

# The Port Weekly

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## Amendment To Tax Law Is Suggested

### Disturbance Caused

During the past week a great deal of attention has been centered on the financial situation in Nassau County.

The cause of the disturbance is a bill which has been introduced into the state legislature seeking to amend the county tax law. This law provides that schools must receive their entire allowance of tax money first of all. County supervisors, who realize the need for strengthening the county's financial credit, are making a desperate effort to pass a bill which will allow them to retain for a length of time half of the money belonging to the schools. The measure was presented with such haste and secrecy that, had it not been for a simple press notice, it would have escaped attention.

If the bill is passed, certain school districts will be compelled to close their doors for lack of funds. Since the measure provides for a distribution of only one-half the school tax in February, and the balance in June, scarcely a school could complete the year without a deficit.

Due to the opposition manifested, there will be a public hearing in the Mineola Court House which members of the various school boards plan to attend.

## Board of Education

### Buys Washington Film

The board of Education has recently purchased four reels of motion picture film. This film is a biographical sketch of the life, times, and customs of George Washington. The films were bought at this time as timely in view of the bi-centennial celebration of the birth of George Washington. It is planned that the films will be used in all the elementary schools first, and after that will be shown in the high school auditorium. It is not definitely known just when the showing in the elementary schools will be completed.

## Students Participate In Numerous New Clubs

The various clubs that are to function during the current term met on Tuesday, February 2, to discuss organization plans. The reports indicate that a large number of students are participating in the club movement. Some of the clubs express the intention of getting local authorities in their particular field to address the clubs at future meetings.

The Retort meets as usual with Mr. Pickett, Camera Club with Miss Chisholm, art and modeling with Miss Allison, embroidery with Miss Gormley, dramatics with Miss Duffy, the Commercial Club meets as formerly with Mr. Dodds, chess with Mr. Mason, a pottery club with Mrs. Langdon, the stamp club with Mr. Dimmick. The yacht club has its clubhouse in Mr. Herge's room, the airplane club's hangar is in Mr. Lyons' room, the cooking kitchen is with Miss Bortz, boys' and girls' physical education under Mr. Brown and Miss Burnett respectively. The checker club meets with Miss Sloan.

## Clubs Have Ambitious Programs Outlined

Several members of the Chess Club have arranged to play Mr. Bigelow on Saturday night. Mr. Bigelow is an authority on chess, and is the Chess Editor of *The N. Y. Evening Post*. It is reported that Mr. Mason, who has taken the Chess Club in place of Miss Sloan, is to join the players and try to give them a few pointers on chess.

The Yacht Club has adopted an ambitious plan to organize on the lines of a large yacht club. They plan to hold intra-club and inter-club races.

## Miss Farlinger Teaches Former Classes of Miss Probst

Miss Esther Farlinger has assumed the duties previously performed by Miss Probst. In addition to her work as guidance director at the junior high school, she is teaching three mathematics classes each morning.

Miss Farlinger is in charge of the 12A1 home room group.

## Curtis Herge Is Paper's Adviser

### Mr. Herge Is Former Port Junior Adviser

The recent resignation of Miss Probst as adviser of this publication has made it necessary to secure someone of the faculty to fill the vacancy she has created. Beginning with this issue, Mr. Herge of the English department has assented to serve in this capacity.

Mr. Herge has been an English teacher in the Port Washington school system since 1928. He was responsible in the junior high school for the popularity and success of *The Port Junior*. Mr. Herge sponsored that project for nearly three years. Under his direction the publication grew from a two page bi-weekly into a monthly literary periodical.

In September, 1931, Mr. Herge came to the senior high school to fill the vacancy left by Miss Flood.

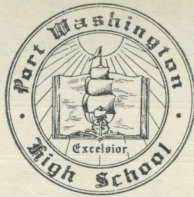
Mr. Herge states: "I assume the responsibility as adviser of this publication with the sincere desire that the standards established will continue. I ask for your cooperation in helping me maintain this desire. Its success depends not so much upon me but upon the student body in its willingness to aid in making *The Port Weekly* a better publication."

## Journalism Class Will Not Be Conducted

The journalism class, which Miss Probst had intended to coach, will not be conducted. Those who signed up for the class may see either the editor or the associate editor of *The Port Weekly*.

Students who have had previous experience on *The Port Junior* or any other publication will be permitted to work on the paper. However, only those who show reasonable writing ability will be allowed to continue. The reporting staff is now complete, but there is still room for copy desk workers.

It should be stated that those who have not had journalistic experience will not be excluded from work on the staff.



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### NEW SCHEDULE

The new schedule that was put into effect on February 1 has not, of course, had time to really prove itself, though the hope held out for it by Mr. Merrill and his colleagues is high. Mr. Merrill expects the activities period — the seventh — to be an incentive for constructive, intelligent, and interesting club work, and to this end, he has been careful to say that the clubs formed shall be formed because of the interest to be found in the subject. He does not encourage clubs which are formed for the purpose of supplementing class work, because he feels that there is no place for them in a social activities period.

Perhaps one of the best features of the new system is the opportunity afforded us to get together with Mr. Bergan to sing. Most of us like to sing, and with expert direction there is no reason why we cannot get lots of fun out of these Monday afternoon sessions.

There are some expressions of dissatisfaction around, based on the illusion that club membership

is compulsory. That is not true. Whether or not you join a club is entirely optional, but if you don't, you could not go home. You will have to use the seventh period for a study period. As it is, you're offered a chance to get out of a study period, and at the same time to derive some benefit from it.

### A FRIEND IS LOST

We view with genuine regret the departure of Miss Probst from our midst, but we know that it is to her own advantage to make the change she has. It is her privilege and her duty to herself to make what she can of her opportunities, and all we can do is to regret her absence. We shall miss her enthusiasm and her willingness to help, and wish her the best of luck.

### PORT'S NOTABLES

William Otto entered high school in the January term of 1928. Since then he has been steadily climbing to the top of the ladder of success. Success smiled upon him in his first year, he having been elected vice president of the freshman class. He also earned an honor average and a letter in track during his first year. His activities during the last three years have included basketball, baseball, Circle, Red Domino, and an interest in dramatics. Two dramatic undertakings in which he earned success were "Little Women" and "Knives of Syria".

### COMING ATTRACTIONS

On Thursday, February 11, Celerity, Fraternity, and Student Council will meet during the seventh period.

School will be closed on Friday, February 12.

There will be a music assembly for all pupils on Monday, February 15.

On Tuesday, February 16, the home room discussions will be held. The girls play Glen Cove at Port at 4 o'clock.

The Clubs will meet on Wednesday, February 17.

### School Will Observe Holiday

School will be closed February 12 in celebration of Lincoln's birthday.

The boys play Glen Cove today — home game.

### HIGH TIDE-INGS

A girl who is bespectacled  
Don't even get her nectacled,  
But safety pins and bassinets  
Await the girl who fasinets.

One would be in less danger  
From the wiles of the stranger  
If one's own kin and kith  
Were more fun to be with.

—Hard Lines.

You can't eat your cake and have IT.

War doesn't determine who is right, only who is left.

The smart man can always catch on. The wise man knows when to let go.

Mrs. Smith: "John, your work has fallen down and if you want to pick it up you must step on it."

—Port Junior.

Some statistics of the new class—  
Most popular boy — George Fitts.

Most popular girl—Helen Vanderwall.

Best looking boy—David Housh.

Best looking girl — Magdaline Fiigon.

Nicest personality (girl)—Helen Beyer.

Nicest personality (boy)—Frank Lamberti.

Best girl athlete—Rita Tomlet.

Best boy athlete—Nicholas Marro.

Best boy dancer—David Housh.

Best girl dancer—Natalie Rose.

Class sheik—Earl Hooper.

Class sheba—Flo Jane Cramer.

Class humorist—Rosemary Sheehan.

Class gold digger — Michalina Kassel.

Class cut-up—Emma Rochedieu.

Best boy student—Marvin Harrison.

Best girl student—Marjorie Utz.

Class artist—Jo Greene.

Class author—Rosemary Sheehan.

—Port Junior.

### P. W. Rifle Club Reorganized

According to reports, there were a number of boys who were interested in the formation of a rifle club in the school. The Port Washington Rifle & Pistol Club has reorganized and incorporated, and anyone who is 18 years old and has five dollars may join.

## P. S. W. A. Continues Aid By Providing Clothing

This winter the Port Washington Public School Welfare Association has been helping to keep attendance at school normal by food and clothing which has been distributed to needy children. This in turn has helped to reduce colds and other illnesses.

The services of this association have been extended to rebuild shoes and remodel clothing which has been donated. A man is busy rebuilding shoes and a woman remodeling clothes in the Flower Hill School.

Miss Sloan, the treasurer of this association, estimates that about forty-five children have been aided by this fund and about three hundred dollars has been spent thus far.

## New Student Council Elected On Feb. 3

The new student council met for its first meeting on Thursday, February 4, in room 111. The main object of this meeting was to get organized. Mr. Merrill took charge until a chairman was elected. Tom Nightingale was chosen for this office and Reginald Cleveland was elected secretary.

It was decided that the council should meet on Thursday of each week. In order to avoid conflicts on the Thursdays that the Celerity and Fraternity meet the council will hold its meeting at 3:19 instead of 2:47.

It is the effort of the council to bring the ideas of the different classes to one central point and then to pass them on to the other classes. Mr. Merrill has stated that he hopes that the student council can help in at least acquiring order and good conduct in the school, and he believes that much more can be accomplished.

The members of the council elected for the first six weeks of the second term are:

- 209—Louise England.
- 208—Earl Hooper.
- 207—Ruth Clark.
- 205—John Peele.
- 204—Arthur Huston.
- 203—R. Cleveland
- 201—B. Greene.
- 107—C. Gould.
- 108—T. Nightingale.
- 107—V. Moore.
- 105—J. Cummings.
- 104—L. Dean.
- 103—E. Haeckel.
- 101—A. Hayim.

## Miss Probst Given Farewell Tea

### Faculty Present Her With Table Lamp

On Friday, February 5, the faculty of the high school tendered Miss Probst a farewell tea in the cafeteria. The tea was served in buffet style and consisted of such delicacies as chicken a la king, whipped-cream-filled cup cakes, and coffee.

Floral decorations were supplied by the Beacon Florist. The table was decorated with palm leaves, with bowls of flowers at either end. Linen table cloths were used, to disprove the theory that there is a depression. Mr. Brooks lent the faculty a radio, so that music could be enjoyed with the meal.

During the course of the entertainment, Miss Probst was presented with a lamp from the members of the faculty. After the tea was over, the faculty played bridge, (though it is rumored that there was one masculine corner devoted to poker).

The tea was planned by Miss Lawson, who acted in the capacity of hostess. It was intended to be somewhat in the nature of a surprise party, to wish Miss Probst success in her new venture.

## NEWS OF THE WORLD

The entire city of Santiago was deserted on February 4 in order to avoid a possible repetition of Wednesday's earthquakes. So far, 12 persons are known to be dead and approximately 1,000 are injured out of a population of 70,000. They say that it is one of the most destructive earthquakes that has hit the city in the last 400 years. Relief work was continued and aid was promised from the United States scouting fleet, which is at Guantanamo Bay. About 80% of the city will have to be rebuilt.

Andrew Mellon has been appointed as Ambassador to Great Britain. He will fill the position Charles Dawes has just left. Ogden Mills has been appointed to fill the position of Secretary of the Treasury.

Mellon is a very apt man for the position as ambassador because he has traveled extensively in England and because he possesses a knowledge of the financial matters involving the attention of both the United States and Great Britain.

## Conference Held At Flushing Y. M. C. A.

On February 26-7, a pre-college conference for High School students from Flushing, Great Neck, Jamaica, and Newtown will be held in the Y. M. C. A. at Flushing.

The Flushing Hi-Y Council and the New York State Intercollegiate Student Council are sponsoring such a conference for the purpose of "Bridging the Gap from High School to College."

Mr. Merrill has expressed the opinion that a conference similar to that would prove a success in this locality.

During the conference, topics dealing with the choice of the right college, and the financing of a college course, will be discussed.

Dr. James Lee Ellenwood, of New York, and Dean Christian Gauss, of Princeton University, will be guest speakers at the opening meeting of the conference on Friday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

Dean Dorothy Arnold, of Washington Square College, New York University, will be guest speaker at the Conference dinner, Saturday evening.

## Senior Pictures Taken

Yesterday, February 10, the task of taking the Senior pictures for the graduates' section of the Port Light was begun. There were fourteen pictures taken yesterday, and twenty-eight are scheduled for today. The schedule calls for all the pictures being completed next Tuesday, February 16.

Goodhue Cleveland has been named as editor in chief of the Port Light for 1932.

## Typists Awarded Credit

When the Port Weekly staff was published last week, the names of the girls who do the typing were inadvertently omitted. Any girls who are interested in doing extra work by typing for the Port Weekly should report to the Port Weekly room during a free period. According to Miss Sloan, extra credit is given those who do satisfactory outside work. The names of the girls who have so far done work for the Port Weekly are Louise Kraft, Christine Eato, Emily Haeckel, Evelyn Stone, Anna Rogier, F. Dell, F. Tresillian, M. Gardner, V. Smith.

## Fratry Column

Mr. Dodds—What is a caucus?  
No answer.

Mr. Dodds—Soon the Republicans and Democrats will each begin their caucus . . . .

T. Smith (brightly) — Oh, I know—nominations.

—P—

The combined efforts of Moore, Luey, and Carrico solved last week's puzzle. Here is their solution:

10 Gal. Jug	7 Gal. Jug	3 Gal. Jug
3	7	0
3	4	0
6	4	0
6	1	3
9	1	0
9	0	1
2	7	1
2	5	3
5	5	0

—P—

Mr. Dodds (having dictated for some time in shorthand class) — "Rose, transcribe your notes."

Rose Wittig (reading along and then stopping) — "That's as far as I got. I sneezed there and missed the rest of the notes."

—P—

Using the numbers from 1 to 9, compose a series of numbers, the sum total of which will be 100. Using the same numbers twice is not permissible either alone or in a combination. For instance, both 62 and 26 could not be used because 6 and 2 are used twice in making up the series.

—P—

In the future Steve Aylward will kindly pull down his shades before undressing instead of after undressing. This kindly advice to him is for the Ladies' Benevolent Association of Beacon Hill. (When Aylward saw this in the Port Weekly room he said, "Say, boys, you can put it better than that.")

—P—

Red Curtin rode up to Talbot's house on Sunday afternoon. Treadway was already there so Curtin left. As Curtin was leaving he bumped into Cleveland, who also takes an interest in the Talbot family. This was too much for Curtin so he left the scene, leaving Treadway and Cleveland to fight it out. Smart kid.

—P—

Mr. Mason didn't seem to like the position that he was given in the club program — that of supervising the checkers club. He seemed to think that he had more capabilities in the line of chess, so he used his persuasive powers (you know which ones), and persuaded Miss Sloan to trade with him.

## Girls Defeat Great Neck 38-13

The result of Port's trip to Great Neck on Thursday, February 3, was another triumph for the local team. As the final whistle blew, the score stood 38-13. This is the fourth consecutive league victory for the Port girls.

Port gained an early lead which was maintained throughout the contest. Although the Great Neck sextet played a hard fought game, they were handicapped by having several new and inexperienced members on their team. There was some anxiety on the part of Port when Mary Reed, the captain and center forward, had to be taken from the game during the second quarter due to a slight injury, but her substitute, Barbara Leyden, capably filled her position. The close of the half found the Blue and White leading with the score 18-3.

In the second half there were many substitutions and the Blue and White forwards continued to pile up the score.

### The Line-up

Port Washington	Great Neck
Ciminera	R. F. Lee
Smith, V.	L. F. Stramb
Reed	C. Fosberg
Da Costa, I.	C. G. Adams
Da Costa, J.	R. G. Giesman
Nelson	L. G. Hunter

Referee: Cicerale.

The girls traveled to Mineola on Tuesday, February 9, but publication schedule does not permit of the game being reported.

## Elimination For Play Contest Begun Feb. 5

Last Friday, February 5, one of the two one-act plays to be given by the Red Domino was presented in assembly. The play dealt with the home life of a family of today, including, of course, the trials and tribulations of the younger set. The parts in the play were filled by George Margolin, who was Bob, Betty Warden as Josie, and Charlotte Bohn and Herbert Irwin, who played the parental roles.

The play was one of two chosen for contest purposes. The other is to be given sometime in the near future, so as to decide which will represent the school in the annual one-act play contest. This year, instead of as previously, no admission is to be charged for plays. They will be given during the regular assembly period.

## Mineola Subdued By Boys Team

### Port Is Victor, 19-18

The Port Washington quintet defeated the Mineola five by a score of 19-18, last Friday evening in the Port Washington High School gymnasium. The Port boys were trailing behind by one point, and with only 44 seconds to play, they worked the ball down under Mineola's basket and sank the winning basket with only seven seconds left to play. This was Mineola's first defeat of the season. The first time Port played Mineola this year, Port was defeated by 12 points. This victory gives Port a good chance at the championship.

### The Line-up

Port Washington (19)	G.	F.	P.
Jenkins, E., R. F.	3	1	7
Curtin, J., L. F.	0	0	0
Palminteri, A.	0	0	0
Karazia, C., C.	4	0	8
Di Giacomo, C., R. G.	0	1	1
Luey, T.	0	0	0
Gerisi, J., L. G.	0	0	0
Kosofsky, L.	1	1	3

Total	8	3	19
Mineola (18)	G.	F.	P.
Benjamin, R. F.	1	2	4
Hoehn, L. F.	1	1	3
Tishner, J., C.	2	2	6
Hasemann, R. G.	1	2	4
Tishner, S., L. G.	0	0	0
Heller	0	0	0
Seaman	0	1	1

Total 5 2 18  
With Karazia sinking the last basket in the final seven minutes, the stands went wild, and seven seconds later, Karazia was carried off on the shoulders of the crowd (much to his embarrassment).

## 14 New Books Added To Library Collection

Mrs. Langdon has ordered 14 new books to be added to the library. These books, Mrs. Langdon says, are to arrive sometime next week. They are:

- D'Amico—Theater Art.
- Kniffen—Masks.
- James—Cowboys North and South.
- Woodhouse — Golf Without Tears.
- Tracy—Wings of the Morning.
- Lovciace—Black Angels.
- London—Cruise of the Snark.
- Goes—Freshman at Arden.
- Halbert—Better Homes Manual.
- Halliburton — New Worlds to Conquer.
- Rosman—The Window.
- Singmaster — What Everybody Wanted.
- Clarke—The Story of Caesar.
- Harnes—Southpaw.