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Why the Campus Comment?
There is a reason for all things, we are told, and so to forestall all questions as to our "big idea" in publishing Campus Comment we shall present in this issue, what we feel to be good and sufficient reasons for our undertaking.

1. We wish to stimulate writing for Normal Offering. Campus Comment will in no way take away interest from the Normal Offering. On the contrary, we hope to aid in encouraging the literary-minded of the school to write. Some of the articles of value which are presented to Campus Comment may, if good enough, be published in Normal Offering. In this manner the standard of material which goes into Normal Offering may be kept high.

2. Campus Comment is to serve as a bulletin of school affairs and to make each class better acquainted with the activities and interests of other classes. We shall give news of current happenings in the school which, by the time Normal Offering is published, have lost their interest.

3. By including news of the Training School, we hope to bring the two parts of the school more closely together. We feel that the interests of one should be the interests of the other, and that we should work together as closely as possible.

4. The "B" class in initiating a school paper, is gaining much experience and knowledge of how to run a school paper. As many of the class intend to teach English, this is valuable training for them.

5. The men who take printing have something to look forward to in doing their part for the paper. We understand that they are pleased with the idea of printing the Campus Comment.

We hope that our paper will prove to be of interest and of value to the faculty, the student body, and the alumni, and if we are as successful as we hope to be, that future classes will carry on our work.

Lucille Benson.

A Day With Class A
A breathing space and then a sigh --
   Sigh on, sigh on, Sigh-ology!
A ray of hope, a wish to die --
   Talk on; O, Sociology!
Anon, within the library--
   O, H. of Education!
To conquer lessons contrary
Is Class A's Edification!
Then home to read-perchance to tread
   The well-known paths on the campus lawn;
A lot of work, then into bed--
   A short, short, time before the dawn.
Men's Club Give Play

The Men's Club prepared a farce in three acts, "The Arrival of Kitty," which was presented in the Horace Mann Auditorium, Friday night, February third.

The usual men's play was omitted last year, so we doubly anticipated this performance. Able coaching by Miss Moffitt added to the efforts of the players. It was bound to be a success.

The cast included:
William Winkler...Robert Shea
Aunt Jane....Archibald Shaw
Jane, his niece...Thomas Costello
Bobbie Baxter...Donald Damon
Benjamin More....Alex. Purdon
Ting, a bell boy...Leo Chareth
Sam, a colored porter...F. Dillon
Kitty, an actress...George Kane
Suzette the maid....E. O'Connell

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We believe the fourth wonder is the school spirit, a thing to be lauded. This spirit is hard to define, but is well summed up as: cooperation, love of work, loyalty, and high ideals.

The fifth wonder is our school talent. When we sit morning after morning in chapel and listen to a new entertainment each time, we say, "How can they do it?" And really how can each organization invent some original and interesting method of presenting its work?

A sixth wonder to many, especially our incoming classes, is our socials. Here, from the first, there is a feeling of friendliness. No one is left out of the good times.

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The fellow who never sees the silver lining in any cloud is just the one who should get caught in the rain without his umbrella—

Write, we know is written right.
When we see it written write;
But when we see it written wright,
We know it isn’t written right;
For WRITE, to be written RIGHT,
Must not be written RIGHT or WRIGHT,
Nor yet should it be written RITE;
But Write for so ‘tis written RIGHT

The fellow who never sees the silver lining in any cloud is just the one who should get caught in the rain without his umbrella—

Association, you know, is the basis of logical memory. Example - - “Der hund” (dog), we might easily guess because of its similarity to “hound.” Johnny too, forms associations; says he, “A blizzard is what you take out of the inside of a chicken.”

Girl Scouts
The Girl Scouts have formed a club this year instead of a troop, and this organization is proving more helpful than the old one.

The regular Thursday evening meetings are devoted to leatherwork, nature work, and singing. One meeting a month a leadership class will be held which will prove interesting as well as helpful.
W.A.A.

The girls, too, have also been playing basketball. As there is a team for each division, every girl who wishes to has chance to play. Since there are so many teams, and since we have to share the gym with the boys and the dancing classes, the games have been played off this year in the elimination tournament style. The results follow:

First round: Jr. 1 vs. Jr. 2-Winner Jr. 2
D 1 vs. D 2- " D 2
Jr. 3 vs. D 3- " Jr. 3
C 1 vs. C 3- " C 3
A vs. Sr. 3- " A
B 1 vs. B 3- " B 1
Sr. 1 vs. B 3- " B 3
K.P. vs. Jr. 3- " Jr. 3

The winners of the second round were D 2, C 3, A, and Jr. 3.

The semi finals: D 2 vs. C 3 .............. winner C 3.
A vs. Jr. 3 ................ winner Jr. 3.
The finals: C 3 vs. Jr. 3--Winner Jr. 3.
Jr. 3 won by a score of 15 to 11.

Jr. 3 team - Sheehan ........ R. F.
Leary ............ L. F.
Hargreaves ........ J. C.
Tryman ............ J. C.
Healy ............ S. C.
West ............ R. G.
Lund ............ L. G.

It is very unusual for a freshman team to win in such a tournament, and much credit is due them for their fine performance. Credit is also due Gwendolyn Cleverly who coached the team.

What this school needs is more instructors who realize that there are only twenty-four hours in a day.

N.A.A.

Basketball is the major winter sport at B. N. S., and we were favored with a very fine team with Bob Newbury as manager and Al Reilly as captain. A harder schedule than B. N. S. has ever tackled before, with teams from far and near, all of superior strength, was before the team. Such teams as New Bedford Textile, Brown Freshmen, Rhode Island College of Design, Newport Naval Academy, Northeastern University and Univ. of Maine were on the schedule.

We played four normal schools: Gorham, Farmington, Salem, and Fitchburg. We were defeated by the first two but won deserved victories over Fitchburg and Salem. We played Salem twice but split the honors. The team was handicapped by the absence of Captain Reilley due to a badly turned ankle received during the Fitchburg game the week previous.

The varsity team was composed of:
Peter Burke ........ L. F.
Al Reilly ........ R. F.
Archie Shaw ........ C.
Bennie Hill ........ L. G.
E. O'Connell ........ R. G.
L. Mantyla ........ L. G.
C. Belcher ........ C.

That the students were backing the team was clearly shown by the large attendance at all the home games. An organized cheering section enlivened the sidelines.

He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves and sharpens our skill - Our antagonist is our helper.
More Truth Than Poetry
We'll call the roll of C 3,
The jolliest class in school.
"All for each and each for all,”
That's our golden rule.
We start with Gladys Alger
With her curly hair so dark,
And then with Mary Callahan
Who is the history shark.
Persis Canfield is the next,
In dramas she'll go far;
Then there's Helen Celusniak
Our bright athletic star
Evelyn Donle now we find,
And with her Esther Gray.
The both of them are very smart
And do their work each day.
And of course there's Esther Finestone
And then there's Helen Law.
A better pair of all-round sports
No one ever saw.
Eleanor Condon and Martha Foley,
We now point out to you.
And A. Hickey, Florence Holmes
Must be mentioned too.
On Mary Jackson gaze with awe
For she is our class "rep."
Then look at Ellen Sundstrom,
Small, but full of pep.
"Gerry" Hutchinson you know
And Margaret Keefe as well
While of the doings of Alice King,
We know we need not tell.
Veronica Quigley and Margaret Drohan
From Hyannis came this year,
And Keene, New Hampshire, lost a prize
When Dorothy Newton came here.
Dorothy Lindstrom, Esther Mayo
And Barbara O'Brien, these three,
In basketball and hockey
Playing together you'll see.
Ethelwyn Taylor, too, excels
In each athletic game,
While as good students, Helen O'Donnell
And Dickie S. are famed.
We thought we had pair of twins
Two Sullivans we claim,
But they're connected only by
Their proudly borne surname.
And now we have but three names left,
Margaret Thornton is one.
Name Misses Webber and Winfree
And you have the thirty-one.
We may not be the brightest
Or do our work the best,
But we're a class of comrades
So what matters all the rest?

The Glee Club

This year the Glee Club has a new purpose for it includes the choir organization. It is a privilege to be chosen a choir member, but, as it involves rehearsals, sometimes many good singers are eliminated. We feel that the choir is a necessary and important part of the chapel exercises.

This winter members of the Glee Club have assisted at various events. Some have brought cheer to the Farm. Others have helped with Christmas programs.

During the fall and winter months the club was busy preparing for its spring concert.
Last but not least, our seventh wonder is our faculty. From our able principal down to the training-school teachers our faculty is all that we can wish for. They too have the spirit of cooperation, loyalty, and high ideals.

What more could we ask than to have such a group of men and women to lead us in our tasks?

So we too have Seven Wonders right here at home if we will only take the time to contemplate our surroundings.

Marjorie Shaw
Class A is “made famous” because:
1. We have such prodigiously awe-inspiring text-books.
2. We have moved from “Notebook Land”.
3. We take Advanced Design and History Conference.
4. We don’t take gym, [except those extremely athletic young ladies.] 
5. We’re never late for classes, and we never depart early.
6. We have now advanced to the stage where we test Training School children (page Mr. Hunt)
7. We introduced the Far East into Bridgewater last fall.
8. We solicitously sold Christmas cards to our fellow students.
9. We’re such an advanced group.
10. And last but not least, we’re independent!

Mr. S-n-t. (holding a stationary globe): “Why hasn’t this body an equator?”
Bright pupil, (remembering previously used it to represent the moon): “It’s the moon.”

How Doth the Little Busy “B”
With apologies to Isaac Watts

How doth the little busy “B”
Improve each shining day?
A-doin’ projects don’t you see
Tho’ teachers think it play!

How skilfully she does her blackboard!
It soon becomes quite sightly.
And even at History she’s not floored
Tho’ working at it nightly.

In History of Ed. and Lit.
She’s always busy too;
For hours at Methods she will sit,
A Unit Plan to do.

In books, or work, or worthwhile deeds
The “B’s” are out to win.
And be it Household Plans or “feeds”
The “B’s” are there with vim.

Marjorie Shaw

News Items

The Art Department, under the supervision of a competent committee is decorating the heretofore bare walls of our new building. As the decorations progress we realize what a great difference they make and we are eagerly waiting for the next results.

We thank the Art Department for the designs of our new school rings.

Best of health Mr. Sinnott!

The Evening Sky

Pines against the sunset sky
So stately, tall,
Somber winter’s emblems grim.

Clouds beyond them shield the sun,
A fiery ball
Hovering on horizon’s brim.

In the east the night begins,
The prophet moon’s
Radiance grows from sunset’s glow.

Veiled there beneath a mist,
Ringed, looms
Warning of tomorrow’s snow.

Katherine Packard
BEST SELLERS FOR NORMALITES

"The Master Mind" - Mr. Boyden
"Find the Clock" - In the Training School
"Marching On" - Senior Gym, Class
"Half Price" - Rummage Sale in the Lost and Found
"The Gateway to American History" - Mr. Arnold
"The Season Made For Joy" - Just after Exams
"The Promised Land" - A Degree
"Bugles in the Night" - Fire Drill
"Charm" - Miss Nye
"Beautiful Flowers and How to Grow Them" - Mr. Stearns
"Forever Free" - Song of the Graduates
"Darkened Rooms" - In the "Dorm" after 10:15
"An Outline of History" - Miss Roth
"The Black Journey". When you are called to the Dean for an interview.
"Magpie Lane" - Girls' Locker Rooms at Any Time
"The Kingdom of Books" - The Library
"Rolling Round The World" - Geography Class
"Amateurs Afloat" - Those Out Training
"Try and Get It" - Sympathy
"On Thin Ice" - Before Student Council Government
"As Man Desires" - Fri. 3:30
"The Thundering Herd" - Down for Showers
"Secrets of The Night" - Faculty Meeting
"The Judgment House" - Miss Pope's Office
"Great Expectations" - A's
"The Comedy of Errors" - First Days in the New Building
"The Broad Highway" - Corridors Between Classes