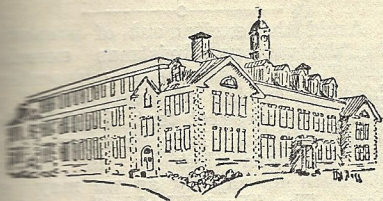


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## LEANERS

Do you recognize yourself in the role of leaner? But possibly you don't understand this term. A leaner is one who can't stand on his own two feet, has to be held up continually and who does not take the proper amount of responsibility upon his shoulders to help himself and his school.

Frankly speaking, one finds a great many in our high school, in fact, entirely too many to be comfortable. This is all too well illustrated by a frequently heard question:

"Tommy, may I have your 'chem' and French notebooks? I'll be detained tonight if I don't have them written up and there's basketball practice tonight."

These people are the sort that will always have to have "props," unless they immediately do something drastic.

Students and classmates, you have no idea how this attitude will affect your future life. To get out of high school will be hard enough. But to get a position will be almost the height of impossibility.

It would be a natural thing for a leaner of our school, trying to obtain a position, to give Mr. Merrill's name for a recommendation. Of course, we have never heard from him, whether he acknowledges the requests, but we have a feeling that he would send them back with no recommendation.

This is an especial plea to the freshmen. You have had time by now to become a leaner. If you have acquired that disgusting, degrading name, shake it off at once before it can get a stronger grip on you. Your future life at school depends upon it. For it could happen that you will get no farther than 1B. Take some advice from a participant of your own school life, who was once a freshman, or you will never know what it is for a teacher to say, "Well Done." It will not be for you to become an executive of a corporation, company or staff. You will be an absolute, downright failure. They that you call friends will dislike you, pointing you out as an example of laxness, indifference, and as a poor sport.

Your school has been weakened by

the habits of leaners, but let's do away with them now and remember, "It's not the fact that you flunked that counts, but how did you flunk and why?"

Remember that being a leaner doesn't necessarily mean just leaning on the other fellow to get your work. Buy or subscribe to your school paper, "The Port Weekly." Don't depend upon reading the other fellow's copy and spending your own four cents on a couple of postage stamps. Sing in chapel and help make the chapel periods a success and a pleasure to all. Lend your voices to the cheering squad and help cheer your team to victory. Make them feel that you are with them, doing your best even though you aren't on the team. Don't forget that we can't all make the team and the next best thing that we can do is to support it by attending and cheering at the games. Athletics aren't the only thing in school life, don't be a leaner in anything.

Come on, fellow students, let's put this across big, and adopt for our high school motto, "Down with the leaner."

## WHO'S WHO IN THE ADVENTURE OF LADY URSULA

The four act comedy, The Adventure of Lady Ursula will be presented by the students of the Port Washington High School, 8.15 o'clock, Friday evening, December 18.

Doris Alford plays the lead, the part of Lady Ursula Barrington. Her interpretation of this difficult role is accurate and charming. We first learn of her that she has set out on an innocent, mischievous adventure to attempt to force Sir George Sylvester to break the vow he has taken, never to see a woman again. We first see her when she returns home to confess not only that her attempt has failed, but that by it she has embroiled her brother, Lord Hassenden, in a quarrel with Sir George and that, according to the custom of the time, a duel is to follow. In order to save her brother Lady Ursula decides to obtain an interview with Sir George by masking as her younger brother. In this interview the part of Lady Ursula requires especially careful acting. Later on when, still in disguise, Lady Ursula finds herself in a group of Lord Hassenden's friends, the part requires still more careful acting. Report says that Doris is thoroughly enjoying the work on the interpretation of this delightful role.

Walter Persson is the leading man. He plays the part of Sir George Sylvester and he plays in a most engaging manner. At first, bound by his vow never to see a woman again, he is utterly indifferent to the

reported charm of the Lady Ursula. Of course, we expect him to succumb, but the various difficulties which he himself puts in the way make the progress of affairs a most intricate and unexpectedly exciting one. It has been acknowledged from the first try-outs that Walter is the man for the part, and his development in rehearsals has fully justified that opinion.

Cheston Paddock plays the part of Lord Hassenden, Lady Ursula's brother, in true style. He is in turn, loving, angered, appeased and angered again, and at the end happy.

Helen Duer has the role of Dorothy Fenton, the betrothed of Lord Hassenden. Helen gives a most interesting and vivacious portrayal of this part.

Edith Neilson gives a truly accurate interpretation of Mrs. Fenton, Dorothy's most aristocratic and shockable aunt.

Merritt McBrien plays the Reverend Mr. Blimboe. He does well, indeed, in showing Mr. Blimboe to be a minister individualized by his very unministerial interest in duels and fair ladies.

John Moore makes a delightfully quarrelsome Mr. Dent, this being the part of the "gentlemen of honor" who makes life continually interesting for his friends.

Robert Enscoe, James Langley, Arthur Dillenbeck, and Wilbur Porter do fine bits of acting as friends of Lord Hassenden and Sylvester.

Douglas Miller, Robert Thoman and Jesse Ryeck act as the servants and each is giving a marked individuality to his part.

## BLUE AND WHITE DIVIDES TWIN BILL—BOYS LOSE: GIRLS WIN OVER SEA CLIFF

Last Friday afternoon the basketball season of this high school was inaugurated in the local gym with Sea Cliff here. Both boys' and girls' teams played. The boys lost by the close score of 29-24, while the girls easily triumphed by a score of 34-28.

In the boys' game, Sea Cliff got off to a quick start and aided by some fast work of their star, Rooney, jumped far into the lead. This was not Sea Cliff's first game and they were more used to playing in a regular game. After the first quarter, Port overcame that funny, bashful feeling and attempted to mow down the huge lead of their opponents. During this quarter, Port's passwork was superb but something was lacking when it came to sinking baskets. Had it not been for rather erratic shooting on our part, we might have won in that quarter. In the second half we thoroughly outplayed our guests, scoring 14 points



to their 11, but this was not sufficient to overcome the eight point lead gained in the early periods.

The girls' game was a farce as far as Sea Cliff was concerned. Not until the second team from Port was sent against the visitors in the last quarter, could Sea Cliff play anything like basketball, and even then their efforts were more or less hampered by their opponents, who made up for what little they lacked in skill by a whole hearted desire to work. Miss Deegan's efforts during the game are certainly worthy of commendation. Her propensity for shooting baskets netted 28 points.

Thursday night, tomorrow, we play the Great Neck team at Great Neck in a boys' game. If your memory serves you at all well you will recollect that last year the hardest fought game of the year took place in Great Neck. We have no doubt that tomorrow night all your battle instincts will be roused when those two teams get on the floor. Train leaves here at 7.49 or go in your car. See you at the game.

#### The Line-up

##### BOYS

Port Washington (24) Sea Cliff (29)  
Mallon ..... L. F. .... Rooney  
Langley ..... R. F. .... Burton  
Enscoe ..... C. .... Butler  
Greet ..... L. G. .... McGeorge  
Raff ..... R. G. .... Maidment

Referee—Girling (Union).

Timer — DeMeo.

Field Goals — Mallon (2), Langley (2), Enscoe (3), Raff (1), Gilliar (1), Rooney (7), Butler (1), Burton (4), McGeorge (1).

Substitutes — Gilliar for Enscoe, Enscoe for Mallon, Lowenburg for McGeorge.

Time of halves—16 minutes.

##### GIRLS

Port Washington (34) Sea Cliff (28)  
Deegan ..... L. F. .... Eichstatt  
Ray ..... R. E. H. Gausenm'r  
Wackwitz ..... C. .... K. Gausenm'r  
Petruskie ..... L. G. .... Wood  
Clock ..... R. G. .... Anscowitz

Referee — Mrs. Brandon.

Timer — DeMeo.

Field Goals — Deegan (14), Ray (3), Eichstatt (5), H. Gausenmuller (3), Jenkins (2).

Substitutions — Fay for Deegan, Keenan for Ray, Costello for Wackwitz, Zurliss for Clock, Balkie for Zurliss, Fenkins for H. Gausenmuller, H. Gausenmuller for Anscowitz.

Time of halves—12 minutes.

#### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

The girls of the Junior High basketball team have decided to charge ten cents admission to the games they are going to play with the Flower Hill girls basketball team. After each game they are going to give the money to the P. W. H. S. Athletic Association.

Edward McGaw, of 8B, has blossomed forth as a song writer, having written a song to be sung at the Junior High games.

Early to bed and early to rise,  
And your girl goes out with the other guys.

#### Basketball Game

On Thursday morning at 10.30 the 7A's and 7B's played a basketball game in the gymnasium. The game ended with a score of 18—7 in favor of the 7B's. Edgar Janny and Frank Jenkins starred for the 7B's, Edgar making four baskets and Frank 3. The line-up was as follows:

7A's	7B's
J. McGaw .....	R. F. .... E. Janny
S. Dell .....	L. F. .... F. Jenkins
W. Hamilton ..	R. G. .... R. Enscoe
W. Smith .....	L. G. .... S. De Feo
W. Carpenter ...	C. .... K. Rotte'r

Substitutions — Joseph McCarthy for William Hamilton, John Hamilton for Kenneth Rotteleger.

#### CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

On Monday, December 21, the pupils of the grades in the High School building will present a cantata, "The Night Before Christmas," under the direction of Miss Johnson, assisted by Mrs. Alice F. Mitchell.

The cast is as follows:

Santa Claus — William Bray.  
Mother—Marguerite Monfort.  
Tommy, little brother — Albert Brown.

Sisters — Alice, Doris Hancock; Norvell, Norvell Bullock; Emily, Peggy Hastings; Florence, Nancy Lowry.

Christmas Fairies — Dorothea Rose, Natalie Rose, Ruth Lowry, Helen Ann Prosky, Dorothy Hamm, Alberta Monfort, Lucy Occipinti, Mary Ciminera, Betsy Rich, Janet Geddes, Ruth MacGillivray, Margaret Sands.

The first performance will be given at 11.45 for grades 1—6 and the second at 2.45 for Junior High and High School.

Parents and friends are cordially invited to attend these performances.

Junior High School will have a Carol Service Assembly Tuesday morning at nine o'clock in the High School Auditorium. The following program will be rendered:

1. Opening Song by School, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."
2. Solo, "Cradle Hymn," Spelman — Lily Slade.
3. Carol, "Silent Night"—Junior High.
4. "Gascon Carol"—7A Group.
5. Song, "Deck the Halls."
6. "Fairies," from "A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Mendelssohn.
7. Carol, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."
8. "Christmas Comes." three part arrangement sung by 8A pupils.
9. Carol, "The First Noel."

Senior High will have a similar program Friday afternoon, Dec. 18.

Members of the orchestra are urged to attend all rehearsals of the orchestra class. The regular classes are Wednesday and Thursday at 3.15 P. M.

On Tuesday morning, December 22 the grade children of Flower Hill School will present a Christmas program at 11 o'clock. In the afternoon the Junior High School will give a play at 1.45. Parents and friends are invited to attend both of these entertainments.

#### THIS SCHOOL OF OURS

Fred Hyer sprinting to History class on time.

Mari Picone singing softly and gently.

Translating in French—"The wife naturally follows the husband."

Douw Fonda, aside: You can tell that this book was written a long time ago.

Amid the excitement of preparing for the various Christmas exercises together with the usual preparations for the "coming of Santa Claus" we feel sincere regret that Mr. Schreiber is not with us. It is, however, cheering to learn that he is gaining strength as rapidly as we may expect. The "Port Weekly," on behalf of the entire school, extends to him Christmas greetings with the hope that the New Year will bring him back to us fully recovered in health and strength.

#### EXCHANGE NEWS

This week has been a very busy one for the exchange department. We have received from the Mineola High School their monthly magazine, The Aloenim. They commented on the Port Weekly thus:

"You have embarked on a very important undertaking — that of printing a weekly newspaper. We wish you success."

The Folio, from Flushing High School, came to us for the first time this week. It is the best in its class that we have received. The bright spots are the editorial on football and the story, "The Haunted Garden."

These exchanges are on file in the library so that any student wishing to read them may get them there.

LOST — Boy Scout book on Webster or Carlton Avenues on Friday night. Finder will kindly return to Room 46 in the Junior High.

#### CHRISTMAS WREATHS

The Junior A Class has recently decided to sell some Christmas Wreaths in order to make money for their Junior Prom. These wreaths, which are of an excellent quality, are to be sold at 35 cents apiece, or three for one dollar. Gloria Luey will take all orders for them. Be sure to shop early so as to avoid the rush which is sure to follow as soon as the good quality of the wreaths is discovered.

#### THIS SCHOOL OF OURS

Mr. Hill controlling traffic at the library entrance — Betty Duffield tip-toeing up and down the corridors — Max Bethge chaining his dog from school — Mr. Seeber teaching the art of swinging Indian Clubs— Jay Langley strolling along with his usual five-yard strides — Wm. Leiber doing the Charleston.

#### NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Life of Johnson—Boswell.  
Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea—Verne.