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Music Groups To Play In Contest

Band And Orchestra Qualify For Finals, May 19

Last Friday afternoon, the senior high school band and orchestra participated in the first public school contest, sponsored by the New York Music Week Association at Rockville Centre.

Port Washington senior high school, composed of 31 members, conducted by Paul Van Bodegraven, received first place in the contest for orchestras with a rating of 85% plus. The second place was taken by the 28 members of the Roslyn orchestra, conducted by Florence M. Nash.

The Port Washington senior high school band, composed of 30 members, also conducted by Mr. Van Bodegraven, came out in a tie with Lynbrook for first place, with a rating of 85%. The Lynbrook band of forty-five members, was conducted by Robert Borst.

The last band to participate was the Rockville Centre senior high school band comprising thirty-three members, conducted by Mr. Satorius, which received second place with a rating of 85%.

High Rating Must Be Attained

All organizations entered in the contest must have received a rating of 85% to be able to perform in the finals. The finals will be on May 19 at Rockville Centre, in which Nassau and Suffolk Counties will meet to compete for the silver cup.

Mrs. Walter R. Hood, general chairman of the Nassau and Suffolk division, also hostess of the event, presented a short introductory speech. Floyd D. Watson, superintendent of the Rockville Centre schools, opened the contest with a short speech of welcome.

Librarian Plans Year's Leave

Mrs. Lyman A. Langdon, school librarian, has announced that she will take an indefinite leave of absence next year. She tentatively plans to study at Columbia.

Fratry Decides To Abandon Plans For Annual Show

Will Substitute Dance To Be Held Saturday, May 13, In Cafeteria

At a turbulent special meeting held Tuesday afternoon, April 25, the Fraternity voted unanimously to abandon their plans for an Annual Show. It was finally decided to substitute a dance on May 13, as the final Fraternity social function. Mr. Merrill addressed the club briefly upon the extent of so large an undertaking as the presentation of a successful review or minstrel.

The dance will be held on Saturday evening, May 13, at 8 o'clock in the cafeteria. Tickets will be priced at one dollar per couple and may be obtained from members of the Fraternity early next week. Andre Baron's orchestra will supply the music, and the arrangement of decorations and similar incidentals will be handled by the officers of the Fraternity.

Will Be Held In Cafeteria

The cafeteria was chosen for a setting, according to Ernest Jenkins, president of the Fraternity, in order to provide a novel effect with a minimum of expense. He further stated that the expense of adorning the large gymnasium in the past has absorbed a great share of the receipts. It is planned to improve the acoustics by erecting a special dais for the musicians.

It was decided to eliminate the traditional show because of the difficulty and expense of obtaining a suitable book, proper coaching, and a competent cast. Few of the members appeared satisfied with the minstrels presented in the past and readily agreed to the proposal by Mr. Merrill that, as little time remained in the present year, the club sponsor some simpler form of entertainment.

Invitation Meet Is Tomorrow

The Annual Port Washington Invitation Track Meet will be held tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. Oyster Bay, Manhasset, Great Neck, Glen Cove, Mineola, Farmingdale, Sea Cliff, Roslyn, Hicksville, Westbury, and Port Washington will compete.

Red Domino Cast Departs Tonight For Play Contest

'Bedroom Suite' To Defend Championship Title

The State One-Act Play Contest at Ithaca College in which Port Washington will be represented by the one-act play, "Bedroom Suite", will be held tomorrow. This play is one of Christopher Morley's and is being given to defend the championship which this school now holds. The members of the cast, Eileen Hassett, Kingsley Poynter and John Stuart, accompanied by Miss Hawthorne, will depart for Ithaca tonight, after first giving an afternoon performance in assembly.

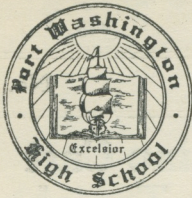
Before leaving New York, they will see "Biography", a Theatre Guild production. Saturday, morning and afternoon, elimination contests are held, during which time, the plays are judged on a basis of their presentation, acting ability and diction. The plays which are not rejected are presented again in the evening, when the final winner is announced.

For the past year Port Washington has obtained first place in these contests. The permanent possession of the trophy is earned by resuming first honors three times in succession. Last year, in addition to being awarded first place for the play, "What They Think", Charlotte Bohn was accorded chief merits for outstanding acting.

Committee For Junior Prom Selected By Class

The junior class has selected Alan Ardis, Eric Cudd, Donald Dillenbeck, Aldo Capra, Isabell DaCosta, Ross Seraphine, Mildred Dell and Harry Watson to serve on the committee for the Junior Prom to be held Friday, June 2. No definite plans as to the nature of the dance have been made as yet. The committee, however, is working on a scheme of decoration and various orchestras are being considered.

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Fratry There is little doubt that **Moves** the Fratry has chosen by **Wisely** far the most judicious course of action in voting to relinquish their plans for an Annual Show. It would have been an exceedingly dubious undertaking if they had retained their plans for a show to be given within the next month.

In the past, Fratry Shows have met with considerable criticism, and a lack of co-operation has been evinced that indicates a scepticism and indifference on the part of both the members of the Fratry and the student body as a whole. In order to present a production of a higher standard than some of the former "half-baked minstrels", it is necessary for a large cast to spend many hours in rehearsal under the direction of a competent coach; all this requires time and expenditure.

With a majority of the Fratry members engaged in spring sports and kindred activities, difficulties would be met in casting and organizing production committees. We fear the burden of the work would ultimately be forced upon a few active members with the result that their abilities would be overtaxed and their efforts offset. Mr. Merrill advanced a sound argument when he warned of the scholastic failures that are likely to result from entering upon such a project

so near the end of the year.

When one views the financial result of "Belle Lamar", a real play, coached and presented under the supervision of an experienced director, with a cast primarily interested in theatrical arts, a Fratry Show at the present time appears a decidedly unsound commercial venture. It requires money to meet the costs incidental to even the simplest production. Present conditions show little promise of any large degree of financial support.

Ho-Hum The warm spring weather has finally come, so it seems, with its summery days and flower scented breezes. The urge is strong upon us to seek some patch of greensward and give ourselves up to flower banked somnolence while the Southern breezes waft away our cares.

We must beware, however, lest this spring fever develop into a summer lethargy. Such a metamorphosis would prove fatal so near June. We must also choose our naps with care lest by abominable chance they should happen to accidentally fall into a school period. Already many unfortunates have been apprehended for these excursions into a soporific paradise and accused of that most horrible of horrible crimes, "cutting a class".

We must remember, unfortunately, most teachers are not satisfied with attendance in spirit, and require a more corporeal representation.

Gossip In Our Skule

Dear Stewdes,

Hello evrybuddy! How ar all yew lads and lassies? Wee are hoping for the best.

During thee easter vacashun Chappie reported that his gal is so dumb shee thinks noodle soup is a kind of sham-poo.

Wee also hav it on good authority thatt K. Poynter took his gal to a freak show. "Oh my," said thee sweet yung thing, "how tall is thatt African Hunter?"

"About six feet two inn hiz stalking feet," replyz Kingsley. Nise going, my boi.

Oh yes — and we hav Bill E., who rolls hiz own cigarets naow because thee Dr. sez he needs more exercise.

Also during thee vacashun Ruth M. decided thatt her favrit danse is thee elevator danse — over in thee kornur with no steps. Ah thare, Richard!

Wel, so long, and happy Friday tew yew all.

Yore servunt

S. O. L.

HIGH TIDE-INGS

The Book Club has been reviewing some of the spring books and they herewith submit this list. We hope you like it.

A Tale of Two Cities by Harry Johns

A startling expose of the L. I. R. R. Includes everything . . . dust, dirt, windows that don't open and a wistful thread of sentiment running down the track! From Manhasset to Port Washington in six exciting minutes!

Dual Personality

Two men with but a single name—and two girls who thought they were being two-timed. Who started this story?

The Training of Teachers or Are Teachers Human?

A plan to send the teachers back to normal. Includes twelve easy lessons on how to be human though educated. By the student body and published by the Port Press.

We

Flights of fancy and airy nothings by those two high flyers of romance, Jane Wile and Bob Stewart.

Wild Mustaches I Have Grown by Herbert Irwin

A young man keeps a stiff upper lip and shows that he can take it on the chin. This is a first attempt of a young author who shows promise of being another George Bernard Shaw.

When We Were Very Young

A book of delightful reminiscences. Four years of retarded growth by Walter Miller.

Invitation To The Waltz

Helpful hints on how to get one. There is beauty in the book and simple direct dialogue. He says to her:

"Wanna go?"
And she says,
Yeah!"

Ex-Cuse

An anthology of fanciful stories collected and edited by William F. Merrill. Contains some of the most fantastic alibies and daring forgeries ever offered to a man in his position.

Red Hair by the McLoughlin Twins
A burning novel of flaming youth.

Mr. Allen Confesses

A revelation, in his own words: "Every time I ran upstairs, I got all run down."

House Hunting by Miss Buckley

The trials and tribulations of an idealist who knew a lot about furniture, but nothing about a heating system.

Bridal Recipes by Doris Hancock

Ten easy lessons on how to open cans and make fudge. Youth at its best!

Impressions of a Newcomer by Fred MacNutt

A vivid portrayal of us as we really are! Biting comments delivered in a charming manner!

An Anthology of High School Verse

A collection of poems that will go down in history. Why they were published is still a mystery. Edited by

I'll be Sheehan You!

Punster Jill Is Hitched To Gold Star Record; Born In New Haven

Of course, Jill Atwood's real name is Virgilia, but when you call her that, smile. While you're smiling I'll tell you that she's the girl who made the old pun about "Are you going to hydrangea going to play?" All right, then, don't smile if you don't want to.

Although she was born in New Haven, in the shadow of the university buildings, it didn't affect her intelligence a bit. Even when she moved to Flushing, she held her own and let nothing daunt her. However, Port Washington was too much for her and she's been very busy these last eight years acquiring an education. She has attended the Port Washington schools and has one of those records with gold stars on it. Don't let that hold you off, she's really quite human.

During the past three years Jill managed to get her archery numerals, become a member of the Celerity, take an active part in the two operettas and have a glorious time. That's enough about school. Now for her "Private Life"!

"Jill," I said to her, I call her Jill, "What do you like best?" And she said to me, "Well, I still like the one about 'Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy and wealthy and healthy and wealthy.'" But I did a little sleuthing and discovered that she adores blue glass, Stoopnagle and Budd, horseback riding, blue underwear and Mark Twain.

Things have happened to the lady (loud cries of "She's no lady"). She has had numerous "affaires du coeur", has had her house robbed three times, received twelve telegrams on one trip to New York, wrote to a famous author and received a reply from a cockroach, and more.

Getting back to the subject of her name (you may well ask how!) it's a puzzle, some call her Jill, some call her Lotus, but she says, "Call me Fred".

Pan American Has New Members

Last Thursday, April 27, the Pan American Club initiated Ellen Elwell, June Collings, June Eato, Merlin De Pauw, Eric Cudd, Thomas Keates, Gosta Johansen, Dana Moran, and Gerard Mason.

Principal Reports On Study Records

Individual Charts Show Wide Variations

Mr. Merrill, speaking upon the result of the recent tabulation of study time at the last faculty meeting on April 24, said: "I have tabulated and attempted to analyze the study charts handed in by pupils. The charts were interesting and showed a great variation in the time devoted to study on certain subjects by different individuals. From the individual charts I might draw the following conclusions:

"First, there seems to be no general basis for concluding that either inferior or superior pupils study more time on any subject. In all cases good pupils reported very little time spent and others reported excessive time. In the case of the weak pupils we find exactly the same situation, with perhaps a somewhat greater variation in both directions.

"Second, the charts showed that pupils have a tendency to study at length on certain days and to do no work on others. This may indicate heavy assignments on particular days by a number of teachers and a let-up on other days, but I am inclined to believe it means that other activities are permitted to interfere with study. This is true in many cases, but the mass of charts showed that pupils study regularly and consistently as to the amount of time used.

"The summary proves that English receives the least study. It is my feeling that subjects which show an average study time, about 30 minutes per day, are well within reason. However, when the average runs 35 minutes or more, I believe we should carefully consider the situation with a view to revising the amount of required outside work.

"Using as an illustration the subjects showing the highest average study time, it was found that Book-keeping I took an average of 54 minutes per day. Of 34 pupils reporting, 17 showed 50 minutes or more per day and 4 showed over 100 minutes, while only one pupil reported less than 20 minutes preparation.

"I do not believe that this in-

Doris Hancock To Be Bride Of Kenneth W. Roethgen On Friday, May 12

Mr. and Mrs. Delos A. Hancock, of 1 Flower Hill Place, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Doris, to Mr. Kenneth W. Roethgen, of Reid Avenue. The wedding will take place in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church on Friday, May 12, at five o'clock in the afternoon.

Miss Hancock is a member of the February Class of 1933; she is a former president of the Student Council, and was active in high school dramatics. She is also a member of the local Players' Club. Mr. Roethgen is a graduate of Irving Preparatory School in Tarrytown, New York. At present he is connected with the Nassau Utilities Corporation in Roslyn.

Miss Marcia Hancock, sister of the bride-to-be, and Mr. Carl Roethgen, brother of the prospective groom, will be maid of honor and best man, respectively. David Stone, Donald MacVicar, William Newland, and Charles Durfee will usher.

The couple will make their future home with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roethgen.

Coming Attractions

Monday, May 8 — The regular home room meetings will be held.

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Tuesday, May 9 — There will be a musical assembly at 2:49. A baseball game between Port and Manhasset at Manhasset will be played.

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Wednesday, May 10 — Clubs will meet in the seventh period.

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Thursday, May 11 — The Red Domino and Council will hold their meetings.

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Friday, May 12 — There will be an assembly at 2:20. A baseball game between Port and Great Neck at Port is scheduled.

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Saturday, May 13 — The St. Paul Track Meet will be held. The Fraternity will hold a dance in the cafeteria.

Investigation leads to any important conclusions, or discloses any serious flaws in our school work. On the other hand, I have been much interested and pleased to find that there is a large degree of uniformity throughout the various departments and among the pupils."

Fratry Column

A word of advice to those who habitually make a date at the last minute. . . . It won't work for the Fratry dance because everyone is coming. If you want to take that certain someone, you will have to get on the job early.

—P—

Don Smith, the dignified senior president, has now successfully completed the first step on the road to being the namer of Pullman cars. While in Massachusetts during the Easter vacation, he got on a back road at two o'clock one morning and, since he neither knew where he was nor where he was going, he promptly named the road Columbus Boulevard in honor of another fellow who felt the same way. So, in spite of anything the natives may have to say about it, that two-rut road is now a boulevard.

—P—

They say Jack Young is now that way over a certain Miss B. Chase of Beverly Road, Douglaston.

—P—

We hear that Dix Axten pulled a terrific boner while visiting Dot Talbot's house.

"Say," remarked Dickie, "who's the dumb looking guy that drives your car around and works in the garden? I notice he always gives me a nasty look when I come in."

"Oh," casually replied Dottie, "don't mind him. That's just father."

—P—

Seated in the lunchroom the other day we overheard some fellows talking about The Port Weekly. One of them said, "The guy who writes the Fratry column sure is a wit." But on learning that two fellows wrote it, he amended his statement to, "Well, I guess that makes them half-wits."

—P—

Mr. Dimmick: Interpret the poem just read.

Thomas H.: It's too late, sir.

Mr. Dimmick: What do you mean—too late?

"Tom": Browning is dead, sir, and no one else knows.

—West Point Pointer.

CHARLES E. HYDE

Insurance

277 Main St. Port Washington

Baseball Team Loses First League Game Of Season To Mineola, 1—5

On Tuesday, Port lost the first league baseball game of the season to Mineola. The final score was 5 to 1.

Carmichael pitched for Port, with Kosofsky catching, while Jagels hurled for Mineola and Hase-mann caught. Both pitchers allowed four hits, but Jagels struck out eight men to four for Carmichael.

During the game two errors were marked against Decker for bad throws to first base. Twice he stopped the ball, but made weak throws that pulled Roufberg off the bag, letting the runner arrive safely.

In the sixth inning with a man on third base, Jagels, the Mineola pitcher, hit a home run over left center field into the debris of a construction job on the high school. The delay in getting the ball gave Jagels the run. It was agreed before the game that all balls going into this vicinity should be considered fair.

In the last inning, Port rallied and Decker scored the only run. With two down and Mallon on first, Kalinosky hit a fast grounder between first and second which hit Mallon on the foot as he made for second. This unlucky incident ended the game.

Summaries:	Runs	Hits	Errors
Port	1	4	4
Mineola	5	4	3

GIRLS' SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE

- Friends Academy, May 3, Away.
- Great Neck, May 11, Here.
- Manhasset, May 17, Away.
- Friends Academy, May 18, Here.
- Hicksville, May 23, Away.
- Great Neck, May 25, Away.
- Manhasset, June 1, Here.
- Lynbrook, June 6, Here.
- Hicksville, June 8, Here.

Every date includes archery, baseball, and tennis, except Friends Academy, which includes tennis only.

Port Defeats Manhasset In Dual Meet Thursday

Port recorded a 79-57 triumph over Manhasset in a dual track meet held on Seeber Field last Thursday. R. Patten, J. Stuart and E. Poole each took two first places for the home team. The summaries are as follows:

Junior Events

100 yd. dash: Won by Stuart, P. W.; 2nd, O'Connell, M.; 3rd, Lohler, M. Time—11.1 sec.

220 yd. dash: Won by Stuart, P. W.; 2nd, Lohler, M.; 3rd, Valkner, M. Time—26 sec.

8 lb. shotput: Won by Poole, P. W.; 2nd, O'Connell, M.; 3rd, Mason, P. W. Distance—38' 4½".

High jump: Won by Dissosway, P. W.; 2nd, O'Connell, M.; 3rd, Podstupka, M. Height—4' 8".

Broad jump: Won by Poole, P. W.; 2nd, Stuart, P. W.; 3rd, Ruggerio, M. Distance—18' 1".

830 yd. relay: Won by Port Washington (Dillenbeck, Mason, Poole, Stuart). Time—1 min. 49 sec.

Senior Events

100 yd. dash: Won by Patten, P. W.; 2nd, Eato, P. W.; 3rd, Butler, M. Time—10.4 sec.

200 yd. dash: Won by Patten, P. W.; 2nd, Butler, M.; 3rd, Pollen, M. Time—25.3 sec.

440 yd. dash: Won by McGinnis, M.; 2nd, Gatti, M.; 3rd, Anderson, M. Time—57.6 sec.

880 yd.: Won by Blumberg, P. W.; 2nd, Chinse, M.; 3rd, Aleck, M. Time—2 min. 16 sec.

Mile: Won by Chinse, M.; 2nd, Suydam, P. W.; 3rd, Bruning, M. Time—5 min. 3 sec.

High jump: Won by Mallon, P. W.; 2nd, tied for by Brower and Blumberg, P. W. Height—5' 1".

Broad jump: Won by Ruggerio, M.; 2nd, Piatti, M.; 3rd, Thompson, P. W. Distance—17' 7".

Pole vault: Tie for first between Blumberg and Erb of P. W.; 3rd, Cotsonas, M. Height—8 ft.

880 yd. relay: Won by Manhasset. Time—1 min. 43 sec.

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