

The annual Communion Breakfast of the Ladies Sodality of St. John's Church was held at the Parish Hall following the 9 o'clock mass Sunday morning, with 100 members and guests present.

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The Evening Alliance of the Unitarian Church has made final plans for a beach party to be held in the High School auditorium next Friday night.

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Reverend Owen E. Osborne, pastor of the West Methodist Church, who has accepted a call to the Wesley Methodist Church in Worcester, preached his farewell sermon Sunday morning.

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Members of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Church received Holy Communion at the 9 o'clock mass at the church, Sunday morning, afterward marching in a body to the Town Hall where the annual Communion Breakfast was held.

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Mrs. S. Weldon Stevens was re-elected president of the Westlands Parent-Teacher Association at the annual business meeting held last Thursday night at the Community house. Other officers named for the coming year are V. John Rikkola as vice-president, Mrs. Arthur Moody as secretary and John J. Carr as treasurer.

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Miss Dorothy M. Butters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Butters of Acton road, and Richard H. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Davis of 117 Wilder street, were married May 10 at the home of the bride.

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Miss Florence M. Rockwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webster Rockwell of Tyngsboro road, North Chelmsford, became the bride of Mr. John Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herve Gosselin of Tyng road, Tyngsboro, at St. John's Church rectory last Thursday.

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The Stony Brook Hermit discusses the why and wherefore of whether or not we should go to war.

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The Westlands A. A., under coach Walter Johnson, held their first practice session of the season last Saturday afternoon. The boys are looking forward to another big year.

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While Gordon "Mickey" Cochrane was fanning eighteen batters, his teammates batted out an 8 to 3 victory over Lexington in an out of the league game played at the Westlands on Monday afternoon.

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A supposedly weak Tewksbury nine forced Coach George Knightly's high flying Chelmsford team to go eleven innings before succumbing on the low end of a 6 to 4 score, last Friday afternoon in a game played at Tewksbury.

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At a meeting of the auxiliary to post 313, American Legion, held Monday night at the post headquarters, delegates were named to represent the unit at two coming events.

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At a meeting of the Lowell Baptist Social Union held Monday night at the Central Baptist Church, H. Chadbourne Ward was elected president for the coming year.

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A large crowd of baseball fans braved the showery weather Sunday afternoon to watch the Varney A. A. beat Littleton 8 to 3 in the league opener.

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The Varney A. A. journeyed to Graniteville on Tuesday evening to score their second straight victory in Middlesex County league competition, by a score of 4 to 2.

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Chelmsford High's nine became undisputed leaders of the Merrimack Valley league when they beat a strong Puchard team 4 to 0, behind the brilliant pitching of ace hurler Bud Doole.

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Andrew now leads the local golf team league with the Mt. Pleasant Club in second place.

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Health Clinics Start In Centre

Lions Club Requests Aid To Continue League

Lions Club:

At their last regular meeting held at the Blue Moon on Monday night, the Chelmsford Lions Club decided that they would be unable to continue the baseball league for boys of Grammar School age, because of lack of funds.

According to King Leon, George Marinel, the organization would like to continue the league but it is impossible unless they receive some help in the form of contributions from local business men and public spirited citizens.

The league that the Lions Club sponsors for the various Grammar schools during the month of May has already run into the red. The club has all the equipment to continue the league. If some of the business men, town organizations, or citizens wish to contribute a small sum so that the league may continue they should get in touch with George Marinel.

Only a small amount of money is needed to cover the cost of new balls, bats and the cost of transportation. If enough local people would contribute only a couple of dollars each this worthy project could be extended into the summer.

There is a lively interest among the boys

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Clinic:

The first in a series of diphtheria clinics was held in Town Hall on Wednesday morning under the direction of Miss Christina N. Simpson, R. N., the school nurse and agent of the Board of Health.

A gratifying number of children were in attendance. In all 178 children of school and pre-school age were transported from the various sections of Chelmsford to the Town Hall to attend the first session of the clinic.

Dr. Robert Archibald, state health officer, stopped in at Town Hall to attend the clinic. He congratulated Miss Simpson on the excellent work she is accomplishing.

Dr. Archibald remarked during the progress of the clinic that an exceptionally large number of persons were in attendance for a town of the size of Chelmsford.

The large number attending the clinic proves that the parents are all beginning to realize the great value of the precautionary measure taken by our school and health departments.

There will be several more diphtheria clinics held at Town Hall during the course of the next few weeks. Those parents who are interested, it will be well worth their while to get in touch with Miss Simpson or the health authorities at Town Hall.

Chelmsford 4-H Clubs Attend Picnic, Field Day

East Parent T. A. Elects Year's Officers

A regular meeting of the East Parent-Teacher's Association was held at the school house on Tuesday night with Mrs. James Purcell presiding. The reports were read by the secretary and treasurer and accepted for the year.

New officers were elected for the coming year. They are as follows: Mrs. James Purcell as president, Mrs. John Meagher as vice-president, Mrs. Clifford Leaver as secretary, Mrs. George Barker as treasurer.

It was voted to buy a screen for the slide lantern that the school owns.

Mrs. Herbert Scoble and Mrs. Fred Millman were elected to go as delegates to the County Council meeting to be held in Lowell High School sometime in June.

It was also voted to give the children their annual closing day party, as the organization does every year.

Refreshments were served by the following members: Mrs. Harry Chambers and Mrs. Paul Peterson. Community stringing was led by Mrs. Edward Russell.

Westlands I. A. Holds Regular Business Meeting

A regular meeting of the Westlands Improvement Association was held on Monday evening, May 6, at the Community House. President Clifford Hartley conducted the business meeting.

A social hour followed, with motion pictures of boys camp life being shown by Mr. Isadore Zarakov of Harrison, Maine. Refreshments were served by the following committee, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simm, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cole, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gallagher.

"Pinafore" To Be Shown By Westford Group

The First Parish Church United of Westford is giving Gilbert and Sullivan's H. M. S. Pinafore on Thursday evening at 8:15 P. M. in the Westford Town Hall. The following Friday evening at 8:15 P. M. the performance will be repeated at the Chelmsford High School Auditorium sponsored by Unitarian Players of Chelmsford. The admission will be 50c reserved seats and 35c for ordinary seats. Donations will follow. A few of the seats are familiar to us who are in the cast will be Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Halthwaite, Miss Eileen Brown, Mrs. Alfred Rand, George Parkhurst, Robert Dutton and Miss Davis Halthwaite.

PITCHERS



COCHRANE AND DOOLE

A 4 to 0 win over Puchard High on Tuesday found pitchers Doole and Cochrane still pacing the Chelmsford High School baseball team toward a league championship.

Until Tuesday Puchard and Chelmsford had been tied for the league leadership with five wins each to no losses. The win over the Andover High School makes the local nine undisputed holders of first place in the Merrimack Valley league, with the season just about half over.

To date Bud Doole, the league's leading pitcher has won six straight games, five of them in league competition, the other one against Lexington in an out of the league game. Fireball artist Mickey Cochrane has won two games, one against Howe High of Elliptica in a league game, and the other against Lexington. The only reason that Mike has not pitched as many games as his teammate is that he started the season with a sore arm.

The catching berth is held down by Paul Beauregard, the team's leading hitter. Paul is hitting .484 and should boost his average considerably during the next two weeks with some early success in his batting. Beauregard is one of the most capable catchers in High School ranks, and much of the success of the team's two pitchers can be attributed to him. He is all over the field backing up on throws, knows the weaknesses of the opposing hitters, and can steady the pitcher in a pinch.

Captain Don Grant holds down the first base spot. He is as polished a fielder as can be found on High School teams, and often saves the other infielders from errors by his spectacular catches of bad throws. Don is hitting .386 but has had some eye in the last few games. He will easily hit well over .300 before the season gets much older. He is one of the long hitters of the team, having plenty of power in his swing.

At second base is Robert "Pease" Angus, the smallest man on the team. "Pease" bats first and gets on base much more often than his batting average of .242 shows. This is his first year of baseball and he should go long way with the Chelmsford High nine as he puts on more weight.

The very difficult short stop spot is very ably filled by Wilfred Fremont, Jr. High School baseball this is always the most difficult infield position to cover, and Coach George Knightly is fortunate in having such a good fielder as this lad to spark his team. Fremont can cover a lot of territory and has an excellent throwing arm. A batting slump has pulled his average way down to .183 but he should easily hit .300 once he pulls out of it.

To complete his infield Coach Knightly has young Art Greenwood at third. Greenwood is a sure fielder with a powerful arm. He is very fast on bunts and the opposition very rarely beats out his throws. Art is just starting to hit, and has boosted his batting average from .222 to .276 in one short week. It will go even higher.

The team's second ranking stickler, Bob Eckhart, hits the spot in left field. By all that is right Bob should be hitting about .600, but he has been hitting in hard luck all year so far. He hits hard but, usually, right at the fielder. Even so his average is up to .324. Beside being a good stickler, Bob is an excellent fielder. They very rarely get away from him in left field, and he has a throwing arm any big leaguer would be proud of.

Sure death to fly balls that come anywhere near him's Flint Manahan in center field. Flint never misses them. During the past week he has hit a batting slump which has dropped his average from .333 to .206, but as soon as he finds his eye again he will be up over the .300 mark again.

From the beginning of the season it was uncertain who would play in right field. It looks now as though a freshman, Jones, has copied the position. Jones is a good fielder and a powerful hitter. In six games, mostly against the best pitching in the league, he is hitting .300. Some of his hits have been long flys to the outfield which, if hit more on

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