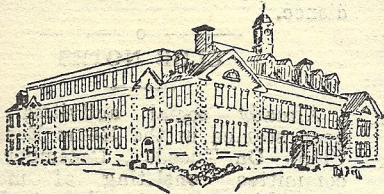


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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYBODY

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To the Editor:—

We are enclosing a news item about our "Open House" to be held on January 15, 1926, which we are sure you will want to bring to the attention of your fellow students through the medium of your school paper. We are also enclosing an invitation for your personal use.

The staff of our college paper, "The Polytechnic Reporter," will be on hand to welcome you, and we suggest you visit their office first and get acquainted. They will also see that you are conducted through the building.

In the evening there will be a basketball game between the Polytechnic and Haverford College, and while tickets for this game are limited, they will be supplied upon request as long as they last.

Remember the date, January 15, and plan to visit us.

Sincerely,

C. J. Streubel, Dean.

On the afternoon and evening of Jan. 15, 1926 the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, located at 99 Livingston street, Brooklyn, N. Y., will hold "Open House." This is an annual event to which high school students, their parents and friends are invited, so that they may see through actual demonstration the type of work done by college students in chemistry and engineering.

Starting at 4.30 in the afternoon and continuing through the evening, the laboratories of the Institute will be open and there will be in operation chemical stills and filter presses, high voltage transformers, X-ray, radio and other engineering devices and machinery. The students of the Polytechnic will personally conduct all visitors and explain the features of the work.

The new Polytechnic motion picture, "Opportunity," illustrating the four fields of engineering, will also be shown. The Polytechnic play,

"Work-Shop," will be another feature of "Open House."

This will be an opportunity to learn, at first hand, of the four fields of engineering and one which the upper class students should not neglect.

THE ADVENTURE OF LADY URSULA

The Adventure of Lady Ursula was played before a crowded audience last Friday night and even the good reports which had reached us did not lead us to expect such a finished production or such fine acting as we had the privilege of viewing. We have reason to be proud that our school has students who can interpret difficult and mature roles with a finesse which many an older and more experienced player might envy. Who could wish for a more delightful Lady Ursula than Doris Alford? It was worth the breaking of any man's vow to win her hand.

Walter Persson playing the part of Sir George Sylvester put in his character every mood and feeling with remarkable skill and he deserves extra credit for his fine acting since he had been forced to stay home for several days with a severe cold. Cheston Paddock was all that a brother of Lady Ursula should be quick to avenge any insult to her and exasperated at her incorrigible mischievousness.

Dorothy was played in a wholly commendable manner by Helen Duer and if Merrit McBrian has not definitely decided to enter the pulpit everyone will agree that he would be eminently successful in that work. Edith Nielsen acted the prim, maidenly aunt who is ever with us, so realistically that if we didn't know Edith we would think she was actually prim and proper.

John Moore played the quarrelsome Mr. Dent as if to the manner born. That sounds bad but it is in fact praise. Douglas Miller was unusually good as the old family servant and Robert Thomas and Jesse Ryeck as the other servants were exactly right.

Wilbur Porter acted the true friend of Sir George as if he meant it. The other friends, Robert Enscoe, Arthur Dillenbeck and James Langley, should receive great credit for their acting, and they did look fine in their uniforms, if one is allowed to speak of it.

Although the expenses for the play were more than they have previously been, owing to the renting of the costumes, it is splendid to be able to add that the profit has also been greater than in any former production. Many thanks should be accorded to all who gave articles for use on the stage, and certainly Miss

Gaylord is to be congratulated for the excellent way in which she coached the players.

Altogether, The Adventure of Lady Ursula is one of the finest, if not the finest play, ever presented by the students of Port Washington H. S.

The latest reports tell us that Mr. Schreiber will really be able to enjoy Christmas out of bed. He is now able to be up and this gratifying fact will undoubtedly make our Christmas as well as his a much more enjoyable one.

PORT GAINS FIRST WIN THIS SEASON AT GREAT NECK

The Port Washington High School Five triumphed over the Great Neck Quintet at Great Neck last Thursday night by a score of 17—15. The game was the roughest we have seen in many moons, and fans who possessed a lust for battle had their fill of excitement.

The game started off with speed—much speed—displayed by both sides. At first the boys were cautious in their roughness, but, seeing that the referee was prone to ignore such little matters as playful nudges in the ribs and harmless tripping, both sides opened up their bags of tricks. Port had the advantage, however, because they had four men from the football squad, three of them letter men. This was a double advantage to Port because the players were not only well versed in roughness but also were in good physical condition due to the strenuous football training. Port ran the opposition ragged.

There is one thing we have noticed about the team this year. The players have a tendency to keep going and never to quit. We sincerely hope that this spirit will continue to be manifest throughout the season. So far we have the enviable record of having forced Sea Cliff to call time out three times through sheer exhaustion. Great Neck did the same twice.

During the first half of the game the low ceiling of Great Neck's gym affected Port's system of arching the ball when shooting, and Great Neck led at the end of the half, 10-8.

At the end of the rest period, Port reappeared on the scene determined to do or die. They did. They played Great Neck to a standstill, quickly tied the score, and as quickly jumped into the lead. Excellent pass-work and clever guarding kept Port's goal out of danger. Two field goals were made by Kurz of Great Neck in this half. His height was such that he merely had to stand on tiptoe and drop the ball into the basket. Naturally there were a few times when

he could not be stopped. But all the other players were effectually prevented from doing any damage. Meanwhile Port managed to sink four baskets. Each team had a foul apiece and so Port won by the narrow margin of two points. Everybody from Port was satisfied. That will be all until after vacation.

The Line-Up
Port Washington (17)

	G.	F.	
Enscoe, L. F.	2	1	5
Mallon, L. F.	0	0	0
Langley, R. F.	3	0	6
Gilliar, C.	1	2	4
Enscoe, C.	0	0	0
Greet, L. G.	0	0	0
Raff, R. G.	1	0	2
	7	3	17

Great Neck (15)

	G.	F.	
Meade, L. F.	1	2	4
Murray, R. F.	2	0	4
Kurz, C.	3	0	6
Warmuth, L. G.	0	1	2
Marson, R. G.	0	0	0
Ninesling, R. G.	0	0	0
	6	3	15

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The Christmas season is here and with it comes the revival of that ancient custom, carolling.

A carol is a song of praise sung at Christmas time, usually in the open air. Bishop Taylor says that the oldest carol was that sung by the heavenly host, where the birth of Savior was announced on the plains of Bethlehem. It is probable that the practice of singing Christmas carols at Christmas arose in imitation of this.

Diez suggests the word is derived from "Chorus," others ally it with "Carolla," a garland circle, the earliest sense of the word being a ring dance.

The Christmas festival which synchronized with and superceded the Latin and Teutonic feasts of the winter solstice lent itself especially to gaiety.

The crib of the Savior was set up in churches or primitive houses in the traditional setting of the stable, with the earthen figures of the Holy Family, and carols were sung around it. Some of the most famous of Latin Christmas hymns were written to dance tunes. The songs were called "Wiegenlieder" in German, Noels in French, Carols in English.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The following is the program given by the pupils of the grades under direction of Miss Johnson, assisted by Mrs. Mitchell:

- I. Opening March — Orchestra.
- II. Selection, "Poet's Dream," Rolfe — Orchestra.
- Cantata — "The Night Before Christmas."
 1. Opening Chorus, "The Night Before Christmas" — Grades.
 2. "Early to Bed" — Mother and Children.
 3. "Mister Mouse" — Mother and Children.
 4. "Santa Claus is Coming" —

Grades.

5. Duet, "There's a Star" — Marguerite and Norvel.
6. Solo, "Christmas Fairies" — Dorothea Rose.
7. "Dance of Fairies."
8. "Candle Light" — Children.
9. Solo, "In Fairyland" — Nancy Lowry.
10. Solo, "It Isn't a Secret" — Santa.
11. "When Santa Fills the Xmas Stockings" — Children.
12. Solos, "Empty Stockings" — Norvell and Peggy.
13. "The Kind of Christmas" — Children.
14. "Christmas Messengers" — Children.
15. "Merry Christmas to All" — Children.

Cast

Santa Claus — William Bray.
Fairies — Janet Gerdes, Dorothy Hamm, Betsy Rich, Margaret Sands, Mary Ciminera, Alberta Monfort, Dorothea Rose, Ruth MacGillivray, Ruth Lowry, Helen Ann Proskey, Natalie Rose, Lucy Occhipinti.
Mother — Marguerite Clark.
Alice — Doris Hancock.
Florence — Nancy Lowry.
Emily — Peggy Hastings.
Norvell — Norvell Bullock.
Tommy — Albert Brown.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

A delightful program was given by some members of the Junior High School in the auditorium Tuesday morning. The program was comprised of carols sung by different groups, and a reading given by Janet Mackie. The title was "A Scheming Santa Claus."

The carols were rendered by the following groups:

- "Gascon Carol" — 7A Group.
- "Fairies" — 7B Group.
- "Christmas Comes" — 8A Group.
- "A New Kind of Fairy Tale" — 8A Group.

In the intervals the entire Junior High School sang some appropriate carols.

Much credit is due to Miss Johnson for creating the Christmas spirit among the pupils of the Junior High School.

On Tuesday afternoon the 8A and 8B basketball teams played an exciting game, with the 8B winning by the score of 17 to 15. The line-up was as follows:

	8A—17	8A—15
Leyden	R. F.	Teta
Gilbert	L. F.	Brazeau
Smith	C.	Gore
Waller	L. G.	Smith
Crooker	R. G.	Olsey

Points scored of 8B: Leyden, 6; Waller, 5; Gilbert, 4; Crooker, 2; 8A: Brazeau, 6; Teta, 4; Gore, 3; Olsey, 2.

FOOTBALL LETTERS AWARDED

The High School Assembly held Friday, Dec. 18, offered a surprise to the students who were not connected with the football team. Letters for participation in football games were earned by Capt. Greet, Capt.-elect Enscoe, Raff, MacVicar, Evanosky, Jenkins, Thoman, Langley Hamm,

Carman, Newland, Miller and Manager Moore, and were awarded during the Assembly by Mr. Seeber. The rest of the Assembly partook somewhat of the nature of a Carol Service, for Christmas songs were sung in place of the regular program. The Glee Club rendered "Silent Night" and "Gascon Carol" and the orchestra played "Christmas Chimes." The musical selections were very much enjoyed by the audience.

CLUB NOTES

Already social activities have been started in the Home Economics Club. On Tuesday, December 15, a committee consisting of members from this club met and formed plans for a party. It was decided that each member of the club was to donate something in the form of eats and each one was previously informed as to what she was expected to bring. The party was held in the lunchroom on December 17. Mary Temple did the Charleston and several girls sang Christmas Carols. The Glee Club also rendered a selection. All agreed that the refreshments were delightful.

SPEAKER FOR JANUARY 8th

On Friday afternoon, January 8, at the regular assembly time the high school will have the privilege of having a speaker. Mr. M. C. Smithson, of Pace Institute will come to us and talk on the subject "The Ability to Speak Before Others — Its Relation to Business Success."

Pace Institute is sending out a number of good speakers this year who have a variety of topics. We have asked for Mr. Smithson to speak on this subject as a start. If it turns out as well as we expect, there may be others to follow.

DON'TS

Don't lengthen your Christmas vacation on either end — Don't throw papers on the floors of the home-rooms — Don't loiter in the corridors — Don't wear leather shoes to gym — Don't talk during assembly period — Don't throw snowballs on the school grounds — Don't forget to form a straight line while marching through corridors.

In the campaign to increase the circulation of the Port Weekly in the Junior High School, we would like to mention the fact that the large increase in circulation could not have been attained without the help of the teachers of that department, its principal, Mr. Keely, and the students themselves. Several of these students were of more than usual help. These students are Edward McGaw, Duane Horning, Bruce Falconer, Roger Enscoe, R. Weinlich and Charles Golder.

Mr. Fay, one of the staunch supporters of The Port Weekly, has undergone a serious operation at Mincola Hospital. He is reported this morning as resting comfortably.