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Editorial Comment

Ho! Mum! vacation is almost here! With the coming of warm weather, that much anticipated time comes closer, for it is now that we can again joyously sing that popular refrain:

"Two more weeks and we'll be free
From that school of misery."

But does this express our real feelings, or is it just an exuberance of animal spirits that prompts us to sing this song? If we knew that this was to be our last school year, that next year we would leave the shelter of school, and take the responsibilities of life on our own shoulders, would we still sing the song so glibly?

Perhaps the old "prison" isn't such a bad place after all. After the hours of bluffing and torture "on a hardwood bench" come the club periods and athletics such as baseball, track, and "golf"—the variety played in Africa, the land of the ancient bones.

Perhaps, after thinking it over, we might even arrive at the conclusion that by far the most regrettable parts of school are those many hours allegedly spent in doing an "outrageous" amount of homework in the shortest possible time.

Even if we do realize and appreciate the advantages offered us by our school, in such weather as this it is excusable and natural to again heartily give vent to long pent up feeling by singing this song.

Seniors Contribute Worthy Efforts

Essays Receive Praise

The graduating class has contributed some unusually interesting reading matter to the library in the form of its Senior Essays.

The papers are especially well done. The wide range of topics, not only interesting but educational, covered by these papers is meritorious. The collection, judged as a whole, has been acknowledged above average.

One attraction in it is the fact that the covers are so novel in design, showing painstaking originality and appropriateness in preparation. Also, many have been illustrated by hand drawings, photographs, clippings and cut-outs, all of which help in securing added interest. The "Saga of the Spade", by George Hunt, is quite unique in its subject matter. Evelyn Klein, the true essayist, in "Bits of Life", shows interest in poking about in the corners of the character world. Another interesting essay, which again takes us away from the stereotyped forms, is "Dissertations," by Eve Cleveland. Perhaps the most complete and finished of these works is the essay by Louis Kent, entitled "The Little Things in Life."

Many Will Dance Before Queen Peg

Now that Peg Augustine and Ruth Kidney are selected as Festival Queen and crown respectively, plans are being developed for the program to be presented Friday, June 5th at 2:45 o'clock.

Margaret Smith will present a dance of welcome for the Queen, and then Eileen Hassett, Edith Tjarks, Berenice Rich, Margaret Smith, Rose Mary Yetter, Joan Hunt and Irene Farrelly will portray waves and swimmers as a dance number to entertain Her Royal Highness.

Ruth Frankfort will, with pomp and bustles, interpret a Merry Widow Waltz.

Two other maytime dances will be given and also the play, "A Kiss in Naradun."

Subscribers Receive 1931 Port Lights

The long-awaited Port Lights have finally arrived, and were distributed Tuesday, much to the evident delight of the subscribers. Classes have been in an uproar ever since due to the rush for autographs.

The book is very impressive this year, with the school seal beautifully embossed in gold on the cover. The general makeup is very attractive, with more than the usual number of pictures.

The Sun Soon Sets For Senior Class

Several Social Events In Honor Of Class

Commencement is now just around the corner. This year there is a very large graduating class, in fact, the largest that has ever been graduated from this school. It has eighty-three members. Up to now, sixty-five members made up the largest class.

Because of the size of the class it has been decided that it would be better to give the graduating members the seats in the front of the auditorium, as the stage will not hold the whole class. They will go on the stage for their diplomas and other awards.

In conjunction with the other churches of Port Washington the class and faculty are invited to a supper and service at the First Methodist Church on Sunday night, June twenty-first. The supper will start at six-thirty o'clock.

At eight o'clock Monday evening, June twenty-second, the real commencement exercises will be held. The speakers of the class will be Frances Thomas, the valedictorian, and Fred Golder, the salutatorian. The address to the class will be given by Dr. Harlan H. Horner of the State Department of Education. Dr. Horner has recently been appointed Assistant Commissioner in charge of Colleges for New York State.

The last social event will precede examination week. Thursday, June fourth, the senior class will hold its annual banquet, which will start at seven-thirty o'clock. At nine o'clock they will go to the gymnasium where they will hold a dance. The faculty and student body are invited to join them for the dance. The invitations to the dance do not include anyone who is not a faculty member or a student of the school.

Great Neck Extends Chess Invitation

An invitation has come to the Chess Club from the Great Neck High School Chess Club, inviting them to join a Long Island Chess League which the Great Neck High School Club is forming.

The members of the Port Chess Club have been awaiting such an opportunity as this for a long time. Since they have been playing among themselves for a long time they know each others plan, but now against outside competition which will probably be very keen, they will have a chance to show their mettle as good chess players. The members are looking forward eagerly to next fall when the League will begin to function.

Fraternity Column

Log of the Week-end Flight of the Poor Unfortunates. May 23—8.40 A. M. Richard Carrico, Jack Witmer and Walter Morris left for Mattituck for a week-end at camp in a Peerless (??) automobile. (They were supposed to start at 8:00 A. M. but trouble was experienced in waking up the boys at such a time on Saturday morning.)

9:20 A. M.—20 miles out. Radiator showed suspicious signs of indigestion. Stopped for water and a drink.

9:30—Car showed all the signs of a steam engine except the whistle.

9:40 Ditto.

10:00 Ditto.

12:00 Noon. Filled the radiator from the river at Riverhead. Also bought some provender.

Note—The afternoon was spent in trying to diagnose the cause of the sudden bull market in radiator stocks.

May 24—2.30—A. M. Messrs. Carrico and one other returned after a seven mile walk from Jamesport. Rumor has it that they spent several hours playing African Golf on the living room floor of a certain person's house.

4:15 P. M.—Decided that it might be a good idea to start for Cow Bay (Port Washington).

4:25 P. M.—Radiator again demonstrated its superiority over the wills of the luckless passengers.

4:35 P. M.—Ran out of expletives but procured some more from a letter written by a sailor.

5:00—Demonstrated our new found vocabulary by telling a tourist what we thought of him for picking the dogwood.

5:30—Radiator developed an acute case of gastritis.

6:00 P. M.—Sold two (2) gallons of steam to a garage man for five gallons of gas.

8:00 Struck very rough road, peculiar to the vicinity of Port.

8:30 Radiator must have eaten salt, judging from its thirst.

8:40 500,000 people informed us that the radiator was steaming. Shortly came to the conclusion that they were quite correct in that supposition.

8:45 Arrived in Port with a cloud of steam.

In retrospect

78 miles traveled.

Consumption of gas (including hot air) 220 bbls.

Consumption of oil (including that of the banana) 2 qts.

Consumption of H₂O (water) 100 gallons.

Conclusion

When an engine boils, it is hot, furthermore, that water is cheap, and even at that, that the motometer is in perfect condition.

—P—

Rut asked Nellis whom he was taking to the dance.

"Cootie," he answered, with a superior air.

Nellis was surprised to find that nobody knew about whom he was talking.

—P—

Jack W.—"Hey, 'Hill', lend me one of those pencils."

Bunky—"Well, you'll have to give me back a bigger one."

Port Victorious At Tennis 3-2

Defeated at Great Neck

Last week the boys' tennis team journeyed to foreign soil to do battle with Manhasset and Great Neck respectively.

At Manhasset, Enscoe and Wood won their singles and Williams-Enscoe won the first doubles. Williams lost his singles and MacGilvray-Border lost their doubles by some poor playing. The final score at this tournament was 3-2 with Port Washington holding the honors.

At Great Neck the boys were a little less fortunate losing a closely competed tournament, 3-2. Enscoe took first singles, Williams took second and G. Wood lost the third singles. The Wood brothers lost second doubles and Williams-Enscoe lost the first doubles which decided the tournament in Great Neck's favor.

The remaining tournament with Roslyn will decide the success of Port's first year at tennis. In the previous encounter Port won 4-1. It is hoped that Lady Luck will again favor the masculine racquetters, and so decide a successful season.

Girls' Tennis Squad Produces Good Score

The Port girls' tennis squad triumphed over Westbury last Monday May 25, on the home courts. Martha Reed and Charlotte Bohn easily overcame their opponents in the singles; while Josephine DaCosta and Clara Ciminera won the first doubles. In the second doubles Nancy Lowry and Barbara Housch also defeated the Westbury girls.

On Thursday the girls journeyed to Friends Academy when they again defeated their opponents. In the first singles Mary Reed won from Fell by 6-0, 7-5. Jackie Corrigan bowed to Jean Fitter 6-3, 3-6 and 6-4. In the third round of singles Florence Krage won the first and last sets 6-1, 6-2, while her opponent, Jean Martin overcame her in the middle set 7-5.

In the first doubles Fell and Shoemaker defeated Housch and Nelson 6-2, 7-5 but Mary and Martha Reed came forth with a victory over Fitters and Ghillie 7-5, 6-1.

High School Girls Enjoy Play Day

Great Neck acted as host at another of the delightful playdays which the girls have been enjoying this season. Ten girls represented Port Washington last Wednesday at Great Neck. Among the twelve schools participating were Amityville, Hempstead, Glen Cove, Mineola, Great Neck and Port Washington.

The teams which were designated by individually colored ribbons were made up of one girl from each school. Volley ball, baseball, tennis and basketball throw for distance, baseball throw for accuracy, basketball goal shooting and archery were some of the games which the girls played.

Port Subdues Manhasset 7-6

Boys Play Fast And Hard Game

The smile on "Cap" Salerno's face was a joy to see when the Port Washington baseball team trotted to the showers last Friday afternoon, May 29th, after defeating the Manhasset nine, who were tied for the North Shore League Championship with Mineola. The Port boys played a hard, fast game to win over the Manhasset team by the score of 7-6. Polk scored the winning run on a wild pitch by Phail, the Manhasset pitcher.

Line-Up

Port.	Wa.h.	ab	h	r	e
Curtin, lf.		4	2	0	0
Terrell, ss.		3	1	1	0
Salerno, 3b.		4	0	1	1
Yorio, cf.		4	0	0	0
Polk, 2b.		4	3	2	0
Gerisi, c.		4	3	2	0
Bronner, 1b.		3	0	0	0
Paddock, p.		2	0	1	1
DiGiacomo, rf.		2	0	0	1

L. I. Track Meet Nets Port Four Points

On Memorial Day, the annual Long Island Track Meet was held at Farmingdale. The only point takers for Port were Polk and Lafferty. Polk succeeded in clearing 10 feet 9 inches in the pole valut, which availed only second place, or three points. Lafferty won his heat in the 220 hurdles but in the finals his hurdles were out of place which threw him off his stride so that he placed fourth and gained one point.

Laurence Ryan didn't do as well as he did in the Nassau County Meet. There he cleared 5 feet 7 inches, while, at the Long Island Meet he failed to clear 5 feet 5 inches. Since 5 feet 7 inches won the event, had he done as well in the Long Island Meet as before, he would have tied for first.

Schedule For The Week

Following is the schedule for the week of June 8-12, 1931.

Monday, June 8—No meetings.

Tuesday, June 9—Retort.

Wednesday, June 10—La Tertulia. Girls' Tennis at Westbury.

Thursday, June 11—No meetings.

Friday, June 12—Last day of regular classes. Final assembly for the year. All desks to be cleaned. All books to be taken home. Examinations—June 15-19.

We, the editors of the 1931 Port Light, wish to express our gratitude to all those who were in any way connected with its publication. We would like each one to feel that his service is most sincerely appreciated. We wish to thank Miss Hawthorne, in particular, whose kindly suggestions were so instrumental in the success of this issue.