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Chinese Nationalist Talks In Assembly

Colonel Swen Urges Boycott Of Japanese Goods

At a special assembly held on Tuesday afternoon the student body was privileged to hear an address on the present Far Eastern crisis delivered by Colonel M. P. Swen, formerly of the Chinese Nationalist Army. Mr. Swen, who is a graduate of Washington University and a post-graduate worker at Columbia, was obtained through the efforts of William C. Wilson, of the local Lions Club.

The topic of Mr. Swen's address dealt with the injustices of the Japanese invasion into Manchuria and the defense of China's attitude towards the new state of Manchukuo. The distinguished Chinese speaker gave a brief history of the present operations, elaborated upon the fact that the civilization of his country is one of the oldest in existence and showed the economic importance of his country in the present day.

Japan's aggressive policy was attributed by him to their desire to obtain control of the vast oil, coal and iron deposits in northern China. He advocated the cooperation of the United States with the League of Nations and showed how important our influence would be if brought to bear in the East.

Mr. Swen recommended that students interested in his country write to the China Society or the China Institute in New York for various pamphlets and circulars describing China, issued by the above organizations.

'Belle Lamar' Previews To Be Assembly Feature Today

The assembly program today will be devoted to advertising "Belle Lamar". The cast will give a short scene from the finale of the first act.

Jill Atwood will be the student announcer.

Columbia Scholastic Press Contest Held In New York This Week

The Columbia Scholastic Press Association's Ninth Annual Convention, "where the world of school publications gathers", opened yesterday at the McMillin Theatre, Columbia University.

The Port Weekly representatives, Ruth Engelmann, Frances Gould, John Stuart, Charles Harper, and Mr. Herge were among the four thousand attending delegates. This year Port's students will be present for the three days, March 9-10-11.

The convention consists of meetings — general and sectional — where nationally known writers are heard, visits to newspaper and magazine plants, luncheons at university restaurants and the Hotel Commodore, and round tables conducted by student leaders. The convention adjourns tomorrow with the varsity show, "Home, James", to be held in the grand ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria.

Embassy News Theatre Opens Contest

The Embassy News Reel Theatre, of New York City, is offering two special advantages to the students of Port Washington. They are a prize contest and a reduced students' admission price. Realizing the importance of current history as presented by the news reels to students, a weekly contest essay on the subject: "Which is the most significant event presented on the Embassy News Reel Theatre program this week — and why?" has been initiated. To enable students to attend more frequently, a special students' rate of fifteen cents is charged. The prize is a year's pass to the theatre.

The program at the Embassy runs from Saturday to Friday, inclusive, and each weekly contest closes on the Monday following. Essays should be submitted to the Essay Contest Editor, Movietonews, 460 West 54th street, New York.

Tickets admitting students at the reduced rate may be had from Mr. Herge.

Explorer To Speak Here Next Friday

African Motorcycle Trip To Be Subject Of Talk

James C. Wilson, daring African explorer, will speak here next Friday, March 17, as the third and last speaker of the School Assembly Association. Mr. Wilson will tell how he and a friend traversed 4500 miles of the remotest parts of Africa on motorcycles with no guns, guides, or other paraphernalia generally deemed necessary for such an expedition.

Their route passed through territory never before crossed by an American. Gasoline which had to be portaged across the desert by means of a forty-five day camel journey cost them four dollars a gallon.

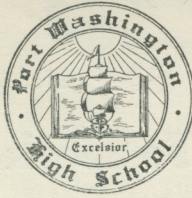
Contrary to most accounts of howling witch doctors, bloodthirsty savages and roaring lions, Mr. Wilson's lecture portrays an Africa inhabited by friendly and courteous natives. This young explorer has proved that friendliness and humane treatment are the best means of enrolling the goodwill of the natives. He found that they were a simple people and although living under tremendous natural handicaps they proved quick to aid the man who showed respect, regardless of nationality or color.

These "barbarians", according to the speaker, have had a written language for over eight hundred years. They have also reached a high state of manual craftsmanship and are experts in weaving, basketry, metal, and leather working, as will be evinced by the examples of their work which Mr. Wilson will bring with him.

Unusual Exhibit Of European Lace To Be Shown Here

An unusual exhibit of lace from many European countries including Italy, Belgium, and France, has been prepared recently by the Home Economics department and will be shown in the library the week of March 13.

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Glorious We are sorry that Port
Despite lost their chance at the
Defeat League championship.
Everybody is. But, we are not
ashamed of the showing made by
our boys last Friday night. To the
contrary we feel almost as proud
of the sporting manner in which
they accepted defeat as if they
had conquered Great Neck.

It was a hard-fought game and
one which no team should be
ashamed of. Rather than a case
of the weaker team losing it was
one of those contests in which vic-
tory goes by a small margin to the
stronger. We regret that the fel-
lows who put up such a gallant
battle were not able to gain greater
reward in the last game of their
school-days but we also believe that
the memory of an otherwise bril-
liant season will in the future off-
set the shadow of the last disap-
pointment. The team may or may
not have been in the best condi-
tion and form, we do not know.
Besides it is of no use whatsoever
to waste regrets on what has pass-
ed. However, we do believe that
every man wearing the Blue and
White on that court tried his very
best to overcome whatever disad-
vantages may have existed and
played with his all till the very
echo of the final gun.

We pay tribute to our basketball
team and assure them that Port is

well satisfied with the way in which
they upheld our name on the court.

While on the subject of the
Great Neck game we also extend a
cheer to the whole student body,
the band and our alumni for the
extent of their attendance and the
orderly and loyal manner in which
they supported the team and co-
operated with officials.

Look Ahead By the time we enter our
senior year in high school,
Now there is one question of
outstanding importance facing us:
What shall we do after graduation?

There are some few persons who
are definitely talented in a certain
field, and for them the task is sim-
plified. However, the majority of
us have developed no inclinations
which may guide us in the future.

In times of prosperity, nearly
everyone went to college, but now
the world-wide depression has
made this course less popular.
Moreover, psychologists declare
that many students are not adapted
for college and that to send them
there is a grave error. It is there-
fore imperative for us to determine
whether or not we are college mat-
terial.

In ordinary times there are busi-
ness openings for some high school
graduates and post-graduate courses
for others. In addition, numerous
vocational schools have been es-
tablished.

In view of the present condi-
tions we must therefore make our
choices carefully and plan our
present towards the greatest future
applicability. Consider your start
in the economic world and plan
now for the work to which you
will devote the better part of your
life.

Gossip In Our Skule

Dear Stewdes,

Geef a look tew thee latest and
kleenest of skule gossip.

Fr' instunce: R. Forbell, uf all peep-
ul, iz naow a poet.

"I met a girl named Passion,
I asked her for a date,
I took her out to dinner—
My gosh, how passionate!"

Enuff uf poetry. Lettuce cunsider
Bob Forbes, who haz bin giving free
advice tew ower nu soffes. Bob sed
tew Dana (Laydeez-man) Moran—
"Yew want tew keep yore eyes opun
around hear."

"Why for?" sez D. innosuntly.

"Bekause peepul wil think yore fool-
ish if yew goe around with yore eyes
shut." Hello, Dana and Bob.

Wel, if yew here sum pained mon-
ings in ower sacred portuls sum day,
yew wil know that it is—

Yore servunt,

S. O. L.

HIGH TIDE-INGS

Our Boy Franklin

Magazines, newspapers and book
stalls all have some story by a
Roosevelt nowadays. Roosevelts are
born with silver pens in their fists.
If there is one thing that unques-
tionably runs in the family, it is
ink. They all write for publication
— the Republican Roosevelts, the
Democratic Roosevelts, the elderly
Roosevelts, the middle-aged Roose-
velts, and the young Roosevelts.

There is a story told, from a
very unauthentic source, that a
telegram was brought to Mr. Roose-
velt. "A telegram!" shouted the
President, beaming and waving his
hat from time to time. "It's from
Mr. McFadden. He wants a two-
thousand word autobiography from
the baby!" . . . "The baby!" cried
Anne. "The baby can't write!" . . .
"He MUST write!" said Grand-
mama. Already printer's ink had
attracted another Roosevelt.

The whole family has joined the
Literary Guild of Authors and
Autobiographers Who Earn Their
Living By The Words From Their
Pens Of America S. O. S. C. O. D.
The gangster had better be careful.
Within twenty-four hours Mr.
Roosevelt can mobilize his fellow
members of the Literary Guild of
Authors and Autobiographers Who
Earn Their Living By The Words
From Their Pens of America S. O.
S. C. O. D., and prove that the
pen is mightier than the sword.

They say that many a man of
Presidential timber turns out to be
just another splinter. The woods
are full of them. However, we do
not think this to be the case with
Mr. Roosevelt, whose family tree
has already produced a President
of the highest grade. In fact, our
boy Franklin is just a chip off the
old block.

Well, I've told you the Hull
Dern truth as I see it about the
'riting Roosevelts. This may be
my Swanson, as the faculty will
only stand for just so much, you
know. They probably decided long
ago to "give her enough Roper"
she'll hang herself. I've probably
gone Farley nuff now; I've certain-
ly teed hard enough!

I welcome the new, and speed
the departing Presidents with the
same advice: "Don't take any
Woodin money."

I'll be Sheehan you!

Written this fourth day of March,
1933,

Under a spreading chestnut tree.

CAPABLE SECRETARY TO PRINCIPAL IS INTERVIEWED

Miss Mechalina Yorio was born and bred in Port Washington. She first attended school at the old Sands Point school built on the hill overlooking Mill Pond and Manhasset Bay. For three grades she continued her attendance there and then went to the Main Street school. In high school she followed the curriculum of the commercial course to graduate in the class of 1928. At that time, she tells us, free periods were really free. One could go home during that period and habitually one was late to his next class.

In high school she took some interest in athletics. She played interclass basketball and went out for archery. She also helped **The Port Weekly** and **Port Light** with her typing ability.

Miss Yorio intended upon graduation to go to New York City to work. During her last term she did some clerical work for the school during vacation days; this resulted in her appointment to her present position. She then gave up her intention of going to New York. Her work in the Port Washington schools has been of the most acceptable quality during her period of employment since she graduated.

She takes a great interest in sewing and baking, on which subjects she has made numerous scrap books and in which she is very proficient.

Miss Yorio reached the low water-mark of her life one night while walking along Port Washington boulevard with her sister. A Ford came along unexpectedly and hit Miss Yorio, dragging her along the ground for fifteen feet. She was severely bruised but fortunately was not seriously injured. After thirteen days she continued her work at school.

Group Attends Final Community Concert

Last Sunday afternoon Mr. Paul Van Bodegraven took a group of students to Great Neck to hear Richard Crooks, Metropolitan Opera star, sing in a special recital, the final one in this year's series of annual community concerts.

Those who accompanied Mr. Van Bodegraven were: A. Trussell, G. Worf, J. Atwood, E. Hassett, and A. Gulbrandsen.

Play Provides Plenty Of Pep For Public

By Emma Hutchings

Ooh goody, goody! That melodrama of melodramas, "Belle Lamar", is being worked up to a state of perfection for its presentation to the public, on March eighteenth, and what a show this promises to be!

When Dion Boucicault wrote "Belle Lamar", he included in it something for everyone. For instance there's Belle, the heroine, who makes all the women in the audience reach for cry-cloths every time she puts in an appearance. There's a vile villain, too, a very vicious viper, whom one feels should merit nothing but a healthy Bronx cheer. Of course one must not forget the hero, a character of the "wotta man" variety, who must be the unfortunate victim of any number of autograph-seekers.

But, if you have a weakness for humor, you'll certainly enjoy two members of the supporting cast—two characters representing the Emerald Isle, with the grandest brogue you have ever heard. Sure, now, 'tis a delight to hear them say "whisht!" to each other.

However, suppose you are a hard-hearted wretch, and nothing but plenty of excitement can hold your interest. Well, then, don't pass up this opportunity of seeing a great deal of made-to-order excitement, for this melodrama has some that was embodied in it for your particular enjoyment.

By the way, here's a tip in advance. As you sit watching the show, try to steel yourself for what is to come, because you'll be forced to employ all the will-power you possess, in order to keep from flying up and hitting the ceiling, at a certain time in a certain scene of "Belle Lamar". Boy! that certainly is a rip-snorter of a place to be caught off one's guard!

Then in addition there'll be music—the hot-cha type of music of days gone by—and some people ought to get a big thrill out of it.

So now it's home I'll be going, to mark a circle around a certain date on my calendar, and as for my telling you any more about "Belle Lamar"—'tis whisht! I'll be saying to you all.

Port Profiles

Arthur Jones, the dramatic senior, has finally revealed the following dark secrets.

In his younger days he traveled extensively through Europe. The moonlit canals of Venice warmly appealed to the romantic side of his nature, while he thoroughly disliked London for its frigid autocracy.

After graduating from grammar school, Arthur attended St. Paul's and Dwight's before coming to Port Washington. At St. Paul's he found golf much to his liking and greatly enjoyed interscholastic competition in this sport. Arthur loves sailing and riding, hoping to some day rival Hitchcock's swing of the mallet. Reading also claims much of his time, modern authors being his favorites.

His pet aversion is mathematics but he also entertains a substantial hate for wintry weather and boys. On the other hand, he is quite enamored with the Hepburn profile as is fitting for a person with such dramatic ability as Arthur has proved by his excellent performances in Port High productions.

Coming Attractions

Friday, March 10 — An assembly will be held at 2:20. The marks for the first six weeks will close. Remember your nickel for **The Port Weekly**.

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Monday, March 13 — The regular Home Room Meetings will be held.

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Tuesday, March 14 — There will be a Music Assembly at 2:49.

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Wednesday, March 15 — Club meetings will be held.

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Thursday, March 16 — Red Domino and Student Council will meet.

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Friday, March 17 — James Wilson will speak on "Three Wheeling Through Africa" in the regular Friday Assembly. A matinee of "Belle Lamar" will be held for the Junior High School pupils at 3:00.

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Bayside was the scene of a wild ride for Dot Talbot on the back of a motorcycle. It keeps one busy maintaining both positions and dignity, doesn't it, Dot?

—P—

Jane Wile, that ravishing blonde, was seen in Flushing with a strange but handsome brute. — Step on it, Bob.

—P—

Don (steel stomach) Smith is the proud recipient this week of one of the tissue paper bathtubs presented for outstanding accomplishments during the past week. President Smith consistently ate two jelly doughnuts a day for five (5) days, at least not till Saturday, but in the opinion of the judges it was sufficient to have lasted through each of the five days.

The next contest of note was participated in by no less than eight of Port's most rugged studes. Charles Karazia and Albie Palmenteri will have to share their tub since they tied with four (4) sun-daes apiece.

—P—

Russ (Guy Lombardo) Gair is hereby requested to give his ardent admirer, Katherine Doyle, a photograph of himself. — Give her a break, Russ.

—P—

Dick Axten and Herbie Irwin ought to join the track team if they can make the train in eight minutes from Ruth Critchett's house.

—P—

The following is the record of interviews had with various people in regard to the bank moratorium:

I'll have to borrow a violin case to walk past the barber's with now. — Hutchie.

Guess I'll have to study every night this week. — Ray Patten.

It was the logical thing to do and will undoubtedly bring hoarded money into circulation. — Charles Harper.

I'll never live through it on only two sodas a day. — "Wack" Butler.

And my lipstick's nearly gone. — Jill Atwood.

I can't run the car on air. — Dick (what a man) Forbell.

It's a breastly trick. — Arthur Jones.

Good for the waistline. — Fran Cornwall.

They've got a nice day for it. — Barney (grease monkey) Iselin.

Classes Organize Basketball Port Loses To Great Neck In Last Game Of Year

Teams For Beginning Of Interclass Season

The announcement of the beginning of the girls' interclass basketball season brought out a large number of candidates for each class team last week. The squads, which have already started to practice, are organized and coached by students.

Six games will be played in the interclass tournament, each class playing each of the other classes twice.

The following girls were elected as captains and managers of their respective classes:

Seniors:

Captain—Juliette Kimmerly.
Manager—Genevieve Curtin.

Juniors:

Captain—Evelyn Fitzsimmons.
Manager—Rita Tomlet.

Sophomores:

Captain—Eloise Jenkins.
Manager—Mary Ciminera.

Not much has been done so far, concerning boys' interclass basketball except that last Friday afternoon the senior boys held a meeting and elected Arthur Cocks captain. Many of the players from last year's championship junior team were there and the seniors are confident of a good season.

The schedule for the boys' and girls' games, to which there will be no charge, is as follows:

Mon., March 13—Sr. vs. Soph.
Wed., March 15—Jr. vs. Soph.
Fri., March 17—Sr. vs. Jr.
Tues., March 21—Sr. vs. Soph.
Fri., March 24—Jr. vs. Soph.

Class Of 1932 Receives Regents Diplomas

The last of the Regents diplomas for the Port Washington High School Class of 1932 have been received from Albany and may be obtained by calling at Mr. Merrill's office in the Senior High School.

Previously 18 Regents diplomas have been received and issued to the members of the class. At this time 46 more have arrived, mak-

Last Friday night playing its final scheduled game of the season Port Washington senior high school basketball team lost to Great Neck high, 18-12. The game was played before the largest crowd of the season on the home court. Port's second team won, 21-20.

The Port reserves played a steady game and they won by the narrow margin of one point, thereby turning tables on Great Neck, who had beaten Port by one point several weeks ago.

The main game started off very fast and continued so throughout the game. Port's team was very unlucky with its shots as their shots just wouldn't go into the basket. The score at the half was 10-8 and at the end of the game, 18-12.

Palmenteri, of Port, and Lichtward, of Great Neck, were high scorers; each tallied 8 points.

Port's defeat made Great Neck North Shore western division champ.

ing a total of 64 State diplomas for the class of 1932.

Of the 64 diplomas it is interesting to note that 40 were issued with credit and 7 with honor. Diplomas with credit are issued if .7 of the required units are earned at 75% or more on Regents examinations and diplomas with honor are granted if .7 of these units are earned at 90% or more.

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