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Council Votes On Senior Privileges

Committee Created To Plan Assembly Programs

At the last meeting of the Student Council, a definite vote was taken on Senior privileges. The following privileges were authorized:

1. Seniors, having an average of 75 per cent, are exempt from study hall.
2. Seniors are the first to leave assembly.
3. Seniors are allowed to sit anywhere in the senior section in assemblies.
4. There will be a Senior Day, sometime during the year, when special privileges, not yet decided upon, will be given to the seniors.

The committee to plan assembly programs with Miss Hawthorne, which had been discussed at the previous meeting, was created.

Mr. Mason, Miss Gormley, Reginald Cleveland, George Worf, and Leo Kosofsky were those selected.

No steps were taken to appoint a committee to confer with Miss Lawson concerning suggested menus as the matter has not been discussed in some of the homerooms.

"Sir Galahad" To Be Presented March 12

This Saturday afternoon, March 12th, at 3 o'clock in the senior high auditorium, a play entitled "Sir Galahad" is to be presented by Adrienne Morrison's Children's Players.

The romantic and chivalrous personages in quest of the Holy Grail will be colorfully portrayed in this poetically and beautifully written legend. Of course, such characters as Sir Launcelot, the noble Knight; the faithful Bors; Gawaine, the merry-maker; the peerless Parsifal; and the stainless Sir Galahad himself will inspire all who are juniors or hope to be to a fuller appreciation of Tennyson's "Idylls of the King".

The play will be of especial interest to members of the junior and senior high schools. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

Port Alumnus Receives Fraternity Distinction

There are many things of which a school may be proud — its scholastic record, its athletic trophies, the achievements of its alumni. Port Washington High School has always been rich in the latter and now another graduate has distinguished himself and his high school. Walter Mullon, a sophomore at Tufts College and a recent graduate of Port Washington High School, has attained membership in the honorary fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa. This is an unusual distinction for a sophomore, for the members of this fraternity are customarily selected from the best scholars in the graduating classes and from the graduates whose later work entitles them to such honor.

"Port Weekly" To Send 3 To Press Convention

The eighth annual contest and convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association is scheduled to begin today, March 10. It is held at Columbia University, New York. The contest offers a chance for student editors and their staffs to enter their publications into competition with other publications of the same class, and receive a comparative rating, which takes into consideration all the important points connected with a school publication. In this way it is possible for a staff to determine where it is making its mistakes, and to take advantage of the constructive criticism offered when the entries are judged.

"The Port Weekly" is sending three delegates to the convention this year: Mr. Herge, Ruth Engelman, and Goodhue Cleveland. They will attend only on Saturday, March 12. The program for that day offers a general meeting of the delegates, round table conferences, conducted by student leaders, for the discussion of problems arising in the publication, a convention luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria, and a Varsity Show at the Waldorf-Astoria.

All the newspapers entered for competition are to be on exhibition for the duration of the convention.

Cafeteria Selected For Circle Dance

After Exhaustive Tests Found Satisfactory

The Circle will act as host at the gala event planned for March 19. The various dance committees report that preparations are well under way.

The acoustics of the cafeteria were fully tested by the committee, in the presence of both Mr. Merrill and Mr. Schreiber. They both reported the test a success and expressed the desire that all future dances would be conducted in the cafeteria.

A special stage has been constructed for the orchestra, which will absorb the sound waves. The Decoration committee promises many novel arrangements, both in lighting and otherwise. Refreshments will be served by the committee in charge of Tom Luey.

Definite effort is being made to start the dance on time, therefore a special feature is being prepared to be presented at nine o'clock.

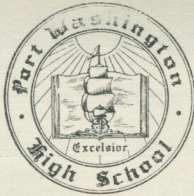
Valley Stream Faculty Entertained at Port

Bowling, basketball, ping-pong, and what have you were the varied activities whereby the men of our faculty entertained their guests, the men faculty members of the Valley Stream Public Schools.

Although the Valley "Forgers" came in answer to the dinner gong, there is, as we go to press, rumor abroad that our men plan to "white wash" their guests in every activity they care to attempt. The fifteen gentlemen from the south shore come with equal determination.

Full Orchestra Heard First Time Monday

The musical assemblies continued on Monday with the presentation of the full high school orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Bergan. The orchestra played a selection, "Egmont Overture", from the works of the composer, Beethoven. The director told and explained the history of the number.



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Member of Columbia Scholastic Press Association

A NEW COMMITTEE IS FORMED There is a new regime formulating in what we might call the "entertainment department" of the school system; that part of the system that relates to our much-maligned assembly programs. These programs have, in the past, come in for almost every form of blasphemy imaginable, whether the blasphemy was justifiable or not. But now it is intimated that we can expect a change. We can expect to get the kind of programs we like the best. That will probably be a good subject for dispute, but then, somebody always has to object to everything, if for no good reason, then just to hear his own voice, or become temporarily the center of attention. It will probably be wondered whether our programs will consist if the things that we like best, or the things that someone thinks are good for us. Of course, we realize that the ideal solution to the problem is to give us something that is good for us, and at the same time is just what we want most, but the two rarely go together; they are not compatible companions.

Returning to the new regime mentioned above, we might say that the plan afoot certainly has many possibilities for success. The plan calls for a cooperative program committee comprised of three teachers and three pupils. All the members of the committee will be susceptible to suggestions and criticisms on the programs which they outline and attempt to produce—at least that is what is hoped for. It is not the plan, of course, to have the committee itself put on the programs; they will merely plan them, calling on student talent generally to execute them. It remains to be seen whether such a committee composed of faculty members and students can work together. In the past we would there had been more cooperation between those very bodies where it is needed so vitally.

ARED HEADED TEAM We would that there were a few more red-headed heads in school, since Great Neck has challenged us to match a team of red-heads from Port against one from Great Neck. We can imagine the pretty picture of six red-headed girls in basketball uniforms, and we long for the spectacle of seeing them in action. We only hope that enough can be found to make an invincible team, and that the team proves that the quality of Port Washington red-heads is higher than that of Great Neck red-heads.

March's Windy Weather

The gentle breezes,
The blust'ry winds,
The winds from East and West,
These are all the winds of March,
The ones I like the best.

They come rushing,
Or gently glowing,
Scatt'ring clouds about the blue;
Now 'tis clear, now raindrops fall;
Changing all the whole day
through.

After chafing idleness,
Spent in winter's cold embrace;
March's winds are like a wine,
Rushing to the head, and clearing
Musty cobwebs from one's mind.

When summer's sultry breezes near,
We are loath to let them go;
To have their cooling freshness
leave us,
Until next March's breezes blow,
And quickly melt the ling'ring
snow. —B. B.

HIGH TIDE-INGS

The Perfect Co-ed

Betty Warden's eyes.
Bobby Housh's figure.
Dot Talbot's complexion.
Martha Reed's hair.
Mary Augustin's smile.
Bobby Leyden's pep.
Charlotte Bohn's speaking voice.
Fran Cornwall's naturalness.
June LeQuatte's politeness.
Peggy Meehan's intelligence.
Muriel England's frankness.
Joan Hunt's gracefulness.
Betty Nelson's constancy.
Bobby Greene's giggle.
Dodo Rose's hands.
Kay Kraft's poetic ability.
Clara Ciminera's friendliness.
Jill Atwood's punning ability.
Mary Reed's gameness.
Connie Caldwell's cuteness.
Rosemary Seraphine's clothes.
Ruth Kidney's dancing.
Lowry Sisters' musical ability.
Eileen Hassett's acting ability.
Peggy Brown's poise!

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Alfonso, it is reported, has plenty to live on the rest of his life. Nothing like saving for a reigny day.

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Prosperity is now in sight, says an economist. So is Mars!

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In a message to the trustees of the Metropolitan Museum, Mr. Mara said, "Washington Crossing the Delaware" has always been a great painting to me, certainly much more important and even far more beautiful than Rembrandt's 'Old Woman Cutting Her Nails.'" — The Times.

It always seemed a shame to me that the artist did not paint "Washington Cutting His Nails Crossing the Delaware." There would have been a picture!

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Chappie M. was busily engaged with a spade in the mud beside his car when a stranger hailed him. "Stuck in the mud?" he asked.

"Oh, no!" replied "Chappie" cheerily. "My engine died here and I'm digging a grave for it."

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We saw what looked to us very much like a Retort Club pin on Vivene Walker's belt recently. We've heard rumors as to whose it is.

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We hear reports from the girls' glee clubs that Mr. Bergan has a faculty for making very attractive curtsies.

Some Of Our Own—

As it is written:

On sped the doe, the fatal arrow clinging to her sides.

Dido moved on, accompanied by a throng wearing an embroidered cloak.

If this was done, he knew it would be great peril of the province to have warlike men as hostiles by unprotected fertile fields of grains.

As it is spelled:

Acheas was garbed in a Tyrian mantel.

To you I appeal, by these prayers, by these vows.

The captive was lead from the city. (500 times by actual count.)

If your comrades depart, Catiline, the dredges of the state will be drained from the city.

Boners:

Quin aspera Juno—Queen Juno takes an aspirin.

Teacher — "What does the Latin abbreviation 'c. f.' mean?"

Bright Pupil — "See foot note."

Who said Latin was dry?

He hastened to that part of the enemy which the river had not yet crossed.

Philately Club Trades

Great Number of Stamps

The stamp club is known as the Port Washington High School Club of Philately to its members. It is presided over by Larry Ryan, and Mr. Dimmick is the faculty adviser.

For the present, the main activities are the trading of stamps and the holding of contests. New collectors are being helped and guided by the older and more experienced ones. There are no dues and the only requirement is an interest in the hobby.

At a recent contest it was found that there are about 65,000 varieties of postage stamps in the world. Yesterday, the members exhibited their various prides to the fellows. Many of these exhibits, and perhaps others, will soon be placed in the library showcase "foah the public edification".

Local Celebrity Dies

The entire nation mourns the death of John Philip Sousa, "The March King". Mr. Sousa, who was a resident of Port Washington, succumbed to a heart attack last Saturday evening, March 5th. Mr. Sousa was to have directed the Port Washington High School Band in a concert on what was to have been known as "Sousa Night".

Sometimes Our Fondest Hopes Are Thwarted

By Emma Hutchings

"Aha!" I said to myself, in a tone similar to the one that well-known detective Holmes must have employed when he detected a baffling mystery. "Now here's a situation that could bear an investigation — a thorough investigation! I'll go ahead and detect."

It all happened like this. For some unearthly reason, unknown even to myself, I was located on the ground floor, near the open door of the chemistry laboratory. That open door was the cause of everything, for, had it not been open, I should not have seen and heard what I did.

To be chronological about the whole matter, I heard before I saw. The sound of sniffing reached my ears, and, coming from a laboratory, that seemed peculiar to me. "Can someone be weeping?" I ventured to ask myself. That might be possible. But I considered it improbable, when the sniffing increased to such an extent that it

sounded like an augmented chorus of "snivelers".

I dared to look in the door and there was Mr. Pickett, mashing something with the greatest vigor. I wondered if Mr. Pickett were pretending that that "something" was a troublesome pupil.

Suddenly I worked out a theory. The class had committed an unforgivable crime, and had been talked to, "cold turkey". Hence, all the queer sounds.

"What an opportunity to see some fancy crying, on a large scale," I thought. So I looked eagerly, and what do you suppose I saw? Well! There were a number of fellows and girls with very moist optics, but as far as my theory was concerned, they might have been nonchalantly peeling onions.

To my utter chagrin I learned that the little dears were crying, and sniffing, not because their feelings were hurt, but that those two reactions occur in the making of bromine!!

JUST FANCY!

Some of our prominent seniors still walk from class to class with good old-fashioned portfolios in their hands.

Said one Soph to another: Gee, friction is certainly easier to read than non-friction." We wonder!

We have heard from an inside informant that Bob Lafferty takes a radio to bed with him. Perhaps he's more sentimental than we suppose.

Talk about cooperation—we admit the corduroy trousers and skirts are tres chic.

Why do people buy fountain pens to match their ties, or, maybe it's vice versa? Nevertheless, the result is very aesthetic, P. S. S.

It seems that Barbara Greene ought to know the number of her home-room, or at least the name of her home-room teacher, after being there a whole semester.

The Red Dominoites are quite proud of the fact that one of their number, Robert Fertig, will appear on Broadway in the new show,

Port's Notables

During the sophomore year of the present graduating class a worthy addition was made in the person of Nellis Bronner. He entered from Little Falls, New York. He was prompted to attend high school here, by an invitation from his uncle, Mr. Schreiber.

His active and scholastic records have proved exceedingly successful during his three years. As center on the football team, first baseman on the baseball team and an outstanding tenor in the glee club, he has held a conspicuous place in the limelight.

The quaint colloquialisms which characterized Nellis on his entry are still apparent and his keen wit and radiant personality have won him a host of friends.

"Park Avenue". Here's hoping for all kinds of success, Bob.

Have you ever noticed Connie Richardson's facial expression when sauer-kraut is served in the lunch-room? Watch sometime!

We heard some "info" recently about steps being taken to fix places under the lunch room chairs for books — instead of laying them on tables. Perhaps now we'll have more room for our elbows.

Fratry Column

"We are now passing the most famous brewery in Berlin," explained the guide.

"We are not," replied the American tourist, as he hopped off the sightseeing bus.

—P—

Albee plus a Cremo cigar—"Doctor, what are my chances?"

Doctor — "Oh, pretty good, but don't start reading long continued stories!"

—P—

"I simply can't stand the toot of an automobile horn."

"How's that?"

"A fellow eloped with my wife in an automobile, and every time I hear an auto toot, I think he's bringing her back."

—P—

Mr. Mason — "Will you please wake Larry up?"

L. Ryan — "You put him to sleep. You wake him up."

—P—

"He threw his slippers at me and told me to go to the devil," sobbed the unhappy daughter.

"You did right coming home to me," answered mother.

—P—

Lady — "I want some kid gloves for my ten-year-old daughter, please."

Clerk — "White kid?"

Lady — "Sir, how dare you!"

—P—

For information concerning "True Companionship" see Professor Leo Kosofsky. The professor is now holding a lecture tour around Port Washington High School.

—P—

Robert Greig, who was delivering groceries, called at the back door and greeted the lady of the house with a grin that showed two of his front teeth missing.

"How did you lose your teeth?" asked the lady.

"Shifting gears on a lolly-pop," replied the boy.

—P—

"I don't mind washing the dishes for you," wailed the henpecked husband. "I don't object to sweeping, dusting, or mopping the floors, but I ain't gonna run no ribbons through my nightgown just to fool the baby."

—P—

Reggy Cleveland had better watch his step. It's bad business when one so young and innocent as he starts picking up little girls on the street.

Port Loses Game To Seawanhaka High

Purple Defeats "Blue"

By Score of 27-21

On March 4th, Port lost its fourth game of the season to Seawanhaka. Although Port has lost four games, only two of them were league games, which gives us second place in our division of the league.

The Seawanhaka game was characterized by very poor shooting on Port's part.

The Line-up

Port Washington (21)	G.	F.	P.
Jenkins, lf	2	0	4
Palminteri	3	0	6
Curtin, rf	1	1	3
Luey, c	1	0	2
Karazia	0	0	0
DiGiacomo, lg	2	0	4
Gerisi, rg	0	0	0
Kosofsky	1	0	2
Total	10	1	21

Seawanhaka (27)	G.	F.	P.
Johnson, lf	3	1	7
Rush, rf	2	1	5
Carman, c	1	1	3
La Cour, lg	3	2	8
Klein, rg	2	0	4
Total	11	5	27

This was the last game for Curtin, DiGiacomo, Gerisi, Kalinosky, Luey and Otto. It is rumored that Jenkins is returning next year for a post-graduate course. If he does, he will be ably assisted by Karazia, Kosofsky, Palminteri, H. DeMeo, Richter, M. DeMeo, Blumberg, and Mills. We hope that they will make the championship team next year.

A basketball banquet is expected to be held in the near future and those players who have earned their letters and numerals, after a hard fought season, will receive them at that occasion.

15 Students Apply For Port Light Positions

Last Friday afternoon a meeting was called for all those interested in becoming members of the "Port Light" staff.

The 15 students present were asked by Goodhue Cleveland, the editor, to write their preferences in reporting on a slip of paper.

The "Port Light", which is published annually, will contain sections devoted to personal notes, sports, humor, sketches and a great many pictures.

The "Bicentennial Celebration" is to be the motif this year.

This staff will endeavor to eclipse all previous issues of the "Port Light".

Latin American Club Forming

During the past year there has been functioning with extraordinary success in the New York City schools an organization known as the Pan American Club. Its primary purpose is to create a better feeling or understanding between the United States and her Latin American neighbors.

Mr. Lyons is organizing a chapter of this club at Port. While Spanish students should be particularly interested, membership is open to the entire school. In as much as the United States is carrying on an extensive trade with South America which is likely to be greatly augmented in the near future, the work of the club will prove invaluable to students who intend to follow commercial pursuits upon leaving school.

This club is entirely different from all other school clubs because: (1) It is not a local school club but a chapter of a city-wide organization. (2) It is concerned with a problem of nation-wide interest. (3) It harmonizes with the traditional foreign policy and economic interests of this country. (4) It has the cooperation of the Pan American Union, the Pan American Society, Latin-American consulates, outstanding writers like Waldo Frank. (5) The club offers opportunities for contact with important people and organizations outside of school. (6) The country's greatest people are engaged in similar activity.

Ambitious Program Announced

Although basketball is still occupying the minds of Port's girls, many spring activities are being arranged by the Athletic Department. As in former years tennis and archery will play an important role.

Hicksville has invited the Blue and White to participate in a volleyball tournament. Great Neck has issued a challenge to a basketball team to be composed entirely of red heads. Many Long Island schools are inaugurating girls' baseball. The game may be played at Port but nothing definite has been decided.

Among other activities the Gym Club is sponsoring a ping pong tournament which will get under way in the near future.