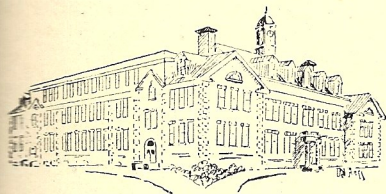


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EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Spirit of Christmas

Year after year, as December the twenty-fifth rolls near, that same delightful feeling of merry, utterly unquenchable excitement fills the air. It pervades everything.

Tall, newly cut spruce trees fling their spicy fragrance, faintly hinting of far off, white-blanketed woodlands. Piles of holly wreaths, whose glossy leaves and shining berries fairly beam with merriment, lie near them, or, decked with bright ribbons, swing in our windows.

Little red and green lights, gay affirmations of the Christmas spirit, wink through the dusk from wayside evergreens, proud autocrats of the winter gardens.

With each mail come brightly painted cards, telling how, in Merry Old England, they brought in the Yule, singing carols of "Peace on earth, good will to men," or retelling the beloved old story that we all know and have always loved so dearly.

More friendly faces are seen on the street; more cheerful "Hullo's" are heard. The pessimist scowls, shakes his head; we all know of what he is thinking, poor unfortunate, Scrooge, but, since it is Christmastide he will be forgiven and wished a "Merry Christmas" along with the rest.

The whole year has its friends, but it seems left for Christmas to bring us the true realization of the value of friendship. Memories of friends, who long since have past from our lives come to us at Christmas even if at no other time of the year. Far distant friends are remembered too, for not even space can check the Christmas Spirit.

Christmas and friendship go hand in hand and surely, no harm would come to this world if that Spirit of Christmas which binds friendship could endure throughout the year.

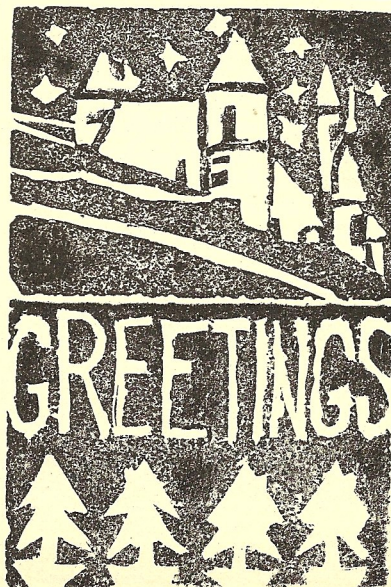
THE PEP MEETING

Wanted: More Cheering

One can hardly say the pep meeting on Monday night was a huge success. Of course, the weather had much to do with the non-attendance but, on the other hand, if it were a party instead of a pep meeting one might have seen more people present. The girls who heretofore have been given much praise for their cheering at the games, were conspicuous by their absence.

However, several members, including the captains of the basketball and football teams gave some short, right-to-the-point speeches. They told of how the teams felt when they knew that the students were back of them every minute of the game. Mr. Pickett, Mr. Connery and Mr. Seeber were also called upon to talk to the pupils present. They too urged that more cheering and school spirit be shown at the coming basketball games. They also said that school spirit is at least half the victory of the teams.

Between the speeches, cheers and songs led by "Bud" Graham and "Bob" Hubbard were vigorously practised. Keep up the good work! Let's show every school on Long Island that we're proud of our teams even though they lose a game or two. Don't let anyone say Port has a pretty good team but their school spirit and cheering are terrible. Let's have some new cheers and songs, and more and larger pep meetings and make Port Washington High alive and ready to cheer whether they win or lose.



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Scholarship Awards Revised

The Bogart committee of the Board of Education has announced a revision of the scholarship awards that are offered to the graduates of the Port Washington High School. In the past the Bogart fund has provided two scholarships, each of which are worth one hundred dollars a year for four years. In the future the first Bogart scholarship is to be worth one hundred and fifty dollars a year for four years while the second Bogart scholarship is to remain at one hundred dollars a year. This makes the first scholarship worth a total of six hundred dollars and the second worth four hundred dollars to the pupils fortunate enough to receive the awards. It may not be amiss to mention that we also have another annual scholarship award, provided for by the play given here by the Washington Square Players each year. This scholarship entitles the holder to free tuition at Washington Square College, New York University, and to a cash award of fifty dollars a year, making the total value of this scholarship approximately twelve hundred dollars.

Talk on Communication

On Tuesday, at the weekly assembly, the high school pupils had the good fortune of hearing Mr. Muller, of the Bell Telephone Company, on the subject of "The History of Communication." He emphasized the close relationship between the development of civilization and communication. He made it quite evident that civilization practically depends on progressive communication. After mentioning some of the wonderful inventions of the past, he pointed out the possibility of a more comprehensive system of communication and the future development of radio telephone (which he had made use of to speak to London on the day before he spoke to us).

Mr. Muller's talk was a great success and no doubt he will be requested to give another talk in the near future.

Economics Class Entertains

Miss Lawson's Home Economics I class in cooking gave a tea to the faculty of the High School and other guests last Wednesday afternoon. More than forty guests partook of the delicious refreshments that were prepared and served by the pupils of the class.

The decorations of the room were artistically arranged in keeping with the Christmas season, and a delightfully festive spirit pervaded.

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PORT DROPS OPENER

Both Games Hard Fought

Basketball season was ushered in at Westbury Friday night, with a dual bill for the entertainment of the spectators.

Although Port lost both games, the large number of followers, which by all accounts was the largest that ever attended a game on foreign courts, indicates that Port is back of its teams from the very start and we hope to the finish of the season. Let's keep this up and show Coaches Pickett and Burnett what real spirit on the sidelines will do for their teams.

The Girls' Lose by 29-28

The girls' basketball team made their debut at Westbury last Friday night in a stirring game which was intensified by several ties. The game, as the score might suggest, was exciting throughout.

Although Westbury made the first few scores, Port's plucky team soon tied the score, which was again tied at the end of the first quarter and during the remainder of the game.

Although in speed and teamwork there was little difference between the two teams, Westbury for the most part was the aggressor. Notwithstanding this fact the Port girls surely are on top when it comes to pluck and fight, and we assure them that the Westbury team made no easy victory, but rather had to fight for every point they made.

Port (28)	G.	F.	P.
Zurliiss, R.F.	4	2	11
Rice, L.F.	3	0	6
Carmichael, C.	5	1	11
Haynes, R.G.	0	0	0
Leyden, L.G.	0	0	0
Mackie, C.G.	0	0	0
Totals	12	3	28

Substitutions—Williamson for Haynes.

Westbury (29)	G.	F.	P.
Mohrmann, R.F.	0	0	0
Fenn, L.F.	8	1	17
Tobin, C.	6	0	12
Appleton, R.G.	0	0	0
Robertson, L.G.	0	0	0
Snyder, C.G.	0	0	0
Totals	14	1	29

Substitutions—Westbury: Pishetelli for Robertson, Topley for Appleton, Davidowsky for Snyder.

Referee—Miss Low. Timekeepers—Tatem and DeMeo. Score at half time, Port 10; Westbury 12. Time of periods, 8 minutes.

Boys Are Beaten 22-16

The score perhaps doesn't suggest such an exciting game as the girls' score did, but on the contrary this game had all the thrills of a "Wild West feature." The Westbury boys drew first blood but Port came back with a punch and rolled up seven points to four at the end of the first quarter. Our lead, however, was broken by a rally which put Westbury ahead for a brief interval, for the half ended with the teams deadlocked at 12 points.

The third period brought forth an aggressive attack by Westbury team, that could not be checked by our quintet with a counter-attack de-

VARSITY DEFEATS ALUMNI

Last Wednesday afternoon our Varsity enjoyed themselves in a feature game with an Alumni five by setting down their elders by a score of 37-13. The Varsity jumped into an early lead and increased it as the first half wore on, leading at the end of that period by a score of 17-6. In the second half the Alumni rallied with an evidence of their old form but were able to score only seven points while the Varsity were running up another twenty.

The game was not only a fast one but also an unusually interesting one. This should be borne in mind, however, none of those who composed the Alumni team has been playing basketball for a year. Alan Porter has not played for two years.

The Varsity team was handicapped by the absence of Jay Langley, their captain, who is still "out of the game," due to the injury he received in the latter part of the football season.

Port Wash. Varsity (37)	G.	F.	P.
Leyden, R.F.	5	0	10
Stone, L.F.	2	0	4
Enscoe, C.	3	0	6
Markland, R.G.	0	1	1
Picardo, L.G.	4	0	8
Gore, R. G.	2	0	4
Marro, L.F.	1	0	2
DeMeo, R.G.	0	0	0
Erb, L.G.	1	0	2
Totals	18	1	37

Port Wash. Alumni (13)	G.	F.	P.
McKelvey, R.F.	1	0	2
Piccone, L.F.	3	0	6
Porter, C.	0	0	0
Raff, R.G.	0	1	1
Larkin, L.G.	2	0	4
Horowitz, C.	0	0	0
Totals	6	1	13

Referee—R. Connery. Time of halves—16 minutes. Score at half—Varsity 17; Alumni 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Seeber Called Home

Mr. and Mrs. Seeber were unexpectedly called home last Wednesday on account of the serious illness of Mr. Seeber's father.

spite the slight margin of three points. The momentum of Westbury's attack carried the team through the fourth period with a further widening of the gap between the scores.

Port (16)	G.	F.	P.
Leyden, R.F.	2	0	4
Stone, L.F.	1	0	2
Enscoe, C.	2	2	6
Markland, R.G.	0	0	0
Picardo, L.G.	1	2	4
Totals	6	4	16

Substitutions—Marro for Stone.

Westbury (22)	G.	F.	P.
Proctor, R.F.	0	0	0
Dowling, L.F.	6	0	12
Bower, C.	1	0	2
Marshall, R.G.	2	1	5
Davidowsky, L.G.	0	2	2
Jagger, R.F.	0	1	1
Totals	9	4	22

Substitutions—Jagger for Proctor, Dowling for Bower, Jagger for Dowling, Proctor for Jagger.

Referee—Groh. Timekeepers—Tatem and DeMeo. Score at half time, 12-12. Time of periods, 8 minutes.

Additional Report of Library Quiz

Best Short Story:

The Gold Bug, 23; Lady of the Tiger, 8.

Favorite Poem:

Cremation of Sam Magee, 14; Highwayman, 6; If, 6.

Best-liked Play:

Merchant of Venice, 12; Julius Caesar, 11; Abie's Irish Rose, 2.

Favorite Magazine:

Saturday Evening Post, 21; Golden Book, 17.

Of authors writing 50 years ago, Mark Twain was mentioned 18 times; Kipling, 12; Stevenson, Longfellow and Poe, 11 each. Shakespeare was named on two papers.

Shakespeare was named 26 times and Cooper 21 as writers of 100 years ago. Somehow we had never suspected Shakespeare of being so nearly modern.

Homer carried off the honors for writers, B.C., having 55 votes. Herodotus was second with 12 and Caesar 10.

Type of non-fiction best liked:

Travel, 53; Biography, 36; Drama, 19; History, 11; Adventure, 10; Poetry, 5.

Best book in School Library:

Too scattered to classify.

The most popular Magazine:

Popular Mechanics, 46; Golden Book, 24; Review of Reviews, 15; Good Housekeeping, 14.

Mr. Kelland and Mr. Kipling tied with 10 each as the author whom the pupils thought they would like to know. Mark Twain, Zane Grey and Curwood came next with 8 votes.

George Elliot was the author who looked least as expected and Shakespeare most.

Launcelot a Free Man

At the Junior High Courthouse Assembly last Wednesday Sir Launcelot was freed from a murder charge when foreman Joe Dell announced a "not guilty" verdict. The state had contended that on the night of June 24, 1212, Launcelot, disguised as a stable boy, had entered the castle of Shalott and poisoned wine which caused the death of the Lady of Shalott two hours later. Attorney Davis made a strong plea for conviction, but the defense attorneys, Otto and Bruce, succeeded in establishing a strong alibi. In charging the jury Judge Kraft pointed out that only circumstantial evidence had been introduced.

William Bonczek contributed a clarinet solo, "My Sunshine," by Di Capua.

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The staff rejoices that the abun-
dance of material for this issue neces-
sitated a four-page paper. The addi-
tional expense of the large edition
will be met by the advertisement of
Mr. Charles Hyde on the back page.
When called upon at the last minute
to underwrite the additional cost he
responded with his usual generosity.

Lately there has been a larger num-
ber of pupils assisting with contri-
butions of material and the details
of preparing copy. This is a most
encouraging sign to the faithful few
who have to work late each Friday in
order to get the Weekly out on time.

Is There a Santa Claus?

You were all told years ago that
every Christmas the grand old man,
Santa Claus, came down from the
North Pole to bring all the good lit-
tle children some presents. Along
about the first of December every
year all the bad little boys and girls
became good and all the good chil-
dren—well, there are no good chil-
dren. Everybody of course can recall
those few years back.

It is surprising, but everybody in
Port Washington High School be-
lieves there is a Santa Claus. Glance
around and see for yourself. Haven't
you noticed how well the students lis-
ten to Mr. Merrill's "announcements"?
Of course you have noticed fewer peo-
ple fall asleep in Miss Shafer's
classes. But better yet, the faculty is
wonderful to the students. That is
the Christmas spirit. Do the stu-
dents expect a fur coat each from the
faculty? That is too much. Does the
faculty expect Christmas cards from
the students? That, also, is too much.

Now, dear friends, I am going to
enlighten you on a serious subject.
I expect all the parents of high school
students to run me out of town for
this but I must tell you. There is no
Santa Claus. He has no team of
reindeer and he doesn't come down
the chimney with his bag of presents
over his shoulder.

I beg of you all to ask your parents
for an automobile for Christmas. If
you get a toy fire engine, you will
know that the income tax is not paid
yet. Ask for a fur coat and if you
get a kitten, you will know that last
Christmas is not forgotten.

A Problem

One of the most serious problems
in Port Washington High School that
has come to the fore since September
is the parking problem. Do you re-
member last spring the famous bug-
gys which parked on the school
grounds every day? Mr. Keeley's
car was always there; Mrs. Langdon
never failed to park at school; will
you ever forget Mari Picone with a
different Buick every day?

Alas! How different it is today!
The ever famous Enscoe "roadster"
comes rain or shine. On regal days
he has a Buick. Two flivvers from
Plandome never fail to wheeze in,
one barely able to wheeze. "Coot"
Leiber seldom misses a post with the
tail-light or fender of his Studebaker.
The faithful Doug never, never misses
a day with that Buick of his. With
or without chains, Dave puffs in some-
how with that Nash. As Cicero said,
"Oh the times! Oh the customs!"
What is the world coming to?

In ten years I expect to see Bob
Enscoe teaching a course in the high
school on how to park a car with no
fenders. The citizens will be voting
on an appropriation to buy the stu-
dents a bigger parking space than the
school grounds. In the vacant lot
across the street there will be an im-
mense garage with men to crank cars
at twenty-five cents a turn. What a
great business that would be!

Doing Their Bit

Not unmindful of less fortunate
ones at this time of the year the re-
sponse on the part of the grade and
junior high schools to the appeal of
the Junior Red Cross was so hearty
that after reaching the quota there
was a substantial balance left over.
After giving the matter of disposing
of the residue, in such a way as to
do the most good, careful thought, it
seemed that the fund that is collect-
ed each year by the New York Times
for the Hundred Neediest Cases was
the most worthy. A check for \$30.00
was mailed to the New York Times
and the issue of Friday, December 17,
carried an acknowledgment of its re-
ceipt.

It is hoped that this will be the be-
ginning of an annual custom to share
with needy people some of the bounty
and happiness which we possess in
large measure, so that Christmas
shall be a day of widespread rejoic-
ing in the dark and cheerless homes
as well as about our own comfortable
firesides.

Some Party !

(From Port Washington News)

Miss Lawson's Home Economics I
gave a tea to the faculty of the High
School and invited guests last Wed-
nesday afternoon. More than forty
guests partook of the DELIRIOUS
refreshments that were prepared and
served by the pupils of the cooking
class.

Junior High Loses to Frosh

The Junior High lost to the Fresh-
men in an interesting game of bas-
ketball last Friday afternoon. At the
end of the first half the Junior High
was behind by only four points, but
the final score stood 13 to 7 in favor
of the Freshmen.

Library Notes

The following books have been
added to the high school library:

Opera Goer's Guide—Melitz.

Modern Plays—Law.

Historical Atlas—Shepherd.

Beau Geste—Wren.

The Main Street junior high has a
copy of David Goes to Greenland, by
David Putnam.

Rudolph Weinlich has given books
to the junior and senior high school
libraries.

Circulation in November:

Books of fiction416

Books of non-fiction.....347.

Current History Game

On Monday, December 13, the Jun-
ior High Current History game came
to a close. One period of each week
was given to Current History. The
students themselves took charge of
the class and the topics of recent his-
tory were taught and learned in a
game. The Spiders were victorious
over the Flies, with a score of 57 to
50. Healthy rivalry characterized this
season. A new season will open after
the January examinations.

Logic, At Any Rate !!

Miss Shafer (in her usual awe-in-
spiring tone): David, will you please
stop giggling and tell me why the
South hated Jackson?

Dave Stone (very much awe-inspir-
ed): Well—well, uh—because they
didn't like him!

New Song

(Tune: "Lucky Day.")

Oh, boy, we're lucky,
We'll say we're lucky,
This is our lucky day.
Because they're over,
We're glad all over,
We want to shout hooray.
Poor old —* was going strong,
Until of course we happened along
Oh, boy, we're lucky,
We'll say we're lucky,
This is our lucky day.

* Name of opponent's school.

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