

The Port Weekly

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What Price a Month's Vacation?

In assembly last Tuesday the students heard a very interesting lecture on the National Citizens Military Training Camps, and their accomplishments. This talk was given by Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, who told us something of the origin and purpose of the camps and touched upon the daily routine adhered to by the "rookies." In connection with the daily program, one fact the Colonel did not mention is that for the month there you rise each morning at 5.30 and, speaking from experience, I can vouch for the coldness of the air at that time.

Several fellows from school went last year and are in a position to know the benefits and fun derived from a month in the army. Bud Graham, Scotty MacVicar, Jack Leyden, Windy Bray, Runt Mackinney, Jay Langley, Bill Mackay (who won the high jump on track and field day), Merritt MacBrian, Carl Roethegan and Bill Newland.

It is interesting to note that of the eleven candidates from Port every one of them scored an average of 65 out of a possible 75 on the rifle range. Although there is a great deal of hard work attached to this unique vacation even such gentlemen of leisure as Jack Leyden and "Scotty" MacVicar voted that they had a good time.

In addition to the second year men from Port there will be this year several "Basics" from school: John O'Neill, Fred Hyer, Gerard Mallon, Thomas Fay, Bob Jacobie, Duane Helfrich and Stanley Kurejwo; and I feel sure they will derive the same pleasure from their first month of army discipline and routine that we did last year.

Contestants Chosen

On Thursday afternoon the tryouts for this year's local speaking contest were held in the auditorium. The committee of three, Miss Gaylord, Mr. Dimmick, and Miss Schempp, judged the 22 candidates, marking by the low point system. The eight students who will take part in the contest are, Betty Duffield, Marjorie Haynes, Gloria Luey, Helen Hotopp, William MacKinny, Gerard Mallon, Herman Stuetzer, and William Leiber. The contestants are now hard at work finding suitable speeches.

Students Visit Printing Co.

On April 8th the Senior Business English classes visited the publishing house of Doubleday, Page & Company.

This plant, which is located at Garden City, is set amidst surroundings which would almost make a person think he was entering the estate of some wealthy resident. The grounds are most artistically laid out with flowers and shrubs.

In their tour inspection of the plant, the students were shown the setting up of the manuscript and the proof reading of the material to be published. The corrected material is then ready to be printed. The printed matter is placed on both sides of large sheets of paper, arranged in squares the size of a page of a book or a magazine. It is possible to print sixteen pages of a book or eight pages of a magazine on each of these large sheets of paper.

There are hundreds of employees working in this establishment, ranging from messenger boys to high salaried officers. This work is carried on, for the most part, by modern machinery. Only such up-to-date conveniences could make it possible to satisfy the great demand for reading matter that exists today, and the large amount of literature which can be sold at such a small cost.



Easter Greetings

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See the Revue of 1927

On the 29th of April, 1927, the Senior class of Port High will present a Revue.

The above may sound ordinary and not particularly interesting, but wait! Songs! by a chorus of sweet voiced Seniors. Dances! Eight little high steppers and a snappy orchestra to make you want to join in.

As for the so-called "bad news," think nothing of it. Two bits cash for the fellows and a quarter extra for the girl friend! What could be sweeter?

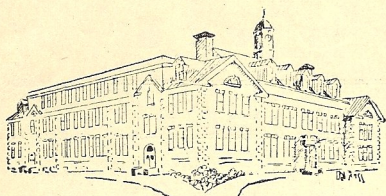
So, at eight o'clock on Friday, the 29th of the current month, come down to the High School Auditorium prepared to enjoy yourself thoroughly.

Fratry Discusses Membership

At eight o'clock last Thursday evening, twenty-eight members of the Fraternity assembled for their regular weekly meeting in Room 35. The most important matter which came up during the course of the meeting was that of limiting the membership of the club. Some contended that limitation of membership would lessen the ability of the Fraternity to help the school, while others declared that non-limitation would result in a society so large that it would be hard to control. A vote on this important question has been postponed until the next meeting so that all the members might have a chance to vote. So, if you are a member of the Fraternity, be at the next meeting (7.30, Room 35, this Thursday), and help us decide "the limitation question." Since this was only a business meeting, no refreshments were served and the meeting was adjourned at nine o'clock.

The Circle Meets

Wednesday evening, April 6, the members of the Circle met in the High School library at 7.30, for their monthly business meeting. All but one of the recent initiates were present, a fact which augmented considerably the heat of discussion started by the old members. An important project, (the nature of which shall not be made known as yet) was thoroughly talked over, and various treasury matters were settled. The next meeting will be on May 4th.



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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Girls' Athletics

Why don't the girls go in for ath-
letics? Why do they show so little
interest in interclass sports? These
were the questions which confronted
the captains of the interclass basket
ball teams when they started to make
up the lists of players. In most cases,
and this is especially true of the Jun-
ior class, the girls had to be begged
and entreated before they would even
consider playing. In many instances,
the excuses offered for not trying out
would scarcely stand close inspection.
Yet on the days when the interclass
games were played these same girls
went down to the gym and in cheer-
ing spent their energy which would
have been of so much help if devoted
to playing.

What can we do to change this sit-
uation?

April

Have you heard the bluebird sing?
That, you know, is sign of spring.
Have you seen the sweet spring flow-
ers?
Have you felt the warm spring show-
ers?
If you've heard the robin's trill,
April's coming up the hill.

Have you seen the new green grasses?
Have you seen the firefly's flashes?
Have you heard the cuckoo's call?
Has kitty played with her new ball?
If you no more feel March's chill,
April's coming up the hill.

An Instrument of Justice

Crager was a servant. For several
years he had served Mr. F—, never
grumbling at any slightly harder task,
always willing and eager to do his
best. But behind this exterior ap-
pearance of faithful service blazed a
vindictive nature, craving revenge
and maddened by a form of insanity
which lent to his ordinary stupid na-
ture a devilishly clever ability to
wait for a suitable opportunity to
wreak his vengeance upon Mr. F—.

For, years ago, Mr. F—, at that
time judge of the Supreme Court, had
placed Crager's brother in an insane
asylum for a horrible murder which
he had committed. Soon he had died
and, maddened by grief and a fancy
that his brother had been unjustly
punished, Crager had sworn revenge
upon Mr. F—, whom he thought re-
sponsible. For this purpose, he had
secured a position as valet to Mr.
F—, a lonely bachelor living in an
old-fashioned house.

Although his insanity gave to him
this cunning, it also aroused in him
an abject fear of taking human life—
a fear which overpowered even his
passion for revenge. He had, there-
fore, waited for years, seeking some
chance to injure Mr. F— in an in-
direct way — some other way than
that of killing him, for the mere sight
or even thought of blood revolted all
his senses. Now, for the first time,
his desires were near a culmination.
He had discovered that Mr. F— had
in his possession a highly prized
package he had received from a bro-
ther in India. He also knew that Mr.
F— had placed this package in a
curiously constructed safe, warning
Crager, whom he trusted implicitly,
that under absolutely no conditions
was the safe to be opened. Crager
had brooded and brooded, revolving in
his warped brain many plans of re-
venge, in all of which the package
played an important part. Finally
he decided to steal the package while
Mr. F— was making his habitual
evening inspection of the grounds.

Accordingly, as Mr. F— left the
house, Crager immediately started
stealthily up the gloomy, black stair-
way, feeling his way very cautiously
as the house possessed practically no
lights except a few gas jets. He
grouped through the darkened hall-
way, his mind picturing terrible forms
awaiting to seize him. Overcoming
this superstitious fear, he entered
Mr. F—'s room and lit the gas jet.
Then in the ghastly rays of the flick-
ering light, he slowly started to walk
toward the safe which stood in the
center of the room; the two holes

Report on Home Marks

A summary of the work done in
the High School during the month of
March, as indicated by the marks on
the report cards, has been posted on
the bulletin boards and reveals some
interesting facts.

The 12B group of Seniors has again
earned the right to retain the Circle
Banner for another month. It is get-
ting to be a habit for this group to
have this banner hanging in their
room. The general average in all
subjects for the 12B group was
79.4%. They were given a close race
for first honors by the new Freshman,
the 9A group, who had an average
of 79.2%. It is worth noting that
the 12B group also had the highest
percentage of honor marks, 21.5% of
all their marks having been over 90%
and that the 9A group had the lowest
percentage of failures. They had
only 2.4% of all marks below the 65%
grade. The doubtful distinction of
having had the lowest general aver-
age for the month, as well as the
highest percentage of failures and the
lowest percentage of honors, goes to
the 10A group with 71.3% average,
12.2% failures, and 1.5% honors.

The record for the entire High
School for the month was good. The
general average was 76.6% with 7.2%
failures and 11.4% honors. Keep up
the good work. Perhaps next month
the 9A's will be able to win the ban-
ner from the 12B's.

bored in the front of the safe seemed
to regard him with a stony glare.

A low, sighing, moaning wind
sprang up outside as he took one
step. It increased at each succes-
sive slow pace, until finally it became
a mad, howling, shrieking thing, tear-
ing about the house with a violent
fury which threatened to tear the
house from its very foundations.
Crager stood before the safe, his eyes
staring downward in a hypnotized
gaze, as the deadly cobra charms its
own prey. Then, as he sank to his
knees and stretched forth a hand in
which lay a key, the storm reached
the apex of its fury. Yet Crager's
hand slowly moved outward. There
was a slight click, a terrible clap of
thunder, a blinding, searing flash of
lightning, mingled with a wild, hor-
rible scream of incredible terror as
there shot forth from the interior of
the safe two fiendish, gleaming eyes,
launched straight at the throat of the
man.

Then, as suddenly as it had come,
the storm left, leaving a brooding si-
lence. Upon the floor lay Crager, his
body stiffened in the final convulsions
of a horrible death, his face stamped
with a look of incredible terror, por-
traying the highest point of fear to
which man can reach. Upon his chest
lay the hideous head of a swamp ad-
der, whose bite means instant death.

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Port Swamps Sea Cliff in Opening Game, 14-1

Last Friday Port opened its baseball season with a flourish at Sea Cliff. Our team played exceptionally good baseball for the first game as may be seen by the fact that there were no errors on any of our players. The fine work of the infield prevented any base stealing, which was only attempted twice and each attempt failed utterly. The team may well be complimented for the good showing it made at Sea Cliff and it is hoped that it will do as well through the season. Sea Cliff, however, did work a double play in the fifth inning which was to the great surprise of many of the onlookers. The reason that our team wasn't able to duplicate this is probably that very few of the Sea Cliff players ever got as far as first base and when getting that far rarely got any farther, due to the close co-operation of the infield.

Port Scores 8 Runs in First Inning

Port being the visiting team was first at the bat. Charlie, who heads Port's batting order, started the season off with a hard grounder to short stop, who made a sensational running stop but threw wild to first, which brought Charlie around to second. Rat Moore then knocked a two-bagger which brought Charlie home for the first run of the season. Rat then stole third base and was sent home on a single by O'Neill, who soon went home on a two-base hit by Erb and a single by Gilbert. MacVicar continued our hitting by clouting out a three-bagger which brought Erb and Gilbert home. This was not enough evidently for Newland, Terrell and Moore each hit a single for good luck, which brought in MacVicar, Newland and Terrell before Port was finally put out, having scored eight times.

Erb Knocks a Homer

O'Neill opened the second inning by making first through an error of the first baseman. Erb then swatted the ball far out into center field for a home run. The rest of the game was uneventful, Port getting four more runs while Sea Cliff was unable to make any further score. The final score was Port 14 — Sea Cliff 1.

Port	a.	b.	r.	h.	e.
Evanosky, p	5	2	2	0	
Moore, i.f.	5	3	4	0	
Leyden, 1b.	5	0	1	0	
O'Neill, c.f.	5	2	3	0	
Erb, s.s.	4	2	4	0	
Gilbert, c.	4	1	2	0	
MacVicar, r.f.	3	1	1	0	
Terrell, 2b.	4	1	1	0	
Smith, r.f.	1	0	0	0	

Totals 40 14 20 0

Strike-outs: Evanosky 12. Walked 5.

Go to Manhasset

Next Thursday afternoon, April 14th, we play the second game of the season at Manhasset. We all remember that Port and Manhasset broke even in basketball with one game apiece and that Manhasset beat us in football.

Let's all go over to Manhasset next Thursday to help our baseball team.

Orchestra News

The Orchestra, under the supervision of Mr. Dimmick, has made great strides towards improvement. Although at the beginning of the year, there was great difficulty in getting a period satisfactory to all who wished to join, it was finally settled, and now the orchestra meets in the Auditorium, every Thursday and Friday the fourth period. Music by noted composers, Schubert, Greig, Beethoven and Schumann has been secured, and at past entertainments held in the Auditorium some of the compositions by the artists have been rendered. At various times outsiders have commented favorably on the selections, so the orchestra feels that its work is being appreciated outside of the school as well as by the students. Plans are being made for an elaborate program at the Commencement Exercises and we know that the orchestra will live up to its reputation.

By Way of Books

One day "Beau of Bath" with "Lincoln, Master of Men," went to the "Court of Boyville." They met "The Spartan," and together they went into the doom of "Tomorrow's Tangle." Before the trial they had "Plum Pudding." Later in "The Garden of Folly" they met "Barnum," who said "When is Always." In the garden they saw many "Peacock feathers" and in "The Kingdom of theophilus" they saw "Willie." His wife was with him, dressed in "Old Rose and Silver." With her were "Some American Ladies," who were pleasant. "Jack and Jill" came with "Jo's Boys" and "Our Cousins." Also in this "Secret Garden" they saw "A Picture." The woman as "She Stoops to Conquer" discovers that "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes." On the outskirts of this garden was "A School for Scandal" in which was "The First Violin." A "Vanity Fair" was held at which "Robin Hood" appeared with "King Arthur's Knights." "Here Endeth the Lesson."

Happy Days — April 15 — 25!

Poster Exhibition

Members of the drawing classes of the High School have been busily occupied during the past weeks with poster work. Colorful, and varying in design, they have been carefully drawn and painted, under the supervision of Miss Wilkinson, for the coming Tuberculosis Poster contest. Some have a delightful spring air about them, showing dainty flowers creeping on moss green terraces; others portray health in the form of sports, and in novel, interesting ways.

On Wednesday afternoon, April twenty-seventh, from one to three-thirty, they are to be exhibited in the hall near the art department, on the third floor, at which time all students and parents are invited to come and see this attractive work before it is sent to the annual contest at Mineola where it is hoped P. W. H. S. will be awarded prizes.

Beware of Spring Fever

Very recently we were alarmed by a report that there was an epidemic of scarlet fever in town. Now that the excitement caused by that report has subsided, we feel it our duty to arouse more consternation by reporting that there are several severe cases of spring fever in the High School. Spring fever as you know is a very serious disease and after a great deal of work we publish the following list of symptoms and cures.

The symptoms are: homework half done, yawning in class, keeping one eye on the clock and the other on the window, coming late to school and class and registering a blank stare when called upon to recite.

Teachers noticing these symptoms in pupils are advised to apply these remedies: two doses of staying after school, one teaspoonful of extra homework and one pill of reprimanding every half hour or as many times as the patient seems to need it.

We firmly believe that this will either kill or cure but we wish hereby to state that we are not responsible for the results attained.

True or False?

The teacher: "What is New York City noted for?"

The student: "For the stupidity of its people."

The teacher: "Where on earth did you get that information?"

The student: "From the book; it says that the population of New York City is very dense."

Mineola beat Great Neck in a hard fought game last week. The teams were so evenly matched that the score was 4-2.

The other schools played no games because of their vacation.

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Exchanges

We gratefully acknowledge the following exchanges:

Newspapers

The Columbian, Columbia High School, South Orange, New Jersey.
The Purple and White, Little Falls High School, Little Falls, New York.
The Estie Echo, Estie School, Groversville, New York.

Commerce Corrier, High School of Commerce, New York City.

The Colgate Marron, Colgate University, Hamilton, New York.

High School Patriot, Hempstead High School, Hempstead, New York.

The Jester, Ellsworth High School, Ellsworth, Maine.

The Shattuck Spectator, Faribault High School, Faribault, Minnesota.

The Representative, Snow Hill High School, Snow Hill, Maryland.

The Spotlight, Collinwood High School, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Cub Reporter, Manhasset High School, Manhasset, New York.

The Weekly Bulletin, Stony Brook High School, Stony Brook, Long Island.

The Tattler, Glen Cove High School, Glen Cove, Long Island.

Ink Spots, Sea Cliff High School, Sea Cliff, Long Island.

The Utrecht Nicks, New Utrecht High School, Brooklyn, New York.

The Whisp, Westbury, High School, Westbury, Long Island.

The Searchlight, Bound Brook High School, Bound Brook, New Jersey.

The Comet, Hicksville High School, Hicksville, New York.

The Question, Peekskill High School, Peekskill, New York.

The Oracle, Malverne High School, Malverne, New York.

Magazines

The Pioneer, Susan H. Sheridan Junior High, New Haven, Connecticut.

Lawrencian, Lawrence High School, Lawrence, New York.

The High School Critic, Hackensack High School, Hackensack, New Jersey.

The Student, Freeport High School, Freeport, Long Island.

The Scribbler, Spartanburg High School, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

The Record, Patchogue High School, Patchogue, New York.

The Quarterly, Stamford High School, Stamford, Connecticut.

The Clarion, Lynbrook High School, Lynbrook, New York.

The Macaw, Great Neck High School, Great Neck, Long Island.

The Budget, Vail-Dean School, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

The Academy Leaf, Windsor Academy, Windsor, Nova Scotia, Canada.

The Aioenim, Mineola High School, Mineola, Long Island.

The Breeze, South Side High School, Rockville Center, Long Island.

The Windsorian, King's College

MacKinney Elected

The other day one of our history teachers remarked that such and such a thing happened "in MacKinney's administration."

Yeah, for President MacKinney!

School, Windsor, Nova Scotia, Canada.

The Round Table, Red Bank High School, Red Bank, New Jersey.

The Red and Green, Glen Cove High School, Glen Cove, Long Island.

Homespun, Central High School, Greensboro, North Carolina.

(These exchanges may be found in the library on the top of the bookcase, next to the magazine rack.)

The Ink Spot

Oh! the little blue ink spot
right on my nose,
Who whirled it at me
nobody knows.

But I think it's the girl over
there,
That one with the reddish brown
hair,
She wouldn't look for a while
Till I broke out in a smile.

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