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EDITORIAL COMMENT Music, Past and Present

How civilization has grown in the past years! Everything on earth seems to have been developed to a high degree, and yet, are we really progressing in the line of music?

Let us look back, yes, as far back as to the time when the moons were counted, not the years. True, when we get right down to facts we know little or nothing of what the music of the ancients really was. We know that they had music, that they enjoyed music, and that they had many instruments which are represented by similar ones today. However, what they really sang and played is largey a matter of conjecture. This is because there was little or nothing in the way of putting down music until about the year one thousand. Before that time music passed on through the generations orally.

Probably much of the monophonic melody of the orient is very ancient—possibly thousands of years old, but this art is so different from the folk melodies of recent civilizations of the occident, that we can understand it only with great difficulty.

On the other hand, language written on stone, parchment, or papyrus very old. Literature looks back to rever remote times. Had music had a corresponding notation at such a time, how interesting it would be now to learn the tune they played around the walks of Jericho, or the language was considered in the court of Herod or languages.

However, let us now turn over to the second leaf of the history of music. This epoch shall never be forgotten. It was the era of the great masters, Mozart, Bach, Handel, Beehoven, Lizt, Chopin, Verdi, and ending ultimately with Richard Wagner. These great composers have contributed to us the finest music yet written. Without doubt you have noticed that renowned artists in their nearts do not turn their attentions much to the playing of compositions of this day, but delight in adding new laurels to the crowns of the masters by bringing them forth the highest musical perfection. True, this age has invented a new

See "The Youngest" Friday Night

At 8.15 on Friday night the curtain will rise upon this year's school play, "The Youngest." Tickets have been on sale the past week, and reserved seats have been in great demand. Admission tickets are \$.75 each. Upon payment of \$.25 additional these may be exchanged at Mr. Merrill's office for reserved seats. Several home room groups have already reported record sales.

Every group is hard at work. The members of the cast sacrificed Wednesday afternoon and Friday evening of last week's vacation and worked hard and long at rehearsal. Much care is being taken in planning and executing the stage set, which will be very different from any we have used before.

To those who have worked on the stage it is of great interest to learn that a new valance and a cyclorama are being installed in addition to the curtains that were purchased last year

There is to be a full dress rehearsal this Wednesday evening, and on Thursday afternoon at three another rehearsal to which pupils of the grades will be admitted.

Seniors Hold Dance

The Senior Class of 1927, following a tradition handed down by "previous Seniors," gave a dance, which was held in the gym of the Flower Hill School on Wednesday evening of November 24. Perhaps it is another tradition, that they always are popular, and therefore a success.

About a hundred or more were present, making just a "comfortable number." Joe Hamilton's orchestra, which played at last year's Prom, was again present, and better than ever. Dried corn-stalks, tied in bunches, and arranged about the walls, suggested the fact that Thanksgiving Day was near. Refreshments (and there were plenty of them) consisted of punch and small cakes. Another feature of the dance was the "Frolic With the Balloons." Expenses were cleared with a little to spare. All had a jolly time, and look forward to the next dance.

kind of rythmical noise, but can you call it music? In the past few years we have had many fine composers of so-called light music, but they have been surpassed.

Sadly, there are many in this world today, that shun the Beethoven sonatas, the Bach fantasies and fugas and the Wagner operas, as being old-fashioned, but these fine works will give the ages to come real joy, they delighted the ages which are past, and we have not yet produced their

The Athletic Association

Do you remember when, at one assembly, Mr. Merrill made an announcement about a thing which the school needed but had never had, an Athletic Association?

This organization was to take care of the election of managers for the various teams. The manager was to be taken from the Senior class. Usually, the manager's job was really a hard one, for he had to do all the work. To lighten his burden an assistant manager was to be elected from the Junior class. If he was favorably recommended at the end of the season and received the election of the pupils, he became the next year's manager. Several "scrub" managers were also selected for the purpose of doing the odd jobs, one of these in turn to become assistant manager if recommended.

Before these things could be done, Bill Greet was elected president. As there were no written records, who the other officers were is not known. Under the leadership of Bill, the elections for manager were gotten under way.

Football had "Dinty" Moore as its manager with John Linkfield as assistant. "Ed" Capra came up from oblivion with promising chances as future assistant. This year John Linkfield neglected us by going to a prep school. As a result the football season was managerless; the reason was that there was no association to elect his successor.

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Last year "Dinty" Moore stuck to his practically inherited job of manager for basketball. Bud Graham was his assistant. There were many scrub managers elected who declined the honor when they were given the work. For football, "Randy" Bruce was manager; "Doug" Miller was his assistant. The scrub managers came around this time. Track seems to have been more or less neglected. The reason that these fellows were willing to manage was because they got letters for their work so it was made worth while.

If the coach chooses a manager there will always be those who will say: "We don't want him, we want someone whom we have elected."

There are always people of this sort no matter where you go. They wish to have their fingers in the pie. The Revolution was fought because the people were not allowed to have their part in the government.

Therefore, if you are interested in the election, when the time comes for the reorganization of the association make it a point to vote. The date is yet undecided but will be posted soon enough for you to plan ahead of time.

The Football Season

Our football season opened October 2 at Huntington, where our team played one of the best games on the schedule although it was the first game of the season. The team made 11 first downs, completed three forward passes, made three touchdowns and two points after the touchdowns. The team also played alertly for they scored a safety. The touchdown which was scored against us was the result of a forward pass past over the heads of our secondary defence men, who played too close to the line of scrimmage, a cause of many other scores in later games with Lawrence, Riverhead and Manhasset.

The second game somewhat dampened our hopes for Lawrence seemed to score at will by means of their strong aerial attack, which they resorted to most of the time, for they were unable to get through our line for any appreciable gain. In spite of their heavier and more aggressive team our team completed four passes and made three first downs.

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In our game with Far Rockaway the team played all around their opponents from the stand-point of aggressiveness, completed forward passes and first downs. Our team made fourteen first downs, completed five forward passes, but made only one touchdown.

Although we defeated Riverhead it was not the result of the good football which was displayed against Far Rockaway, for we allowed a weaker team, from the standpoint of football, to cross our goal line in exactly the same way that Huntington scored. Port made sixteen first downs, completed three forward passes, but crossed the goal line only twice and that didn't happen until the last half, after Riverhead had scored on us.

There is some excuse for the defeat by Freeport for we met a better team, but in winning knew it had played no easy game. We made three first downs to sixteen first downs made by Freeport, but completed two thirty passes to one ten-yard pass by Freeport.

Southampton had a bit the edge on Port, but there were no great odds against us, we just lacked the punch that is needed in football. Port made seven first downs and completed one twenty-five-yard pass.

The team seemed to have depreciated since the game with Freeport and had reached its low mark for the Manhasset game. Although Port seemed to gain at will the necessary punch and fight was lacking and overconfidence took its place. All those who saw the game were no doubt amazed at seeing the smaller team dominate the larger, so the less said the better.

The last game on the schedule, however, was the best display of football Port had shown, although we were beaten by our traditional foe. In this game Port held Glen Cove, a team which had beaten Freeport, who had trounced us 19-0, to a score of 7-0 and that score was made

Students Turn Actors

Ye shades of poor Will Shakespeare! How that gentleman would have squirmed had he seen his favorite children garbed in Mallory specials, plus sixes and collegiate raccoons quite according to Brooks and Gunther.

We know nothing of Bassanio's tastes in literature. However, we advise "him" to read the Book of Etiquette. If "he" does so "he" will find that modern gentlemen always remove their hats in the presence of ladies. This he failed to do, keeping his hat on during the entire scene. This is partly excusable though because if "he" had removed "his" hat "he" would have exposed the ultra modern bob of Miss Cynthia Neuman.

In spite of the twentieth century flavor of the scene the audience found itself interested in the familiar roles

Miss Jean Dutton as Portia.
Miss Cynthia Neuman as Bassanio.
Miss Evelyn Hotopp as Nerissa.
Roy Fawsket as Antonio.
Stanley Kurejwo as Gratiano.
Charles Williamson as Lorenzo.
Edward Capra as Launcelot Gobbo.
George Rowland as Stephano.
Miss Elizabeth Hewlett as Jessica.

The scene was taken from the last act of the "Merchant of Venice," featuring the episode of the rings.

When Is Ice Not Ice?

Mr. Pickett—"Miss Knapp, does the top of a lake freeze in winter?"

E. Knapp (absent-mindedly)—"No, it doesn't freeze, it just turns to ice."

by intercepting one of our passes. Port made four first downs and one twenty-yard pass while Glen Cove made only seven first downs and three forward passes.

Final Scores

Lawrence33	Port 0
Far Rockaway 3	Port 6
Riverhead 6	Port13
Freeport19	Port 0
Southampton 20	Port 0
Manhasset13	Port 7
Glen Cove 7	Port 0

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To sum up the whole season one can hardly say it was successful from the scoring point of view and we sincere'y regret that fact, but it has been successful in forwarding clean football. This builds up the reputation of any high school as standing for clean athletics, and thus for all that is right. Now that the season is over we can only hope for better results next year. This may be accomplished by everyone doing his utmost for that sport. If not a member of the team you can yell your head off for the team, which has a great deal to do toward successful seasons. So here's for a successful football season next year.

Junior High vs. Freshmen

Last Wednesday the Main Street Junior High played the Freshmen in basketball.

In the first quarter the Freshmen did some rapid playing and scored 12 points, winning the quarter. The Junior High won the second quarter with a score of 7 points. The third quarter was a tie, both teams scoring 4 points. The last quarter was the most interesting. The Junior High played much better and scored 10 points. Jenkins made 7 of the points.

Junior High	Freshmen
Smithc.	Gore
Salerno r.g	Barberi
Jenkins l.g.	Smith
Ciminera r.f	Waller
Dell l.f.	Leyden
Junior High	4 7 4 10-2
Freshmen	12 6 4 6-2

On the Junior High team Jenkins made 12 points, Dell 5, Ciminera 4, Smith 2 and Salerno 2. On the Freshmen team Leyden made 8 points, Gore 7, Smith 6, Waller 5, and Barberi 2.

Substitutions: Junior High—Enscoe for Smith, Freshmen — Geresi for Barberi.

The referee was Louie Picardo and Joe Marro was timekeeper and score-keeper.

Hide and Seek

There are always some people whe delight in playing the game of "Hide and Seek" even in school. After three-thirty it is very easy to find someone either anxious to get home early or go to a movie, dodging open doors, scooting around corners and having a perfectly hair-raising time in evading "that teacher."

How clever he thinks himself when he finally reaches the door, and drawing a long breath of relief, says to himself, "I'm pretty smart! You don't catch me staying in for any teacher tonight!"

However, the next day when a explanation is demanded, that excuss of the dentist's appointment, so clererly planned fails completely, and lefinds escape that day quite impossible

There are, however, seekers school as well as hiders.

Perhaps three or four years after graduating, upon hearing a familiar name you turn to your companion and say, "Oh, yes, I remember him. She's at Harvard now. Well, well-Hiders in school will always be in a coolean and the same are transfer.

Hiders in school will always hiders, while seekers naturally aways will be seekers. Everyone one or the other.

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