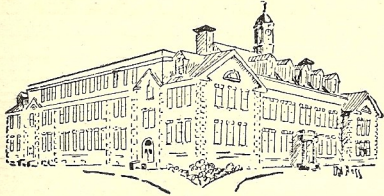


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Editorial Comment

Treatment and Mistreatment

Who doesn't know the etiquette involved in dealing with a new book? (Lay on flat surface, open first one, then the other cover, take a few leaves from back, few from front and press down firmly, etc., etc.) After receiving a year's limbering up, a book passes on to another temporary owner, and it sometimes looks like something that has been through a mangle. I know I never could withstand the temptation to bewhisker portraits of fair young ladies and to carefully outline title letters on covers. Others give outlet to their artistic tendencies by drawing car—I mean beautiful pictures of their dearly beloved teachers wherever sufficient room can be found. Some write translations of difficult passages of French or Latin, where they will do the most good. To receive a book thus inscribed, is always a pleasure, that is if the writing is legible.

We must admit that a good portion of the wear and tear on school books is due to zealous pursuit of knowledge. Honorable battle scars of this kind are excusable. Dog-eared, much-thumbed, spotted (with tears or breakfast?) they pass from generation to generation. Books have been found with covers bent into an irredeemable shape. What a frenzy must have stirred the pupils who did this!

Now, seriously speaking, deliberate mutilating of books seems unnecessary, even justifying some sort of penalty. Although sympathizing with our youthful foibles, because they have gone through the same stage, the members of the faculty realize that depreciation of text books frequently is due to carelessness and can only be checked by making the individual pay for books ruined in fits of youthful exuberance. This, fellow-students, may be taken as "a word to the wise."

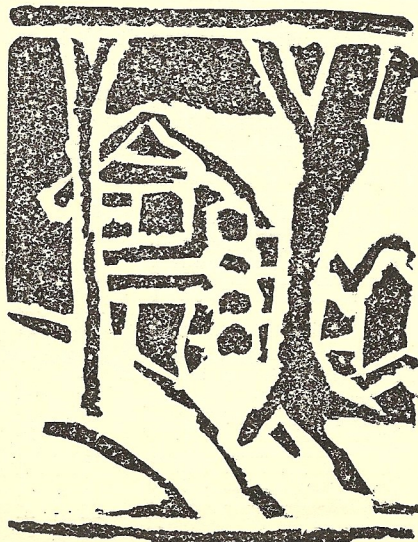
Prize Speaking Wins

A debate of unusual interest was held in the assembly on February fourth. The issue for the debate was, Resolved: That Debating should be substituted for Prize Speaking in the Port Washington High School. Those who spoke on the affirmative were William Burns, David Stone, Hubert Burmeister, with Daniel Horowitz refuting. On the negative were Myra Grant, Fred Hier, Gerard Mallon, with John O'Neil refuting. Both sides were well prepared and gave their issues both interestingly and with remarkable eloquence.

A new system of voting was tried whereby the students voted in place of judges. I feel sure that one reason for the great interest displayed in the debate was because each student felt he would be able to cast his vote. Ninety-five votes were cast in favor of prize speaking, and 89 votes for debating.

Several Graduates Leave

Of this year's January graduates Helen Duer, Adelaide Stubbings, and Louis Picardo are at home. We are pleased that Helen Hotopp and Edna Keenan are remaining with us as P.G.'s. Edward Varney has a position with the First National Bank of Manhasset, and Elbert Varney is with the United States Guarantee and Trust Company, Wall Street, N. Y.



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The Circle

Last Wednesday evening the members of the Honor Society assembled in the High School Library for the first time since the Christmas holidays. With Regents a mere phantom of the past, and with the usual holiday rush in the background, the members are looking forward to a much needed breathing space, as it were, during which time their attention will be devoted to the interests of the Society.

Inasmuch as this gathering marked the first meeting of the year several of the Alumni members attended. We are always glad to welcome back our graduates. So after a general "howdy-do" the meeting was finally called to order by the president. Much discussion ensued, until a very important question arose, namely that of bringing the organization before the eyes of the townspeople to a greater extent than it has previously been done. Heretofore the Circle members have been fairly inactive in regard to commanding direct interest and comment. Therefore as a means of stimulating interest, it was suggested that a dance be held under the auspices of the Circle. The suggestion met with instant approval and the details were referred to committees. However, before such an idea can materialize, many things must come to pass. We are hoping for the best and perhaps such an event will take place.

In addition to other business, the election of new officers was brought up before the members. Helen Duer was re-elected to the office of president and Bill Baum retained his former office of secretary and treasurer. Al Beach now fills the office of vice-president. Incidentally Helen Duer has been graduated this January. However, for various reasons, she has consented to retain her place in the Society.

When the meeting had been adjourned Mr. Dodds provided the usual refreshments. Again Mr. Dodds may be complimented upon his ability to swing a serving tray.

Soon after, the members departed, always willing to help Mr. Rumens in his desire to retire as early as possible.

Fratry Meets

Thursday eleven members of the Fraternity Club met in room 35, determined to revive the formerly active society. Plans were made for an entertainment in the near future. The next meeting was set for Thursday, February 10. The club will go en masse to the Nassau Theatre and meet afterward in room 35.

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Westbury Downs Our Teams

Last Friday afternoon at the new school our sextet was defeated by our Westbury adversaries in a slow, uninteresting game. Our quintet, however, played a noble game against the undefeated Westbury five for the first half, but so slackened their pace in the last half that we were trailing by twelve points at the final whistle.

Girls Lose 8-9

The girls showed fine form in the practice before the game, which gave most of us confidence for a sure victory over the team which barely won at Westbury by the narrow margin of one point. Much to our disappointment, this form was not displayed in the game. As a result, the game was much below par and in our estimation the loss of a game which we might just as well have won even though it was shorter than usual. The guards were at their best, but the forwards were unable to find the basket, even when almost on top of it, to say nothing of the foul shooting.

Port (8)	G.	F.	P.
Rice	R.F. 1	0	2
Zurliss	L.F. 1	1	3
Carmichael	C. 1	1	3
Leyden	R.G. 0	0	0
Haynes	L.G. 0	0	0
Mackie	C.G. 0	0	0
Totals	3	2	8
Westbury (9)	G.	F.	P.
Mohrmann	R.F. 2	2	6
Fenn	L.F. 0	1	1
Tobin	C. 0	2	2
Appleton	R.G. 0	0	0
Robertson	L.G. 0	0	0
Snyder	C.G. 0	0	0
Totals	2	5	9

Referee—Marchino (Savage). Timekeepers—DeMeo and Tatem. Score at Half—Port 6, Westbury 7. Time of Periods, 5 and 6 min.

Boys Are Defeated 26-14

The boys seriously threatened the leaders of the league in the first half, but let them have it pretty much their own way in the last half. Port gained the lead at the start, but the score was soon tied at 4-4 and alternated for the rest of the half. During the first half our quintet played a hard game, keeping their opponent's score to 10 to their 9 at the half. The first part of the second half witnessed a foul shot by Enscoe which tied the score for the second time at 10-10. Westbury sunk one more and then Erb stepped in the limelight by causing another tie at 12-12, which he soon broke with a foul shot. At this

Where the Blue Begins

II. Choose a character from a favorite book. Pretend that this character is a friend of yours. Write a letter to him telling of some interesting happenings. In your letter mention some events in the book as if you had been intimately connected with them. Make the letter interesting and truly friendly in tone.

Roslyn, New York,
January 17, 1927.

Dear Mr. Gissing:

I am trying hard to have the three pups remember the manners I taught them but things don't go so smoothly since you left. I am afraid my little spaniels, so unaccustomed to the luxury at your house, will never be gentlemen. They find it impossible to wear collars and that's quite a bad example for your pups. All my efforts to keep them presentable are in vain.

It is rumored that you are not in business at all but you are seeking for where the blue begins. Of course this is very silly for a dog with the responsibility of an adopted family to act in this way but we still trust you are a floor-walker at a big store on Fifth Avenue. The big dogs from Canine Estates are very suspicious about your adopting 3 pups and say it will be best for you to clear yourself by giving an account of where they belong.

We need new furniture. Those children insist on chewing the legs of chairs and tables when my back is turned. The supply of dog biscuits is almost gone. The pups and I look forward eagerly to your return. The pups send many loving licks.

Yours truly,

MRS. SPANIEL.

point the Westbury five decided that the time for fooling was over and soon opened up with a succession of field goals which surely made it seem as though they had been playing with us in the first part of the game.

Port (14)	G.	F.	P.
Leyden	R.F. 2	2	6
Stone	L.F. 0	1	1
Enscoe	C. 1	2	4
Markland	R.G. 0	0	0
Erb	L.G. 1	1	3
Totals	4	6	14
Westbury (26)	G.	F.	P.
Proctor	R.F. 2	0	4
Dowling	L.F. 7	0	14
Brower	C. 1	1	3
Marshall	R.G. 1	1	3
Davidowski	L.G. 0	0	0
Jagger	R.F. 1	0	2
Totals	12	2	26

Referee—Girling (Union). Timekeepers—DeMeo and Tatem. Score at Half—Port 9, Westbury 10. Time of Periods, 8 minutes.

Players Not Coming

That the Washington Square Players find it impossible to come to Port this month for the presentation of the scholarship play is a source of great disappointment to all. Their coming is necessarily postponed till 1928.

Through the generosity of the N. Y. U. authorities the scholarship will be awarded this year as usual. The University will award the free tuition as before and the cash award which has accumulated through the last several years, the deficit to be made up from the proceeds of the play which the Washington Square Players will bring to Port next year.

Frosh Elect Officers

The Freshmen 9A held an election this week. Roger Enscoe was elected President, and Frank Jenkins Secretary. Hillard Swede was elected Cheerleader, and Jack Hubbard was Pressman. The Freshmen are starting in the right way by electing promising leaders.

To the God Bacchus

"Death where is thy sting?" wailed the sacrificed victim as he was tossed into the cauldron of boiling water. "Gurgle, gurgle," blurted the victim, sinking below the surface of the water. "Sss, sss" hissed the cauldron, gloating over its new prey. The unfortunate victim sank to the bottom of the cauldron, only to be followed by another, and then another of his miserable brethren. Finally, the huge cauldron was filled to the brim with dead bodies. Thereupon, the chef proceeded to dish out the steamed clams for his waiting customers.

O Tempora ! O Mores !!

First we had "Banana Oil"; then it was "So's your old man"; and now it's "and then the shovel broke," accompanied by a very laborious shoveling gesture. Equiden O tempora, O mores !!

Additions To Library

Wilkins—Roman antiquities.
Mahaffy—Old Greek life.
Snedeker—The Spartan
Tappan—In the days of Queen Elizabeth.
Johnston—Private life of the Romans.
Church—Roman life in the days of Cicero.
Chapin—Masters of music.

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