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Regents Record Good

When the results of the January 1928 Regents examinations in Port Washington High School were examined it was found that 87.3% of all papers written were sent to Albany and claimed as passing. Looking back over the figures for the past few years we find that this compares very favorably with previous records. In the past it has seemed that the January results were usually a little lower than the June results. This is probably due to the fact that more papers are written in June than in January. For the past two and one half years the percentage of passing papers has been as follows:

January 1926	79.4%
June 1926	91.9%
January 1927	79.4%
June 1927	86.1%

It is readily seen that the 87.3% for this January is better than for January in either of the two preceding years and ranks well up with the records for June.

Certain examinations have been discontinued by the State Department of Education and these, are now given by the local authorities. In final examinations of this type in January we had 78 papers written, 69 of which were passing, making a percentage of successful papers in this group of 88.5%. It would seem that the work of the school is quite uniform and that results of local and Regents examinations average about 88%. So long as our school achieves results at this standard we have little cause for dissatisfaction. It is always possible to do better and if each pupil does his part the June results will be even better.

It is interesting that these improved results have been achieved under crowded conditions and under the system that requires only pupils whose work is weak to attend regular study periods during school time. It would seem that this system has certain advantages as well as the disadvantages which are quite evident.

"Rough-Riders" Contest

Six essays on the "Rough-Riders" have been submitted by pupils in the high school. The Rough-Riders was a picture shown at the Beacon Theatre last Wednesday as an American Legion benefit. The Legion offered two prizes to school pupils who would write the best story of the picture after seeing it.

Cast of 'The High Heart'

Last week was a busy one for the members of the try-out committee and the students who aspired to play parts in the contest play, "The High Heart." More than fifty people appeared for try-outs, among them members of the cast of "The Patsy" and the members of the class in Dramatics. The competition was unusually close. As we go to press on Monday afternoon, assignment of the following parts have been made: Sam Davis, a Confederate Scout—David Clarkson; The General commanding Federal Army Corps—William Newland; Major Cranston, Engineer on General's Staff—Harold Tins; Agnes Cranston, his daughter—Lieut. Richards, General's Aide—Winfred Hamm; Mrs. Peyton, a Southern Lady Gus, a colored servant—Harry Erb; Federal Soldiers

The part of Mrs. Peyton, the Southern Lady, will be decided after reading of the play this afternoon, decision lying between Mildred Erb and Doris Chase. Doris Hiller and Marie Smith will, at the same time, be given a final try-out for the part of Agnes, Cranston's daughter. One of each of these two groups will act as understudy to the girl making the part. Duane Helfrich will be understudy to Bill Newland, while Stephen Chambers will be understudy to Harold Tins. The part of the two Federal Soldiers will be assigned later.

Fratry Debates

The meeting opened, peacefully with Charlie Evanosky's report as athletic treasurer which was quite encouraging in respect to finances. Gould reported on the ordering of megaphones for the coming high school games. No report was made on pins which the Fraternity is expecting to buy. Mr. Seeber told the Fraternity that the Board of Education has consented to permit the Fraternity to use the auditorium for some rehearsals of the approaching show to be put on by the organization.

Next an amendment to the constitution concerning the club court, its members, duties, and funds, was read by Secretary Hamm. This was accepted. Two resignations from Bill Newland and Dave Stone were read and accepted. Newland was Vice-President at the time but since associate members cannot hold office, a vote for that office was called for. At this point, as in nearly all the peaceful (?) Fraternity meetings, heated arguments began to arise one after another concerning the method of voting and Parliamentary Law. Mr. Mallon, alias "Seeds," was given the chair for the rest of the meeting by President Neusel who seemed to make no headway whatsoever through the motions, suggestions and requests that were being piled up one after another. By this time the nominees who were waiting outside for the result of the vote were becoming restless so some of the members attempted to speed up the procedure only to get mixed up in more discussion.

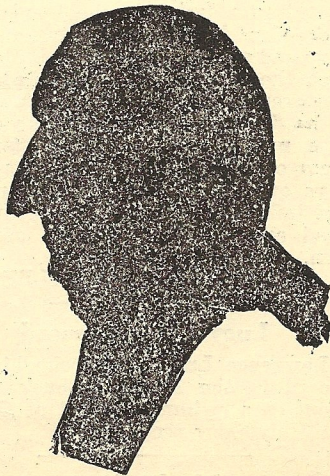
However, the vote was finally taken and Bob Hubbard became the new V. P. Next Steve Chambers was selected new Sergeant-at-Arms after more untangling of red tape when "X" Hamm and "Seeds" had it "hot and heavy."

Like a beam of light out of a very stormy sky some one moved to adjourn. It was carried. Sandwiches and cider were then supplied by Mallon, R. Smith, and Helfrich.

J. McLaughlin Wins Medal

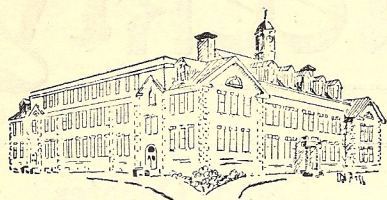
Three essays were submitted in competition for the annual contest on Lincoln. Three judges from the high school faculty gave first place to the essay "Traits of Abraham Lincoln," written by Jane McLaughlin. The prize is a medal donated by the Illinois Watch Company of Springfield, Ill. Because of the large demand for these medals this year the supply was soon exhausted and the medal for Port has not been received as yet.

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Editorial Comment

Letting the Other Fellow Do It

"Let the other fellow do it." seems to be the attitude taken in regard to the Times Oratorical Contest and other contests in which the individual takes part. Who, in Port is even mildly interested in these contests? Perhaps one or two of our more ambitious class mates. The others listen with indifference to the teachers while the contest is being explained, then with a shrug say, "Oh, that's too much work. Let someone else try. I can't be bothered. If everyone said this, who would enter these contests? Certainly the prizes offered, such as a trip to Europe or a thousand dollars ought to be of great enough inducement to anybody. The fact that someone of your own age and ability will be given the prize should add to the inducement. In view of this fact why can't you be the one? Here's your chance.

"Letting the other fellow do it" can never get you anywhere whether it be in a school contest or in the business world. Your chance now for a trip to Europe, a thousand dollars and a medal is open to you. Don't let the other fellow get ahead of you.

Program Heard Over Radio

Last Friday morning the student body heard a concert over the radio by Walter Damrosch's Symphony Orchestra. This concert was the last of two given to arouse interest in music in young people, including high school pupils and college students.

Mr. Damrosch himself opened the hour's program by a short description of the position of the different parts of the orchestra around him. The first selection the orchestra played was the first movement from Schubert's Unfinished symphony. An Hungarian march, the Dance of the Elves, a melody from Bach and the Spinning Wheel of Omphale were then rendered by the orchestra. Between each selection Mr. Damrosch explained the piece itself and the parts played by each group of the Orchestra. The radio was lent by the courtesy of George Cochs.

OUR MAIL BAG

Was It Influence?

In the past few weeks a few members of the basket-ball squad have dropped off. This has in the last editorial been termed as due to the use of bad influence on the part of some unknown characters. The question is, "Was it influence that caused these boys to quit?"

There are many reasons why a person might drop from the squad, such as: working after school hours, too much school work, or even by the orders of a doctor. If the boys did not offer explanations I think explanations should be requested by certain people, such as the writer of last week's editorial

I think the big problem in this incident is not lack of school spirit but lack of understanding between these boys and certain officials. It is thought that the writer of the last editorial has greatly misjudged these students, as he does not know the facts of the case, nor did he endeavor to find the facts of the case. I think that these boys quit not because of the use of bad influence by some people but for good and sufficient reasons of their own.

HUGH GILBERT.

Luey Breaks Record

Lawrence Luey, '25, broke his own record in the 150 yard back stroke event at a swimming meet at Columbia University recently

Maybe Soon

Hammar to newsboy—
Have you The Port Weekly?

Maybe It Was Thus

Scene: In a room of the palace of Odysseus, King Of Ithaca.

Time: After the Odyssey.

Characters: Odysseus, King of Ithaca; Penelope, his wife.

Odysseus is seen reading messages written by hand.

Penelope enters.

O. Penelope, I have just received interesting messages from Menelaus and Laodamas.

Laodamas says:

P. Messages, messages! You have been doing nothing but reading messages. Pray Odysseus, tell your little Penelope about those adventures.

O. Yes, when I finish these messages; you see, they are about tel

P. Messages, messages, always. Here I have been, am waiting your return and then you

O. Listen, I'll tell you the whole adventure if you'll first let me read .

P. I know—messages. You always—(changing tone) But I say, Odysseus, why did you stay in that cave when you saw it was so big and that it was very likely to be the home of the giant?

O. Er—you see—there was cheese there. We were hungry.

P. (curious) Cheese? What kind—Swiss? Cream? Athenian? Persian? Cottage?

O. Uh-Huh.

P. Did you hear me? What kind?

O. Yes.

P. Pay attention. What kind of cheese was it?

O. I don't see that it makes much difference. As a matter of fact, I don't exactly remember.

P. I see.

(he reads)

P. (still curious) It must have tasted like something. I want to make some.

O.—(guessing) er-a-we'll. it was like a blend of Athenian and er-a-Persian.

P. Thank you so much, I'll tell Euryycleia.

(she leaves)

O. Now to read these in peace.

P. (re-enters)

P. By the way, dearest, what kind of gown was Circe, the enchantress wearing?

O. Uh-Huh.

P. Gold trimming?

O. Yeh.

P. Pink? a little short?

O. Yeh.

P. Blue? Long? Trailing?

O. Yeh.

P. (despairingly) Oh, I know you aren't paying attention. What was the gown like?

O. Er—it was beautiful--er--er

P. Yes?

O. Er—white—er—er—a

P. Well?

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Port Beats Manhasset

23-19

Fouls Decide Struggle

Last Friday, Port's boys continued the fine playing that earned them a victory over Hicksville last week and trounced Manhasset 23-19. The Port players could not have been recognized as the bunch that lost to their old rivals by ten odd points earlier in the season. Behind 11-14 at half time, Port clearly outplayed their opponents in the second half and once ahead, never gave up the lead. In their attempts to break up Port's defensive play in the last quarter, Manhasset fouled time and time again, only lessening their chances of victory. With one less field goal than Manhasset, Port won, making seven out of eleven foul tries while Manhasset was making one.

The three Ruggerios were a thorn in Port's side, making all of their team's points. It was "Jackie" in the first quarter, "Phil" in the second and "Cotton's" defensive play throughout. Jack Ruggerio made two field goals in the first part of the game, but a shot from just outside the foul line by O'Neill and two foul shots by Williamson tied the score. In the second quarter three doubles by P. Ruggerio made things look black for Port, but a shot from under the basket by Jenkins and another long one by O'Neill, again put Port in the running. Baskets by P. Ruggerio and Williamson had no effect on the relative scores of the teams, but another one by P. Ruggerio just before the half, made it 11-14 in Manhasset's favor.

Port Spurts

"Jack" Leyden made two field goals at the start of the second half, and brother "Tom" tied the score with a foul shot. "Midget" Jenkins and "Tom" Leyden put Port ahead 19-23 and then the bulk of the work fell on Port's guards, Evanosky and O'Neill.

The defensive play worked to perfection and Manhasset players could not get their hands on the ball. W. Ruggerio collided with O'Neill who hurt his ankle. Williamson took his place, sank the foul shot, and it was all over but the shouting.

PORT WASHINGTON (23)

	G.	F.	T.
T. Leyden, r.f.	1	1	3
Williamson, l.f.	1	3	5
J. Leyden, c.	2	2	6
O'Neill, r.g.	2	0	4
Evanosky, l.g.	0	0	0
Jenkins, r.f.	2	1	5

MANHASSET (19)

Kushay, l.f.	0	0	0
P. Ruggerio, r.f.	5	0	10
Verrault, c.	0	0	0
W. Ruggerio, l.g.	0	1	1
J. Ruggerio, r.g.	4	0	8

Substitution: Port—Jenkins for T. Leyden; T. Leyden for Williamson; Williamson for O'Neill.

Manhasset—Matthews for Verrault.
Referee, Girling.

On to Westbury

Port travels to Westbury on Friday evening in an attempt to repeat its former victory of 12-2. Let's see as many more of the students out to cheer the team as journeyed to Hicksville.

The team deserves your whole hearted support for the excellent exhibitions of basketball they are giving. Port's defense showed to great advantage in the former game, limiting Westbury to two foul goals and no field goals, a very remarkable performance. Since Westbury has not had time to change its system and since Port's offense has greatly improved, all signs point to another Port victory. In the last game Westbury seldom had the ball under Port's basket and even then a thousand arms seemed to reach at him to relieve him of the ball.

Port girls, having lost two games by close margins, are out to strengthen their hopes for a championship team. The girls like encouragement as well as the boys; so don't save your voice for the boy's game but cheer for the girls and if you get hoarse clap and whistle in the second game.

Fratry Trims Collegians

Saturday night on the home court the Fratry added another victory to their already long list by decisively defeating the "Collegians" of New York City. From start to finish the Fratry boys played swift basketball and at the end of the first half the Collegians were "dragging their tails behind them," due to the fact that this was their first court game together in six years. The Collegians were held to two field goals and one foul in the first half, all of which were made by the center, Scott. The Fratry took advantage of the old age on the part of the Collegians and scored seven field goals in the first part. At the start of the second half the "Collegians" seemed to gather some speed, making seventeen points. Four of these were made by our own "Doc" Navin, star forward for the Collegians. The last period rally on the part of the Collegians proved fruitless for at the final whistle the Fratry led by the score of 37-22.

The History Class

Studley: "At the rate we're going now, soon we will derive our meals from odors in the air."

Tom Williamson: "I'd hate to get my round steak over the radio."

Studley: "In the early days the primitive man would go out and get his fair-haired, blue-eyed beauty with a club."

Sullivan: "Yeah, and now he uses a taxi."

Lem Takes Second

At the Elk's Track Meet in New York City, Port made a good showing by scoring three points. All three of the points were scored by "Lem" Lovejoy when he took second place in the high jump. The event was won by Muslin of Stuyvesant when he set the new record of 6 feet 2 inches. "Lem" and two others were tied for second, 5 feet 10 inches. Lovejoy won the place in the jump-off.

Altogether, Port sent in six men to compete. They were, Bob Hubbard, Charlie Newman, Tom Allen, Art Allen, and Davis Hegeman. None of these were able to place except Newman, who drew a third in his heat of the novice 100.

On this Wednesday some of the team went into a meet in Brooklyn.

Then on Saturday afternoon practically the whole team is entered in the Manual Training High Meet. These meets will be reported in next week's issue.

Seniors Beat Freshmen

The Senior boys went into a triple tie for the lead in the class basketball league by defeating the lowly Freshmen 19-12. The Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores have all won two games and lost one. The Seniors having lost Hyer and McKinney by graduation, were well recruited by "Dave" Stone and "Steve" Chambers who played a bang up game throughout. "Seeds" Mallon overcame a tendency to walk and made 11 of the Seniors points.

DeMeo started the scoring but his attempt was more than equaled when Mallon made a foul and Stone followed up his second shot. Having gained the Seniors never relinquished it. "Ex" Hamm made a long one on a freak shot putting his team ahead 8-5 at half time. Mallon's snappy playing put the Seniors so far ahead that a last minute rally by the Freshmen fell several points shy.

And Then Some

The Seniors were forced, by loss of two players, to forfeit their game to the Freshmen Thursday. As a result of this the Juniors were informed that they were to play in place of the upper classmen.

Soon after the game began the Junior's high scorer "Lou" Dell sank a basket from the side. From the beginning the Juniors held the lead, while the freshmen vainly struggled on registering four points.

The Junior girls by defeating the lower classmen have jumped up to first place having a percentage of 750 to 666 of the Freshmen.

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- O. Well—er—er—How do you expect me to remember such things? What do you think I am—correspondent for "Vogue"?
- P. er--well (pause)
- P. Dearest?
- O. Yeh--
- P. What kind of perfume does Nausicaa use?
- O. Yeh—
- P. Violet? Lily-of-the-Valley? Tuberose? Persian Delight? Blue Skies? Athenian Flowers? Hills of Attica?
- O. Yeh—
- P. Which one?
- O. (sarcastically) The other one.
- P. Flower of Olympus?
- O. (Not paying attention at all) Yeh. How did you guess it? (sarcastically) You must be a mind reader.
- P. I must be for I can tell you're not paying attention at all to what I say.
- O. er—er—well—
- P. Please tell me the kind of perfume Nausicaa had.
- O. How am I supposed to know? Now I ask you.
- (pause) P. walks, fidgeting showing she wants to talk to O.
- P. Are the Phaeacian women well dressed? (waits for praise about herself)
- O. (indifferent) Yeh—
- P. (surprised a little) Did you think Nausicaa was pretty? Did you go out with her much?
- O. Yeh—
- P. What?
- O. (Stops reading) No, she wasn't as pretty as you, dear, of course, (reads again)
- (pause)
- P. Did you like her?
- O. Yeh,—(reading)
- P. She was horrible, wasn't she?
- O. Yeh.
- P. Now I know you're not paying attention. You've contradicted yourself twice already.
- O. (aside) How did you guess it?
- P. (sighs and tries to start conversation) Did the giant eat some of your men?
- O. Yeh.
- P. How many?
- O. Two—I mean six.
- (pause)
- P. How big were the sheep?
- O. Yeh.
- P. Well?
- O. Oh—er—er—very big—bigger than ours.
- P. (after pause) Did you really blind the Great Big Giant?
- O. reading) Yeh.
- (pause. P. sighs and again tries to start conversation)
- P. Did you see the Queen of the Aeolians?
- O. Yeh.
- P. (delighted) Yes? What Was She Wearing?
- O. Oh--nothing (reading) (P. is surprised) (realizing his mistake) I

(mean confused—Oh D—XxZCK \$ % & () ¼ ½ lbc q? a v xzd lds k s, 1 \$ % !! You seem to think I went through these adventures to be cross questioned or to write a book or something—What the blankety blank blank blank—

P. I knew it—messages, messages (sobs) M—Mess**a-ges.

O. (giving up hope of ever reading messages) Oh, it's all right. There sit down, and I'll tell you all about it—Now when we left Troy—

(CURTAIN)

Fratry Bows to "Outlaws"

Saturday night, February 11, on the home court the Fratry five lost a fast game to the "Great Neck Outlaws."

From start to finish the Fratry was out played and out scored by the "Outlaws" who walked from the court at the final whistle, victors by a score of 38-24.

Line-up:

Fratry (24)	Gt. Neck Outlaws (38)
MacKinney r.f.	Lipsky
Marro l.f.	Schultz
Smith c.	Wordeman
Mallon r.g.	Murray
DeMeo l.g.	Ruris

Substitutions: Fratry: Hamm for Mallon, Bray for DeMeo.

Outlaws: Uhl for Lipsky, Seagroait for Schultz, Blusonius for Murray.

Referee: G. C. Seeber. Scorer: Sullivan. Timer: Jenkins.

Alumni Notes

It is reported with regret that Carl Brazeau is confined in a hospital for thirty days because of an attack of scarlet fever.

Bob Jacobi who is home from Colgate paid us a short visit last week.

Echoes From Elsewhere

From the School Press Review of January of 1928 we copy the following from the Editor's column. "We Have On Our desk": "The Junior issue of 'The Port Weekly' which was edited by members of the Junior class, a good way to train the Juniors to fill the posts on the publication made vacant by graduation." "The Diary of the Junior Class" was a very clever way to relate the history of the class.

(Snatched from the Bulletin Board)

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