

## 'Times Post' Service Citations Received

### Well Known Personalities Speak In Auditorium

The Port Washington Times-Post awarded its community service medals to Miss Harriet B. Littig, Mr. William F. Hewitt, and Mr. Paul Van Bodegraven, at the Port Washington Senior High Auditorium last Friday evening, April 23, with an audience of about 150 attending.

Miss Littig has been associated with the Village Welfare Society for over ten years, while Mr. Hewitt has rendered meritorious service as the ambulance driver and fire fighter of Port Washington. Mr. Van Bodegraven's association and outstanding achievement with the school and its students has been the basis for his receiving the medal.

#### Many Famous Speakers

Albert R. Beatty introduced the speakers at the presentation. Previous to this an informal dinner was held at the Knickerbocker Yacht Club. Among those who spoke were the Hon. Harry F. Guggenheim, former ambassador to Cuba, Mrs. Caroline O'Day, United States Representative-at-large from New York State since 1934, and Mr. Gabriel Heatter, noted and well known radio commentator.

Mr. Heatter brought out the importance of the people with community spirit who form the backbone of the nation. Mrs. O'Day's experiences, some of which she related, have shown her the importance of community workers and made her sympathize with the idea of presenting the medals to the unselfish members of the community. The medals were presented by Mr. Guggenheim.

Members of the Celerity acted as ushers and the high school orchestra played the first movement from Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony," national choice number, and "Gypsy Baron Overture", by Strauss, National Contest required number, as a part of the program.

## Pantomime Classes Give Dance Recital

### Jazz Symphony Is Base Of Joint Program

The Pantomime classes are joining the dramatics classes in presenting a dance recital on Friday evening, May 14, in the Senior High School auditorium. The admission price will be twenty-five cents.

An entirely new and original dance drama based on the jazz symphony "Metropolis" by Ferdie Grofe will be featured. This is an attempt to portray twelve hours in the life of a city during which the various elements of a metropolis are seen against a background of skyscrapers. Maziq, Berna Deane Purgett, and Joe, Ernie Dahl, the lovers, are victims of an underworld plot. Fred Porcelli will be seen as the Masher. An amplifying system will be used for the accompanying music which will be a recording of Paul Whiteman and his orchestra. The "Metropolis" is divided into four parts: dawn, morning, afternoon in Central Park, and evening in Chinatown.

The first part is composed of diversifications. A Vales by Cerensky accompanied by a two piano arrangements played by Miss Legro and Miss Merriam will be the first number in this group. Other numbers include; "Monkey Business" accompanied by percussion music; "Deep Deep Down," accompanied by music composed by Saint-Saens; and "Echoes from an Old Ballroom" with music by Straus.

### Spring Sports Schedule

May 3—Junior High; Senior High; Baseball.  
May 5 — Westbury; Westbury; Baseball.  
May 10—Manhasset; Port; Baseball, Tennis, Archery.  
May 17—Hicksville; Port; Baseball, Tennis, Archery.  
May 19—Manhasset; Port; Baseball, Tennis, Archery.  
May 24—Baldwin; Port; Baseball, Archery.  
May 24—Baldwin; Port; Baseball, Tennis, Archery.  
May 26—Rockville Center; Rockville C.; Baseball, Tennis, Archery.  
May 28—Friends' Academy; Port; Tennis.

## Students Of School Observe Youth Week

### Teachers' Positions Held By Class Students

Port Washington High School observed National Youth Week yesterday, April 29. For several years there has been one week set aside throughout the country so that the young people might learn more about the administration of their towns and communities.

This year two pupils were sent to Mineola to participate in the activities of the county. Barbara Stimson and Ernest Dahl were chosen by the students to represent them. Barbara was Deputy County Treasurer and Ernie acted in the capacity of Nassau County Police Chief.

#### Stan Smith Superintendent

The school was run by the students as far as it was possible. By vote of the pupils Stanley Smith was made Superintendent and Robert Kunz was chosen to act as Principal. Two members of the commercial classes were chosen to act as the school secretary and clerk. Classes were also conducted throughout the day by the students. Even the homerooms were put in charge of the pupils.

In addition to the activities in the school, any teacher who thought it would be valuable in connection with a particular class to visit different places during the day could arrange for the group to go. Twenty pupils were sent on one trip to the power house to observe how power is generated to their homes.

### Sophomore Class Plans Sightseeing Expedition

On June 5 the Sophomore Class is planning a visit to the City of New York to inspect the various points of interest in and about the city. As the paper goes to press approximately one hundred students have signed up for the trip together with eight teachers.

This entertaining and educational trip will start at eight o'clock in the morning from the high school and return the same evening. The group will visit the most important places of interest, some of which are the Stock Exchange, the Federal Reserve Bank, The Statue of Liberty, Chinatown, the Weather Bureau, The Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the Hayden Planetarium, the National Broadcasting Studios, and other places too numerous to mention. After all the visiting and inspecting is completed, those who are able will go to the well known Spanish Garden Restaurant for dinner and dancing.

Any Sophomore who has not signed up for the trip is urged to contact his homeroom teacher so that arrangements may be made early. The whole trip will cost two dollars per person. Further details will be published in forthcoming issues of The Port Weekly.

## Nineteen Cars Convey Band Musicians To State Band Contest At Elmira

### Band Will Be Required To Play and Sightread Pieces; Soloists, Ensembles, Quintets Will Also Participate

By Malcolm Lowry

Early this morning the last of the cars carrying members of the band and their enthusiastic parents left Port Washington for the State Music Contest at Elmira, N. Y. Three of the nineteen private cars making the trip left yesterday morning to enable eleven members to compete in the solo contests which

are being held today. Except for a few that left after school yesterday the remaining cars left this morning hoping to reach Elmira in the afternoon. The band will make its headquarters at the Hotel Langwell in Elmira, and will stay there Friday and Saturday nights.

#### Band Plays Tonite

Tonight the band will take part in the Class A Band Contest. At 7:30 in the South Side School Auditorium, it will play its warming up march, required number, and choice number before Mr. Austin Harding, the judge. This year it will also have to do sight-reading as a part of the contest. Numbers which it has never seen before will be placed before the band, and it will be required to play them. Some of the other schools with which Port Washington will compete are the Poughkeepsie H. S. Band, the Port Chester H. S. Band, the Hornell H. S. Band and the band of Aquinas Institute of Rochester. Results of the Class A Band Contest will not be known until late Friday evening.

Saturday the ensemble contests will be held and the band will listen to groups from other schools play. In the early afternoon a mass band will be formed from all the bands entering the contests. Under the direction of A. A. Harding it will play several favorite marches and stage a parade in Elmira. This mass band will take from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. when the contests for bands and orchestras of other classes will be resumed.

#### 11 Soloists Entering

Soloists entering the contests from this school are William Bailey, Ruth Guilford, John Smith, and Drina Rich, clarinet; Suzanne Trussell, flute; Harriett de Pauw, oboe; Harry Helfrich, bassoon; William Griffes, tuba; Michael de Leo, horn; Howard Smith, trombone; and William Bischof, drums. The clarinet, woodwind, trombone and horn quartets will enter ensemble competitions.

A. A. Harding, the band judge, is director of the famous Illinois Band. Mr. Pierre Henrotte of the Ernest Williams School of Music will judge orchestra contests and ensembles.

Besides the members of the band, Mary West will make the trip as an award for the large number of orchestra pledges she collected in the Port Washington News Contest.

### Traffic Squad Dinner Set For May 6 In Cafeteria

Mr. Brown, the Traffic Squad adviser, was in charge of the Traffic Squad meeting last week at which several important matters were discussed.

At the meeting it was decided to hold the First Annual Traffic Squad Dinner on May 6, in the cafeteria, at a cost which will be suitable to its members.

Two committees have been appointed and are under the direction of Jean Smith. The refreshment committee is composed of Jane Cole, William Buschmann, and James Rinehart. The entertainment committee is made up of Robert Kunz, Ruth Guilford, and John Keaney.

Several speakers have been invited to speak at this banquet but as the Port Weekly goes to press no invitations have been accepted.

## Two Port Students Receive Art Awards

### Chester Jasinski Wins Four Honors By His Work

Out of about 2,000 people who entered the Tenth Annual Scholastic Exhibit of Creative Arts and Crafts, sponsored by Scholastic, the national school weekly, Chester Jasinski was the recipient of four honors, Beatrice Talmadge, one. They are Chester Jasinski: the place of alternate for an Art Scholarship; Honorable Mention, Advertising Art, Prize, Prang Tempera Color Set; Honorable Mention, George Bellows Memorial Award, Prize, \$2.50; and three places in the Art Exhibit; no prize; and Beatrice Talmadge; a place in the Art Exhibit; no prize. Willy Knudsen also entered this year's contest.

#### Chance For Scholarship

An informal dinner was held at the West Side Y. M. C. A. last Monday evening for the Scholastic Awards winners and faculty advisers. Among the young people there who have distinguished themselves in art, literature, and music were Hansford Martin, seventeen year old poet; Francis Danovic, sixteen year old painter; Betty Jean Crawford, brilliant young composer. Miss Edith Allison and Chester Jasinski were present from our school.

Scholastic Awards does not confine itself to honoring the student creative work in Arts and Crafts alone. For thirteen years it has been giving national recognition and cash prizes amounting to thousands of dollars to students who distinguish themselves in the writing of poetry, plays, short stories, and essays. This year, for the first time, it added a music division. Eighteen scholarships to America's best known art schools are among the prizes. Above that, they offered a chance for the winners to exhibit or publish their work which leads to early recognition and encouragement, which would otherwise be impossible.

Their entries will remain on exhibit in the fine arts galleries of Carnegie Institute until May 9, when the show will travel throughout the country on a tour.

The student achievement number of the Scholastic, written by the students and containing reproductions of student Art work will be out this week. It goes to 7,500 high schools in the United States, in which the students are eagerly awaiting the announcements of the prizes.

### Orchestra Fund Complete

The \$1,000 fund to send the school orchestra to Columbus has been completed, according to a report issued by Miss Rosemary Sheehan, chairman of the Port Washington News Committee, this week.

This fund has been realized through the efforts of the band and orchestra, their parents, and the townspeople of Port Washington, together with the Port Washington News, town newspaper, which sponsored the campaign.



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The Spyglass

By Tom Elliston

Nina Cox is bidding "Auf Wiedersehen" to her friends and fellow countrymen today and sailing for the Coronation. "Bon Voyage," Nina, we will be waiting for Coronation news and sidelights.

After the Saturday night performance, Bill Buschman was the host to three of the cast of "Braid and Brass Buttons." Charlie (X) Lincoln showed up with B. D. Purgett, while Bill horned in on a well known trombone player and was with a very lovely lady from Huntington Road.

We have heard nothing but cheers for the Varsity Club's party last Saturday night. The attending folks said the eats and the music were swell. There were several unusual combinations there; Johnny Carlson and Frank Mullon went all the way to Ivy Road and Brought the Rich sisters; Mary West came along with the Senior Class president; and Marjorie Wheeler was with Jack Wilson. Poor Jack had on a new suit that was a bit noisy and he hasn't yet recovered from the razzing everybody gave him.

Why Pussy Markland denied that he was out with Mildred Lang on both Friday and Saturday night when we asked him? Everybody in town knows he was.

Several of our girls went to New Jersey for the week-end to some college conference. On one of the nights the college held an informal dance where there were both stags and stagettes. So all the visiting girls decided to go. Most of the girl visitors got dates for the following night, but the Port Washington girls got dates for next year in case any one of them attends the college they were visiting.

One day last week after track practice, a bunch of fellows were in the showers, including your correspondent, Lang and Voeglin asserted that they could write a better column than the one appearing in this space. No doubt but that they could; however, instead of talking about it why don't they come into The Port Weekly room some Monday afternoon and write one. The Spyglass will gladly move out if THEY can write one any better.

Congratulations to the Band for the swell concert that they gave us last Thursday night. We think Johnny Anderson should get paid double dose of "congrats" for the swell way he handled his recitation.

Two of our better known fellow inmates were walking down Main Street the other evening during one of our April showers. Neither one of them had on a raincoat and they were drenched to the skin. In their mouths they had big cigars that hadn't had the cellophane removed, the cigars were lighted though. Finally one of them stopped in the middle of the street and said, "Shall we take the cellophane off yet?" the other one looked at it and asked, "Why, has it stopped raining?" P. S. joke.



THE QUESTION

What do you think of Youth Week? Doris Fenton immediately answered: "I like it because besides giving students a chance to officiate it helps in training to become a teacher."

Miss Stierle replied: "I think it would be of great value if only the pupils would take the responsibility seriously and learn something from it."

Henry Frost insinuated: "It's great if a girl is acting as teacher you can get girls to forget about teaching."

Lucy Bullard said quizzically: Youth Week will certainly give students a chance to get back at the teacher."

Richard Croucher orated eloquently: "Fine! Because it serves for the improvement and betterment, in an educational way, of the future citizens of our country."

Margot Anderson: "It's swell because it provided good material for this column."

Small Seats Hinder Mental Progress Of Growing Students

Sophs, Juniors, Seniors Are Affected

By Charles Lincoln

Many of us can remember the time when we were being fed cod liver oil, potatoes, pills, spinach and other stuff to make us into big, strong children. The furniture with which we had to live at the time was adjusted to suit our growing needs. The day finally came when we had to go to school and, on entering the kindergarten, we found the seats were comfortable and we were able to move around without much restriction.

Being good specimens of modern education in child training, we continued to grow in height and width. Unfortunately the school seats did not grow in proportion. Somehow we managed to get through the grades without much trouble, although at times we squirmed around until our teachers wondered what was the matter with us.

Knee Balance Acquired

Those of us who developed the ability to balance desks on our knees, and stick our feet under the seat in front of us, forgot our physical discomforts and looked for new worlds to conquer.

Junior High served to introduce us to new and broader social adjustments and during this formative period the boys discovered the girls were not such bad sports and the girls appreciated partners for the movies. Every one anticipated the broader freedom of the High School atmosphere.

But what is the fate of a newcomer to this institution who is full of new ideas and wishes to expand to fit his new surroundings. He is given a slight opportunity at mental expansion, but is suppressed into silence by a succession of seats which continually remind him that he is not free to do as he wishes.

Sophs Ascend Ladder

Graduating one step up the ladder, the Soph becomes a Junior and enters a new and seemingly better situation. He is given the privilege of semi-self expression, which is as far as it ever goes, and finds he is between two fires—not being in the immediate scheme of things, and knowing better than to attempt to be.

This brings about the first real adjustment. He suddenly becomes more complacent, more methodical, and keeps his opinions to himself. He finally enters a state of passive resistance.

This is proper preparation for the last or Senior year. The Senior enjoys the same old setting, and the seats have not grown any larger, though the boy or girl has.

In this tight fit, the pupil makes new resolutions about studying and regular application to his job. Sometimes he keeps them.

Seniors Become 'Students'

The last half of the Senior year rolls around and overnight, the pupil changes to a "Student," realizing by this time, that he is the only one responsible if he fails. He might have reached this decision earlier had he not been cramped in more ways than one.

Therefore, the majority of the Senior class recommends that the architects and committee in charge of plans for the new school take one week to sit in the largest seats in the Junior and Soph classrooms, and keep their reactions in mind when the new plans are drawn.

Pressure should be mental, not physical, and you can't keep your mind busy with history and math when it hurts to sit down.

Bob W.: "Frank, I'm broke. Can you lend me some money?"

Frank S.: "I guess so. Here's a penny. Tell me how you fell so low"

Bob W.: "I had your fault I was too generous"

—Wall Street Journal.

According to our department of statistics, if the number of people who are continually grouching instead of being cheerful, were laid end to end, it would not be a bad idea.

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Band On To Higher Goals

This morning the National Championship High School Band for Class B left Port Washington to compete in the State Contest to be held at Elmira, New York. The Band this year will enter Class A Competition for the first time.

The reason for the band's entering into the Class A field is to give the members of the band more experience in competing with bands from schools larger than ours. It is also entering the contest with the better bands to give those bands entered in Class B a better chance to win a contest.

This may sound like downright conceit to some person, ignorant of the facts. Any band, which has won the state contest for three years in a row with the nearest competitor three ratings away and has won the national contest in its class, is certainly good enough to enter into higher competition.

Consider the bands from other towns and cities, on hearing of the withdrawal of the champion band. Naturally, the director of those bands will endeavor to outclass the other bands in that class now that there is a chance of winning the contest.

So, besides giving the members of the band a chance to enter in higher competition and thus better their musical educations, the band's entering of Class A contest has furthered the cause of music by giving other bands a chance to really produce some good music in opposition to those which regularly enter the contest with virtually no hope of winning.

Assembly Program Today

The assembly program today will consist of a talk sponsored by the Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School. Miss Grace Hayward, the placement secretary, will speak on the topic, "Capitalizing Personal Aptitudes."

A Port Profile

This week we have an "up-stater" to work on. Our subject is Ruth Loomis who was born in Norwood, New York.

When Ruth was nine she deserted the provincial life for the more urban existence at Hempstead. It seems her sister was a teacher there and little Ruthie just tagged along. A year later the elder Loomis obtained a position teaching in Port Washington and so Ruth's advent.

In Junior High Miss Loomis was interested chiefly in the Girls' Glee Club. It was through her interest in singing that she was a member of the cast of the operetta, "Pinafore." Oh yes, she was a worker on The Port Junior and in the ninth grade served as its Literary Editor.

Then came High School. As a sophomore, Ruth signed up for dramatics and became so involved that her only activity outside of stage crew was working on the Port Weekly.

But when her Junior year came, Miss Loomis decided to make her time her own and so branched out in other lines of development. First, she became a member of the Celerity and then, being a glutton for punishment, Ruth again "went out" for dramatics; but this time she aspired to be the actress. After marked success in "L", "Blue Bird" and "Cradle Song," she was rewarded with membership in the "Red Domino."

As a senior, Ruth became Feature Editor of the Port Weekly and then, branching out in the athletic line, became Soccer Manager. Her aptitude for learning must be above average for Ruth was made a member of the Circle and, in fact, is graduating sixth in the class.



5 Years Ago: Charlotte Bohn was elected May Queen; France Cornell, crown.

The operetta, "Pirates of Penzeance" was presented under the direction of Miss Hawthorne and Mr. Paul Bergan.

4 Years Ago: The band and orchestra participated in the first public school contest, sponsored by the New York Music Week Association at Rockville Center

Port recorded a 79-57 triumph over Manhasset in a dual track meet held here. R. Patten, J. Stuart, and E. Poole each took two first places for the home team.

2 Years Ago: The German Band led by James Rinehart won first place at the amateur contest held recently at the Knickerbocker Yacht Club. Those who played in the band were William and Edward Bailey, Kenneth Morrison, Charles Kingsley, and Raymond Mazur.

Dorothy Suydam won first prize in a poster contest, sponsored by the Port Washington Play Troupe for "As Husbands Go." Theodore Urban won second prize, and Marjorie Griffes received Honorable Mention.

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Walter McQuade Student Editor

# The Port Junior

## HOME ROOM HAPPENINGS

I'm the editor's best girl, "Friday," so I'll have to endeavor to do justice to his column as well as to extend to him my deepest sympathy and best wishes for his speedy recovery from an acute attack of spring fever. (Some opening sentence, huh?) I guess he got this spring fever as a result of too much meditation and concentration in open and desolate fields of school gossip.

And ssssooooo, as I was ambling down the corridor the other day hunting for inspiration I bumped into:

Betty O'Brien, who was wearing Bill Ames' scout ring (if that means anything) AND Doreen Dendieval, armed with sheaf upon sheaf of paper and wearing a frown. (Have you seen Doreen's poetry in Mr. Brennan's room? AND Mr. Monprode, sporting a flashy medal presented to him by a group of 9A admirers. (He's a good sport, isn't he?)

AND Natalie Porter, with a plaster cast on her arm. The cast has just scads of signatures inscribed on it. Have you signed up yet?

AND Eddie Bailey, towing a clarinet (He has such a concentrated look hasn't he?)

AND Joey Zaremba, grinning as usual, Bob Finlay, snakes wrapped about his arm, headed for Miss Armer's room. Eddie Eager with his mouth full of gum, chewing rhythmically and happily. Ah, dear old school days! Saw Charlotte Griffes not long after that and she stated that her mind was definitely occupied with higher education. (Meaning something or someone in high school, I presumed.) Then along came Mr. Johnson with that million dollar smile and a cheery, "Hello"—About that time I decided I'd done enough corridor-gallivanting in quest of news copy. No wonder dear Walter (Buddy, to his public) says he's getting gray hair.

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It seems that Billy Blum stuck a sword into Buell Kingsley's back the other day, nothing serious however. And say, have you heard about Harold Johnson's poetry? Why Harold!

I've heard that Bobby Brett officially greeted the spring season the other night at Mary Church's house. And—it has come to me that Mr. Hulbert has worked up quite a reputation for collecting pins. Of course, Mildred Teta gives him quite a bit of competition. It seems he wanted one that she had and he GOT it too.

I've heard the staff "razzing" Harold Johnson and Jean Walker because they never hand in any homeroom news—so—the only thing the home rooms can do is to make them abdicate, now isn't that so?

AND would you believe it? Richard Kirkup won the tall story contest in Miss Armer's room the other day. You just can't judge a book by its cover, now can you?

The Spelling Bee in Miss Mallon's homeroom got so strenuous that Nick Fasano had to sit down to rest every once in a while, and while we're on the subject—Nick seems to be looking for a new homeroom. Miss Mallon is about to evict him—Anyone like to adopt a nice little boy like Nick?

Room 306 had a grand program on birds last week. Miss Rees is starting an Audubon Society. Want to join? See Miss Rees.

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That was Miss Moon, a visiting teacher who attended the dinner given by the ninth grade in Miss Patterson's department last Tuesday—Mr. Johnson was there too. Wish I could cook—Then, the 8A Hostess class threw a tea on Thursday. Among those sipping the delicacy were: Mrs. Levine, Miss Armer, Miss Carey, Mr. Ryeck, and Mr. Johnson—no one ever invites ME—Seems to me there should be some arrangement around here so that a society reporter would be invited to all these affairs as a member of the press—I'll make a note of that—

Spring hit Mrs. Levine's classes pretty hard, the poems and essays on that topic are good to listen to—And the flower calendar in the 8A homeroom is

## PTA Sponsors Movie Telling Story Of Life Behind Scenes In Circus

### Pupils Invited To Show May 11 At High School

Under the joint auspices of the Parent-Teacher Associations of Port Washington, a motion picture, "Through The Back Door Of The Circus" will be presented by George Brinton Beale at 3:30 on Tuesday afternoon, May 11 in the Senior High school auditorium.

Photographed in natural colors with sound effects, this picture shows the circus "backstage" and the lives and work of the circus performers. Mr. Beale is dramatic critic of "The Boston Sunday Post" and is a recognized authority on "the circus."

#### General Chairmen

Mrs. Cedric Crowell and Mrs. Carl Ruroede are general chairmen in charge of all arrangements for the show. Posters advertising it are on both bulletin boards. Prices are set at 10 and 25 cents.

It is expected that the junior high pupils will attend the performance not only to enjoy a good show, but also to lend support to the mothers who are interested in making the affair a financial and social success. Further details will be published in next week's paper.

## Youth Week Observed In Junior High School

### Pupils Replace Teachers; Bob Bessell, Principal

"Youth Week", which is celebrated annually throughout the country, was observed on Thursday this week in junior high. The teachers were replaced by students who taught and presided over all classes. The position of principal was taken over for the day by the president of the council, Bob Bessell.

President of the band, Eddy Bailey and Angelo Manso directed the band in a portion of the band practice Thursday morning. The rest of the time was devoted to tryouts.

Mary Church replaced Miss Godfrey as librarian for the day, and Germana Bruni was in charge of the cafeteria.

## Movie Stills Exhibited In Junior High Library

In the library there are several interesting stills of some of our current pictures. Gary Cooper is shown in the "Plainsman" and Luise Rainer and Paul Muni in "The Good Earth." There is also a still of Ganet Gaynor in "A Star is Born". Miss Godfree is expecting additions to these among which is "Romeo and Juliet" starring Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard.

Some of us often wonder how cartoons are made. Now is your chance to see. Three plates of Paul Terry's "Terry Toons" are shown. A trip to the library is worth while this week.

beautiful to gaze upon—And then there are more quiz quests—Tony Contino, and Trento Colini are right there on that stuff—Margaret Dumpson and some others put on a play that same day too—But to get a real treat, you should see Bob Bessell play tick, tack, toe—Irene Hope is good at it too.

Davie Sprague has a blonde passenger on his bike these days and the same informant tells me that Bobby B. escorts Jacqueline Eldridge right up to the front door—

Well, I've done my best—If the dear editor doesn't think this is so hot, he'll have to snap out of it and write his own column next week. Don't mind me—I only work on the staff—So does everyone else.

## Committees Are Appointed To Make Plans For May Festival To Be Staged May 12

### Research Shows That Many Ancient Peoples Also Welcomed Spring With Pageants

By Shirley Lawton

Since every girl in junior high is all agog with preparations for the coming May Festival, it is well to consider the background and history of celebrations in May.

## Squad Leaders Choose Their Baseball Teams

### Intersquad And Outside Games Are Scheduled

Boys' baseball squads were chosen last week, and two squad games were scheduled during this week, but too late to make this edition. The following pitchers chose squads in the order listed: F. Doyle, C. Starin, G. Poole, B. Schauer and S. Gloucester, Francis



which competed in the Class B music scholarship last year and the state championship First in Class A competition at the

## Scholarship Awards Affected By Marks

### Proposed Change Offered For Bogart Candidates

The revision of the high school marking system in Sept. 1936 made certain changes and new interpretations of the basis of choice of Bogart Scholarships candidates. In a report to Supt. P. D. Schriber, Mr. Merrill advised the following:-

In September 1936 the Senior High School adopted "SLEEP HILL AHEAD." At corners a sign might say, "DANGEROUS INTERSECTION" or "MERGING TRAFFIC." If the traffic squad would agree we might hang signs on them saying, "KEEP RIGHT." Other signs might be, "NO U TURN," "SPEED LIMIT 15 MILES PER HOUR," or "WE LOVE OUR CHILDREN, DRIVE CAREFULLY." By Mr. Johnson's office a sign might be posted saying "CAUTION! SPEED TRAP."

Perhaps the traffic squad might hand out tickets to unruly citizens. These are my suggestions. Maybe you have others.

## Special Matinee Planned For "Romeo and Juliet"

The management of the Beacon has announced that a special matinee will be held for the "Romeo and Juliet" performance on May 18, if the pupils are interested in attending. Prices will be 10 and 20 cents.

### Hurray!

The 7A's in Miss Palmer's homeroom have been celebrating the fact that they've had the banking banner for two weeks. They wrested it from Miss Mandigo's 7B homeroom. Ha, Late reports show that Miss Mandigo's room have the record again!

### Marks Close Today

Marks close today. It is expected that report cards will be issued next Thursday, May 6.

Spring is a season which is always welcome. It brings warmth and sunshine to those who have wearied of cold wintry winds.

The ancient Greeks and Romans had a springtime celebration dedicated to Flora, the goddess of flowers. By holding a festival in her honor they hoped to please her so that she might grant them rich harvests. They gathered flowers and decorated the temples in her honor.

In England the May festival is one of the most important seasons of the year. Shakespeare said in one of his plays, "It is impossible to make the people sleep on May morning."

Today this is still true. Every one gets up very early in the morning even the king and queen—and goes into the woods to come back laden with a large tree which they set up in the center of the village for the "maypole." This pole is set in the ground firmly, for it often remains for a year or so. Then—the great event of the English day—dancing around the may pole. Surrounding the may pole little booths and arbors are often built. Everything is decorated with flowers and streamers. Baskets of flowers are hung on door-knobs as we send Valentines and Christmas cards.

### May Day in America

Today in this country there are many May Day celebrations. Games are held in city parks, and May Pole dances are enjoyed by large crowds. Our school, in following out this custom, hopes to express a lovely welcome to Spring. The present date set for the Festival is May 12.

Preparations are going forward rapidly. Mrs. Nicoll has chosen Marjorie Hall and Marion Harper to portray the parts of the Queen's Mother and the King.

Several committees have been appointed. They are as follows: Costumes; Simone Watkins, Martha Voight, and Irene Hope; Music; Sally Redfield and June Thompson. Barbara Riggs is in charge of properties while Ann Hartell, Jean Starkweather will arrange the program.

Advertising is in charge of Jacqueline Eldridge, and Betsy Franklin is acting in advisory capacity for all of the committees.

## Invention of Name For Port Junior Readers Proves Inspirational

By EVERITT HEHN

So we're interliterators are we? The idea, oh well, its a nice name. I suppose congratulations or somethin' are in order for Mr. Brubaker and Walter Patrick McQuade. Thank you, gentlemen.

I remember many years ago when I had occasion to invent something. It took me many a day and many a nite to think this up. But it struck me with a deafening roar which only thunder can create. Fact is that was what I invented. Yes, I invented thunder. Oh, not just plain ordinary thunder, oh no, but a very special thunder.

This thunder (Patent applied for) was for people who didn't like the the sound of thunder. This thunder, instead of frightening people it merely puts them to sleep. You see, this thunder when it saw a person who was afraid of it, would turn into a beautiful tinkle.

This invention met the sad fate which befall all my inventions. The trouble? Well, you see, it was deaf and because of this it couldn't distinguish between the tinkle and the roar. It went crazy from worrying whether it was giving the proper noise

# Port Track Team Swamps Farmingdale

## Blue & White Squad Takes Nine First Places

The Port Washington High School Track Team inaugurated its 1937 Track Season last Monday by easily defeating the Track Team of Farmingdale in a dual meet on the local track. The final score was 62½ to 32½. The Blue and White winged footers put on a surprising display of speed as they easily took nine first places to the visitors' two.

Farmingdale's two first places occurred in the 220 yard hurdles when Ray Enners crossed the line in 29 seconds and again when Paul Wilson easily won the 880 yard run in 2 minutes 8 seconds.

Constituting the field event winners were John Carlson in the shot put with a heave of 44 feet 2 inches; Joe Lamberti and Frank Markland tied for first place in the high jump at 5 feet 2 inches. Lamberti took the pole vault with the height of 9 feet 6 inches, and Jack Osborne captured the broad jump with 19 feet 3 inches.

### Hooper Wins 440

The quarter mile run saw John Hooper come up from third place to win in the good time of 58.2 seconds. Hooper stumbled up to the line and fell across on his face. Everett Baldwin and Henry Frost took second and third place respectively. Baldwin and Frost had seesawed the lead in the backstretch until Hooper burst through at the finish. Bob Lang and Billy Effertz, both injured, Lang with a pulled tendon, and Effertz with a sprained back, ran inspiring races. Lang took second place in the century and later fought against the painful tendon in his leg in the relay. Effertz won the 220 yard dash and ran the last leg in the relay winning it decisively.

Wednesday was the day of a second invasion of a spiked shoe outfit when the Team of Hicksville journeyed here for the second dual meet for the local tracksters. The early printing date was unable to be met for the result of this meet.

The summary of the events is as follows:

### Track Events

100 yard dash—won by Ken Morrison; second, Bob Lang; third, Roy Davidson (F); time 11.2 seconds. 220 yard dash—won by Bill Effertz; second, Gene Cognard (F); third, Bob Kunz; time 23.2 seconds. 220 yard hurdle—won by Roy Enners (F); second, Eddie Farrelly; third, Herb Cavanaugh (F); time, 2.9. 440 yard run—won by John Hooper; second, Everett Baldwin (F); third, Henry Frost; time, 58.2. 880 yard run—won by Paul Wilson (F); second, James Shakespeare; third, Ray Enners (F); time, 2:08 minutes. Mile run—won by Lee Mehan; second, Jacob Kopitch (F); third, Eddie Farrelly; time, 5:08 minutes. 880 yard relay—won by Port (Morrison, Lang, Kunz, Effertz); time, 1:40:00.

Pole Vault—won by Joe Lamberti; second, Carl Holland (F); third, tie between Harold Poole and Chandler Berdahl (F); height 9' 6". High jump—tie for first place between Joe Lamberti and Frank Markland, and tie for third place between Ritz (F) and Wilcox (F); height 5' 2". Broad jump—won by Jack Osborne; second, Herb Cavanaugh (F); third, Kenny Morrison; distance 19' 3". Shot put—won by John Carlson; second, Paul Wilson (F); third, Norman Swan; distance 44' 2".

## Retort Holds Initiation Of Twelve New Members

Last Wednesday evening at seven o'clock the Retort sponsored its second semi-annual initiation in the Physics Laboratory. Twelve new members were taken into the honor organization of extended scientific education. A committee, under the supervision of Mr. Edward Pickett, the faculty adviser, composed of A. Johnson, B. Kirkup, J. Wilson, W. Davidson, and T. Duff, was in charge of the ceremonies.

Those who were initiated are: C. Lincoln, J. McKenna, R. Bralla, T. Jones, W. Lawrence, M. Lowry, J. Wilkie, D. Wright, D. Rodgers, M. Deleo, C. Griffes, and S. Smith.

# S-P-O-R-T-S

By Mike De Leo

The tennis team got off to a bad start against St. Paul's on Thursday, April 22. St. Paul's won four out of five matches but the last two were incomplete. Rain halted the doubles matches when Rundle and Wright, playing second doubles were leading Bennet and Thomas by the score of 6-3, 3-1. Adams and Wood had lost the first set of their match, 6-4, against Leiser and Clapp before the rain started.

Coach Brown tried an unsuccessful experiment of breaking up the veteran team of Kunz and De Leo, and had them play third and first singles, respectively. Hartley, of varsity basketball fame, played first singles for St. Paul's. He had little trouble in disposing of De Leo 6-1, 6-0. Hartley played a smooth game and varied it with chops and deep corner drives.

"Misty" Campbell, playing second singles, also ran into serious difficulty against Fairing who was slightly better. "Misty" was defeated in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1. Bob Kunz met defeat at the hands of McDermott 6-0, 6-1.

The newly formed doubles team of Rundle and Wright won the only match of the day against Bennet and Thomas 6-3, 3-1. The second set was called off on account of rain. Incidentally Rundle was not in the singles list because of a slump during the recent practices, but when back in form he will strengthen the singles list. Doug Wright, a new-comer to the squad will bear watching, for he played a fine game. The other doubles team of Adams and Wood lost the first set 6-4.

By Bernice Calvelli

Only two weeks are left before Port's first meet. The girls would have had sufficient time to polish up, but that usual and provocative thing called weather stepped in and the last few practice days have been either rainy, windy, or cold.

Badminton, that very popular sport, has attracted all the gym classes to its fold. Since discovering that this game is an excellent reducing method, the girls all flock to play it.

The baseball team encounters the Junior High team this Monday. Although the team is essentially the same as last year, practices have been few and far between. It remains to be seen what the Blue and White can do this year.

"Anne" Edgar, who only played baseball in the streets on summer nights, is now baseball manager and has digested two rule books in order to be one ahead of the players. Her arm, however, rises and falls like a veteran's on all strikes and balls.

Ruthie was a teacher there sister was tagged along. A year later the elder Loomis obtained a position teaching in Port Washington and so Ruth's advent.

In Junior High Miss Loomis was interested chiefly in the Girls' Glee Club. It was through her interest in singing that she was a member of the cast of the operetta, "Pinafore." Oh yes, she was a worker on The Port Junior and in the ninth grade served as its Literary Editor.

Then came High School. As a sophomore, Ruth signed up for dramatics and became so involved that her only activity outside of stage crew was working on the Port Weekly.

But when her Junior year came, Miss Loomis decided to make her time her own and so branched out in other lines of development. First, she became a member of the Celerity and then, being a glutton for punishment, Ruth again "went out" for dramatics; but this time she aspired to be the actress. After marked success in "L", "Blue Bird" and "Cradle Song," she was rewarded with membership in the "Red Domino."

As a senior, Ruth became Feature Editor of the Port Weekly and then, branching out in the athletic line, became Soccer Manager. Her aptitude for learning must be above average for Ruth was made a member of the "Red Domino" and in fact is graduating sixth.

At bat the Port boys were also tops in handling the willow. They gathered 8 hits and in one way or another came plenty of opportunities for base running. The Green and Red pitcher was Gonsowski who lasted but six frames. He was a bit mild at times but had a fine field to back him up; he survived many bad situations. Miller, who was the Cover's back stop and chief batsman, polled two powerful line drives over the sportstop's head. Zisk, the firstbaseman for Glen Cove, hit a home run over the short right field fence, accounting for one tally.

The game last Tuesday with Manhasset was rained out and was postponed to Thursday.

### Jean Lowry on Committee

Jean Lowry, an alumna of Port Washington High School, has been named a member of the committee for the first annual carnival day at Hofstra College of New York University, Hempstead, on Saturday, May 8.

A Parade of Celebrities through Hempstead, a carnival on the College campus, and two important rugby games with Princeton University, and the annual spring formal dance at the Garden City Hotel are among the events scheduled for the day.

In the evening a testimonial dinner to the two executors of the Hofstra estate who have made the College possible, Howard S. Brower and James H. Barnard, will be given by the College trustees, faculty, and students of the College.

## Variety Of Books On Library Shelves

### H. Gilfillan's New Book Is In Popular Demand

Recent additions to the library include a variety of books. There are new titles, and old titles—fiction and non fiction.

Not too recent, but still quite popular, is the book written by Harriet Gilfillan, a Smith College graduate of 1931, who went to N. Y. to look for a job. She couldn't find one, so publishers dared her to go to the coal fields and put down what she saw. She undertook the task, went to live with the miners, and wrote of the filth and degradation which she witnessed. She has called the book "I Went to Pit College."

A very recent book of fiction written by James Hilton, the popular author of "Lost Horizon" and "Goodbye Mr. Chips," is the book called "We Are Not Alone." It is a very somber narrative presenting a love story of sentiment and tragedy.

Two books which Juniors and Seniors will want to read are those written by Winston Churchill, namely "The Crisis" and "Richard Carvel." Both are based on historical facts, have well-told love stories, and possess a flavor similar to "Gone With the Wind."

Others which everyone should include in his list of books to be read are the well known "Bridge of San Luis Rey" by Thornton Wilder, "Jane Eyre" by Charlotte Bronte, and "The Soul of Ann Rutledge"—presenting the love of Lincoln's life—by Bernie Babcock.

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# Hundreds Attend Student's Conference At New York Univ.

## Students Discuss Various Growing Problems

Last Saturday, April 24, there was held a conference in the Washington Square College branch of New York University, for the heads of school organizations. Representatives from Gt. Neck, Freeport, Port Washington, New Jersey, and Brooklyn attended the seven hour conference.

Panels were conducted for the following student representatives; presidents of High School organizations, editors of high school publications, presidents of boys' athletic groups, presidents of girls' athletic groups, presidents of language clubs, industrial arts clubs, dramatic organizations, social science clubs, art clubs, commercial clubs, mathematics clubs, home economic clubs, womens' dance clubs, and faculty advisers to high school organizations.

George Keates, Editor-in-chief of the Port Weekly, attended the conference as a representative of the school and also for The Port Weekly.

The panels met in various rooms of the student's building and aired and discussed their problems with their clubs and papers, trying to encourage many speakers to amplify their views to help those in need of advice. Many student journalists spoke of the growing trouble of faculty advisors, censorship, and circulation. Resolutions were finally drawn up against the various questions and a person was selected from the group to represent his group at the finals, which were held in the main building auditorium.

After the finals were delivered, the whole company of students adjourned to the student's building for dancing and refreshments.

This conference is the fourth to be held in the city in the same number of years. Approximately 500 students attended the conference, which is similar in some respects to the Columbia Scholastic Convention held at Columbia University in March.

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