# The Pen and Scroll

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# Synod Gives $30,000; Promises Chapel

Lenox School was created by a committee of the Provincial Synod, and the school is known as the Provincial School for Boys. What is a Province and what is the Provincial Synod?

A Province is a term used in the structure of the Protestant Episcopal Church to designate a geographical area of the Church. The smallest unit is a parish which comprises a town or city or section thereof; a diocese is the next largest structure made up of a state or part thereof; a Province is the next larger geographical unit and then the national Church which is nationwide. Lenox School is the school of the Episcopal Church in the Province of New England which is known as Province I.

However, the school is not closely tied in with the Province, for in the founding the committee was instructed to found the school but to inform the school never to look to the Province for financial support. The Province places two trustees on the Board — the executive secretary of the Province, and one other (Mr. John R. Quarles at present) chosen by the Provincial Council.

In the past the school has received some minor gifts from the Province. In 1946 the headmaster started reporting for the school to its parent organization and asking for scholarship aid — we received $1,000 in 1946 and this has increased to $2,800 at the present time — $400 for each of the seven dioceses within New England (Massachusetts is divided into two dioceses).

This year the headmaster read a longer report summarizing the ten years of his administration and pointing to the results. At the conclusion of his report he made three proposals — that in 1957 the Province make a capital gift to the school of $25,000 to help pay for the new wing; that in 1958 and 1959 the scholarship fund be raised to $5,000; and in 1960 the Province give a new memorial chapel to the school.

Following the report there was enthusiastic response and the motion which finally passed the Synod was that a central committee be appointed by the Provincial Council to meet with representatives of the school to plan and execute a capital funds drive for Lenox School after surveying all of the needs of the school. This can mean the greatest forward progress which the school has ever received if the planning is well done and all of New England gets behind the drive. The headmaster expects that it will take the better part of a year to get this drive planned and organized, but he hopes that by fall of 1957 the effort will be started.



First snowfall of the season covers the new wing as it nears completion.

## Trustees Raise Tuition $100

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lenox School was held, Monday, Oct. 29 at the school. The meeting was preceded with a trustees-faculty dinner on Sunday night at the Red Lion Inn in Stockbridge to which all wives were also invited. Thirty-three were present for this dinner with coffee served afterwards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heaton I. Treadway.

At the meeting on Monday which followed a tour of inspection of the new wing, Mr. Albert W. Rice, of Worcester, president of the Board presided. The by-law pertaining to membership on the Board was changed so that the number of trustees has been increased from seventeen to twenty in number, and the three new trustees added to the Board are Mr. Arthur R. Birchard of Lenox, Mr. Albert C. Jacobs, president of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., and The Rev. Harry Jones, executive secretary of the Province of New England. The election of President Jacobs of Trinity again brings the school into closer ties with this Church College. Formerly The Rev. Remsen Ogilby, a predecessor of Mr. Jacobs was president of the Board of Trustees, and Mr. Keith Funston also president of Trinity served on the Lenox School Board.

It was also voted to increase the tuition of the school starting next September from the present rate of $1,350 to $1,500. This will result in an actual raise of $100, for the present two twenty-five dollars fees for athletics and student activities will be included in the new $1,500 figure. The additional income which the increased tuition will bring to the school is to be spent upon increases in masters and staff salaries, the setting up of a pension fund, and the establishment of a fund whereby masters on a rotational basis may be given the opportunity to study and/or travel in the summer vacations.

The officers of the Board for the coming year are: Mr. Albert W. Rice, president; Mr. David T. Dana, vice-president; Mr. James C. Hart, clerk; Mr. H. George Wilde, treasurer.

## "Saints" Begin Busy Season

The St. Martin's Society, service organization of Lenox School, has had a busy term with a large number of varied programs and work.

Two speakers engaged by the Society spoke at Sunday evening meetings before the school. Mr. Eric Williams from Australia spoke at length on the life and customs "down under" on the smallest continent. The Reverend Paul Barrett gave a most entertaining and enlightening talk on alcoholism, a primary problem in this country.

The annual Square Dance was also sponsored by the Society. Sad to say, the attendance, particularly on the part of girls, was small and the profit which was to have gone to missions was nil. A gigantic cider sale after the dance helped reduce the net loss, but the great amount of work which went into the preparation for the affair was certainly not justified by the result.

The next affair on the Society's calendar is the trip to the Northfield School Conference, at which time Lenox will send three representatives to join with others from various New England schools to participate in a discussion, the theme of which has some relation to religion in private schools. A report on this conference, as usual, will be delivered by one of the delegates to the school in chapel following the return of the group.

## Glee Club Plans Full Program

A good turnout of singers and would-be choristers set a good tone for the 1956-1957 season of the Lenox School Glee Club. This year for the first time candidates had to be rejected because of the limit set on the size of the club.

After tryouts had been held Mrs. Kennard began direction of a club with 55 members divided between first and second tenors and first and second basses. This will be the largest club in the history of the school.

Scheduled for two appearances during the fall term, the club has begun intensive rehearsal schedules. Appearing for the first time the first week in December the club will sing a program with the MacDuffie School for Girls in Springfield. The following day in Albany the club will join forces with St. Agnes School for a concert of sacred music in All Saints Cathedral.

The Lenox choir, consisting of boys selected from the club, also has a busy schedule. These boys will sing once a month at Trinity Church in Lenox, starting on the last Sunday in November. They will also sing at the annual Candlelight service on Dec. 16.

We look forward to a good year under the able direction of Mrs. Spencer P. Kennard, and accompanied by Mr. William Buchanan of the school faculty.

## Lenox-Foxhollow To Produce Play

On Saturday evening Dec. 8, the Lenox School Dramatics Club in conjunction with the club from Foxhollow School will present Richard Brinsley Sheridan's "The School for Scandal" in the Lenox gym at 8.00.

This is the first time in many years that Lenox has combined with another school in the presentation of a play. Rehearsals are well under way, costumes have been ordered and there has been much interest shown on the part of the group.

Taking part in the comedy will be a group consisting of Roberta Frank (Lady Teazle), Betty Lou Mead (Maria), Marianna Field (Lady Sneerwell), and Barbara Trowbridge (Mrs. Candour). The Lenox boys in the cast include Richard Bawden (Peter Teazle), Terry Shultz (Oliver Surface), Richard Currie (Joseph Surface), Terry Downs (Charles

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# EDITORIALS

## HEADMASTER'S COLUMN

The thirty-first year of Lenox School has opened with a record enrollment of 147 boys — up 21 from last year's record on opening day.

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There are many bright spots in the year. The eight prefects who came back a week early are as solid in loyalty and hard working as any group ever seen at Lenox — I don't know how they could be better. The sixth form added but two new boys and being a well knit group from the past presents fine morale for the rest of the student body. The fifth form has a fine vitality and promises much for next year.

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We are slowly getting 68 new boys settled down into routine — life would be easier for some boys and certainly for the school if boys understood from home that Lenox represented a work to be accomplished without hesitation or wishful thinking for "greener pastures," and too many boys have thought for the first three weeks primarily of how to bring about an alternative choice to the hard work and high standards demanded here.

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We have made many alterations in the school over the past summer — 8 masters apartments and houses and the new infirmary were all done over, the chapel enlarged and equipped with all new lighting, and there is much to show you so come back and see us soon and sense the spirit and drive within the community.

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Things are happening on the athletic fields we have not seen for a decade. For the first time in probably fifteen or more years we had forty candidates report for football, and for the first time in a decade we defeated Wooster School, and after so long a period of starvation should mean much for this sport, and only two sixth formers played in the Wooster game. The soccer team is a veteran outfit having come up through the ranks, and to date has marked its strength with the second win in our history over the Gunnery School.

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The new north wing was not ready for September and we are still waiting for completion of this fine new addition to our facilities, but we were able to find space for everyone and we have found enough temporary classrooms, and the upper formers are enjoying great freedom of studying in their rooms regardless of academic standing until the new study hall is ready early in November.

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We have two new masters to replace Messrs Shirley and Kline, and I am personally happy to have Mr. Leverett Hubbard with us for he was one of my former students at St. Paul's School. We are also pleased to have Mr. Paul Cawein on the faculty, coming to us from the Boston Public Library.

## "E Pluribus Unum"

"One out of many." This motto of the United States might be applied here at Lenox where we are likely to forget it because of the lack of currency. It would be interesting to ponder this adage in conection with our own, "Not to be ministered unto but to minister."

The function of such a motto is to summarize school spirit and to give the school some sort of valuable unity. No one person can be said to have school spirit. He may cheer loudly at a football game, he may have a tendency to keep off the mark sheet, he may join numerous clubs and organizations, but these alone mean nothing. School spirit is not to be judged in individuals, for you do not judge the piety of a person by how long he prays. School spirit like Holy Spirit can be best felt in a group.

This year Lenox proudly boasts the largest, most select group of boys it has had in a decade. There is no split in the sixth form and the prefects have shown a remarkable ability to work together. Why, then, do we compare ourselves to the past, looking at what our predecessors have accomplished, or why do we look with misty eyes to some bright day in the future when we will be able to lean back on our elbows and complacently say that we have reached the ultimate goal. Let's face "now" and be realistic.

There is much enthusiasm and energy being wasted in useless channels, lying dormant in messy rooms, lounging nonchalantly in dusty hallways. Once coralled, the Elvis Presley clique, the Wendover wanderers, and the Sunday horsemen could do a lot more for themselves and the school.

Several examples of the unorganized atmosphere that has pervaded this term stand out flagrantly. Neither the Foxhollow Dance nor the Square Dance on the 27th of November was a great success. Any popular interest to this point has been negligible. The two dances failed for opposite reasons. At the Foxhollow Dance the organization was terrible and the girls exceptional; at the S.M.S. Dance there were no girls while the refreshments, music, and decorations were superb. There has been little cooperation from anybody in setting up the *Pen and Scroll*. All these situations could be easily remedied by a united effort.

Under our present system the bulk of responsibility rests on the shoulders of an unlucky few. It is the duty of these few "to minister unto" the passive majority. It is their sad fate to be ridiculed often by a cynical and bitter group who do absolutely nothing except complain. This, of course, is the doomed group who, although they would like "to minister," must "be ministered unto."

To inspire a more universal feeling of ministering together several things must be done; traditions must be established. Already this year several steps have been taken in this direction.

A number of masters find superior classes and inquiring minds with an eagerness to "know" which is refreshing. The faculty as a group are well-knit and working under heavy loads with enthusiasm.

We miss the Duchess but it is good to have her across the street from the school, and we see her at Sunday dinner which we like.

Alumni are dropping in to see us and look over the new wing, and we hope many will come back later in the fall when we are all moved into the new addition — everything should be ready by Dec. 1.

It looks like a fine year ahead and we are now starting to work on plans for the raising of the funds to complete payment on the new wing, and we have in hand applications for the fall of 1957 when we expect to go to 160-165 boys.

The glee club had a record number of boys trying out, and I am hopeful that the club will match last year's fine performance; the St. Martin's Society has its finest group of new members in years and has started an outstanding program.

## A Change to be Noted

The present flooding of the school systems of the nation has had many diverse effects here at Lenox. The extreme pressure put on all schools to enlarge their physical plants has come to bear on Lenox, also. It has been a stimulus from without which has caused an inward decision to increase the size of the school. This three-year-old program for expansion is now being realized with the new wing near completion. The present state within the school of a dynamic movement is a pleasing contrast to the static condition of three and four years ago. At that time, Lenox was stagnant in its relationships to the world around, dependent on it only for a small flow of new students and economic resources. Now the lifeline of the school is being revitalized by a surge of power and an increase in pressure which is causing many changes.

Outside of necessitating a change in the physical Lenox, the new national situation is causing a change in the nature of the student body. The situation present in the last year or two has enabled the Headmaster to make more selective choices for his student body. On the whole, he is getting a better boy. This boy is not necessarily more intellectual, but he is decidedly more level-headed. Irresponsibility is giving way to better personality and attitude which are more positive. The exponents of a "rock and roll" society still remain at Lenox, as indeed they ought to, but those in whom negativism is an accompaniment have disappeared. A live example of this changeover is to be found in the present fifth and sixth forms. Selective admissions have enabled Lenox to remove the "nego" from these two groups. Extremes of interest exist, but none of them are working against the purpose of the school. A strong school spirit comes from every quarter here and has largely prevaded the school.

Thus far, all changes have been based on the needs of an older school body with its older traits, failing to take into consideration its new nature. As the selective admissions allows us a better group of students, the needs of the student body will change. Up until now, the fifth and sixth forms have had what are called commons rooms, but might better be named "butt rooms." They have sufficed as places for the negative and indifferent elements of the forms to congregate, a happening which always has a deterrent effect on school spirit. But now a change is being noted which is indicative of a need sometime in the future. The change is the desire for two separate rooms: a recreation and smoking room and a real commons room. As seen at this time, the recreation room is pictured in the Jimmy Stewart room with a small lounge, a few ping-pong tables, and perhaps a few wrestling mats. The commons room would be more on the order of a living room where the members of the forms could congregate and talk or read. With the passing of the negative elements from the forms, the two-room system would not tend to develop a split, but would help cement the forms into well unified groups with some direction and purpose. It would be good if this and like changes would be considered for the future to meet the changing nature of the Lenox school boy.

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## Lenox to have Class Rings

After ten years of diligent perseverance Lenox may finally be able to have class rings which will replace the class pins of the past. A group of fifth formers composed of Skip Britton, Dave Taft, Paul Shultz, Dave Clark and John Smith discussed the matter and petitioned Mr. Curry. He pleasantly assented and authorized Taft to contact Mr. Gron P. Lloyd of the L. G. Balfour Co. in Canaan, Conn., makers of school rings, pins and insignias. Mr. Lloyd will appear early in November to display his product before a delegated committee. The ring will most likely be gold inlaid with black, bearing a school shield and motto, will cost approximately $17 and will be available to 5th and 6th formers.

## Varsity "L" Club Meets

The Varsity "L" Club is an organization that should be traditionally encouraged. This year it has already decided two controversial issues; senior managers of varsity teams will receive a varsity letter with the inscription MGR across it; the wearing of letters other than "L" is forbidden. In the latest meeting cheer leaders were instituted to cheer at games and support vociferously teams which have previously had but meagre encouragement, also white shaker knit sweaters were decided upon for lettermen.

Several other traditions which ought to be revived are: the inscribing of names on the various prizes, plaques, and awards which are donated at graduation each year, the continuation of that long array of pictures which adorn the halls of St. Martin's. Other than the institution of such material symbols of unity and pride, it has been suggested by the 5th form and members of the 6th form that a winter carnival be started. There are those in the school who would like to form an octet to sing at dances and other school occasions.

Whatever we as a school do, let's do it with a ready will and a sure knowledge that we're better.

## POINT AND COUNTERPOINT

**by Richard Currie**

Because of the recent popularity of that new sound Rock N Roll, there are more of the students showing up with long, well-greased haircuts and bushy sideburns typical of the fad. (Until Mr. Curry apprehends them). In Cranford, N. J. a judge told a longsideburned youth who appeared before him to go out and get an "American" haircut, or spend five days in the local lockup. He wasn't in court about the sideburns; it hasn't come to that yet. He was charged with disorderly conduct and the judge just threw in the crack about the hair as an afterthought.

There are some characters around now with one long sideburn and one short one. No kidding! I've seen them. It isn't just carelessness or bad aiming; it's more of a fad. What would a judge do in a case like that?

Of course, a magistrate who gets into a lather over this rather bushy question will run up against the occupational sideburn. Many a violin player, for example, has sideburns that are quite a bit longer than the usual. Not so long that he doesn't have to put a folded handkerchief against his jaw when he plays, but pretty long just the same.

Nearly all motorcycle riders have long sideburns. Really long! In fact, I shouldn't be surprised at all if it turns out that the longest and bushiest sideburns are worn by motorcyclists. Now, according to this judge, because of the fact that these people wear long bushy whiskers on the sides of their faces, they are to be considered un-American. Come to think of it, that would be all right with us. They make too much noise anyway.

And how about our public figures? Neither Ike nor Adlai has any sideburns worth mentioning. But then, now that I pause to reflect, neither Ike nor Adlai has any hair worth mentioning. There are many other factors in this question but I won't drag them in because probably you are just as tired of this business as I am.

Oh, by the way, speaking of the Elvis epidemic, rock and roll seems to be taking hold with our neighbors across the Atlantic. The first clue that the British kids were getting "hep" came this last Aug. 28, when some sixty of them rioted in a London movie house to the tune of "See you later, Alligator." The manager didn't object to the tender ballad but he did mind having his furniture ripped to pieces. The teenagers didn't let his grouchiness bother them, however; they just picked him up bodily and pitched him into the lobby. All in fun, of course.

Now, here's our opportunity. Before long the English will be craving Elvis. Suppose we form a "Send Elvis Overseas Committee"? Sort of a friendly gesture between two countries. Now, this isn't to condemn Elvis. It is a free country and we all cherish the right to vote, chew gum, and sing in the shower. But we also cherish the right not to have to do certain things. For instance, we cherish the right not to have to listen to people talk about, at, against, for, and with Elvis Presley. Much more, do we cherish the right not to have to listen to Elvis sing and especially not to have to watch him sing.

Enough for the barbaric side of life. Some observations of campus life at Lenox this fall: It will be unanimously agreed that we have one of the finest groups of prefects ever. I really don't need to remind the student body of this, but those guys like to know every now and then that we are with them too. The new boys? Hmmmmmmm. I look back just one year to the time when I was a new boy too. It isn't so easy to catch on at first, and then of course some never do! A good group of fellows all the way around, I think.

There seems to be an extreme lack of pride in the school's appearance. There is an awful lot of paper and other trash blowing around the campus. On "trashbarrel trail" between Clipston Grange and the chapel there appears to be the makings of a first-class dump.

There are a lot of good things happening here at school this fall, too. These are the things that generally go unsung. There are some people who have a sense of responsibility toward the school. These are the people that take a moment to do a little thing that in time grows to be big. A pause to shut off a light, turning out of the way to tighten a dripping faucet, waiting to hold a door, little things but aren't these signs of something bigger inside these people? And even more gratifying to see are the large numbers of students who start their day with a prayer in the chapel. In this way, we will build up a real school spirit, and make each day go just a little bit better.

*A quote to take to mind:* "D'ye think th' colledges has much to do with the progress iv th' wuruld?" asked Mr. Hennessy. "D'ye think," sez Mr. Dooley, "Tis th' mill that makes the water run?"

*And then* there was the quarterback who found out that his girl was faithful to the end . . .

"Squidlet"

### LENOX-FOXHOLLOW PLAY

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Surface), Robert Hackmann (Crabtree,) Mike Lawton (Benjamin Backbite), Charles Anderson (Rowley), Robert Hardman (Moses), Jacobus Arnoldus (Trip),

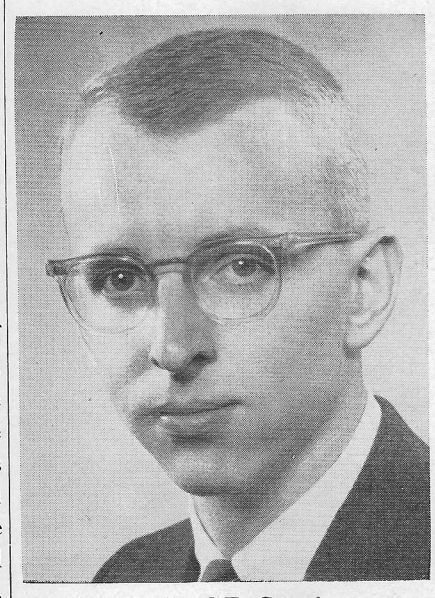
Directing "The School for Scandal" is Mr. David H. Wood of the Lenox faculty, assisted by Miss Jerry Royal of Foxhollow.

Lenox School has started one of the busiest social seasons in years with three dances within one month. Foxhollow came to Lenox on Oct. 6, Lenox danced with the St. Agnes girls in Albany on Oct. 13, and a St. Martin Society square dance was held on Oct. 27, for an all-time record for dances.

## Lenox Adds Two New Masters to Staff

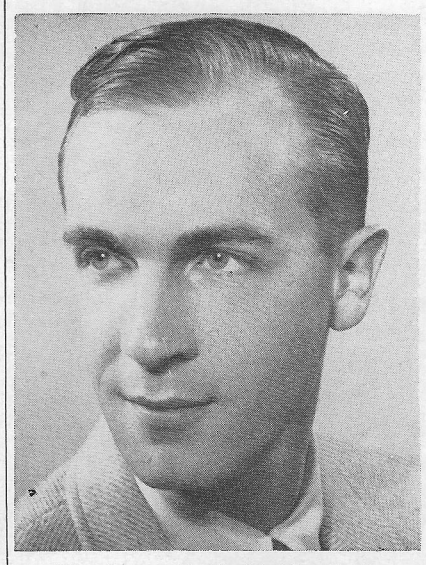
With the opening of school in September, Lenox School added two new members to the teaching faculty, and four new members to its non-teaching staff.

Assuming the duties of teaching masters were Mr. Paul Cawein, and Mr. Leverett M. Hubbard, Jr.



Mr. Paul E. Cawein

Master of the Coop and a teacher of English and mathematics, Mr. Paul Cawein is one of a family of four, a native of Hamilton, Ohio. He attended the University of Ohio at Athens where he received his B.A. in English. Upon graduation from college, he enlisted in the medical corps of the United States Army and served in the psychiatric ward. After discharge, he came to Cambridge where he entered the Episcopal Theological Seminary. Interested in music, he has also studied voice and is presently a member of the Trinity Church choir; he also plays the recorder in his spare time. Mr. Cawein will assist in dramatics and will help coach tennis in the spring.



Mr. Leverett M. Hubbard, Jr.

Leverett M. Hubbard, Jr. comes to Lenox from the field of business. At the moment he is not burdened with the task of being a dormitory master, but when the new wing is finished, he will occupy the master's new apartment there. In addition to teaching mathematics, Mr. Hubbard has assisted in the coaching of the varsity football team this fall.

A 1944 graduate of St. Paul's School (Concord), Mr. Hubbard then joined the Army. He spent World War II in Germany and was discharged as a sergeant in 1946, entering Yale in that fall. After receiving his A.B. he went to the University of Virginia Law School from which he graduated with an LL.B. degree in 1953. After a summer of extensive travel in eight European countries he went to work in the legal and claims department of a large insurance company in Hartford, Conn.

Mr. Hubbard has brought to Lenox with him a three-year old German shepherd dog named Egon (Eggy for short). His reason for entering the field of teaching concurs with that of Mr. Cawein: a desire to help others and to benefit from the associations to be found at Lenox School.

### NEW NON-TEACHING MEMBERS OF LENOX

Now on the non-teaching staff of Lenox School this fall is Mrs. Ruth Shippey, who is the new house mother, taking the place of the Duchess, who retired last spring. Mrs. Shippey was formerly employed as secretary to Dr. Rappaport at Riggs Foundation in Stockbridge, and she is the mother of two Lenox alumni (George '52 and David '56). She is occupying the apartment formerly held by Mr. Hinman.

In the kitchen department of the school two new additions have been made. Most noticeable, perhaps, is the coming of a new pastry chef, Mr. Frank Eident and his wife. The very tempting aromas which proceed from the bake room are second only to the tempting array of pastries and desserts which this talented chef has produced. A former baker at Colby Junior College in New London, N. H., Mr. Eident is a distinct addition to the fine baking of Mr. Roberts, our chef of seven years' standing.

Also new to the kitchen is Mr. Claude Hargett, who comes to us from the Emma Willard School in Troy.

### LENOX BOYS TAKE SCHOLARSHIP TESTS

Lenox School again participated in the National Merit Scholarship program this year, sending eight boys from the sixth form to take examinations on Oct. 22 at the school.

Taking the examination were: Fred Emrich, Phil Witt, Charles West, Charles Anderson, Terry Downs, Bob Hackmann, Mark Swann and Cam Forbes. The reaction of the boys to the test was mixed, some finding the tests difficult and other claiming that they did well.

Last year, the first of the program, 60,000 high school and preparatory school students took the first tests. Of the 5,200 who qualified 4,800 were presented to an eight-man board of educators who chose the 556 winning students. Lenox last year scored very high on the test, Melville Thomason receiving an honorable mention, and both of the Lenox students being in the top 15 per cent of the nation.

This year it is estimated that 135,000 high school seniors took the preliminary test to qualify for 700 scholarships.

## *Alumni Notes*

**Class of 1956**

*Donald Bottomley, John Kirkpatrick* and *Jack Bracebridge* ('55) are at Worcester Polytechnic Institute this fall.

An impeccable source has just informed us that *Allan Jorsey* and *Dick Liddy* have jobs at the freshman dining hall at Syracuse University — something to do with the preparation of breakfast, it seems. Oh my aching French toast!

## Fall Sailing Booms

Lenox will add to their fleet of sailboats three new Bluejays which are being built by the members of the Lenox sailing team. Captain Dave Berndt is doing a terrific job of supervising their construction and he is pushing hard to have them ready by this spring. Two of the Bluejays are near completion and the third will be started soon. They will greatly add to the number of sailers and strengthen the fleet. Bluejays are excellent racing boats; and are exceedingly popular for their light weight, speed and maneuverability.

Sailing as a sport at Lenox School is receiving more interest this year with these additions. We look forward to a successful spring season.

## Foxhollow Dances with Lenox

The Foxhollow dance at Lenox was one of the most disorganized affairs in recent years, with erratic music and a general lack of music responsible for the confusion. It is hoped that the next time the girls come, we can give them a better time than they had on this occasion.

An enthusiastic group of 55 Lenox students had a most enjoyable evening the following Saturday at St. Agnes in Albany. Pleasantly to surprise Miss Pittman, the boys were on time for once and the informality of the occasion shortened the evening considerably.

The St. Martin's square dance on the 27th of October did not turn out well mainly because the number of girls who showed up was very small. Those who came had a fine time, a number of novelties were offered, but when it comes time for another of these affairs, a little planning and more girls will make it more of a success.

### BILL KEEP MARRIES

William Keep, a former Lenox student who left the school last year to enter business, was married during the month of September to Miss Barbara Randall. The wedding was solemnized on the Cape, following which the couple spent their honeymoon in New Hampshire.

They are now residing in Rockland, Mass. near where Bill works. The *Pen and Scroll* extends the best of wishes to this couple for happiness in the future.

# ALUMNI NOTES

About fifty alumni returned to the School over the weekend of June 9-10 for Commencement and Prize Day and the graduation of Lenox's 26th Senior Class.

For the alumni the weekend program started with a spirited baseball game Saturday afternoon, umpired as usual by Mr. J. Arthur (Gramps) Howland. The Lenox School varsity team held the alumni to the short end of a 3-1 score — despite the inevitable superior playing, etc.

The line-up was as follows: Varsity pitcher: Robert Trotta, Loren Copeland, Alumni pitcher, Pinney Colton '55; varsity catcher, Richard Alish, Alumni catcher, Robert Kline '48; varsity first base, Edward Poole, alumni first base, Donald George '54; varsity second base, Robert Wooldridge, alumni second base, William Hajjar '55; varsity third base, Donald Hawley, alumni third base, Leslie Howlett '55; varsity short stop, Richard Bolster, alumni short stop, William Murthey '54; varsity left field, Peter Voss, alumni left field, Samuel Munson '38 and Donald Methven '44; varsity center field, Lawrence Gill and Kevin Buckley, alumni center field, George Willis '31 and Donald Marquis '54; varsity right field, Donald Bottomley and Robert Walter, and alumni right field, John Bowser '34.

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**Business Meeting**

Following the ball game the alumni held a short business meeting in the library at Clipston Grange. Owing to the amendment passed last year lengthening the terms of office of the alumni officers, there were no elections held this year. Kimball F. Brown '41 has another year as president, and Harold S. Bowser '35 another year as vice-president.

Owing to the absence of both senior officers of the Alumni Association, the Secretary presided at the meeting. Following the reading of the minutes of the 1955 business meeting, the Headmaster addressed the group telling of the school's expansion plans, with the construction of a new wing to contain a dining hall, study hall, dormitory and classrooms. A school of 150 boys was anticipated for 1956-57; of this number 60 would be new boys entering in the first five Forms. The school very much regretted the resignation of two masters — Mr. Robert Shirley, who will become the Admissions Officer at Colgate University; and Mr. Robert Kline, who has taken a position with the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Corporation at Hartford. To replace these two men and allow for the increased enrollment, the School would need four additions to its faculty for the coming year.

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**Class of '31 Cup Presented to Miss Tongring**

A surprise feature of the alumni dinner held Saturday night at the Red Lion Inn was the presentation of a new Lenox School award, the Class of '31 Cup. This cup is to be awarded annually to some member of the school faculty, staff or parent group deserving of special merit. George I. Willis of West Hartford, Conn., acting as spokesman for his class, presented the Class of '31 award to Miss Helena Tongring, "The Dutchess." The judges of this annual award are to be the President of the School's Trustees, the President of the Alumni Association and the Headmaster. Forty-eight alumni, alumni wives and guests attended the dinner. Special guests included the Headmaster and Mrs. Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Howland, Mrs. Anna Hubert and Miss Tongring.

**Mrs. Knowles Dies**

Shortly before Commencement and Alumni Weekend in June, word was received here of the death in Boston of Mrs. William Fletcher Knowles, mother of Mrs. Gardner Monks, donor of the annual Knowles Prize, and longtime friend and benefactor of Lenox School.

Many of the older alumni will remember the many visits that Mrs. Knowles made to the school when the Monks family resided at *Clipston Grange*, and many a homesick lower-former found that he had a sympathetic foster-grandmother there. Probably many a boy walked off the stage at Prize Day exercises with the coveted Knowles Job Prize clasped in his hand with little idea of whence it came. However, it is probably just as well that few boys ever realize that Mrs. Knowles was also the donor of those automatic bells which awake them in the inky darkness of 6.30 a.m.

On behalf of the Alumni Association flowers were sent to Mrs. Knowles' funeral at Boston. The following note of appreciation was received from Mrs. Monks.

"Dear Lenox School Alumni:

"Thank you so much for your beautiful flowers sent in memory of my mother, Mrs. Knowles.

"Nothing could have pleased her more than to be remembered by the Lenox School boys. She was so interested in the School, and was there with us from the very first days we opened, many years ago.

"She was specially interested each year who won the Job Prize, and it gave her great pleasure to select a book each spring for the boy who was going to win it. I shall carry this on for her, knowing it is something that she cared very much to continue in the School.

"I hear great things about the new building and hope it will be ready for use in the fall. That is something I always hoped to see finished — the other wing of the building. I hope to make a special trip to see it in the fall.

"From time to time Mr. Monks and I are so happy to have some of you drop in and see us in Washington. I only hope that many more of you will do the same. We always have extra room now that our older boys are away — so please come and spend a night with us. Bring your children, too, for we love to see the whole family.

"The very best luck to you all — and come and see us in Cohasset or Washington!

Your good friend,
Katherine K. Monks"

# CLASS NOTES

**Class of 1934**

*Mr. and Mrs. William P. Rousseau* of Sherman Oaks, Calif., have joined the ranks of Lenox Alumni Parents by entering their son, Fargo, in the Fourth Form this fall — and considering the distance, this is indeed a gesture of loyalty to the School! Fargo is thinner than his Dad was, but in appearance and personality is easily recognizable as a chip from that very jolly block.

*Charles Embree Rockwell* was married, on the 23rd of June, to Miss Geraldine Clark, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Howard F. Clark of Upland, Calif. They will make their home at Smithtown, Long Island. "Rocky," a frequent visitor at the School, is a Captain with the United Airlines.

**Class of 1939**

*Paul R. Warren* has been promoted to General Sales Manager for Fyr-Fyter, Inc. with headquarters at Dayton, Ohio. He will supervise the sales of all the company's portable fire extinguishers, as well as of fire hose, resuscitators, and other fire fighting equipment.

**Class of 1942**

*Henry Wilds Smith, Jr.*, who is a member of the Department of Forestry and Engineering at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., writes that his family has been increased by a new daughter, Deborah, born in May. Prof. Smith also states that he has enjoyed having *Richard Hayes* '51 in his classes last term.

**Class of 1944**

*Donald Methven* is a Class Agent to delight any Alumni Secretary's heart. For the past two years he has made an all-out effort to contact all the members of his class and glean the latest news of their accomplishments. Sometimes the news is meager; sometimes the boys just won't talk at all; sometimes we can't print it all. Don's latest communique came in just before Commencement in June, but here's some of its contents.

"Received a letter from Mac (Alexander M.) Wolfe back in March sometime. Mac is and has been for the past three years employed by the First National Bank of Boston in their Rio de Janiero branch in Brazil. Two years ago he married Miss Diane Paterson. They, along with Mr. Finegan, a dog of unknown ancestry, make up the present family. They leave for the States on May 2nd for a 4½ months vacation.

"Heard from Ned Williams. It appears I went out on a limb when I mentioned a little about Tweedy. It seems that Bud graduated from Williams, not Trinity; and he began working for DuMont TV in Pittsburgh, not New York. He is now assistant to the Assistant Director of the Firestone Hour, which is on the A.B.C. network.

"Ned Williams is off to see Europe for two months. He's thrown a few parties this month; wished to leave everyone in good spirits before he left.

"Recent letter from Sturge (Nathaniel R. Sturgis) says his farm is struggling by. The cows are giving but John Q. Public isn't taking enough.

"Dad (William A.) Carmichael is fine. The house he's building is about complete. He's waiting now for the city to install water mains. Hopes to throw an open house sometime. Recent addition to their household is a 135-lb. Great Dane.

"Stopped in to see Sid (Sidney S. Nichols) and Marion in Greer (South Carolina) on my way up from Atlanta last month. They had just moved into a larger house. New address is 107 Pine Street."

**Class of 1945**

*Howard Suzuki*, who with his wife and daughter visited the School last spring, writes that he and his family are planning to visit Hawaii during the summer. This fall he will resume his work as research instructor in the Department of Anatomy at the Yale School of Medicine.

**Class of 1947**

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lacmann Thorpe* announced the birth of a son, Mark Anthony, on May 25th. The Thorpes have moved from Nutley, N. J., to Arlington, Va. during the summer.

*Philemon F. Sturges, 3rd.*, an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve, was married on the 21st of July to Miss Julie A. Jones, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Banford Jones of Rochester, N. Y.

**Class of 1949**

*Alexander (Sandy) Choate* writes that he has just finished his stint with the Army and celebrated his release to civilian life with the purchase of a car. He was married on June 30th to Miss Joan Linnewerth of Guttenberg, N. J. Sandy should, by the time this is released, have begun his studies at Virginia Theological Seminary. The Choate's new address is Riva, Md.

*Joel Whitcomb* was married on the sixteenth of June to Miss Carol Barbara Feery at Allentown, Pa.

**Class of 1950**

*Mr. and Mrs. Allan F. Gordon* announced the birth of a son, Allan F. Jr., on May 31.

*Peter McK. Morris* has joined the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company at its New York office, 527 Fifth Avenue.

*Richard Kidder* is reported to have been married during the summer, but our reporter has not supplied us with the name of the bride. Dick is with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y.

*Richard Schmidt* was, as of last May, still in the Army and stationed near Nuremberg, Germany.

**Class of 1951**

*Richard Wiggin* graduated last June from Boston University's School of Associate Arts, and plans to continue there in the School of Public Relations. This past summer he has been working for the real estate firm of R. M. Bradley, Inc. in Boston, spending a lot of his time working on the re-industrialization of the old American Woolen Company mills in Lawrence.

**Class of 1952**

*Edward Pierson, Jr.* is head athletic coach this fall at Cornwall Academy in Great Barrington. Last June Eddie received a B.S. in Education at North Adams State Teachers College, where he had captained the basketball team and won the faculty leadership award.

**Class of 1953**

*Stuart S. Tuller, Jr.* is one of four Amherst College lacrosse players selected for honorable mention in All-American lacrosse selections. Pete, a defenseman on the undefeated 1956 lacrosse team, was chosen captain of the 1957 team. He has won his letter in football and will serve as president of the Christian Association this year.

*Wentworth Tripp* expects to be married on the tenth of November to Miss Jacqueline Faye Norton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Norton of Vineyard Haven, Mass.

**Class of 1954**

*Matthew Mitchell, Jr.* joined the Army on June 18th and spent the balance of the summer at Camp Jackson, S. C.

**Class of 1955**

*Richard Bell* has been working at The Island Inn, Monhegan Island, Me., this past summer. The island is ten miles off the coast near Boothbay Harbor. Prior to this, Dick put in a very enjoyable year, he says, at Transylvania College, where he was elected house director and chapter editor of his Fraternity.

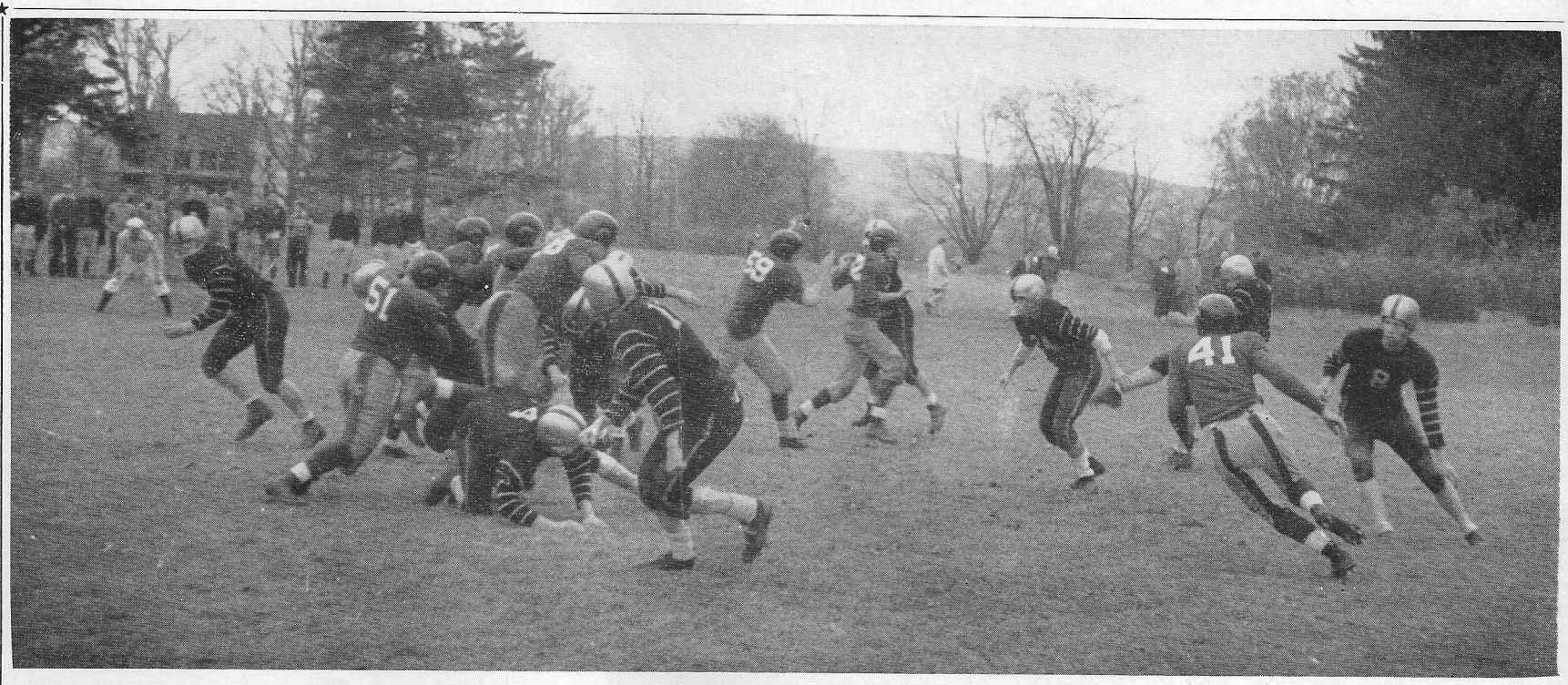
*Lawrence Whitten* has been working as assistant to a dairy farmer during the summer and has found the life so to his liking that he wants to do the same thing next year. Reminds me of the one about the Vermont farmer who was asked by the city tourist if he was aware that statistics showed there were more cows in Vermont than people. "Yep," said the farmer; "We like it better that way."

Larry, by the way, is a sophomore at Hampden-Sydney College, and hopes to attend the Virginia Theological Seminary.

*John Hatch*, a sophomore at Brown University, has just been initiated into the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, a fraternity which has been at Brown since 1853. Johnny is football manager for the freshman team.

*Robert Gee* continues to write newsy letters of his cruises on the *U.S.S. Hugh Purvis*. Most recent adventure was a Mediterranean cruise with the Sixth Fleet, during which Bob had shore leave at the Azores, Palma — a Spanish city where he saw his first bullfight — Leghorn, Florence, Cannes, Barcelona and Sardinia. Part of the fleet was standing-by in case of need to evacuate American citizens in the area affected by the Suez Canal crisis. Stateside, Bob has a new M.G. roadster, which he says is the greatest car to handle he's ever seen. *Bruce Bennett*, he says, is attending the Electrician's School at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center in Illinois.

# FALL SPORTS



Gill punts on fourth down.

## Football Season Better

### Gleason, Sawyer Coach

Two new coaches, many new faces and a tremendous amount of enthusiasm were to be found on the football field as the 1956 season started for Lenox School.

In the capacity as head coach was Edward A. Gleason, athletic director of the school. Assisting him were Richard Sawyer and Leverett Hubbard, all of the school faculty.

With only five lettermen returning from last year, it was hard to say at first just what the outcome of this year's schedule would be. There were boys who had played the game before and also some beginners. With the first game, the all-important Berkshire game, time was short and practice had to be intensive.

The spirit of the team was high as the team was fielded for the first game on Saturday, Sept. 29. The Berkshire team which met the Lenox 11 was a fine, well-trained team which gave the Black and Gold a good fight all the way. The Sheffield outfit was too much for the Lenox men, and they returned home the victors by a score of 33-0.

A spirited Lenox team staged a fighting comeback, however, to upset Wooster School at Danbury a week later. This was the first victory of a Lenox football team over the Danbury Generals in ten years. Trailing 13-0 at the end of the second quarter, the Black and Gold marched 60 yards to their first score with Bob Browning crossing the line on the last play of the half. In the third quarter Lenox took the field on the short end of a 13-6 score. Larry Gill intercepted a pass which carried the ball down to the Wooster 1-yard line. Lenox lost the ball on downs, however. Three plays later David Taft broke through the Wooster line and tackled a Wooster back behind the line for a safety and two points. Following an exchange of punts, Lenox started their second long drive, this time going 70 yards. Again it was Bob Browning who scored for Lenox. Bill Morrison passed to Gill for the extra point. Final score 15-13.

The Lenox-Avon game on Oct. 13 was a heartening affair, for the Avon team came to us with an impressive record, having been undefeated last year with few points scored against them. This year Lenox was the second team on their schedule, and although Avon won the game, the Lenox outfit put up a good fight. Avon scored in the first quarter and again in the second. Tightening up the Lenox defense, however, secured for the Black and Gold the first score of the afternoon. Taft crossed the line, after the ball had been run down to the Avon 20 by Berndt, Browning and Taft. Bob Browning made the extra point. Avon intercepted a pass, following this and scored again, making the score Avon 20, Lenox 7.

The best offensive game to date was played by the St. Martin's men on the afternoon of Oct. 20 against the school's arch-rival Darrow. The defense, however, was weak and the Darrow single wing was at its best. Lenox carried the ball to the Darrow 25 yard line. It was carried across by Taft for the first score of the afternoon. Second score came when Browning rounded end for 20 yards. The third TD for Lenox was also in Browning's hands. Bill Berndt made the final point for the day. Final score Darrow 55, Lenox 19. No mention of this in the above, but Darrow must have scored too!

The best game of the season was played on the 26th of October at Lenox when the Black and Gold met the men from Deerfield Academy. Hard fought from the beginning, the game got off to a Deerfield start with two scores in the first half plus one extra point. From the start of the second half, however, the Lenox eleven took over. Moving down the field to the 8 yard line, Bill Berndt crossed the line on a drive up the middle. Bill also made the extra point. Lenox made 4 goal line stances in a row. The final score: Deerfield 13, Lenox 7.

Parents' day weekend saw Millbrook at Lenox for the final game of the season. The game was a hard-fought one but went to Millbrook without too much trouble. Millbrook sprung their backs for long runs, while Lenox constantly pounded their line for gains ranging from three to ten yards. On a pass from Taft to Gill, Lenox crossed the goal line. Because of a back in motion, however, the play was called back and Lenox ended the game scoreless.

The line-up of the varsity team for the year was:

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| RE | Paul Henderson |
| RT | Paul West |
| RG | Cam Forbes |
| C | John Smith |
| LG | Dick Erickson |
| LT | Gard West |
| LE | Larry Gill |
| QB | Bill Morrison |
| RH | Bob Browning |
| LH | David Taft |
| FB | Bill Berndt |

## Black and Gold Booters Set Record Season

First game and only defeat of the year was against Berkshire School, rival of Lenox. I believe that the primary reason why they defeated us by such a decisive score is that we gave them such a scare in the first period that they played much harder than they might have. In the first period alone we shot more than 21 times at the Berkshire goal and missed. The team was on a new field and we had "first game jitters" but also because their goalie played very well. It is interesting to note that we had control of the ball more of the time than they did but when they took it to our end of the field, they scored.

Windsor Mountain tasted defeat in our second game. Our main weapon of success here was that we surprised them by an early score and they never quite recovered from the ferocity of the attack in the first few minutes. Skip Britton, our center forward, put in two goals for us, while Phil Witt, our left inside, put in one. Windsor Mountain spoiled Charlie West's bid for a shut-out by scoring with less than a minute to go, leaving the score at 3-1.

The next school to feel the strength of our spirited squad was Gunnery, whom we defeated 2-1 with Skip Britton starring. The Lenox group had a great deal of trouble getting coordinated on Gunnery's smaller field, but toward the end when they became accustomed to it they maintained quite a steady attack.

In the following game, the JV team of the University of Massachusetts played a tie game with the Black and Gold, the score being 2 all. The Lenox squad was uneven in its playing here and did not have the spirit that the U of M boys had. Carl Liddy and Phil Witt scored for us. Except in a few cases, our shots were wild of the goal.

Our rival school from New York State, Darrow School, was badly defeated at the hands of the Lenox team by a score of 2-0. We had improved in our playing by this time,



Coach Earl gives pointers at halftime.

our passing was excellent, but our scoring kicks were still hard to come by. The invincible Skip Britton put in his usual effort and scored along with Phil Witt, our speedy left inside.

The last game in which our poor playing was really evident was the Williams High game. After a scoreless half, Chaichan socked in a rebound. Nine minutes later Mark Swann pelted home a shot which put Lenox ahead, 2-0. Williams, however, with their hard-charging tactics, quickly scored twice. Then we came back with vicious attack and Carl Liddy scored. Again, however, Williams came back and scored, tying the score at 3-3. A ten-minute overtime period did nothing to break the tie.

Watkinson fell quite decisively to a highly spirited team on Oct. 17. The play was very one-sided and the score ended 3-1. Skip Britton and Phil Witt scored. Our shooting had improved but it still had much to be desired.

The Lenox booters proceeded to beat Avon Old Farms in a very hard-fought contest. Chaichan, our fast left wing, scored the one and only goal of the game. We had many other opportunities for other scores but Dave Heather, Avon's very proficient goalie made some very spectacular saves in the goal area.

Possibly one of the toughest games of the season was the one played against Viewpoint School.

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Lenox ball glides past Williams High goalie for point.

### BOOTERS SET RECORD SEASON

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Phil Witt pulled a rare stunt and produced the "hat-trick" by coming up from behind and scoring three goals to beat Viewpoint 3-1. It was a most exciting game with both teams being well-matched.

Albany Academy was the next unfortunate to suffer defeat at the hands of an almost indomitable squad. Mark Swann scored two goals to rout the opposition 2-0. The battle was all but even. Lenox literally romped all over a surprised Albany team. The weather proved very interesting that day, for it rained profusely and put the Albany field into a mire of mud and water.

The last game of the season, on Parents' weekend, was decidely a Lenox affair. Phil Witt, Skip Britton, Dick Bawden, Mark Swann and Jim Braim all scored to rack up a total of 6 goals. At the end of the first half the score was 2-1. The real fight was gone from the Forman team, however, and the final score was a Lenox victory, 6-1.

In retrospect, it seems as if we had a team of stars, for it was not until the last game that more than three people scored in a contest. Usually one or two played very well and did all the scoring, but finally in our last game everyone played excellently and we trounced the opposition, Forman School, 6-1.

Prospects for next year look very good, although only four lettermen will return. The JV squad was certainly stronger than it has ever been before, for they played some teams which were almost varsity material. They not only held their own against these teams, but sometimes beat them. This seems an indication of strong soccer at Lenox for next year, at least, and should at least temporarily do away with our biggest shortcoming: the lack of depth on the teams.


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