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## THE PSIMAR <br> MECHANICS ROCHESTER, NEW YORK.

## Wrestling Season Closes With Victory

Former M. I. Star Features Last Meet; Pike and Adair Reach Finals


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## Consideration Given <br> for Combining Groups

movement instigated for combining
the Mechanics Institute Photographic Technology group with that of the Mechanics Institute Chemical Association in the near future. Since both groups are primarily interested in the study of Chemistry, the members of each club feel that it would be to
their mutual advantage to unite in all activities. Due to their closely allied interests and contacts very little revision in the present methods would
be necessary and possibly greater achievements will ensue. At present there are only a few members in each group and so by joining forces a larger and more co-operative club could come into extstence and yet render real benefit to all.
New Assistant
To M. I. Registrar Will Interview Students Ap plying for Entrance

mRS. ChAUNCEY U. PRACHEL

## Junior Prom Promises Spectacular Popularity

Seneca Ballroom Has Been Chosen for the Event, Which Will Be Given April 17th


MARION WRIGHT On Music Committee
and His Vagabonds," direct from the "Open Door," Greenwich Village, fact which in itself promises a very enjoyable evening. Chaperoning the dance will be Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Beal, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Buck Mr. and Mrs. Calvin C. Thomason and Mr. and Mrs. Byron G. Culver.

## 12-Month Year to Replace School Year in M. I. Mechanical Course

New Plan Becomes Effective June 15 and Will Afford Opportunity To Co-ordinate Work in Classes with That in Stores and Factories

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## JUNIOR PROM

To those people who are fortunate enough to have escaped the callousness which comes from over-indulgence in worldly amusements, there is always strong sentiment attached to thoughts of a Junior Prom. Whether it is held at the most exclusive country club or in the small ballroom over the classrooms; whether the orchestra is Wayne King, or Tinkham's trio; whether they have engraved parchment programs bound with snakeskin, or small slips of paper; whether the favors are sapphire-studded medallions or even if there are no favors at all, the atmosphere of the Junior Prom is unique and sacred. Every junior class cannot hire trained decorators and caterers, but every junior class can, and does, enjoy itself whole-heartedly on this one night and at this one dance that belongs especially to the class.

The companion for the Prom is carefully selected. He , or she, must be the bethrothed, or the "steady," or, for us less fortunate ones, an invitation is sent to the one who ranks highest in our estimation (though she doesn't know it), while we quivveringly pray that she, or he, will accept. (She did!) And then there is the gown which the girls have so much fun selecting, and perhaps some of the boys never before have worn that board on their chests or that steel band around their necks, and they will perspire and curse and be very uncomfortable for awhile, but not for long.

The conveyance for the evening must also be just a bit better than the old everyday flivver. The better taxicab companies do a prodigious business and older people, who own shining, big cars, are pestered until they relinquish them to Youth for the evening. And the flowers, while we cannot pluck them ourselves, are given a special thought.

At the dance itself, the Juniors' pride grow's and nearly bursts their hearts. The soft lighting effects are more pleasing to the senses than any others ever witnessed. The floor is properly glazed and buoyant. The command to dance has never before been issued by such a group of superb pulsation producers. It is the Juniors' night for revelry. May they and their guests have a glorious time!

We being dogmatic, as we have a perfect right to be, should like to issue at this time, a word of advice, which may, or may not be needud, but which we are quite capable of giving, believe it or not. It concerns drinking at the Prom. That there is drinking at our dances only a man minus his senses will deny, and if there is not more drinking among young poople today than there was when our imme-


## PROM

Buoyantly cushioned on fluffy, white clouds, Stretches a carpet of myriad blue-bells. Rising from this, in ${ }^{*}$ all virginal splendor, Tiers of white lillies support a small throne Fashioned from roses of yellow and red. Here, 'mid the fragrance and homage of Nature,
Sits a young Queen. And rare birds in tall trees
Sing of Her grandeur in soft harmonies.
Queen of queens is She to one poor Fool, Who shambles to Her throne in ecstasy, To seek Her favor on his bended knee, Fearful lest to him Her heart will coolIf ever it were warm.-What fantasy!

Tribute such as courtiers to Her pay;
Gifts which princes send to pave their way;
These the sprawling beggar cannot offer.
But band-men gay he leads in neat array,
To place their gems of rhythm in Her coffer.
Horns, muted, softly sighing;
Strings, strumming rhythms undying;
Forms, floating on feet that are free-
Come, O Queen, and dance with me!
You curl your small, warm hand in mine;
Dark hair blows soft against my cheek.
Your smile, your eyes pervade my heart;
That deep, rich voice fair makes me weak.
O Queen! Are we not one tonight?
Free, soaring spirits blend it seems.
Another night we may not have,
But we have this one-and our dreams.

## REGRETS

The Editor of Psimar wishes to express in behalf of the faculty and student body of Me chanics Institute sincere regret for the passing of Henry Irving Smith, student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, who formerly resided in Rochester and was well known at the Institute.

The Psimar joins with every other paper in the country in expressing the dejection felt by everyone, when they learned of the unexpected death of Knute K. Rockne, coach at the University of Notre Dame. Sincere sympathy his friends and to those he chose to call "his boys."

## COWSLIIPS ANI) PARSNIPS

Psimar met Omar the other night. We not mean Omar Khayyam, the Persian $p$ o or the well known maker of tents, nor Oma
New York, where one gets excellent beer, New York, where one gets excellent beer, liquid which has so successfully lubricaterd strengthened the wheels in the minds of men as Poe, Von Hindenberg, Einstein, students at Heidelberg, and others. This a strange Omar. Psimar met him while was strolling in the more remote parts of $t$ campus. He was old and small and he shuff when he walked. His trousers were flop and baggy, and the collar of his flowing, tig: sleeved coat stood far from his neck like wall around a city. His coarse, gray hair h ried upwards from his left temple and paused confusedly for a moment high abo his massive dome, and then charged his droo ing right shoulder, being halted, however, a sharp thrust from his protruding right $e$ His lined, immobile face was quite the or nary face except that the horizontal axis his left eye, instead of pointing due east a west, inclined just a few degrees toward t south pole of his hawkish nose, giving him peculiar owlish appearance.

He waddled up to Psimar and sal "How?" Psimar blushed, for she is youtul and innocent and not accustomed to meeting strange men. But he seemed such a nice of man that our heroine parked with him besioa jujube bush, and, as the sun swan-dived in oblivion the old man spoke something lit this:

It matters not what a man has, it is whe he is that makes him worthwhile, or other. wise. (Psimar didn't care. She wanted : talk of moonlight on lazy lakes, Guy Lombardo and Junior Proms. But the old man had pleasant, persuasive voice.) The world do not always judge men by this standard: often classifies them according to an opposime code, the law of possessions. The things $\pi$ possess are many and varied, such as goo health, an attractive physique, exquisite fes tures, a receptive brain, a good education, pe: haps a Master's degree, a fat bankroll, time energy, a luxurious house, a legion of acquarr tances, scores of friends, and a car that will d a hundred and six in her stocking feet. AD these things we may possess (well. we mas some day) but they are not we, nor are they. Furthermore, young people are not a all responsible for the things they claim. The own only what their heredity and environmen have given them, and they had no choice the selection of either. Which brings us to point where we might consider the utter inanity of blissful young snobs, only we har no intention of doing so.

What a man is is measured entirely by ho he spends his time and energy; in other words by what he does, or the use he makes of th things he possesses. Character is measure by action, and not always by visible action, buf more often by the invisible acts of the mind It was said, "If you love Me, keep My com mandments." And again, "-go sell all yo have and give to the poor." Do things wit have and give to the poor. Do things
your possessions, and do things worthwhil your possessions, and do things worthwhid
We shall not attempt to define worthwhi acts. You know what they are, or you thin you do, or you can find out from better source than this. But, whether a man possess gres physical or mental vigor or great wealth. of whether he possess these scarcely at all, stil let him withdraw them continuously from hi storehouse and distribute the fruits theren profusely but wisely, so that he and his cam may pass through the eye of the Needle.

Psimar began to see how these musing might help her in making mutually beneficis friendships. If a person had great talents ant
used them foolishly. she would have nothin used them foolishly, she would have nothing
to do with that person. Immediately hid thoughts dwelt accusingly on one of her lesser henchmen, the writer of editorials, wb worked for her because he loved her. Hery Was a man (") who had everything: a foet ball player's physique, a mind capable of re futing Einstein's theories: wealth to buy Ras Indian princes the features of a collarse
model; the ability to wield a brush like hem model; the ability to wield a brush like hem
brant or a pen like Homer, or to wag his tongue like lemosthenes: two city house's and

## Around the School

Giladuates Visit Alma Matei
"Many kraduates of Mechanics Institute have proven that their Alma Mater is proven 1 them" commented a member of the fsculty recently. Students from mainy courses have returned to visit dd friends and faculty members and to ste what, if anything, has hapart of it is that left. And the queer ing the same things which they ve been doing for years without
d: the sanke questions about prob$m=$ and lessons are being discussed ar.d the same old grind exists. Mis Evelyn Stucke, who was gradated with the Teacher Training Class from the School of Applied Art the class of 1930 , and her friend
we think it's serious) attended the nformal dance which was given b Sigma Kappa Sorority; of which Roy H. Bartlett, who was gradu ated from the Interior Decoration Course, School of Applied Arts, with the ciass of $\because 28$ and who was also a member of the Teacher Training flass visited school and so interesting that he spent several days here. Roy is now residing in Morris,

Vance Weikhart, graduate of the ourse in Interior Decoration, School f Applied Arts, who is gaining rec ognition as a designer of destinctive
furniture of quality (besides his furniture of qual talent for attracting interes from the opposite sex), is living in Medina

Arthur Staley, a forme: star of the Mechanics Basketball team, and nember of the ' 31 class of Interior Decoration, spent some time at the Art School recently.
Mrs. Roy Weller (nee Betty Hunt) who was graduated from the Dietetics Course, Class of '29, visitec nnected with the Dietetics Depart pital, and will continue her duties there until the latter part of May.

## (Continued from page 1)

nel and educational director of the Standard Oil Company of New York, nd Frederick P. Keppel, president of he Carnegie Corporation of New
iork City. It is expected that the ew plan will lessen the burden on -operating industrial concerns that employ Mechanics Institute students. Heretofore during the summer months these concerns have tried to find work for both students holding ne co-operative job.
In regard to the work-time plan alopted by the co-operative retailing course, Mis Hathaway states that instead of dividing the day between
sehool and the stores, students in these courses who so desire will now ave an opportunity to study in Students will then be able to take positions with tores in Buffalo, Syra-
euse, Elmira and Bingharnton, exlains Mins Hathaway. This will in rease the number of positions open
studerit in the e courme and thus nable the Institute to handle the Inreasing number of applications.

In addition to these two announcements, members of the board of d rectors elected officers for the next ar and chose six members to reain on the board through 1936. Offi-
ra will be: Carl F. Lomb, chairman the board; Edward A. Halbleib, vice-president; Herman Russell, nd viee-president; Joseph Farley,


The depression is on now more than ever since the Easter holidays For Easter bonnets and chocolate bunnies are still expensive luxuries which Modern Youth cannot do without.

Spring fever has come so early to the majority of Mechanics students this year that those suffering from this malady will probably not be recuperated until the week of exams.

Rather queer how the boys in the Eastman Building seem to be taking so much interest in the art school these days. Can it be the Exhibitions in Bevier Hall which afford reason?

What has happened to the noon dancing which at one time was so well attended during the first part of the school year?

Since vacancies are so scarce for this coming year in all the high schools, members of the teacher training class should begin correspondence with some of the renowned matrimonial agencies of the country.

## World Topsy-Turvy, <br> Hindu Theosophist Says

"The whole world is topsy-tury," said Yadunandan Prasad, Hindu theosophist and world traveler, addressing students in the School of Applied Art at Mechanics Institute.
"In the region of emotion should be freedom; in the region of economics, order. But in this world, economics is chaos; emotion, order."
As an illustration of his statement that emotion should be unbound, Mr. Prasad said: "Genius is unique. From the very beginning we should try to discover genius in every boy and girl We should let them have freedom to decide whether they shall learn or not, and to choose what they shall learn. But this is not done. Opinion binds them from the moment they enter school.'

## secretary; George H. Clark, treasurer. Members of the board elected to serve through 1936 are: A. Edwin serve through 1936 are: A. Edwin Crockett, M. Herbert Eisenhart, Ed- ward A. Halbleib, Frank W. Moffatt, Benjamin (G. Stallman and Harry G. Benjamin G. Stallman and Harry G Cuvenson.

## Sororities Open This Spring Social Season

## SORORITY NEWS <br> Sigma Kappa Delta

What a circus! At the home of Edna Howard the pledges of Sigma Kappa Delta gave the rest of its members a circus. Mary Hall was the ring leader and announced each act. There was singing, dancing and all sorts of acrobatic stunts. Marian McQuilkin at the piano announced the fi:st act by playing the Stein Song. Helen Atwell did a clever little Italian dance. Then there were the tight rope walkers, Ellen Bronson and Jane Bates. On the side Dorothy Walls, acting as a clown, threw out bags of peanuts. There were many other interesting people in this circus. It sure was a unique good time. After the circus the for mal initiation ceremony was held.

## Rainbow Hop

Friday, March 27th, the Sigma Kappa Delta Sorozity had a very successful dance, the Rainbow Hop, in the Bevier Hall from nine o'clock until one. The hall was decorated with colored balloons and "Walaloola" birds. The first hour practically all the decorations came down. What a crowd!
Everyone certainly had a good time especially because of the fine music furnished by J. Foster and his Hi Oans.
The committees in charge were Mary Leach, Ingborg Jensen, Mary Mickey, decorations; Eleanor Lussow, place; Doris Adams, Gertrude Munson, refreshments, and Edna Howard, music.

Phi Upsilon Phi
Having completed the rites of initiating the new Sisters to Phi Upsilon Phi, the Sorority is now ready to carry on as a unified whole. They
are planning a reunion of Alumni and Active Members to start the new program. This will be held in the form of a Bridge Party at the home of their Alumnae Sister, Hortense Cazeau, the third week in April.

## Alpha Psi

The Alpha Psi Sorority held its formal initiation at the Normandie Apartments on March thirteenth. After the initiation an open Formal Dance was held in the Apartments' Ballroom. The music was furnished by Ted Van Order and his Band. Quite a few attended and from all reports, everyone had a good time.

## Delta Omicron Forma

The Delta Omicron Sorority planning a closed dinner dance for May 1st. Louise Tallamy is general chairman of the affair. This dance is to take the place of the open for mal which the D. O. has given

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## Fraternity and Sorority

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## Pi Kappa Gamma Has Anniversary Dinner

The John Brashear Chapter of P Gamma Fraternity held its second an niversary dinner dance Saturday eve ning, A pril 11, 1931, from 6.30 unti 12 o'clock, at West Manor. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Evans, three alumni members and thirteen active members. The rooms were arranged in night club effect, with the tables placed along the sides and the center of the floor cleared for dancing. The tables were decorated with the fraternity colors, which are green and white, and with white carnations, the flower of the fraternity. At the farther end of the room was placed a table which held the huge birthday cake, which was decorated with green and white icing and proudly boasted its two candles. Above the table was hung the $P$ Kappa Gamma banner.

The features of the evening included several novelty dances which were given by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lang, and the usual antics of the alumni. Incidental to the customary speeches given at gatherings of this sort, Mr. Edward Lang presented to the fraternity, in behalf of himself and Mr. Fred Evans, the autobiography of John Brashear, in whose honor Pi Kappa Gamma Fraternity named its chapter

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The firt Senior Clats Meeting wa held in the A isembly Hall of East man Building on April firit.
Reports of various committee ere given. President Loren A Coryell appointed Ted Carr chairman of the Senior Gift Committee, to be assisted by Louis Bevok, Herbert Andrews and Robert Nelson. He also appointed Catherine Hammond chairman of the Invitation Committee, to be assisted by Dorothy Wilder and Carolyn Jordan
The Social Committee announced that the New Masonic Temple Ballroom had been secured for the Senior Ball to be held on June fifth
Miss Margy Lou Payne and Miss Dorothy Wilder were appointed to determine the graduation dress of the girls.

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## Work Completed On 1931 Ramikin

The twentieth volume of the
RAMIKIN has at last been completed. not, however, without a year of untiring eff
1931 Staff.

The stafl feel that they have quite successfully gathered together the Scholastic, Athletic and Social "highlights" of the School Year and wish
to take this opportunity to thank both the Student Body and the Administration, as a whole, for their perfect co-operation. It is due to this co-operation that they feel se-
cure in the conviction that the 1931 RAMIKIN is, to date, the finest year book published. The Editors wish to express their appreciation to the Staff
for their excellent efforts and wish for their excellent efforts and wish
to state that any credit hrough the publication of the 1931 RAMIKIN is due to the enire Staff
The "precious pages" are now on proximately the thirtieth of April. The first week of sales will go only to those who have naid a part of their subscriptions. Whatever amount
left will then be sold to the "last minute men." Only a limited number has been ordered! Advice from the Staff is. "Get your subscription disappointment

The members of the Ramikin Staff are: Editors-in-Chief, Marion Wright and Theodore Van Brunt; Assistant Editors. Mary Ann Jenks and Ann Kent; Art Editor, Thomas Comer ford; Assistant Art Editor, Caroline Jordan: Business Managers, J. A ant Musiness Managers, William Taff and Clayton Humphrey; Advertising Manager, Gordon Kirkland; Assistant Advertising Managers, A. Lackiewietz, H. Secar, B. Paul and C. Conroy; Litevary Editors, Helen Short, Muriel Haskell and Frank Taylor; Grind Editors, Ray Mosher and Leo Kaplan; Feature Editor, Mary Lou Payne; Staf Tyyist, Virsinia Tall. man; and Facculty Adviser, Miss Hazel Burkey.

## Girls' Activities Continues Progress

## Tennis

Although the outdoor tennis courts are not open yet, every Thursday after school many enthusiastic tennis players have begun to practice in the gymnasium of the Eastman Building. All those who are interested in ten-
nis and who want to be in the tennis nis and who want to be in the tennis after school.

The following women have already entered the G. A. A. Tennis program Josephine Jones heads the sport. In the beginners' class, which meets Tuesdays from $4: 30$ to $5: 30$ and $7: 30$ to $9: 30$ o'clock, are Hazel Goodale, Elizabeth Thomas, Betty Kurtz, Betty Garrity, Jane Baltz, Betty Chapman, Barbara Brown, Jean Voerg, Ruth Espenmiller and Beulah Clark.

In the advanced class held Thursday ${ }^{\text {I }}$ from $4: 30$ to $5: 30$ and $7: 30$ to $9: 30$ o'clock are Catherine Young Mary Louise Keating, Marion Wright Helen Wellener and Anna Ballarian.

The Tournament starts this week All in the Advanced Class are ex pected to enroll.

## Bowling

Many of the girls have been keep. ing up their high seores in bowling The two highest this month are Mar fan Whitbeck and Beatrice Jerole

## Faculty Members <br> Exhibit at Gallery

Director of Art School Submits Yacht Drawing

On Monday, April 13, he eighteenth annual exihbition of the work of artists and craftsmen of Rochester opened at Memorial Art Gallery, with a private view and tea. The awards of the exhibit were announced by Miss Gertrude Ierdle, director of the gallery. Those people from Mechance Institute who exhibited are as follows: Second prize for landscape, "Early Snow," by Mr. John J. Inglis, senior instructor in oil-painting in the


## CLIFFORD M. ULP

School of Applied Arts; honorary mention, in still life, "In a Conservatory," by Minnie Rankin Wyman, instructor in water color in the art school; first prize for a water color by Harwood Steiger, former teacher of this subject at the Institute, which was entitled "The Fish Wharf"; and second prize for Black and White was awarded to Mr. Ralph Avery of third prize was taken by "Yacht Basin," the work of Clifford M. Ulp, director of the School of Applied Arts of Mechanics Institute.
In addiion to the exhibition of paintings and dawings were featured some outstanding examples of ceramics and sculpture by Rochester artists and craftsmen. Mrs. Lulu Scott Backus, head of the ceramics department, School of Applied Arts of Mechanics Institute, exhibited unusual pieces of her latest work, which included glazes with which she has been experimenting for some time in a desire to discover and perfect new

COWSLIPS AND PARSNIPS (Continued from page 2) three country estates and a car that
would do a hundred and twenty-six in her stocking feet. But di dhe employ his time and energy in using his other possessions wisely? He did not. In fact, he didn't use them at all; he was a total loss.
But the rabble cries, "Why all this drivel?" Psimar sighs, and the above-mentioned henchman sheds a
tear, for the mob never understands, However, O most intelligent people! O most rational creatures, who must have a reason for everyhing! We
were merely attempting to entertain you for a moment. Ttat we possess the means to do so, we well know, but they lie dormant and stagnant for want of usc. We have tried
please. We are overwhelmingly please. We a re overwhelmingly aware of our failure; we are covered

## Many Meetings Mark March For M. I.

Commission Principals Visit School-Evening School Industrial Management Men Celebrate Annual Banquet

During the past month, several important meetings have been held at Mechanics Institute, including the inspection of the Institute by the commission which surveyed it five years ago, the annual banquet of the evenings school industrial management courses, and the visit to the Institute of 16 high school principals.
As the result of their investigation of Mechanics, Dean Dexter S. Kimball, dean of the college of engineering of Cornell University, and chairman of the commission, reported that "Mechanics has made great progress in the development of its relations with industries in the city, and especially in its co-operative courses. The committee was composed of Dr Kimball, Channing R. Dooley, personnel and educational director of the Standard Oil Company of New York, and Dr. Frederick P. Keppel, president of the Carnegie Corporation.
At the annual banquet of Mr. Thomason's evening school students, Mr. Dooley said that "The evening school industrial management courses illustrate the swing of the pendulum in business attitudes." He traced this swing from the dictatorial to the pa ternal and thence to the present cooperative attitude. Two hundred sixty-two men attended the banquet. Dr. W. W. Charters, head of the bureau of educational research at Ohio State University, and director of curriculum technique at Mechanics, and Dr. R. W. Tyler, also of the Ohio State University bureau, spoke tothe high school principals during their visit.

Dr. Charters explaining how Mrchanics Institute functions, said: "It finds out what vocations are needed wtihin the area of Rochester and its vicinity and then trains men and women to fill these vocations." Dr. Tyler discussed pre-tests, entrance examinations to be given not only to reject or select students, but also to discover their strength or weaknesses.
Among the towns whose high school principals attended were Irondequoit, Spencerport, Henrietta, Brockport, Hilton, Livonia, North Rose, LeRoy, and Batavia.

## Art School Men <br> Receive Awards

Ralph Avery, a graduate of Mechanics Institute School of Applied Art, has been invited to return, and Edmund Strauchen, a former student, has been awarded a fellowship at the Louis Comfort Tiffany foundation at Oyster Bay, L. I., announces Clifford M. Ulp, director of the School of Applied Art at Mechanics Inst:tute.

This foundation, which enters its twelfth season this year, offers residence each summer to 30 or 40 artists selected from throughout the United States. Mr. Avery, who last year was the recipient of a fellowship at the foundation, exhibited at Rochester shows during the past season several of the paintings he made there He was graduated from the illustration and advertising art course at Mechanics Institute in June, 1928. Mr. Strauchen studied illustration at the Institute from September 1928, through June, 1929.

## JUNIOR PROM

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diate ancestors were waltzink around then our immediate anceritors mu= have been regular old soti. Perhape
this imbibing is not always objee tionable; we do not llay that it But it occasionally reaches a stag when it is most decidedly mo, and you know what we mean quite well. Dont be that way at the Prom. Peopl-
started drinking because it was the smart thing to do, and mo it of them are continuing in their cups for th same reason. But they are misguided, for how can it be smart whe everybody and all classe do it?
We are hoping the Prom will bea grand affair, free from any annoyances or accidents, and we are alif hoping to see you there, for we thall miss you just a little if you do na come.

A traffic cop should be install utside the front entrance of Girls' Dormitory after the Junior Prom to avoid confusion and crowd. ing by those who desire the privacy for the purpose of saying "goof night.'

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