important ways in which to express one's religion is through one's occupation. They went on further to suggest also that practically all vocations expressed Christianity — that the extent to which a vocation justifies itself is determined by how much it serves the needs of mankind.

After they had spoken, the whole group divided up into about ten smaller groups to discuss and question what had been said. Each group was to pose one of two significant questions to the speakers, which they would then answer before the whole meeting. On the whole many extremely interesting ideas and arguments were brought up and discussed. In the second meeting Saturday the speakers elaborated on what was the essence of the Christian faith and how it applied directly to our lives and our work. Again the meeting divided up in the same way to ask questions.

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Librarian Sterns Tells Students Of Books' Importance

Mr. Malcolm Sterns, Asst. Librarian and Acting Dean at Wesleyan, spoke to the Wednesday morning assembly last week on the subject, "Why Buy Books?"

After being introduced by Philo president Gerry Jones as "Mr. Malcolm Sterns of 'Wellesley'," the librarian told the student body that his talk would be divided into two parts: "Why buy books?", and "Why buy books?" Mr. Sterns first talked all about books—kinds of books. "What do books do?", he asked. He went on to say that books inform us; for example, what would schools be without books? "Of course teachers do quite a bit too," he admitted, but he nevertheless maintained that education would be stranded without the use of books. Then Mr. Sterns pointed out the fact that books can relieve us too. His next remark was one which will long be remembered by the P. A. student body; "A book can be your friend."

In bringing out the argument

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Pot Pourri

The Board of the 1955 *Pot Pourri* recently announced the plans for its yearbook, and the details of a procedure which will enable any student to get a free *Pot Pourri*.

Editor Art Kelly said that the publisher of the 1955 *Pot Pourri* will be the Bradbury, Sayles, Neill Co. of New York. The contract that was signed last week provides for a 240 page book which to be distributed to the student body before the start of final exams in June; this book will contain all activities except spring sports, the musical production, and Commencement exercises. These activities will be presented in a 32 page supplement issue to be printed immediately after the close of school. The supplement is to be mailed to each *Pot Pourri* subscriber before August 1.

The 1955 yearbook will be highlighted by a more complete review of the Senior year, a new cover design, a humorous feature by Tom Lawrence, which will be accompanied by a series of "Digne" cartoons, and a more complete coverage of underclassmen and J. sports. The possibility of including color pictures will depend upon the success of the canvass to be held January 14.

A radically new offer enabling any member of the student body to get a free *Pot Pourri* has been instituted by this year's Board. It provides that any student who is able to procure one full page advertisement (\$55 (¾ page) worth of advertising space for the *Pot Pourri* will be given a free yearbook. An added feature of this offer is that any student is able to secure 2 full pages

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Tom Lawrence, rebuttalist in Friday night's debate.

The PHILLIPPIAN



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THE PHILLIPPIAN takes great pleasure in announcing that after two weeks of failing geometry, six weeks of probation, three more weeks of failing geometry, fifteen weeks of vacation, six more weeks of failing geometry, and three weeks of general negligence by the Editor, Tom Lawrence has been approved as Features Editor.

Editorial

At this point in the school year, a review of the importance of this Fall Term and a brief warning concerning the seven days which lie ahead seems to deserve a good deal of importance. This term is the toughest of the year for the student body. It is long, too long according to many observers. There is a long tiring haul from beginning to end, accentuated by the lack of activity following the Thanksgiving weekend.

For the junior, the Fall is a time for adjustment to a new way of life. There are rules to learn, new friends to make, and teaching methods to adjust to. Prepping, Abbot Calling, and other P. A. traditions form a new sphere of activity for most juniors. But now, the trial period is over. More will be expected both socially, athletically, and mentally. The "prep" is now an integral part of P.A.

For the Senior, the Fall Term has been a very telling period. College applications, choices, and acceptances will depend heavily on this term's endeavors. Also, this period begins the final stage of preparation for college life. More responsibilities, privileges, and freedom have been handed the Senior in an attempt to acquaint him with the realities which he must face in college.

For the whole school this has been a term of careful probing. Each individual has been trying to find himself in terms of Andover society. He has been readjusting himself to the routines that form the basis of P.A., and has tried to buckle down to add another block to the building which will eventually be his education.

In general, the term has run smoothly. The preliminary period of "coming back" and "prepping" was executed smoothly. The scholastic standards have been well met in most quarters, and the school's extra-curricular functions have also operated quite well. The spirit at the first few football games was not all that could be expected, but by the Exeter game a peak was definitely reached. The conduct before, during and after the game was great as was the enthusiasm and cheering which surrounded the whole affair.

Now, the conclusion of the term is drawing near, and only one hurdle remains: final examinations. In the week before the exams, there is often a tendency towards dull complacency brought on by the nearness of December 16. The seemingly useless class day before the finals start also has a deadening effect on the student body. However, this should not be the case.

As all old boys must know, these final tests are of tremendous importance. A substantial part of the term's grade

is represented in those tests, and a good showing on them can make a big difference. The student should prepare adequately for each test and should go into the examination room with a full realization of the importance of his best effort. Over-studying and tiring of the mind on the "night before" is best remedied by the planning of one's studying over a sufficiently long period of time.

Leaving these thoughts behind, THE PHILLIPPIAN closes out its Fall Term's operations and wishes the best of luck to all P.A. men in the next few days of preparations and examinations.

THAT ANDOVER

We've been told that we look quite nice upside down.

We found the Wednesday morning speaker last week who spoke on "Why Buy Books?" very good. He was so good, in fact, that we're still asking ourselves.

Next Wednesday morning's speaker will be Miss Elizabeth Eades, head-librarian, who will speak on the lamentable situation of books disappearing from the reference room. Her speech is entitled: "Why Steal Books?"

The ice is finally on the hockey rink — now the coldest place in Andover next to Abbot.

The mother of the fellow down the hall wrote him last week and asked him what he wanted for Christmas. She got a reply yesterday, but she has no idea where to start looking for a copy of Morrison and Commager.

The same fellow went down to pay a visit on Dr. Rizzo this morning. It seems he's been hearing bells more often than every fifteen minutes.

Many of the political Wednesday morning speakers have told the student body the dangers of going into politics, but we don't seem to recall any of them mentioning putting one's elbow through a glass table top.

When we make our first million, and donate a bell tower to Exeter, (a nasty trick, eh?) we're going to fashion it after its P.A. sister: when the hands are indicating the correct time and all the chime bells are ringing, it will be tolling the hour at ten past when the hands are indicating the correct time and one o'clock is tolling at one o'clock, there will be just two chime bells ringing, but when all the bells are functioning smoothly and correctly, we'll see that the hands are removed immediately.

Incidental Intelligence: At the time of publication there will be approximately 668,700 seconds remaining in the Fall Term.

The new address book is out and it only goes to prove that the people who name streets Tripphammer Road, Savage Street, Asylum Avenue and the like are almost as witty as those who give their sons such names as Axelrod, Pingle or Bjerke.

Everything that turns up in the Sheppard murder trial seems to be covered with blood. It reminds us of what a P.A. faculty meeting must be like.

While browsing through the stacks the other day, we came across a small volume naming some of the more outstanding motion pictures of the year 1929. Now we know exactly what to expect to see on television over Christmas vacation.

The Student Congress has made a plea for used playing cards for two local hospitals. So far this effort has netted one three of spades, which really isn't surprising. It is somewhat doubtful whether a hospital would accept P.A.'s type of playing cards.

Librarian

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that, "Books can introduce you to people," Mr. Sterns quoted Woodrow Wilson and spoke about Winston Churchill, whom he said one could become very well acquainted with through reading the Prime Minister's six volumes on the Second World War. The speaker's next two reasons for buying books were, "Books can take you to places you've never been," and, "Books can give you ideas you've never had before." He pointed out the fact that we would not have records of ancient philosophy had it not been for a book by Boethius, a Roman philosopher, compiling and editing previous philosophies into one volume.

Mr. Sterns then entered into the second part of his talk—"Why buy books?" He began by saying that Phillips Academy has the greatest school library in the country, better even than many colleges. We must buy books however, according to Mr. Sterns, because the books in the library are not ours. Continuing his argument in favor of buying books, Mr. Sterns said that if a person wants to read a book, he should buy it, write in it, put notes in the margin, and in the words of a friend of his who is a fishing enthusiast, "Gut the book." Mr. Sterns then brought forth three copies of *Moby Dick*; a cheap edition

which he has "guttied," an illustrated Rockwell Kent edition, and a first edition. "I don't feel right," he said, "unless I read *Moby Dick* once a year."

ANNOUNCES LIBRARY CONTEST

Changing the topic from "Why buy books" to "How to buy books," Mr. Sterns told the assembly that the semi-annual sale of the Hampshire Book Shop will be at the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library from Monday until Wednesday noon of this week.

Mr. Sterns also announced the rules regarding the contest for student book collections. Last June, an organization called *The Friends of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library* voted to give a prize of \$20 for the best student library. Wesleyan, Yale, and many other universities are now conducting similar competitions. Each student wanting to compete is to have or to get before May 1st between ten and twenty books that he likes and to write a letter on why he likes them. The prize will be given in June when the student's library will be displayed in the school library.

Toward the end of the lecture, the college librarian brought out a pocket-sized hand-written copy of the Holy Bible dating from the middle ages. In closing, Mr. Sterns told the audience that, "You've got a great opportunity to have friends on your bookshelf."

Blue Chips

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piece was a fine show of interpretive dancing to a medley of famous TV theme songs and advertisement tunes.

After the show ended in a grand finale by the entire cast, Chris Crosby and Gerry Jones of the hockey team presented gifts of appreciation to the skaters for their fine performance.

Northfield

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Saturday night the atmosphere was brightened up by the arrival of eight Northfield girls to participate in the discussion. The topic under consideration was the finding of the meaning of life through human relationships, certain of which were not too appropriate for discussion by a mixed group. However, needless to say, that evening's discussion proved very enjoyable and interesting, and indeed climaxed a very worthwhile weekend.

Film Society

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Oscar for actor Broderick Crawford; Disney's Academy-Award winning *Vanishing Prairie*; three famous war pictures including *All Quiet on the Western Front*; and perhaps an English comedy, preferably with Alec Guinness. It must be stressed, though, that none of these films is now available to this Society, but if they should become available, they will be shown.

The members of the Society of which John Daly is president and Steve Renkert Secretary — are considering but, have as yet not decided upon a healing system for Upper interested in becoming members of the Film Society. However, when a healing system was tried several years ago it failed; and therefore the present proposal must undergo much consideration.

Pot Pourri

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of advertising space will automatically be elected to the Pot Pourri Business Board.

Anyone interested in taking advantage of this offer should note that (1) an advertisement may not be secured from any firm in Andover, Mass.; (2) this offer expires March 1, 1955, and (3) the time and place of a meeting giving further details of this offer will be announced in the Bulletin in the near future.

For those students who are unable to secure the minimum amount of advertising necessary to make them eligible for this offer, the price of the 1955 *Pot Pourri* will remain at \$8. This is a relatively cheap price considering that it costs \$11 to print one copy of the *Pot Pourri*, and also that both Deerfield and Choate charge in excess of \$15 for their yearbooks.

Hartigan's Pharmacy

PRESCRIPTIONS

Chestnut and Main Streets

Blue Boys Bother Abbot By Being Boisterous Bunch

By LOUISE BELL

We were very pleased to be asked to reply to Sam Rae's article on Abbot-Andover relations, although much of what we would say on the subject has already been said by him.

We realize that some of the ideas Andover has of Abbot are not exactly flattering and that Andover feels Abbot is "Essex County's heart of darkness." But to be perfectly blunt, Abbot at times, tends to reciprocate in similar manner. And if Abbot is not thought to be as "Free" as Andover would like, Andover is thought to be at times a good deal too "Free". We see P.A. as a rowdy and boisterous bunch of boys, a mass of uncontrolled human energy, pouring out of football games, classes and church, or swarming over our Circle in a wild orgy after an athletic victory. It's a fairly overwhelming sight!

Most of us at Abbot would like to get to know the "gentlemen on the Hill" better, but the time element interferes. Our main reason for coming to prep school is to get into college, and therefore, school work must take precedence. Secondly, Abbot has many intra-school activities. We are raising funds for a new gymnasium; the Christian Association is collecting Christmas gifts for the boys and girls of a settlement school in Kentucky. The student government has just completed a new system for the recognition of citizenship standing in the student body. The whole school has been practicing for its traditional Thanksgiving and Christmas services. Class plays and talent shows must be produced, all in a limited amount of time. With all of this, a lot of us still find time for some dances, glee club concerts, and our annual Bazaar. While these activities are not as spectacular as An-

dover's football games or dramatic productions, they involve the time of nearly every member of the student body. We, therefore, have little time left for more extensive interest in activities on the Hill.

For this same reason, we are unable to produce *Brigadoon* with you. Our musical department felt it was too ambitious an undertaking for a school of this size. The *Mikado* was one thing, but even it did not have the intricate choral work and dancing, as well as the lines, which *Brigadoon* involves. We, too, are sorry about this; we loved doing the *Mikado* and wish we could have done *Brigadoon*, but again, time and energy are at a premium.

We are anything but narrow-minded about all of this. Abbot-Andover relations are the topic of many discussions. We want to better them. We realize the great opportunity the two schools have, and we want to take as much advantage of it as we can. But Abbot must remain independent. In the meantime we will do everything we can to promote mutual respect between the schools. If both schools appreciated and emphasized the good points of each, we would not spend as much time quibbling over the little frictions which are probably inevitable in a situation such as we have.

Why not call it quits on all this sort of discussion? Probably not everyone in either school could ever be fully satisfied. And how dull it would be if such a utopian state should exist!

PHILLIPIAN
The PHILLIPIAN will be unable, under the present conditions, to come out until Thursday lunch. This change is necessitated by the Film Society's Wednesday night movie program.

Philo Debate

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the "constant devotion angel". She said, "Mother is a listening post; she also fills your mailbox every day with letters, magazines, and goodies." Mrs. Wetmore also mentioned the fact that a boy's mother has his social, cultural, and moral welfare at heart. Her best metaphor "A boy is like a horse, you can lead him to water, but you can't make him drink, was used to illustrate nothing, even though it was very amusing.

Doug Brown's speech was devoted to the idea that either a father, brother or girl is in at least one of the cases, or in all three, a better friend than "Mom." Doug was a little more serious than his teammates, mainly because his team, up to that point, had not brought out one constructive argument.

Mr. Tom Lawrence did an excellent job in rebutting each and every argument of the affirmative. As Lawrence moved from his team's more serious arguments to their more humorous ones, he spoke at length on his favorite boy and girl friend, Christine Jorgenson. He stated that at one time he had telephoned her, asking for a quote. She said that when she was a boy he was more devoted toward his father than his mother.

Mrs. Powell, the last debater, took each of the negative's arguments and slowly tore each one apart. Much to her chagrin the negative did not talk on the Oedipus complex. She had prepared for days and days an argument for the opponent's strongest point, but the negative lost itself in a mire of jokes.

LANGUAGE CLUBS

As the Fall Term nears its end, the Andover language clubs are making plans for next term's activities. Only one organization, the Spanish Club, has plans for the remainder of this term. Tomorrow evening, Thursday, Dec. 9, the full-length motion picture *Subida al Cielo* will be shown in George Washington Hall. *Subida al Cielo*, a Mexican comedy-fantasy with English subtitles, stars Lilia Prado and Esteban Marquez who has often been called "the Charlie Chaplin of Mexico." Under the leadership of Eduardo Maal, Twink Catlett, George Faillace, and Art Murphy, the Spanish Club has been very busy so far this year with meetings every two weeks. A highlight of the term was Mr. Taylor's talk of his trip through Spain during his sabbatical leave last year. He also showed colored slides of that country to illustrate his talk. Plans for the coming year include round-table discussions, which are limited to those boys whose native language is not Spanish, to help increase the members' ability in spoken Spanish. There are hopes of holding some of these discussions, as well as dances, with girls schools such as Bradford Jr. College. A tea dance is planned for the Spring Term.

To add a French touch to the Andover scene, Mike West has led the French Club through a successful term climaxed by the

3-1 soccer victory over the Spanish frog-fighters. Other highlights of this term have been a talk by Francois Claessens, a Belgian student who spoke of the similarities and contrasts of life at Andover and a Belgian school, and several short films. The French Club hopes to sponsor a tea dance, probably in the Spring Term. Although last year's French play was well received, this year's organization does not plan to produce one. Instead, there are plans for another full-length movie like last year's *La Casque d'Or* next term.

Films and informal discussions are on the agenda for the German Club according to President Bob Kohler. It is also believed that Pete Hesse and Chris Kadelbach, students from Germany, will speak about Salem School, which they both attended last year. Plans are being made now to show several films which concern German life and customs and are narrated in German.

Fourteen P. A. students this year have become charter members of the newly formed Italian Club. During the meetings, members study Italian Grammar, vocabulary, and indulge in conversation although the course is not taught by direct method. President Peter Borre, assisted by Dr. Gillingham, teaches at these sessions each Tuesday evening.

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On The Sidelines

By MIKE BELL

Woes of a schedule-maker: Peck, DiClemente, & Co., sweating out another scheduling session at the gym, are probably cursing under their breath the necessity for making out athletic schedules far ahead of time. After hours of work spent drawing up a suitable schedule for Andover's seven (counting varsities only) winter sports, somebody found out that a full schedule of home contests (with the Harvard freshmen) had been arranged for the week-end of the Winter Prom, whereas the weekend before the Prom had seven open dates. A full schedule isn't a very good setup for a Prom weekend unless it's a three-day one.

One of the things to come out of the rescheduling was a new policy with regard to away contests: Only one team will stay overnight as its hosts' guest this winter — the hockey squad, at Hebron. Overnight trips like last year's at Yale (basketball, hockey, wrestling, and swimming) were dropped almost completely.

On the hockey subject: Ted Harrison's stickmen warmed up for a season packed with tough games by taking on New Prep and Belmont Hill in pre-season warmups. New Prep fell by 3-2, with captain Chris Crosby, of Wayzata, Minn., registering two goals, along with Bruce Smith's single. The skaters did a more thorough job on Belmont Hill, with Crosby again scoring twice in a 7-0 rout. Little Billy Creese, one of two Danvers, Mass., twins (he has a brother Bert) also tallied twice. George Robinson, a Norwalk, Conn., Upper with speed to burn, hit the cords with two more goals. Robinson scored the Blue's lone goal in a 4-1 loss to St. Pauls last year, one of New England's toughest (if not the toughest) ice squads.

Even Bill Whittlesey, a defenseman, got in the act, scoring twice. John McBride, a talented Upper who sat out last season with a broken leg, rounded out the scoring with one goal.

You may remember that last

year the Harrisonmen squeaked by Belmont Hill, 2-1, for the Hill's first loss to a prep school team in two years. Crosby and Company seem

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M. Jones To Lead P. A. Squash; Many Uppers Look Good

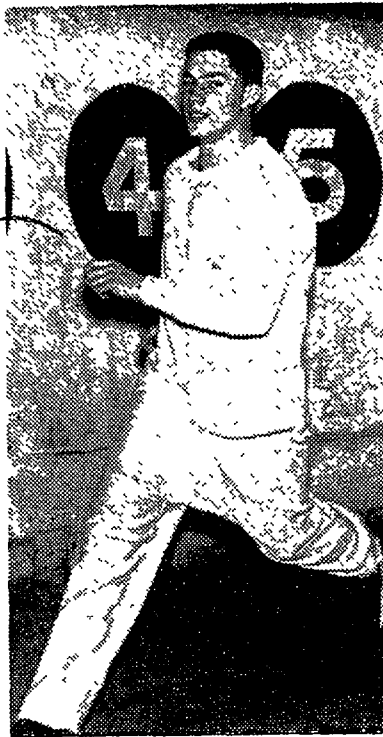
"Very good, in fact excellent," said Sam Willson, when asked about the prospects for the season. With but two returning lettermen, Mr. Willson seems flooded with a wealth of material for the remaining varsity slots. The reason for this depth is that this year is the first in which the squash team has had anyone returning with varsity or JV experience. Last year, which was only the second year of squash on the Hill, was the first that saw interscholastic competition. Along with this is the fact that squash is growing in importance among sports offered here.

The team led by Matt Jones, who won five of eight matches last year. Jones has moved up from his number two position of last year to the number one slot. The other returning letterman is Fred Byron now playing number two. Up from JV and the only man in his class to play last year is Upper Marsh McCall. Lowell Latshaw, another Upper and number one man in tennis, shows great promise. Seniors John DeMerell, Eduardo Maal, Bill Miller, Hewitt Brown, and "Lonny" Blackmer, along with Upper Chuck Smith round out the present varsity.

The schedule includes several matches against college freshmen. In addition to Dartmouth '58, Harvard '58 "B" team, Yale '58 "B" team, Brooks, St. Pauls Middlesex and Exeter also face the squad.

Ontlook Good For Winter Track

Headed by interscholastic champions vault and weight, the winter track team is Steve Snyder and Ed Maal and a host of other far improved over last year's rather mediocre returning lettermen in all except the pole squad. The 1953-54 squad, although it won the Interscholastics by a fraction of a point over Governor Dummer, lost all six of its dual meets, including a 95-12 defeat by the Harvard Freshmen.



Tony Barlow, Track captain

Whether or not 1955 will be a return to the days when Andover track teams were able to beat college freshmen, only Andover's first meet can tell. Since neither the stop watch nor the tape measure have been used, one can only go by last year's performances. Therefore, no mention is made of preps, although they will undoubtedly fill some positions on the squad.

The forty-yard dash is headed by upper Steve Snyder, who has been Andover's number one dash man ever since he was a junior. Already twice Interscholastic champion in the 40, Snyder has only one new goal left, the cage record of 4.6, which he tied unofficially in the Tufts meet last year. Steve is backed by Arthur Greenberg, Jerry Ringling, and winter track captain Tony Barlow. Snyder again holds the edge in the 300, in which he placed second in the Interscholastics last winter. He is again

followed by Tony Barlow and Russ shaver who have been on the varsity track squad for three years. The 600 appears to have depth, plus, with three varsity men-Fritz Okie, Jim Lorenz, and Dixie Morgan - competing for the three positions. Okie and Lorenz ran on the B. A. A. relay team last winter and placed fifth, one place behind Morgan, in the Interscholastics. Okie also had Andover's best time in the 600 last year, a 1:20.4 clocking at Yale.

Cross country men Dave Haartz, Bob Scobie, and German exchange student Peter Hesse along with Dick Siegal compose the 1000 and mile distances. The mile has been introduced into winter track for the first time in many years.

The Blue, which all last winter did not place first in the shot put has considerable strength in this event this year: Fred Gillman, who tossed over 48 feet, Jerry Barnes, and Dick Rossman. Gillman also plans to throw the discus.

Possibly Andover's best event is the broad jump with Larry Westfall, pint-sized Tom Kelly, and Stan MacDonald all having jumped over twenty feet and upper John Winslow having cleared nineteen. The high jump seems to be another point winner, mainly because of Ed Maal, who cleared 5'11" in taking both the Winter and Spring Interscholastics.

At the moment, the question mark seems to be the pole vault and weight, which usually are the Blue's strongest events. If Tat Hillman, Doc Bennett, and Stan MacDoanld can clear ten feet or if some good preps appear, the Blue will be able to garner at least a few points in

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Catlett, Burke Lead Mermen; Burke Nearly Makes Record In Breaststroke Last Week

The 1954-55 swimming team can boast two of Andover's finest swimmers since Olympic champion Jim McLane: Twink Catlett and Tom Burke. Catlett is regarded by head coach Wetmore as "as good in diving as McLane was in swimming." Last year he broke every diving record possible for him to break: the Andover, Andover-Exeter, and pool records. In addition, Catlett took first in the Interscholastics, beating his nearest rival by over twenty points. At the end of the season he received an All-American ranking.

Last Saturday Burke, in the season's first time trials came 0.7 of a second from the school record for

the breast stroke, posting a 1:08.5. Because this time was made so early in the season and because he was not pushed by anyone, Wet-

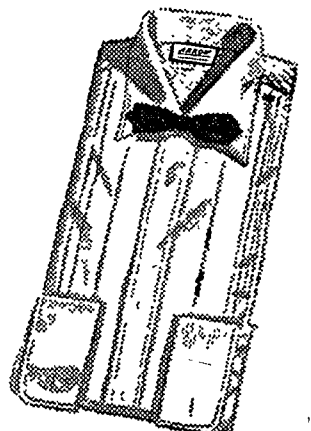
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Agee Leads Returning Dekemen

Having finally cut sixty-eight out of eighty aspiring Varsity Basketball players from the usual large winter turnout of talent the way in which the team will turn out, but hopes are high.

Of three returnees from last years squad, two are sure starters. These two, Captain Bill Agee and Whitey Polgreen, will fill the forward posts. The center position has resolved itself into a battle between Upper Lanny Keyes and Senior Prep Charley Moyer.

The three promising guards are Ned Leroy, Walt Roe, and Art Hotchkiss. Also on the squad are Boxley Cooke — a returnee who has seen very little action this year on account of sickness — Pete Briggs, and Uppers Bob Gould and Roger Skillings.

Coach DiClemente stresses the point that thus far no real work has been done since the last few weeks were devoted to weeding out and determining the Varsity players from the large group of aspirants. But now that the job has been done, the team will get down to serious work on fundamentals, offensive and defensive plays.

The first game will be on Wednesday January 12 against Huntington School. The hoopsters face the usually tough schedule of playing a number of college frosh teams

such as Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, M. I. T., Amherst, and Northeastern. Among the schoolboy teams that will be met are Tabor, Lawrence, Tilton, and Exeter. The Exeter game will be on March 5th.

Danehower To Captain Boxers

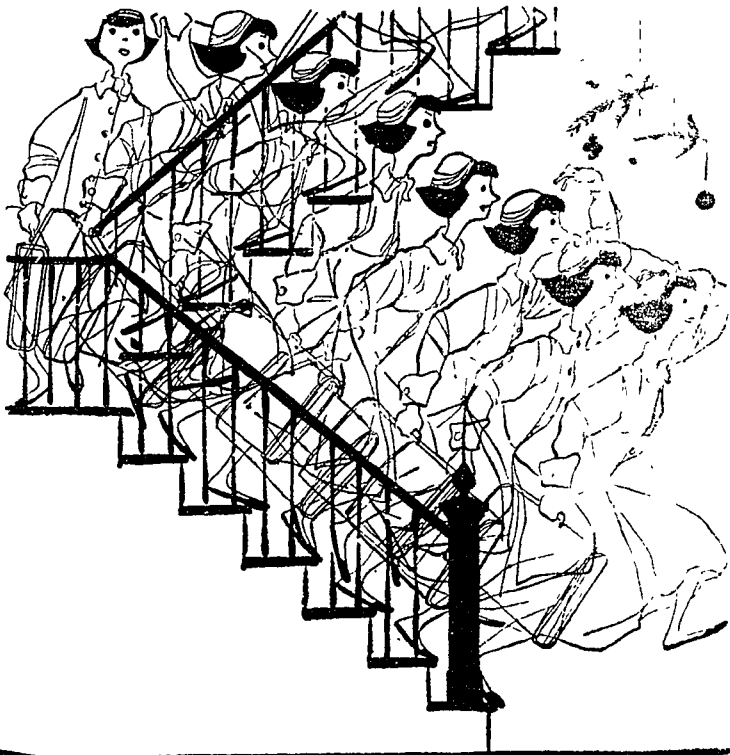
With a new mat in the ring and a group of enthusiastic participants, Andover's boxing team is getting more and more popular. This year the punchers are led by their first Captain since the sport was initiated three years ago, Chet Danehower. Danehower, Mike Ogden and Jim Liles are all veterans from last year and two other southerners are promising to turn out as really good fighters, Perry Lewis and Carl Horn. There are a couple of Northern veterans in there too, Dick Blumsack and Milan Vaclavic, both of which are uppers.

Though the sport is informal this year there is one outside match planned with St. Paul's who came down here last year. Also there is an excellent chance that some alumni from Yale will be down some Saturday to take on their younger counterparts. So, though, the sport is informal, it promises to be lively and exciting.

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Hockey Opens Hard Season; Smothers Belmont Hill, 7-0



Smith, McBride, and Crosby in action against New Prep.

If returning lettermen are the criterion by which a team's chances for success can be asessed, the varsity hockey squad ought to be one of the best the Hill has seen in more than several years. Coach Harrison's optimism has caused him to schedule the hockey powers of New England, including Dartmouth, Harvard, St. Paul's, and Exeter. In place of the usual excursion to Canada during Christmas vacation, Mr. Harrison has decided to play Lower Canada College at Andover in February instead of in Montreal at Christmas. The Blue got off on the right foot last Wednesday by downing New Prep 3-2, and crushing Belmont Hill 7-0.

The nine returning lettermen form the backbone of the team, since very little talent has been uncovered among the preps. Captain Chris Crosby, a returner from last year's first line, will start at wing. John McBride, whose leg injury last season kept him off the ice, will skate at left wing. Football captain-elect Bruce Smith should play first string center. At defense, stocky Bill Whittlesey and Beez Morton, whose passions for smashing enemy wings into the boards has earned them first string slots. Gerry Jones, who started in the nets last year, is back again at goalie.

The second line will consist of George Robinson, Bob Karle, and Bill Creese. John Pitts, Perry Hall, and Lance Odden will play third line, while Tom Crosby will work in as an alternate. The second string defense has not been decided on, but Bob Crosby and Tony Forstmann may be the answer. Bert Creese will be subbing for Jones in the goal.

The club system, which is the main source of talent for the varsity, will be run under the same four club method as last year. Mr. Hulburd, Mr. Weld, Mr. Leavitt, Mr. Whitney, and Dr. Gillingham will teach fundamentals to the club group.

Skiing Team Led By K. Rickenbaugh Uppers Aid Squad

"If only we have snow"! For quite a few years, that has been the hope of Mr. McKee and Mr. Sanborn, skiing coaches. Though the chances of good skiing conditions are again slim this year, they are still hoping. The two certainly have a right to keep wishing, as this year's squad is one of the best ever assembled on the hill.

This season's captain is Kent Rickenbaugh, a senior excellent in two events, downhill and slalom. He also does cross-country. Managing

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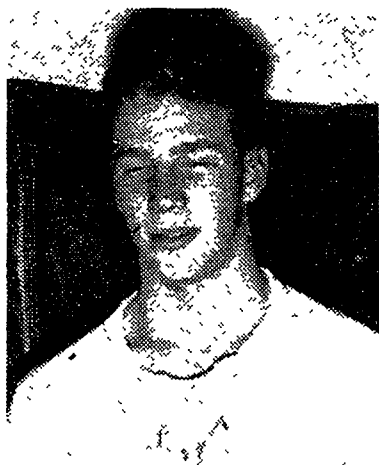
P.A. Wrestling Team Expects Profitable Season Under Lux; Three Return From Last Year

The wrestling team, this year, is looking forward to a good season under its new coach, Mr. Lux. Although it is not exceptionally good, the team has a few outstanding wrestlers.

However, Mr. Lux is working along a different plan than did Mr. Pieters, so one can never tell just how the team will do in the meets. One of the things that Mr. Lux is stressing is learning the holds rather than just straight wrestling.

this year. He is wrestling at 177 pounds. Orin Hein will be filling either the 123 or the 130 pound slot. There are three other strong contenders for these two positions: Bob Pitts, Mike Bell, and Ben Cheney. Bell and Cheney both wrestled on the J. V. Team, and Pitts proved himself by beating Hein in their first match.

With John Brubaker out with torn ligaments, the 147 pound class is wide open. At 137 pounds is Al Loosigian, who wrestled on the varsity team in his lower year but was beaten out in his upper year. This year as a senior he has improved tremendously and is almost certain to win most of his matches. The 117 pound position is being contended for by Andy Leaf, Wilbur Kingwell and Bob Kozol. All three are equally good wrestlers. In the unlimited weight class will be Pete Herrick. Although Pete weighs only 195 lbs. his weight is concentrated and he will afford strong opposition against much heavier opponents.



Pete Moses, captain of wrestling, shown just before Monday's practice.

There are three returning lettermen from last year's team: Pete Moses, Darryl De Vivo, and Orin Hein. Pete is captain of this year's team and will be wrestling at 167 pounds instead of last year's 157 pounds. Darryl De Vivo also wrestled out of his weight class last year so he should put on a good showing

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Andover Glee Club Shines In Concert With Rogers Hall

Last Saturday the P. A. Glee Club bettered its great performance at Dana Hall two weeks ago, in a concert with the Rogers Hall Glee Club at Rogers Hall.

The fine program of the P. A. Glee Club was virtually the same as it had been at the Dana Hall concert. The Glee Club sang a medley of songs from Carousal, two spirituals, and the second and third parts of "The Testament of Freedom" by Thompson.

The few slight mistakes in timing which were apparent in the Dana Hall performance didn't exist in the performance last Saturday afternoon. The interpretation of the music was better at this concert, for both the singers and the conductors were more familiar with the music. "The Testament of Freedom" was by far the best offering of the afternoon, and Glee Club supporters are anxiously awaiting the day when the Glee Club will present the whole work.

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Faculty Play In G.W. Hall Friday; Then Shakespeare And Musical

With the Fall Term drawing to a close, this year's three dramatic efforts are in varying stages of readiness. The faculty play, entitled *Many Happy Returns*, is slated for this week, while the Shakespearean production and the musical are scheduled for the end of the winter term and the beginning of the next.

Many Happy Returns is a vehicle which will show off - and to advantage, we hope - the faculties thespian abilities. Written fifteen years ago by Mrs. Hallowell and directed by Mr. Hallowell, the play features such austere and respected members of the faculty and faculty wives as Mr. Kemper (as a butler!) the authoress, Dr. Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Harding, and so on.

Bolstered by the deserved success

of *Hamlet*, one of the great tragedies of all time, the Shakespeare players have this year elected to attempt one of the Bard's lighter works, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. From the outset Mr. Hallowell has had troubles; the first was finding someone to play Bottom, the doltish but loveable weaver. Mr. Hallowell finally plucked Henry Rouse from his public speaking class and asked him to try out. Rouse got the part, and everyone breathed a lot easier. Bill Hegeman, who will be long remembered for

his performance of Ko-Ko in last year's *Mikado*, will play Puck, the mischievous sprite who wrecks havoc on the affairs of just about everybody. The rest of the parts were comparatively easy to fit, and Mr. Hallowell now has a play ready to go into rehearsal. The Glee Club cannot say as much, however. As of the beginning of the term, Mr. Schneider named *Brigadoon* as this year's musical. The subsequent inability to get together with a girl's school caused the production to be junked. The Glee Club wanted to do something, girls or no, so Mr. Schneider set about finding a female-less production. He finally hit upon the *Student Prince*, and if it can be acquired cheaply enough, that will be the Glee Club's presentation.

Student Congress In Review; Successful, Busy Term With Tea Dance; Many Proposals

By DICK BERGMANN

The Student Congress has accomplished quite a lot this term, having put forth a successful tea dance, brought up a number of proposals to the faculty, and done well in assigned jobs such as the supervising of campus cleanup. The Congress met in the Rose Room of the Commons for the first part of the term, and then moved to the quieter and more comfortable faculty room. Whittlesey was elected president of the Fall Term Congress, Dixie Morgan, vice president, Bob Pitts secretary, and John McBride treasurer.

One of the first things the Congress did was to set up a movie committee which headed by "Whit" Whittlesey, firmly resolved to shut off the movies if the noise grew too

great, which, as it turned out, it was soon to do. Next, Tom Hale was appointed to take charge of the Infirmary Fund, whose purpose is of raising funds for radios, magazines, and so on. A week later, this group was voted to be changed to the jurisdiction of the Phillips Society, where the new committee immediately blossomed into a group of about ten to twelve boys, who as well as raising funds, also bring mail and books to the boys in the Infirmary, and render a number of other services.

A proposal for a juke box in Benner House was defeated on the grounds that it would only pay its way if it were operated during morning study hours. The faculty feels strongly about it inasmuch as it would come in conflict with the no phonographs during study hours rule. A similar proposal for a new radio for the Riley Room was brought before the advisory board, and it was met with the fixing of the old one. The proposition for a pay phone in Day North was defeated.

Dixie Morgan was elected chairman of a committee formed to draw up a petition for radios for seniors, whose members got together with their housemasters, and the proposal was put into the hands of a senior housemasters committee. And finally, two proposals concerning Thanksgiving, the first about making it a long week-end, and the second about not making the excuse count for underclassmen, were put into the hands of Langley Keyes. The first proposal was postponed to a later date while the second was accepted by the faculty.

As well as supervising campus cleanup, the Fall Congress served the purpose of advising the student body on various topics, and of awarding the prizes to the banners on the Exeter rally. Concerning this last field, it awarded three, two, and one case of coke to the three dorms having the best banners. The Congress further decided that in the future each dorm's representative would be responsible for the censoring of his dorm's banner.

Many of these judged banners adorned the walls of the Old Gym the next day for the Student Congress Tea Dance, it being held there because Dave Schlosser, head of the committee, realized that there would not be enough room in Peabody House. In fact, it was one of the biggest turnouts ever, and, in this reporter's opinion, the success of that tea dance symbolized the success of the Fall Term Congress.

Varsity Skiing

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the team is Scott T Stewart. Two other seniors will also be mainstays on this winter's team, John Palmer and Bob Nordhaus. Bob is a four event man, jumping and doing the slalom, downhill, and cross-country, while Palmer does the latter three events.

The nucleus of the squad will probably be composed of five returning upper lettermen, Tom Phillips, Brooks Stoddard, Doug Kitchel, Mike Moore, and Bob Clark. All four event men, they foretell another fine team next year.

CHANGED POLICY


As of this year, skiing as a social sport has been abolished. The lack of activities for the social skiers, some of whom didn't even own skis, became a pressing problem for Mr. McKee and Mr. Sanborn last year. Thus, this year only boys interested in competing in meets have remained out for the sport. The number at the present is 24, but after the rigorous training planned, it is hoped that eight will drop out.

Most of the former social skiers have gone out for track, which will get them into condition and from which they may get excuses to ski, when and if it snows. At such times Mr. Sanborn will be prepared to give lessons to beginners, as he has done in the past. Meanwhile, Mr. Sanborn with his work crew has been working on the jump and the trails around Prospect hill.

Varsity Track

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any meet. "But," as Mr. Sorota remarked, "if is a big word." As for the weight, only upper Lou Walling has shown any promise as of now. These events appear to be the only blemishes on an otherwise successful track picture.



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to be filling in pretty well for last year's squad, despite the loss by graduation of players like Dick Starratt, tied for top scorer in the New England Prep School Conference; captain Mike Harvey, a real fighter and the Blue's best competitor, now at West Point; Hugh Mainelli, Woody Harris, and others.

Lower Canada College, of Montreal, will be repaying the skaters a visit Feb. 26 when it comes to spend the weekend Feb. 26 and play the Blue. Last Christmas vacation, the Andover squad ventured into the stronghold of North American hockey and tied the Canadians, 4-4.

Winter offers the widest variety of sports to the Andover student, and the widest variety of sensations to the Andover sportswriter. This Sideliner remembers last winter, as an apprentice cliché-writer, standing knee-deep in water covering one hockey game; peering through fog to see the other end of the rink during the Medford High game; fingers so frozen they wouldn't push a pencil at St. Pauls. Then there were pleasanter moments, such as sitting in a locker room during halftime of away basketball games, munching oranges while the managers glared and Deke diagrammed plays and pleaded with the basketballers (in what can best be described as a Northern drawl) to keep alive on the floor.

There are prospects for a pretty good sportswriter's winter, if the oranges hold out.

Swimming

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more stated that Burke would undoubtedly break the school record of 1:07.8, which has stood for ten years. Last year as a lower, Burke swam first man and placed second in the Interscholastics.

As for the rest of the squad, Saturday's time trials are in indication that the '54-'55 team will have to improve a great deal to equal the Andover squads of McLane, or of Cornwall.

The 50-yard freestyle saw Frank Adamson compile the best time, a 26.2; he was followed by Upper Hugh Brady and Peter Parsons, both with 26.5. However, two years ago Stu Ogden compiled a 23.8, and there were three other swimmers under 25.

The 100 yard freestyle also appears to be a question mark, the best time-posted by Ned Sampson was well over last year's marks. Sampson was followed by Al Fautot and Brady.

Bill Hincks, captain of Westminster last year, led the backstrokes with a 1:08.2 time Saturday. Art Kelley, slated for this event has not been timed yet. However, he will be pushed by a much-improved Tony Hoag.

The 100-yard breaststroke had the aforementioned Mr. Burke in the first slot, followed by Dave Zurn and "Tim" Timken. Zurn beat Burke once last year and in doing so won the Interscholastics while posting the best time of the year: 1:10.

The medley saw lower Mike Mahoney, followed by Art Kelly, and in the diving Catlett occupies the first position followed by Keith Brown and Frank Adamson. There have been little or no times taken in the 200 yard freestyle, and no work at all has been done in the 150 yard medley relay or in the 200 yard freestyle relay.

However, Wetmore stated that Parsons and lower Frank Motycka will probably fill the two varsity positions in the 200-yard freestyle and that Burke and Hincks will make up two of the three positions in the 150 yard medley.

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