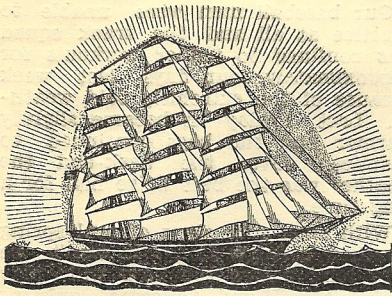


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School's Birthday April Eighth

Let's celebrate! What? Why, our first anniversary in our new school. Had you forgotten? April 8 is the date. Let's make it a red-letter day! How? Well — we might try having each student prepare his lessons perfectly for that day — oh, you object, Eddie? Well, what would you suggest? — h'm, you would. Quite natural, but I'm afraid your idea is just a trifle impracticable. Just a trifle. There's only one little objection to it, — a holiday is not scheduled for that day. Too bad. And it was such a good idea, too. Well, enough for that.

You know we **might** attempt to make next year mean more to us than last; we **might** try harder in our work and our play; we **might** attempt to be more appreciative of and grateful for our school; we **might** make every day more worth-while.

Let's celebrate April 8th. Not only April 8th but every single day thereafter. We might—let's?

Port Presents Play At Pawtucket

At the recent Dramatic Day held at Pawtucket High School, Pawtucket, R. I., at which representatives from Port presented "The Minuet," two schools, Durfee High School of Fall River, Mass., and East Providence High School tied for the first prize loving cup, presenting "The Man Without a Head" and "Where the Cross is Made," respectively. Technical High School of Providence, with its presentation of "Hero Worship" carried off the second prize.

All of the contesting plays were in the most part very well done. The competition was very keen between four or five schools, as further evidenced by the fact that there was a tie for first place.

Of the medals given to individuals in each cast for excellence in acting, although the whole cast performed excellently, Robert Read won first place and Kenneth Fertig second place.

Those who went on the trip would like to express their appreciation for the kindness and attention shown them at the Pawtucket High School.

"Celerity" To Hold Dance Saturday

On the evening of April 5th many Port students will be going places and doing things. The place will be the High School gym and the occasion—what? The Celerity Dance, of course — given by the members of the fair element in High School. The small price of admission is one dollar. Come on, you Scotchmen, reach down deep! The North Shore Commodores are going to furnish the music. Beulah Guilford and Jane Bird have charge of the decorations. Florence Krage, Mary Elizabeth Richardson and Mary Reed are managing the advertising while Natalie Birchall, Ruth Emmerich and Katherine Krebs are responsible for the refreshments.

"Retort" Active in Meetings

Last Tuesday afternoon Retort resumed her weekly meetings with a most interesting and educational talk by Charlie Calvert on the topic of "High Frequency Currents." Each member present went out of the science room with a much clearer knowledge of this most interesting phase of electricity.

Next meeting Charlie plans to add a finishing touch to this lecture by a demonstration on a machine of his own make. Several students have already witnessed this rather novel feature and strongly urge all members to be present Tuesday.

"The Torchbearers" To Be Presented

Play To Be Given Tomorrow

On August 29, 1922, New York witnessed the opening of an extremely doubtful play—doubtful, that is, as regarded its success before the American public. Obviously, it violated all the rules by which a play's run is usually insured. But need the receptions granted "The Torchbearers" by every section in which it was presented thereafter, be reiterated?

It may be wondered why a play which so broke away from the accepted forms and conventionalities received such universal acclaim. The secret lies in the clever manner in which George Kelly interwove all those qualities so loved by the general audience — comedy, characterization, satire. In fact, the character study of the first act and the hokum of the second are irresistible. As to the comedy, what better testimony may we obtain than the following comment of the eminent critic, Kenneth Macgowan, in discussing the opening night?

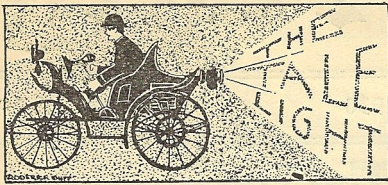
"—at about 9:15 o'clock, five or six hundred average New Yorkers, two or three hundred friends of the management, and about fifty sophisticated first-nighters were in grave danger or rolling off their seats in hysteria."

It is this hilarious comedy, so rich in all those characteristics which endear a play to the general public, that the students of the Port Washington High School are to present in the high school auditorium tomorrow evening, April 4.

With "The Torchbearers," the school ushers in its first modern play for some time, being in all respects, a direct contrast to "Prunella" and "Little Women." Charlotte Bohn, in the role of Mrs. Frederick Ritter, portrays a modern woman possessed of great aspirations for the stage and exhibiting a peculiar interest in the "Little Theatre Movement." The mishaps of an amateur acting group under the leadership of Mrs. Pampinelli (most ably portrayed by Ruby Fletcher) constitute the action. The rest of the cast includes Kenneth Fertig, Port's well-known player; Bob Fertig, Agnes Purdy, Catherine Drnek, Alva Thompson, Bob Lafferty, Hillard Swede, Tom Luey, Joe Denniston and Connie Caldwell.

"The Celerity" has kindly offered to usher at "The Torchbearers." This organization has always given its services in this manner when the school presents a play and they are to be very much thanked for it.

Don't miss it! Obtain your tickets immediately and be prepared, at 8.15, to see the show of 'a thousand laughs.'



"And Then He Went Away"

Few ever hear of any other Navy fighters than Tunney. Few ever hear of any athletes other than the Stars. Remember Charley Paddock's story of the four horsemen? The line is so often overlooked in favor of the back-field stars.

Such is the life of the scrubs. But then one has to be a scrub and go through the mill before there will ever be a chance of being a star. There is only one exception to this rule, viz: Natural born fighters, runners, etc. Come out for the teams and see whether you can make a revelation, as star, or a plugger who is really doing something for the school, by opposing the first stringers. Several times last year scrubs came in handy for the football men when numbers ran low due to casualties. This applies to all sports.

The United States Senate, after the longest sleep since Rip Van Winkle's, has passed the tariff. The House managed to struggle through with the help of McGinty's Dream Book and a couple of ouija boards.

Horse feathers, glass eyes for cigar store Indians, or drug store cowboys, as the case may be, and manhole covers highly embossed, etc., are on the free list. The Senate is desirous of levying high duty on yaks. This is unfair to Tom Lipton, who is bringing his yak over here for the America Cup. The House has recently been studied and understood by the History C Classes. Which all goes to prove that one must not believe everything one hears or people who lay golden eggs gather no moss.

And so to bedlam. Virgilia thinks Philadelphia capon is a gunman . . . Relieve me of all those non-bearing wheat farms, chortled the Farm Relief Board as it got off the water wagon at 15 K. St., N. W. . . . The I. R. T. is after the Scot (could it be Angus) who put a nickel in the turnstile to get out.

The height of vanity, getting dressed up to commit suicide.

So that was spring.

Someone should put Knowles' head in a hydraulic press and thus evolve some liquid air. All in good fun, heh, heh. Anyway, he's a good track manager. We don't know what Barrett would do if it wasn't for the fact that Knowles does all the work. Speaking of track, Lanman keeps his eyes closed in going over the hurdles so as to get his beauty sleep.

Ho hum. Remember the good old days before Prohibition when you couldn't get a drink on Sundays?

Port Students Plan Easter Vacations

If you notice Marie McLaren following people around the halls, don't be alarmed. It's only her favorite indoor sport.

They say that Miss Bortz dislikes squeaky desks and the folk that sit at them. Wonder why?

A vile attempt was recently made upon the life of a fair young student, Evelyn Stone, while she was romping playfully in the gym. Our gym instructor skillfully averted a dreadful calamity although Miss Stone sustained a rather serious injury to her foot. The detective agency of Port Washington High School was summoned and investigation was made immediately. In less than no time the culprit was disclosed to be that horrible contraption, that so-called "horse". Punishment in keeping was meted it. We are greatly indebted to our little agency.

Have you not, towards the end of the seventh period, heard strains of distant music (?) and wondered whence it came? Here is the low-down. Without apparent reason girls dressing in the locker room feel a spontaneous urge to raise their voices in song. The clamor is terrific for each strives to drown out the other, yodeling her own particular rage in popular music.

Woodman Scantlebury expects to spend the vacation touring around "middle" New York.

Alan Wilson recently spent a week-end at the Hotel Statler, Boston. He took in "Rogue Song" and reported it very good.

"Toady" Richardson and Margie Smith are planning an "excursion" during the vacation to Atlantic City to see the sights.

Eve Cleveland writes home that she is having a wonderful time. A rough trip over proved rather disturbing. However, she sent word from Algiers that she was having the best time possible and not missing school in the least.

"Toddy" Anderson will be out of town the evening of April fifth. We wonder where and with whom!

Charlie Newman is taking "Hot" Ninesling, who has played on the Great Neck basketball and baseball teams for four years, to his camp on Sebago Lake, Maine, for the Easter vacation.

Crackerjacks to Play Sox

This Saturday evening the Port Crackerjacks, a quintet made up of High School players, will do battle with the well known aggregation of the Roslyn Red Sox Juniors. In the cast of most of the boys, they will have to play pro rules for the first time.

Incidentally, the Celerity dance falls on the same night. The boys plan to start at eight bells, however, and expect to be back in Port for the greater and better part of the hop.

First Baseball Game May Second

No Pre-Season Game Decided

Our baseball men were unable to practice at all and the track squad was confined to indoor workouts for approximately four days last week because of the extremely cold weather. Last Friday it became slightly warmer and the boys continued to practice. Over the week-end the weather was the best we've had for a long time.

With such sure signs of real spring weather coming along, it won't be very long before the boys will play real baseball and do some arduous work on the cinders.

The baseball schedule for this year is exactly the same as that of basketball. No actual pre-season contest has been scheduled as yet, but there's a possibility that one may be in the near future. The schedule reads as follows:

May 2—Mineola	Away
May 6—Glen Cove	Home
May 9—Manhasset	Home
May 13—Great Neck	Away
May 16—Roslyn	Home
May 20—Mineola	Home
May 23—Glen Cove	Away
May 29—Manhasset	Away
June 3—Great Neck	Home
June 6—Roslyn	Away

Shall Port Have Companionate Study

While scanning through the Sunday paper we became interested in a short article concerning athletes and scholarships.

North Carolina has inaugurated "companionate study" for its backward athletes. Each night two hour study periods have been established for athletes who have failed to pass their full quota of work. This class is compulsory.

Our thoughts dashed back to last Friday afternoon, when we were asked by Mr. Merrill to suggest new courses.

This is a very good idea even though it isn't a special course. Why can't we incorporate a similar class in our school? Many boys who play sports could perhaps outshine the good scholar if they would only give as much time over to academic work as they do to sports.

The girls' basketball group picture has recently been returned from the White Studios. Something wrong happened. Just what, the writer doesn't know. The picture will undoubtedly have to be taken again. Who's to blame? Check!

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