us the Night before Christmas Planet Ozon

by Lisa Leduc and Sheryl Croteau

the night before Christmas, when
hrough the spaceship
eing was stirring, not even a robot.
ace boots were hung by the exhaust
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ildren were nestled all snug in their
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Zoom away! Zoom away! Zoom away

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And he looked like a sleepwalker just coming through the door.
His eyes-how glossy! His dimples how droopy!
His cheeks were like two ghosts, his nose like a mushroom!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as brown as the dust.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a green face and a round little belly
That shook when he laughed like an exhaust pipe full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old Martian,
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word but went straight to his work,
And filled all the space boots, then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose.
And giving a nod, up the exhaust pipe he rose.
He sprang to his spaceship, to his team gave a whistle
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight,
Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!

THE END!

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Any car can be made foolproof.
How? Keep the fool from driving the car.

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Nothing is a waste of time if you can use the experience.

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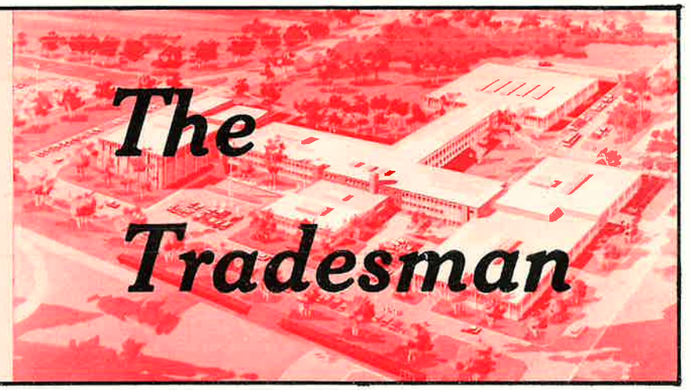
Merry Christmas



From "The Tradesman" Staff



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Diman Superintendent Retires

After 22 years as director Mr. Harrington Is Retiring

by Jeff Khoury

Mr. John P. Harrington, Diman's superintendent-director, will begin his retirement at the end of January. Mr. Harrington has agreed to stay on the job for the extra month while the regional committee searches for his replacement. He made his intentions to retire known at an August meeting of the regional school committee.

His announced retirement from Diman shocked many citizens of the community. Mr. Harrington had long been regarded as one of the area's most able administrators. His association with Diman's development has guided our school through significant expansion, from its humble beginnings on Hartwell Street to the present modern plant on Stonehaven Road.

Mr. Harrington stated to the committee that his "greatest satisfaction has come from the success our graduates have enjoyed in the professional field as engineers and teachers; in the trades as journeymen and technicians; in the sevice fields; the health occupations; and the business world."

Mr. Harrington graduated from Durfee in 1930, and began his career as a machinist in 1937 at the Naval Torpedo Station in Newport. In 1945, he graduated from Bradford Durfee Technical School. With Diman under the jurisdiction of the Fall River school system, Mr. Harrington was appointed as a machine shop instructor in 1947. Furthering his education, he received his bachelor's degree from Fitchburg State College in 1953 and his master's degree from Bridgewater State College in 1956.

After Mr. Harrington assumed the leadership post at Diman in 1956, his foresight in the move to a regional school earned a $3 million grant from the Economic Development Administration, the first grant of its kind in the nation. The school was the most modern of its kind in New England at the time of its construction.

Mr. Harrington recalls all of this dedicated work in vocational education as "a truly rewarding and worthwhile experience."

The Tradesman would like to express on behalf of the administration, faculty, staff, and student body our best wishes for a well-deserved retirement, and a sincere thanks for providing quality vocational education to the men and women of the greater Fall River area.

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Want to keep a secret from your enemies? Don't tell your friends.

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If you would profit from an error, do not repeat it.



Mr. John P. Harrington, Diman's superintendent-director.

"The Tradesman" Awarded Certificate

Members of the school newspaper have been recently notified by the New England Scholastic Press Association that *The Tradesman* was awarded a Superior Achievement certificate for scholastic editing and publishing in the 1978 Publications Contest.

Diman's school newspaper was entered in the All-New England competition at the New England Scholastic Press Association's headquarters located at Boston University's School of Public Communication.

School papers were judged on their 1977-78 issues. Graduates who were members of last year's staff include: Rose Mary Hurley, editor; Len Clark, assistant editor; Shaun Campbell, business manager; Karl Hetzler, sports editor; and Kevin Robertson, managing editor.

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FALL RIVER SOMERSET SWANSEA WESTPORT
1966



From The Editor's Desk

Go to Health!

Do you tend to have a pessimistic outlook on life?

Are you an over-er: over-worried, over-anxious, over-concerned?

Do you feel extreme financial strain or have a poor relationship with your folks? Your teachers?

If so, you may already or may soon suffer from a disease more common than the common cold. Doctors call it a psychosomatic illness. It isn't that the sufferers just "think" they're ill; they really are!

Few people realize that the mind and body do not operate apart from each other. The stress of daily living can bring mental strain that may result in physical illness.

To think is to involve your whole body. Unpleasant emotions, of course, have a negative effect. Anger, embarrassment, and fainting are examples. When angry, your face turns white or red, eyes widen, and muscles tighten.

Do you often wonder why some people faint at the sight of blood? A feeling of fear and disgust has caused a mental image, producing circulatory malfunctions resulting in fainting.

Why do so many people have skin problems? Most often they are going through a period of tension, anxiety, uncertainty, and disgust; and the blood vessels in their faces are reacting to these feelings.

What can you do to alleviate the situation? You must learn certain mental attitudes;

Don't look for trouble.

Have a pleasant outlook on your work at school.

Learn to like people.

Adopt one or more hobbies. During times of tension, they have a relaxing effect.

Learn to accept your limitations as well as your assets. Satisfaction breeds health.

Prepare yourself for catastrophies.

Finally, don't run from problems. Be decisive and have confidence in your decisions.

If you learn these basics, you will have discovered the primary elements for a life both healtny and happy.

Proulx Enters State Competition

Eighteen seniors recently entered the Century III Leaders Scholarship competition here at Diman. Don Proulx, a machine-architectural drafting student, placed first in the local phase of the competition. To complete at the state level, Don wrote a projection discussing the Communist threat to the free world and how it should be met.

Don has been a letterman at Diman in cross-country, basketball, winter track, and spring track. In addition, his outside interests include: bowling, stamp collecting, and playing chess.

Runner-ups in the contest were Ed Michno (B.E.) and Paul Saulnier (Elec.). All participants were judged on the basis of their leadership abilities, community involvement, and the results of the current events exam. This is the third year of the Century III program which is sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and funded by Shell Oil Company

NHS NOTES

by Jeff Gosciminski

The officers of the 1978-79 academic year include: Paul Saulnier, president; Brian Page, vice-president; Jeff Gosciminski, secretary; and Rick Sousa, treasurer. These officers as well as the other members have been working hard to organize a literary magazine. Recently, students were polled for name suggestions. We thank those individuals and teachers who assisted us in securing tenative titles.

Juniors and seniors who have at least an 85 average for the first term will be contacted for prospective membership. It should be noted that membership is based not only on academic averages, but also on other criteria, set down by national guidelines.



"You should be proud to have a brave son who isn't afraid of showing you his report card . . . even if it is terrible."

Key Club Christmas Baskets

by Tom Vermette

Once again the Diman Key Club is distributing Christmas baskets to the needy in our school district. These baskets are composed of a generous amount of canned goods, meats, bread, and other foods. For sixteen years now, the Key Club has been giving these baskets. Mr. Pratt, the Key Club director, tells us that last year twenty of these baskets were distributed. Mr. Clow and the Metal Fabrication Department have been most generous in past years and will likely continue to be so. All donations for the making of the baskets will be greatly appreciated. Donations of both money and canned goods may be left in room B 230.

Printing Week, Jan. 14-20

"Printing is the only product of civilization necessary to the existence of free men," wrote Charles Dickens.

Quite true!

America could not have won liberty, not maintained it without the use of printing. It was John Peter Zenger who, in 1735, established freedom of speech and freedom of press through his printed *Weekly Journal.* It was the half-million copies of Thomas Paine's pamphlet *Common Sense* that sold the Declaration of Independence to the American people.

From those early days to this day, our leaders have relied upon printing to win a majority of the people for liberty and right. America's democracy, education, and progress can endure only so long as the printing presses keep rolling. The roar of giant presses is the sound of progress and printer's ink the lifeblood of democracy.

To keep them rolling is the responsibility of us all.

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Varsity Basketball

by Jeff Gosciminski

This year's Diman basketball team has eight seniors. The senior members include: Dave Belliveau, Alvin Costa, Dave Costa, John Camara, Billy Maram, "Buzzy" Hermengildo, Don Vezina, and Rene Thibault. Other members include: Paul Amaral, Dennis Chouinard, Jeff Arruda, and Billy Berlo.

Coach Goj's outlook for the upcoming year is a hopeful one. Coach Goj also stated that this year's team is inexperenced because of such a strong senior squad last year. This year's team is a small team (Heightwise), but what it lacks in height it makes up for in ability.

J.V. Basketball

by Jeff Gosciminski

This year's junior varsity basketball team consists of some very experienced sophomores and juniors. The team members include; Jeff Arruda, Bill Berlo, Dennis Chouinard, Jeff Pacheco, Paul Amaral, Ernie Bacon, John Couto, Keith Perreira, Steve Chouinard, John Budzisz, and Gregory Cunha.

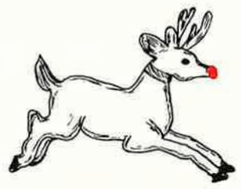
Coach Gillespie feels his squad has the necessary talent for another successful season.

Varsity Soccer

by Jeff Gosciminski

This year the varsity soccer squad will lose four seniors upon graduation. The senior members include: co-captains, Marc Roy and Joseph Couto; Carlos Miranda; and Armando Silvia.

The competition for this year's team was tremendous in Division I. The team ended its season at 1-12-1 (win-loss-tied). Coach Youngie Martin stated that this year would be a rebuilding year and has high hopes for the next few years to come. Outstanding players this year include: Paul Amaral (Conference Division I All-Star), Joseph Couto, Jose Raposo, Carlos Miranda, Marc Roy, and Robert Chasse.



Freshman Basketball

by Jeff Gosciminski

Mr. Pacheco this year has taken on the role as freshman basketball coach. Coach Pacheco hopes for a good season knowing the competitive schedule he has to face. The turnout for the team this year has been better than it has ever been with about forty students trying out for the team. Coach Pacheco would like to thank those who did not make the squad for making the effort to join the team, and he urges them to try again next year.



Don Proulx, one of Diman's long-distance runners

News Capsule

Eighteen members of this year's Broadcasting class recently entere Veterans of Foreign Wars 32nd annua of Democracy Contest.

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Mr. Martin E. Bernat, a Fall resident, has been appointed as a m shop instructor effective December 1. Bento, a Diman instructor for 10 recently resigned from that post.

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Miss Beth Waring of Fall Rive appointed cheerleader advisor fo 1978—79 basketball season.

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A welcome back to Mr. T Martindale, auto—mechanics depar head; and Mr. John Ruane, senior E instructor. Both teachers had been talized during the first couple of mon school.

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Reminder

The Literary magazine staff will written material for this year's editio January 20. 1979.

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Only The Shadow Knows That:



1.) W.L. is known as Lugnut and e
2.) D.O. is known as Little fry, sho or French fry.
3.) S.L. & C.L. are now going toge
4.) P.A. is known as Charlie.
5.) J.N. leaves his glasses at home he doesn't like to wear them.
6.) H.V. is called Rice Man.
7.) K.C. is going in the army.
8.) J.B. went to Durfee.
9.) R.M. is called Disco Bob.
10.) L.S. walks like a duck.