

# Town Topics

Revenge is the victory of a coward

Talk about eats—ask Arone first class cook of the Gravel Gang.

We have discovered a *Sherlock Holmes* in our officer's corps.

Frenchy gets the Board, but owes his life to Major Wolfe's right hand.

We would like to know who named Mancini, Monk—he's not a bad looking fellow.

Schiller would like to know why he has stopped growing. A farmer can tell you Schiller.

Physicians tell us that 20,000 people die annually in America from consuming tobacco. This includes Elmira.

With Greenfield as Chief Clerk of the Disciplinary office, we know that the right man is in the right place.

Well, well—Wells! I reckon the folks back home won't recognize you in a lieutenant's uniform, by heck!

Cameron is often the victim of extremely painful toothaches now-a-days. What has he done to suffer so much, the poor boy?

Originality is the most laudable attribute, but you will do well to copy the example set by the man who earns a parole.

Heller the snare drummer of the Band is surely a gifted musician. As manipulator of the drumsticks we must say he's a daisy.

"Hopper" Mc Loughlin, the G. R. F. Demon will soon have his newest book finished. Why I changed from Irish to Scotch, is its title.

We heard that Cameron is taking a course in Navigation. Let's hope he does not forget himself at night and think he is on the ocean.

From clerk to messenger, to a ring outline in Major Bartlett's "Academy of the Mop" is the experience of a former member of the G. R. F. Next stop—Training Class.

One of the most active messengers in the institution is De Petro; in fact when we consider that he is always on the alert, we think he might be justly termed the "most active."

Christofulli is now in charge of the Officers' Shop. As an adept in the art "tonsonial" a successful incumbency is assured him. Justiano has been assigned to assist him.

Our traveling barbers Farone and "Steve" are kept busy these days. One or the other can be seen at work in some department most any time. They are good knights of the razor.

The habit of blaming others when things go wrong is an insidious and dangerous one. Far more is it the purpose to inquire within whether the fault or much of it may not lie at home.

"Link" Depper, the champion apple knocker of the road gang will no doubt be a delegate to the next Hoboes' Convention. It is said that sooner or later he will replace Jeff Davis as king of the Freight Car Knights.

Visit the Main Hall any day and at any time and you will surely find Major Dowdle and his Gaelic workers, "Pop" Ryan, "Chuck" Connors, "Patty" Shaw and "Dan" Doherty, working away to beat the band.

Among the progressive aspirants striving to reach the acme of proficiency in the tonsorial art are Shapiro, Ahearne and Virginia. Lacto makes a fourth and capable instructor for the Barber Shop.

Among those evidently destined to become successful printers is Goldstein who during the week broke the institutional type setting record with a total of forty-seven lines to his credit in a single hour.

The office of Librarian necessitates alertness and activity by the incumbent. Nellis has about settled in his new position and we have it that errors are few and far between with this energetic members of our community.

As one enters the Auditorium Sundays, there can be no failure to notice the absence of all dust from the seats and chairs. Every spot that has formerly been in evidence has given way to the zeal of "Patty" Connors and his force of Main Hall workers.

## AN APPRECIATION TO MR. ERNEST D. PRITCHARD

Mr. Ernest D. Pritchard, head bookkeeper, resigned Thursday, to accept the position as Steward of the Home for Crippled Children at W. Haverstraw, N. Y. We have thus, through promotion, lost one of our best friends. Mr. Pritchard has spent fourteen years in the service of the State and has served as Secretary of the Benevolent Association of the N. Y. S. R. The splendid promotion he has won came only after years of patient and persistent endeavor to advance himself and we dare say that he deserves every iota of success that now seems to be coming in his direction.

Mr. Pritchard was popular with the inmates and Officers alike and it is the sincere wish of the total population that the success that was his here, remain with him in his new undertaking. The crippled children are indeed fortunate in securing as their Steward, Mr. Ernest D. Pritchard.

## REGULARS VICTORIOUS

The Regulars played their first game in three weeks on their home field last Saturday and had an easy time with their opponents—the Willys-Morrow Club. The score was 7-3.

Wittenstein did the twirling for our bunch and he pitched a masterly game. He eased up a little in the final innings and permitted the visitors to score two harmless runs.

Our men clouted safely on eleven occasions. Walters is credited with three of these, including a triple and a double.

"Shorty" McCabe made several spectacular plays in the field besides doing well at the bat for the visitors.

It is rumored that gamblers offered Wittenstein a "special parole" if he would "throw" the game. But "Vic" renounced the villainous offer and refused their bribe. As a result "Vic" is still here.

The score:

WILLYS-MORROW						
	A	R	H	PO	A	E
McCabe, ss. c.	3	2	1	2	2	0
Brookes, 3b.	3	1	1	2	0	0
Kearney, cf.	4	0	2	1	1	0
Knauff, c. ss.	4	0	1	8	1	0
Van Orden, lf.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Halling, p. 2b.	4	0	0	0	4	0
Hagaboon, 1b.	3	0	0	9	0	0
Clark, rf.	4	0	0	1	2	1
Rosar, 2b, p.	4	0	2	1	7	1
Totals	33	3	7	24	17	2

## N. Y. S. R.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Markow, lf.	4	2	2	0	0	0
Delfino, cf.	2	0	0	1	0	1
Carter, c	2	1	1	10	3	1
Walters, ss	4	2	3	3	2	1
Sorretine, 2b.	3	0	2	2	2	0
Perkins, 3b.	4	0	0	1	1	1
Wittenstein, p.	4	1	1	0	2	1
Tifverman, lf	3	1	1	1	0	1
Hilton, 1b.	3	0	1	9	0	1
Totals	29	7	11	27	10	7

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N. Y. S. R. 2 0 0 0 2 3 0 x 7

Summary: two base hit, Walters; three base hits, Carter, Walters; stolen base, McCabe; sacrifice hits, Brookes, Hagaboon, Delfino, Carter 2; hit by pitched ball, Sorretine; bases on balls, off Wittenstein 2, off Halling 1; struck out, by Wittenstein 10, by Halling 6, by Rosar 1, Umpire, Major Graves. Scorer, Basner.

The "Special Dinner" was served last Wednesday noon to the Member of the Library staff. For the excellent repast that was placed before each man much credit is due to Chef Loughlin and his culinary assistants Allen, Jalonack, White and "Socks" Wacks.

Lasher is the new file clerk in the Record Office. A pretty good man for the position, having already dealt in stocks and bonds. While Major Gunderman sells the stock, Lasher hands out the dividend, which is delivered to your room at night.

Edelman one of Mr. Richter's star mechanics made a fine job of the Letter Clerk's desk which he repaired and varnished, causing it to look as good as new. Incidentally it is well to state that Edelman is due to leave us on the coming twentieth. We wish him lots of luck and a prosperous business career on his return to civil life.

The telephone rang in the Record Office. "Aranki," yells Emise, "you're wanted on the wire." "Who, me?" asks Aranki. "No, no tell her I'm out. I'm not going to buy her no "special dinner" and then take her to the Auditorium. No sir, not me, I'm no spendthrift. I'm saving my money and I'm going to buy a bicycle and... We heard no more for our own phone rang in our own Sanctum.

When Perkins was appointed and assigned as follows: 1st Sergeant of B Company, it fell to the lot of Barney to supply him with a sword. Later, during Officers' School, the command "return swords" was given, and we'll be gosh darn fakers if Sam didn't shout out "here, Barney, here's your sword."

But four U. S. Definites are now enrolled in the Institution and they are gradually becoming fewer in number. Mark Twain once said, if it were true that the human race is constantly growing smaller in size it become merely a time when they would cease to exist. This applies with far more truth to the Definites and "is a consummation devoutly to be wished for."

Now about that Transfer Desk: it is a very trying post and its incumbent must always be alert and accurate or he can not hold the job. A number of months ago when "Slim" was made Transfer Clerk we weren't quite willing to wager our credit that he would be a success. That is just what he has been, and we - well, "to err is human."

On Wednesday last, the Institution was visited by Dr. Arnold Ruegg, a professor of the University of Zurich, Switzerland. Dr. Ruegg is visiting this country as a delegate of his University for the purpose of collecting data on the various prison systems and the welfare of prisoners in general. Major Gunderman showed him about and explained in detail the work performed throughout. Needless to say, Dr. Ruegg was very favorably impressed, especially with the School of Letters and the Trade School.

September which marks the beginning of the new movie season, has equalled a "screen" the first time in its history. The action picture "Carmen" has been the talk of the town. Miss Bosworth has been the picture of the week. The picture is a masterpiece of realism and it is more than a motion picture—it is a document, a bit of life. So realistic is the play that its actresses and actors do not seem to be acting, but as though they had been by the camera in their day life. "Carmen" has been called in filmdom the "North" with a soul, and we believe it is the exact truth.

There does not exist one being who has not within himself a counterbalance to his most conspicuous merit; if this be nourished by desire it may grow to be a master and tyrant. Battle against its insidiously clutching tendrils, summon prudence as an ally and let the first step taken be to show that you are aware of its presence, for an evil once known is half-conquered, and this is especially the case when the afflicted one surveys it in the samelght as do his companions. "To be master of one's self one should know one's self." If the chief imperfection be conquered, the rest will soon amount to naught.

A fort is attacked at its weakest point and so the architects try to make all parts equally strong—only adding defenses to those places most eligible to assault. Mankind certainly has been formulated upon the same lines as these and the same precautions should be taken in both cases.

## NOTICE

Writing Day, irrespective of grade, for all men whose names begin with letters A, B, C, D, E, and F, except Boardmen with writing privileges and married men with wives recognized.

All men desiring interviews at the October meeting of the complaint Board of Managers, are requested to drop notes to this effect in the Record Office box on the lower Cage Floor on or before October 5th. Notice is drawn to the fact, while one note is sufficient to guarantee an interview, nevertheless it must be filed before the above mentioned date.

## Program For Sunday, October, 3 1920 AUDITORIUM

8:15 A. M.	Catholic Service
9:30 A. M.	General Turnout
10:30 A. M.	Hebrew Service
2:00 P. M.	Motion Pictures

## NORTH LECTURE HALL

8:15 A. M.	Protestant Service
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## POPULATION - ITS MOVEMENTS

Number of Inmates	699
Last Cons. Number	29325
Last Def. Number	757
Received during week	6
Paroled	6
The Grades: First, 294; Second, 399; Third 6.	

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