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Pres. Lewis To Make Graduation Address

Academy To Present Diplomas To Largest First Class In History

The outstanding event of Farragut's June Week activities will be the graduation exercises on Tuesday, June 4, at which time the graduating class will be addressed by Dr. William Mather Lewis, President of Lafayette College. Dr. Lewis is a member of the Board of Advisers of Farragut Academy and a noted public speaker. Many other interesting events are scheduled for the commencement period.

The first day of June Week, June 1, will be taken up with inter-company athletic events in the morning and a baseball game in the afternoon. At 8:30 P. M. the dramatic club will present three one-act plays under the general supervision of Mr. D. C. Dean, head of the English department. The budding thespians among the Juniors will give a farce entitled "Let Him Eat Fire," while the senior school actors will perform in "The Joke-ative Man," a drama below the Mason-Dixon line, and in a living room farce "The Name is Johnston."

Bishop Matthews to Preach

On Sunday, June 2, the baccalaureate service will be held in the gymnasium at 10:45 A.M. The guest preacher will be the Rt. Rev. Paul Matthews, retired bishop of New Jersey. Bishop Matthews preached the Armistice Day sermon two years ago and all who heard him are looking forward to his return visit. The service will be in charge of the Headmaster, Major Closson, who will be assisted by the Rev. Francis Powell, Jr., the Assistant Headmaster and pastor of the Pine Beach chapel.

The alumni have made plans for a busy Alumni Day. "Old Cadets" will register in Du Pont hall on Sunday from ten o'clock on. At 12:20 P. M. a luncheon will be served in the mess hall and the general meeting of the Association will be called to order in the library at 3:30 P. M. The annual dinner will be held at the River-view Hotel, Toms River, at 6:00 P. M.

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Late Flash

A last minute change in the schedule will bring Seton Hall Prep School's baseball team here this afternoon in place of La Salle Military Academy.

Cadet Bush Receives Rensselaer Award

This year, besides being the salutiferian of the graduating class, Cadet Frisiga Bush will be awarded the Rensselaer Award at the coming presentation of awards. This medal is awarded to the cadet in the graduating class who has the highest average in mathematics and sciences for the four years of high school which is an outstanding feat.

Cadet Bush's average for this was 90.31% and Cadets Howe and Crowder followed very close with 88.98 and 88, respectively.

Cadet Harrington Wins Sedgley Rifle Test

May 21 saw the completion of the most interesting rifle match of the year when five high score Cadets went to the Naval Air Station at Lakehurst to fire the .30 Cal. instruction course for record.

Though all cadets attaining the rate of "expert" were eligible to compete for the annual Sedgley Rifle Award, only the five scores were entered. Four complete strings were fired with the .22 Cal. and one string with the .30 Cal.

After a very slow start, Cadet Harrington overcame his rival, King, E., by a lead of one point, 858-857. Cadets Patch and Hillman tied for third place with a total of 848, and Kiernan fired 826. In the .30 Cal. match, Cadet Patch took high gun with 130.

Annapolis Candidates Make Great Record

Sixteen Cadets Succeed In Naval Academy Exams Norris To West Point

With the reports on the results of the Naval Academy entrance examinations now all in, the members of the faculty are indeed proud of the accomplishment of the candidates for this year. A total of sixteen cadets of the special preparatory course were successful in passing the examinations, as was also the lone West Point candidate. This record is all the more impressive when we note that of 118 individual examinations taken by 24 candidates, ninety-three and one-tenth were passed successfully.

Cadet Arthur Patch had the highest average of all the candidates with a mark of 3.5. He was followed closely by Samuel Morrison, 3.4, Benjamin Jones, 3.36, and Shannon Cramer, 3.34. Patch's mark of 3.9 in plane geometry was the highest mark in the individual examinations.

While most people are of the opinion that athletes are not usually good students, the record of our boys certainly disproves any such theory since no less than six first string football players are among the successful candidates, namely: Captain Warren Montgomery, end; Dick Fedon, center; George Flick, Fred Schnurr, and Shannon Cramer, tackles; and Francis Paul, guard. Since last year's Navy varsity football squad included three former Farragut stars and the Plebe eleven, two, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that another two or three years may see the ranks of the Annapolis grid-iron machines completely dominated by ex-Farragut stalwarts.

Cadet Harold Norris was the lone West Point candidate this year and he too was successful. While the Naval Academy boys will be called to report for duty some time during the next two months, it is possible that Norris may not enter the Point until next summer since he has a slight physical defect to be corrected.

VALEDICTORIAN



JOHN HOWE, III

The valedictorian of this year's graduating class was named after the last monthly academic report. This year John Howe, Third Company Sub-commander was selected because of his average of 90.6 John hails from Newark where he was born and attended the Peshine Avenue Grade School. After completing the eighth grade with merit, he entered this Academy as a Fourth Classman and has completed his high school training here. There is no question of his merit for it is distinctly shown in his academic standing during those four years and his officer and seamanship rating. He is a favorite of the campus because of his ready and jovial spirit.

DECLAMATION CONTEST

On Sunday evening, June 2, the annual Declamation Contest will be held in the gymnasium. The participants this year are: Cadets Ingram, Mackey, Fedon, Hall, Morrison, Schnurr, Pitcher, Jones B., and Callaghan D. A call was sent out to all cadets wishing to participate and each one was allowed to chose a selection of their own liking. During the past few weeks the contestants have been memorizing their offerings and have been practicing them in the gym, making sure of proper emphasis, inflection for words and such things that are necessary to proper and good public speaking. Mr. Dean has been spending many of his afternoons in the gym to give them all the help he possibly can. After hearing the selections offered last year, this contest is bound to bring enjoyment to the audience.

Monogram Club Hears
Coach "Rip" MillerNavy Mentor Is Guest At
Third Annual Dinner Of
Academy Letter Men

The third annual dinner of the Monogram Club was held on Saturday evening, May 18, at Harris' Restaurant in Toms River. Some sixty cadets and guests enjoyed an excellent all-round program during and immediately following the dinner.

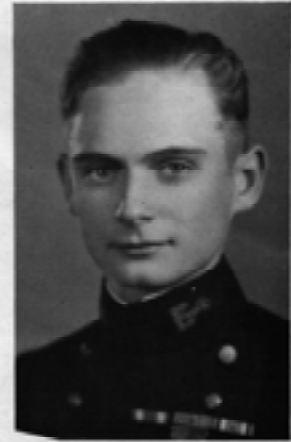
Mr. James Ward, father of Bill and Jim, Jr., two stars of past Farragut athletic teams, acted as master of ceremonies and kept the program moving with his witty stories. "Rip" Miller, assistant football coach at the Naval Academy was the speaker of the evening and his discourse was enthusiastically received. He described in vivid words what athletics can do for the individual and the necessity for a well-rounded athletic program to combine with a good academic program in every school. Members of the faculty who were present as guests of the club and who responded briefly when called on by the toastmaster were: General Radford, who passed on the regrets of Admiral Robison at not being able to attend, Captain Patten, Lieutenant Russell, Lieutenant Hill, Lieutenant Fraser, Lieutenant Wagner, Mr. Stanczyk, and Mr. Goebel.

Following Mr. Miller's speech the gathering was entertained by Mr. Walsh, a magician with a very clever bag of tricks. With the aid of several "stooges" he gave an exhibition of card selection and psychic reading that was amazing. After Mr. Walsh's program there were movies of boxing, wrestling, baseball and football to conclude the evening.

TRIDENT A SUCCESS

Tuesday, May 28, the 1940 Tridents arrived and were passed out after evening mess. This year, the book has really lived up to its strong build up. In this edition the pictures are the real thing and you don't feel as though you are thumbing through a book of passport photos. The write-ups are good, the other departments are chuck full of memory stirring pictures and sayings. The whole appearance of the book is one to boast of and show off. The staff under Cadet Ensign Bush deserve the most hearty praises of the cadet corps for their splendid work.

SALUTATORIAN



THOMAS A. BUSH, JR.

The salutatorian of this year's graduating class will be Thomas A. Bush, Jr. Although he was born in Richmond, he lived in Westfield for the greater part of his seventeen years. He attended the Franklin School three for eight years and spent one year in the Theodore Roosevelt High School. He entered the Academy the following year as a Third Classmen and has won himself a good reputation. The first two years here he was awarded the Gov. Harold Hoffman medal for the highest average in academics, and school activities for the under-classmen. Last year he was Junior Company Commander and was transferred this year to the Second Company as a Platoon Commander. His extra-curricular activities have kept him tied down this year since he has been the coxswain of the Jayvee crew and the Editor-in-Chief of the Trident. Despite his love of navy life he plans to enter M.I.T. this fall to train to be a civil engineer.

SPECIAL MOVIE

The Corps of Cadets was shown a movie on Monday, May 27, that was very interesting and helpful in many respects. This movie was sponsored by the Treasury department and had to do with the detection of counterfeit money.

The movie has been shown in many high schools, prep schools, and colleges throughout the country in the past year. Distinguishing differences between good money and counterfeit money and many tests were given that are simple to perform and entirely conclusive. The facts submitted were not only educational but many of them were surprising and it was a general opinion that it was a very worth while affair.

First Class Host At Spring Dance

This year the First Class Hop was held at the Beachwood Community Center which used to be the Polyhue Yacht Club. The clubhouse is ideally situated for a dance located on a point next to a calm cove which is bordered by a mile of boardwalk.

The Hop Committee really out-did themselves in decorations for this Hop. This year the impression was that of a dance held in a gala night club. Twisted crepe streamers stretched across the ceiling and little tables along the edge of the floor placed among potted palms painted a pretty and satisfying surrounding.

The First Class Hop followed the precedent of the Mid-Winter Hop by having an outside dance orchestra play for the dancing. The same band was engaged, the Del Regis orchestra from Asbury Park. Their music was excellent and they received many compliments from all the guests.

Refreshments consisted of fruit punch and assorted sandwiches prepared by the Steward and served by Cadets Hillman, Brown, C. J., and Bullard.

The Hop was attended by several members of the faculty and their wives. Among these were: Major and Mrs. Closson, Lieut. and Mrs. Hill, Lieut. and Mrs. Smith, Lieut. and Mrs. Russel, Lieut. and Mrs. Wagner, and Mr. and Mrs. Goebel. Those who attended the dance hated to see it end and when it did they said it would be one of the outstanding memories that they would carry on of Farragut.

Among the guests present at the dance were: Miss Mary Rowe, Miss Nancy McCutcheon, Miss Dorothy Dutch, Miss Ethel Brief, Miss Eleanor Kellog, Miss Shirley Hering, Miss Shirley Peniston, Miss Ruth Hager, Miss Ann Bechtel, Miss Marjorie Sperl, Miss Laone Starck, Miss Virginia Spicer, Miss Jeanne McManigal, and Miss Jacquelin Gladney.

ALUMNI DINNER

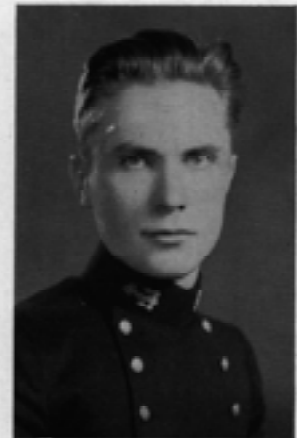
The Third Annual Alumni Day Dinner will be held at the Riverview Hotel on Sunday, June 2nd, at 6:00 P. M. All members of the first class, and post graduates, are cordially invited to attend this function. A delicious dinner is promised to those willing to invest a dollar in this annual affair, and it will give the graduating cadets an opportunity to become acquainted with many members of the past classes. Admiral Robison and many others of the faculty and staff, will be present.

NAVAL RESERVE DAY TO PRESENT CLASS GIFT

On Sunday, May 12, the Academy was visited by the Seventh and Eighth Naval Reserve Battalions from Jersey City and Perth Amboy. There were about two hundred "salts" wandering around the campus by noon. After the corps of cadets and the visiting officers were served dinner in the dining hall. Captain Patten conducted the band in a concert which did much to "get the ball rolling."

The afternoon continued with a crew race in which the Varsity and J. V. crews competed with the crews selected from each Battalion. The crews upheld their former record by not being defeated, the Varsity coming in first and the J. V.'s a close second. But while these races were being held, the Reserves completely trounced a selected team from our three companies in a friendly game of soft ball.

A retreat parade formed the finale of a grand day in which the corps was reviewed by the visiting staff of officers.



CADET T. L. CUYLER, IV
President Class '40

June Week Program

Saturday, June 1, 1940

- 10:00 A.M. Inter-company athletic events
- 2:30 P.M. Baseball game
- 9:00 P.M. Three one-act plays in Gymnasium

Sunday, June 2, 1940

ALUMNI DAY

- 10:00 A.M. Alumni register in Du Pont Hall
- 10:45 A.M. Baccalaureate service in Gymnasium
- 12:20 P.M. Alumni luncheon in Mess Hall
- 1:30 P.M. Band concert
- 2:00 P.M. Finals, individual sailing races
- 3:30 P.M. General Alumni Association in Library
- 4:45 P.M. Retreat parade—presentation of awards
- 6:00 P.M. Alumni dinner at Riverview Hotel
- 8:30 P.M. Declamation contest in Gymnasium

Monday, June 3, 1940

- 9:30 A.M. Inter-company athletic events
- 1:30 P.M. Last parade—presentation of awards
- 9:00 P.M. June ball in Gymnasium

Tuesday, June 4, 1940

- 10:15 A.M. Graduation exercises in Gymnasium

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EDITORIAL

This week the First Class will take its leave of high school and "commence" to follow more serious straits. In scattering over the different parts of the earth, they will seek higher learning, adventure, riches, or just a substantial means of livelihood. Yet the years spent in Farragut have not passed without affecting each individual for each one has unknowingly contracted "Farragut Fever." The effects of this disease are most noticeable when two old Alumni meet, for there is no stiffness toward each other and they are soon recalling fond memories of the time Joe Gish had his bed pied, and there is nothing that can part them until both have exhausted their supply of stories. You may not realize it now, but if you have gained nothing else during your stay with us, you will have become much richer in fine friends.

S.W.S.

CROW'S NEST

How did all you good readers enjoy the trip to the World's Fair? The only thing we missed was Grover Whalen and Gypsey Rose Lee too, although we tried hard Maybe that's where a couple of the late boys were hanging out As if they would tell The "Dodgem" was quite a popular place we noticed The only fault we could find with the entire trip was the fact that the bus broke down at the wrong spot Add famous sayings: "That's one for you." Won't one of our faculty officers be surprised if the S.P.C.A. should contact him? Wonder if Magee is still looking for something new Speaking of something new, we understand Marty has a new gal for the dance Just another Trenton belle, but does she ring true? Examinations, drills, parade, dance, commencement and another year is closed Here's wishing you all a happy and pleasant summer Be seeing some of you about next October

THE OLD CROW

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Tuesday, June 4, 1940

10:15 A. M.

Academic Procession

Invocation The Rev. J. Mervin Pettit

Salutatory Thomas Arthur Bush, Jr.

Address Rear Adm. S. S. Robison, U.S.N., Retired, Superintendent

Address William Mather Lewis, M.A., LL.D., Litt.D., L.H.D.
President, Lafayette College

Presentation of A.F.A. award for General Efficiency
(First Class) The Superintendent

Presentation of the Harold G. Hoffman Gold Medal
for General Efficiency

(Under Classes) The Superintendent

Presentation of Diplomas and Certificates,
Senior School The Superintendent

Presentation of Diplomas, Junior School The Superintendent

Presentation of Class of 1940 Gift Theodore Ledyard Cuyler IV
President, Class of 1940

Valedictory John Howe III

Benediction The Rev. J. Mervin Pettit

Alma Mater

The National Anthem



"ON WRITING AN EDITORIAL"

Pity the poor reporter, who
Draws for his week's assignment
Some dry bit, lacking in wit
And full of dull refinement.

An hour or two of precious time
Spent in thinking and wracking.
Then rewrite o'er and o'er—and find
That something still is lacking

We praise ourselves to criticize
The way that things are run.
We tell you how to live your life
And how to have your fun.

There's Too Much Booing At Our Games,
Or, Keep Our Campus Pretty.
Watch Your Step—Exams Are Near,
Or some similar boring ditty.

For you either read them, or you don't
And if you do, so what?
But really, fellows, if you do,
We appreciate it a LOT.

EXCHANGE

Cadets Have Day At N. Y. World's Fair

On Thursday, May 23, the Corps of Cadets embarked in buses, leaving for the New York World's Fair to put on a review parade and to give a band concert. Then to see the sights as the guests of the Fair on the Admiral Farragut Academy Day.

After a dreary ride due to the rainy day that it was, the Corps arrived at the Fair slightly before 1:30. Rifles were drawn from the school bus and the column started moving towards the Court of Peace which was a fifteen minute walk away. After the destination was reached a regular review routine was performed following which the reviewing officer, Rear Admiral Woodward, who is now the Commandant of the third Naval District, complimented the cadets on their fine performance. The band then retired to the Communications Building where they put on the best concert of the year under the direction of Captain Patten. Then liberty was granted all hands. Soon Farragut uniforms were to be seen in all the buildings in the Fair.

At 5:30 the Corps again formed, this time in front of the Brass Rail for supper where they received a good fried chicken platter. After dinner they reembarked in the buses and headed for Toms River. We all got back at 10:30 and went to bed to rest up for the next day's classes.



BAND NOTES

From the band comes the very cheering statement that its own Captain Patten is back, and that it is for good. All of the boys are sincerely happy about this fact for now there is the good old routine of band practices which we have missed so much.

Now that parades are a regular Sunday afternoon affair, the band is regularly showing its true colors out on the field.

Unfortunately, the school year is almost over, and once again comes the very difficult task of saying good-bye. All of the fellows seem to have so much in common this year.

Teacher: "Conjugate the verb 'to swim'."

Pupil: "Swim, swam, swum."

Teacher: "Now conjugate the verb 'to dim'."

Pupil: "Dim,—say, are you trying to kid me?"

—Exchange

Parade In Court Of Peace



ADMIRAL WOODWARD INSPECTS CORPS
AT WORLD'S FAIR

The Alumni Association

of the

Admiral Farragut Academy

*extends a cordial invitation to all
members of the graduation class
to attend the*

Alumni Dinner

Sunday evening, June second

at the Riverview Hotel

Toms River, New Jersey

Reservation One dollar

SUCCESSFUL NAVAL



SHANNON DAVENPORT CRAMER
Washington, D. C.



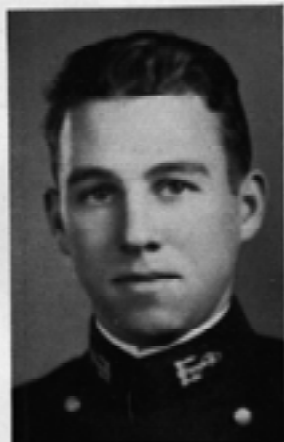
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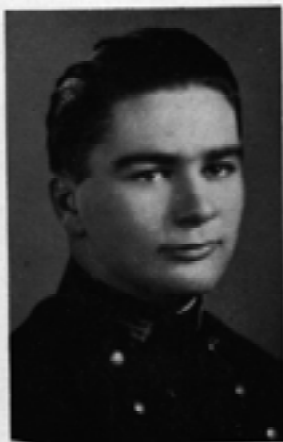
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Summit, N. J.



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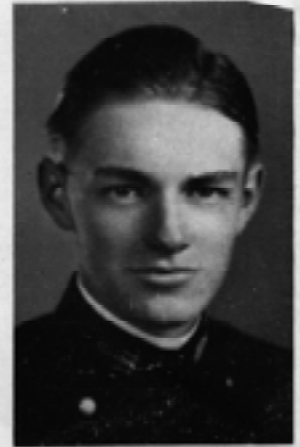


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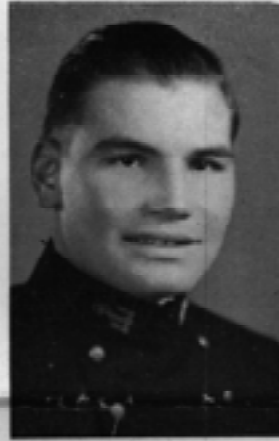
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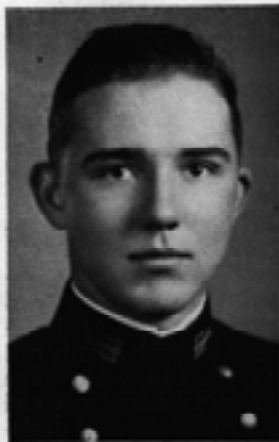
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Haddonfield, N. J.



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Baldwin, L. I.



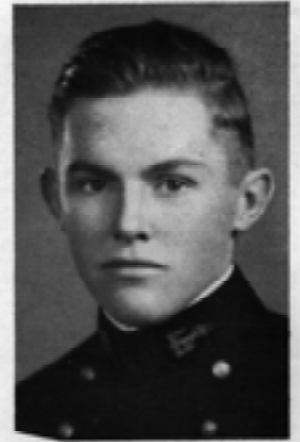
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West Orange, N. J.



FRANCIS GEORGE PAUL
Easton, Pa.



THOMAS MARKHAM SEARLES
Montrose, Pa.



RICHARD PAUL WEST
Asbury Park, N. J.

TO WEST POINT



HAROLD SWIFT NORRIS
Beachwood, N. J.

Other successful candidates were Cadets Newton Foss, William Ingram, Jr., Alfred Kohn, William Pitcher, Thomas Searles, Martin Williams, Jr., and Richard West.

Unfortunately we are not in a position to report on what success the Coast Guard aspirants may have had since those marks will not be available for two or three weeks. However, we are sure that these lads will continue the fine record already established for the school year 1939-40.

SUNDAY PARADES

On May 5, Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. Moriarity USMC, commander of the Marine Barracks at the Naval Air Station at Lakehurst reviewed the Corps and commented on the appearance of everyone with an especial commendation to the Junior Company.

The following Sunday, Commander William McDonald, USNR, commanding officer of the Seventh Battalion Naval Reserve was the reviewing officer on the Naval Reserve Day here.

May 19 the corps was reviewed by Commander Mills, USN who is the present Commanding Officer of the Lakehurst Naval Air Station.

However, the following weekend was rainy and the parade was cancelled in which we were to be reviewed by Brigadier General Williams, Adjutant-General, State of New Jersey.

The parades this year have been held on the field with the Corps wearing the full dress uniforms. They have been very colorful affairs and much favorable comment is received from the spectators each week.

June Ball Will Close School Social Season

The June Ball this year as in other years promises to be the outstanding social event of the year. The music for the dance will be furnished by Milton Mann and his Orchestra which has played regularly at the Walt Whitman Hotel in Camden, N. J. It is one of the most popular orchestras in this part of the country.

The Hop Committee under the direction of Cadet Cooke has done a fine job at all of the previous dances and their plans have been carefully set for this final grand show. The gym will be decorated to make it seem as if we are dancing on the deck of a ship. The ceiling and walls will be covered with bunting of an appropriate hue, with rigging, life boats, funnels, and other steamer apparatus that will give the effect that the gym is actually far out at sea, far from the trials and tribulations found in everyday school life.

The Patrons and Patroneuses for the night will be: Rear Admiral and Mrs. S. S. Robison, Major and Mrs. Earle R. Closson, Captain and Mrs. Fred C. Patten, Lieut. and Mrs. W. Kable Russell, and Lieut. and Mrs. Herbert D. Hill.

It will be a most appropriate closing for the school year, since such a finishing atmosphere will leave lasting memories of the enjoyable times spent on the campus of our dear Alma Mater.



Exchange

From our exchange department this time we have news about the gala Spring Promenade at Peddie. The dance takes place on the 31st of this month. Al Donahue is to be the featured band.

"Music in the Morgan Manner" was the featured style at the Commencement Ball of the Kemper Military School. The event took place on the 22nd of May.

Bod Riley and his orchestra have been booked for the spring hop at the Randolph-Macon Academy.

The cadets of the Kentucky Military Institute were recently visited by Victor Mature, movie star of the current screen success, "1,000,000 B. C."

PRESIDENT LEWIS

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General arrangements are in charge of the resident secretary W. R. Masciangelo '37.

At the retreat parade and review on Sunday afternoon the colors of the American Legion, the D. A. R. and other patriotic organizations will be massed with those of the Academy. Following the review the Corps of Cadets will be drawn up in a hollow square for the presentation of awards.

June Ball on Monday

Monday, June 3, will be a busy day for the cadets. The first event of a full program is that of the inter-company athletic finals at 9:30 A. M. Following noon mess the companies will vie with each other in the infantry drill competition. Col. E. O. Howell, 309th Infantry, Lieut. Col. J. F. Moriarty U.S.M.C., Major A. C. Tyehsen, U.S.A., Capt. F. H. Berry, 309th Infantry, will judge the companies and render their decision as to the best drilled outfit. The last parade and presentation of awards will be staged at 4:45 P. M.

The gala event of the day is the June Ball which is scheduled to get underway at 9:00 o'clock in the gymnasium. The decorations are to be unusual and according to present plans will entirely transform the dance floor. Milton Mann and His Orchestra are to furnish the music and from all indications there will be a large number present to dance to their fascinating harmonies.

Last Formation

The last formation of the First Class of the Admiral Farragut Academy will take place at 10:00 A. M. on Tuesday, June 4, when they fall in to march to the graduation exercises. Addresses will be given by the Superintendent, Rear Admiral S. S. Robison, U. S. N., Retired, and by Dr. William Mather Lewis. Cadet John Howe III is to deliver the valedictory while Cadet Thomas Arthur Bush, Jr. will give the salutatory. The class gift will be presented by Cadet Theodore Ledyard Cuyler IV, president of the class. Admiral Robison will present the certificates and diplomas to graduates of both the senior and junior schools.

The year will be brought to an end when the corps of Cadets signs out for the long leave which begins at 12:00 noon on June 4.

ALUMNI FETE GRADES

The Alumni Association entertained the graduating class at dinner in the Academy mess hall Thursday evening. This is the first time in the short history of the Association that a dinner of this kind was given, but it is very probable that it will be continued from year to year. The cadets were told of the many advantages and reasons why they should join the Association, and how they could help further the name of Admiral Farragut Academy by becoming paid-up members.



COMPANY NOTES



FIRST COMPANY NOTES

The record of the First Company during the past year is a source of great pride and honor to those who have done their part to keep up the spirit of the "Fighting First." The soft-ball team has helped out in the way of earning points. We depend a lot on the football players for we see that they have positions on the track, baseball, and tennis teams. Also the entire company crew is composed of football team members, so there is no reason why the First can't pull into first place and stay there.

In the matter military—the "Fighting First" which name incidentally was coined by Lt. Smith in a moment of inspiration, should come out on the top of the list this June Week. So in these last few days let us see if we can overtake the Third Company and sail into the finish line first. Here is a slogan to repeat "BEAT THE THIRD!"

SECOND COMPANY NOTES

The Second Company has done quite well in athletics this spring. It has several men on the varsity baseball, track, and tennis team. Three members of the varsity crew are men from the Second. So far the Company nine has won two games, one in play and one in forfeit.

The drill routine for the inter-company drill competition was planned about three weeks ago and the Company has had a chance to practice and become accustomed to it.

In the inter-company catboat races the Second has been represented by such able coxswains as Corbov, Fox, Denny, Bush, Westcott, Ogden, and Hoffman.

One of the first spring parades was won by the Second with the constant training of Lt. Lee who seems to know the drill manual by heart. "Butch" McNaughton and his able staff of officers hope to keep the six year record of the never defeated Second in the drill competition.

In the brain-trust division we have: Foss Williams, M., Jones, B., West, Scarles, and Pitcher who passed their Annapolis exams.

When the chips are counted, this year, even though we have not led the inter-company race in points, has been a memorable one for the boys from the top deck of Du Pont Hall.

THIRD COMPANY NOTES

Here it is June week and the great Third Company is driving fast toward victory. True, it's been a long hard pull. The other companies, especially the First, have put up a stiff fight and at times have even momentarily nosed us out. But every true Third Company man enjoys a little spirited

resistance on the part of his rivals.

The resumption of the Sunday retreat parades only proves further that the Third is tops on the drill field. Our softball team put up a gallant struggle and were forced to bow only because some of our players were unable to participate. The rifle range is almost a Third Company monopoly, such experts as Patch, Hillman, Pontin, and "Texas" Charlie Brown lead the school in sharp shooting. Cadet 2 P. O. Eddy has brought in many a catboat before the rest of the fleet and our cutter crew is a bunch of hard pulling, experienced sailors.

Not only does our Company lead the way in athletic and military events but our Cadet Howe is class valedictorian and Cadet Hillman received honorable mention.

But still in all, there is one thing certain and that is the fact that the colors will still be decorating the Third Company guidon next fall.

JUNIOR COMPANY NOTES

May 28, a Junior sloop race was held, three boats starting and only one finished. The winning coxswain was Elmer Heinel with Bob Tyler as crew. The two other coxswains were Metzger and Corrie.

In a preliminary wherry race, three boats started but one was disqualified through a collision. And, believe it or not, the winning coxswain was none other than Frank Shane.

Elmer Heinel still leads in the academic standings and is being closely followed by John Gilbert. Maybe they will be fighting with Lindsay next year for the lead in the upper school.

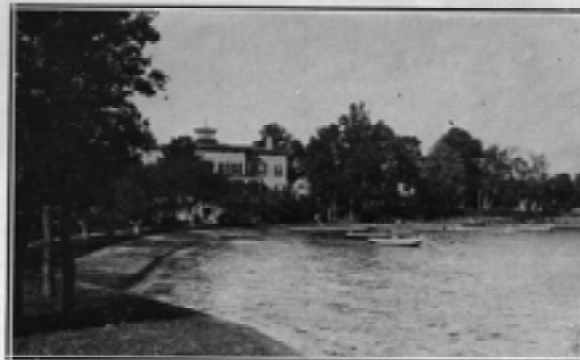
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State Champs Fail In '40 Title Quest

Baseball Team Drops Two Games To State Rivals Pitchers Outstanding

Since our last report on the baseball team through the media of the Capstan the proteges of Coach Goebel have run into some stiff competition and as the result of defeats at the hands of Pennington School and St. Benedict's Prep all hope of retaining the state championship won last year is gone. Still, as we go to press this week, the team has maintained winning form for the season on the whole and should close the year with a record second only to that of the great 1939 squad. After winning three pre-season exhibition games the team has captured six of ten battles with opponents on the regular schedule and also played one tie game.

Newark Academy Beaten

Although boasting a powerful aggregation in the outfield and two really outstanding pitchers, the team has suffered because of loose play in the infield and behind the plate. Marty Vogler and Sam Masserini are two of the finest moundsmen to ever don a Farragut uniform and with good support neither would have experienced a defeat. Vogler lost a heart-breaking 3-1 decision to St. Benedict's while Masserini suffered a 4-2 reverse at the hands of Brown Prep and lost 6-0 to Pennington, yet both show an earned run average of less than two runs a game for the season.

The regular season opened with a well-earned 6-4 victory over Newark Academy in a game played on our opponents' field. Going into the top half of the final inning the team trailed by one run. With two men out and no one on base the cause looked hopeless, but after Card drew a walk Day tripled to tie the score. A double by Masserini and another hit by Vogler accounted for the winning margin. Masserini gave up but three hits and struck out 12 as he gained his first win.

Perkiomen School was met in the second game and the team literally handed the decision away, 6-5. The team collected 13 hits including home runs by Day and Card, but general all-round loose play and poor base running proved our undoing. Flick started on the mound and was relieved by Beams who became the losing pitcher. This was the lanky right-hander's first defeat in three years as a Farragut twirler. Following the Perkiomen nightmare the boys opposed the Governor Hoffman nine of Trenton on the next afternoon and showed a complete

reversal of form. In the Hoffman line-up were Andy Dutch, Ed Valyo and Tony Rubino, all former Farragut stars. With Marty Vogler pitching great ball the team pounded out a 5-3 victory to get back on the right side of the ledger.

Farragut's third game in four days was against the strong Pennington School nine on the latter's field. After six innings of bitter struggle the teams were forced to leave the field due to a time limit with the score tied at three-all. Failure to win this game was most disappointing, especially since Pennington scored all their runs on errors to spoil good pitching by Vogler and Masserini and timely hitting by Hyde, Paul and Day. On the following afternoon the team opposed Newman School on the home diamond and with George Beams turning in a one-hit mound performance coasted to an 8-0 victory. Beams almost carved himself a notch in the hall of fame, but had his bid for a no-hitter spoiled by the second batter in the final frame who singled.

Bordentown Trounced

Bordentown Military Institute nine became victim number four on May 4 as the team pounded out a 12-6 victory behind the steady hurling of George Flick. For three innings it was a contest, but the big bats of Card, Day and Masserini began to ring out in the late innings to pile up a substantial margin. Against Lafayette College Freshmen in the next game Marty Vogler once again hurled a fine game as the boys hit hard to register a 9-2 win over their more experienced opponents.

Coach Goebel's boys came a cropper against Brown Prep on May 11 in a great pitcher's battle between Patkin of the visitors and Sam Masserini. Although Sam helped his own cause by clouting a home run with Tommy Day on base in the fifth inning, damaging misplays again proved his undoing as the visitors eked out a 4-2 decision. The following Wednesday at Lakewood Vogler turned in a record-breaking mound performance when he registered 20 strike-outs in seven innings against Newman School as the boys hit hard to win easily 13-1. Marty's effort set a new school record for throwing that third pitch by the batters.

After looking forward with great anticipation to the return meeting with Pennington and an opportunity to upset one of the most important obstacles in the path of another state title, Farragut's diamond stars failed to twinkle on May 18 as they suffered a stunning 6-0 defeat. Once again it was hard-luck Sammy who was handed the reverse. With any kind of breaks and good support the Farragut hurler would have gone into the ninth inning with the ball game tied at 0-0. Instead, errors by Paul and Card, together with a very questionable decision by one of the umpires gave the visitors a 3-0 margin in the early innings and really proved enough to win even though three superfluous runs came in the final frame.

Wahl Tops Scorers On Track and Field Squad

In spite of the lack of material available at the beginning of the season, Coach Stanczyk was successful in developing several individual stars that helped brighten an otherwise not too brilliant track year.

Only one dual meet was held this year, the June Week meet with La Salle having been canceled by the Long Island school. The one meet was with Bordentown Military Institute, an old rival, held on our field, with the visitors scoring a 61½-46 victory. But the final figures are not a true indication of the closeness of the affair, since our lads were forced to forfeit nine points in the pole vault due to the absence of Cadets Sandin and DiYeso who were the only vaulters on the team. In addition to this meet the boys also took part in the Villanova College Interscholastics, George School Carnival, and the Group IV Private Schools Championships which were held this year at Lawrenceville.

Cadet Clyde Wahl was the leading point getter on the squad. Against Bordentown he captured first place in the 220 yard dash and 440 yard dash, second in the broad jump and third in the 100. At George School he finished second in the 440 and third in the 220, while at Villanova he was fourth in the quarter.

Not far behind Wahl in the matter of individual points was Cadet John Sadlick who proved to be an excellent performer with the discus. He captured first place in the Bordentown meet, second at Villanova and George School, and third at Lawrenceville in that event.

Cadets Sandin and DiYeso did some creditable work in the pole vault placing fourth and fifth at Villanova and the former taking a fourth place at George School. Other members of the squad who scored points throughout the season were: Cadets Schlosbon, Patton, Brietkopf, Hersch, J., Kiernan, T., Mars, Palmer, and Baimas.

Benedict's Beat Vogler.

In what was one of the best games of the year, if not the best, the boys dropped a close hard-fought decision to St. Benedict's Prep last Friday afternoon by the margin of 3-1. All in all the team played good ball, with no really damaging misplays. Unfortunately, however, the boys could not hit in the pinches and wasted seven safe bingles, while the winners, able to garner but four safeties off the talented right-handed slants of Vogler, bunched three of them in one inning together with a walk and a sacrifice to score all their markers. An attempted last ditch ally failed our lads and left the tying runs on the bases. This was Vogler's first defeat of the year and one that was tough to lose.

Columbia Club Spoils Cutter Crew Record

This year's crew got off to a slow start because of the long delay in the arrival of spring. However, when the season finally did open up, things got under way in fine shape. The three racing cutters; the Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, and Maryland, make the sport much faster with less brute strength needed but more science necessary.

The first race of the 1940 season was a four boat race with the Varsity, Jayvee, and the Seventh and Eighth Battalions of the U. S. Naval Reserve participating. The Varsity was the winner by a good three lengths followed by the Jayvees about a length and a half ahead of the Eighth Battalion and the Seventh Battalion rowing a poor fourth. Inasmuch as the Naval Reserve had little or no practice before rowing against us, they are to be highly complimented on their showing. The Eighth Battalion gave us the best race that a Naval Reserve unit has ever shown at Farragut. Of course, "Budge" Blake's bringing along four oarsmen from the Princeton Freshman Crew may have had something to do with it.

Columbia Yacht Club Wins

The next race we went back to the new boats which we had been compelled to retire temporarily for the four boat race. This race was against the Columbia Yacht Club of Philadelphia who raced us for the first time in 1939, when they gave us the first real competition we ever had, by just being beaten by the Varsity. This year, however, they managed to beat both of our crews by about half a length. This was Farragut's first crew defeat in the school's history. The two school boats had quite a discussion about who was second. However, it was finally decided by Lt. Hill, who was the judge, that the Varsity had beaten the Jayvees by a scant foot.

On Sunday, May 26, a race was scheduled with the Seascouts of Allentown, Pa., but due to the northeaster which had been blowing since the previous Tuesday, the race had to be called off. Now we are looking forward to a return race with the Columbia Yacht Club which is tentatively scheduled for June Week.

The Varsity this year consists of Cadets Rockafeller, Clain, McCabe, Lindsay, Norris, Pitcher, Eddy, Love, Shimer, Waide, D., with Strug coxswain. The members of the Jayvee crew are Cadets Jasiacki, Foss, Magee, McNaughton, Hall, Jones, B., with Bush as coxswain.

One thing worthy of note in the races this year was the extremely short, fast and powerful stroke of the crew of the Columbia Yacht Club. They row about thirty-five strokes a minute which is much higher than the beat commonly used by the Farragut crews. Our boats concentrate more on a slow long stroke with the emphasis on a long lay-back after each stroke.

Varsity Tennis Squad Has Successful Season

Coach Fraser Develops Winning Team From Very Young Group

The tennis team this year has had its hard luck but it has still made a good showing. They won two matches, lost two, and tied one. The first two matches with Pennington School and Monmouth Junior College were cancelled because of inclement weather. The third match, however, with Perkiomen School was played off resulting in a tie, 3-3. A four-two match was played, Edd Harrington, Wilson Brown, Bob Swensen, and Scott Hoehn playing singles, and the first two men playing the number one doubles and the last two the number two doubles. All but Swensen and Harrington lost their singles but the number one doubles were won in our favor.

We played Pennington School winning 7-2 in a six-three match. Harrington, Brown W., Swenson, Hoehn, Brown C. J. and Krickling played singles in which all but Swensen were successful. Harrington and Brown W. won their doubles but it was too late to play off the other two matches, therefore the points were split.

At the George School Carnival the following Saturday, Harrington, Brown W., Swenson, and Hoehn were entered in the singles tournaments. Scott Hoehn was the only one successful in his first round but he was eliminated in the second. Although the others lost their first matches, they were given consolation matches in which Wilson Brown slightly redeemed himself.

In a match with the Lafayette Freshmen, we suffered our first defeat to the tune of 6-3, Brown, W., Swenson, and Hoehn the only winners. Our losing streak continued when we went to Newman School the following Saturday. This defeat was a 5-4 margin. Brown, W., took his match as did Swensen, Hoehn and the number two doubles, Swensen and Hoehn. However, the following week, after badly defeating the faculty team, the team again won in a return match against Pennington School with a score of 8, Brown W. giving over the only point. This year's records is one for Coach Fraser to be proud of and the team to commend on, for it was their cooperative spirit of each player that made the practices so much more enjoyable and helpful.

Although Farragut was defeated for the first time in school history, the results of the season and the enjoyment given both to the crew members and the onlookers have given us a most successful season.

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JUNE WEEK PLAYS

Immediately after the selection of the plays to be given this June, two branches of the club went into action. The stage crew headed by Cadet Kutz began construction on the three distinctive sets to be used. One of these is the initiation room of a fraternity, another is the living room of a home whose male owner is keeping a troublesome household together while his wife is vacationing, and third set is one room of a two room shack in the mountains. The plays are chosen to please the tastes of all that attend—comedy for the gay, tragedy for the more serious minded.

Far from being an exclusive organization, the Dramatics club held a school-wide competition for the various parts in the plays. Those parts took men from all classes including the relaxing Annapolis class. Besides the members in the two senior plays, the cast of a junior play consists of: Cadets Metzger, Wood, Feinderg, Gilbert, DeLoach, Glynn, Heinel, and Komlos.

The production of "The Name is Johnson" and "The Joke-ative Man" will complete a successful year for the Thesbian Group. Tryouts were held four weeks ago to select the different players and then a number of stiff practices were held. These plays are in strong contrast with the Christmas plays both to the audience and the actors since they are of a much less serious mood. The setting for "The Joke-ative Man" is in a shack in the southern mountains and evolves the slaying of a "laughing Moonshiner." The other play, "The Name is Johnson," takes place in any small house and relates the complicated mixup incurred when Johnson's wife lets him keep house.



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