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More Than Decorations

Buying Tuberculosis Seals has become a regular custom for most families about Christmas time, and hardly a letter is sent without the addition of these gay little stickers. There are some people who buy a few of these seals



perhaps only as a gay ornament or because others do; but these people must not realize the far reaching effect of the contributions, or they would try to do more for this cause!

The National Tuberculosis Society is not only a charitable organization but also a vital factor in the health standard of our nation.

The work of the society benefits everyone. Those who contribute are all benefited even though they do not realize it.

Tuberculosis is not respecter of persons and strikes rich and poor alike and is the leading cause of death for young men and women. The society has and is doing wonderful work in lessening the danger of this disease.

Therefore, students, faculty, and parents, you all benefit directly or indirectly from the society's work so do your share and buy Christmas Seals.

Hear Ye, Hear Ye!!!

Dear Readers:

How much time do you spend to read me and my other brothers? "Too little time" would be the response from more than half of you. Merely glancing over my print is not sufficient. Every week students put forth much effort and thought to make my finish the finest possible. Make it a point to read thoroughly my contents.

Most people think my particular type of writings contain only lectures on WHAT YOU SHOULD NOT DO; but allow me to correct you and say "YOU ARE WRONG". The members on the staff have been putting forth an extra effort to make me both interesting and worthwhile. Start right now and make this your first stop when reading the paper. Remember it's a date!!

INQUIRING REPORTER

Question: How do you regard the suggestion of having a budget system in this school?

Mr. Scherer: I thoroughly approve. It prevents distortion of the true aims of our organization which must otherwise be diverted into money making schemes.

Warren Kunz, a Junior: I am against this idea. A season ticket would cost too much money for the average student.

Berna Dean Purgett, a Senior: I think that with a season ticket, I would still have to put out as much money as I do now.

Mary Church, a Sophomore: I like the idea. It would do away with the continual output of money.

Mr. Merrill: Such a system would be an excellent idea if it could be worked out so that practically all students would support it. I can see two difficulties: (1) Pupils not having a sufficient lump sum, (2) To get the various organizations to accept their allotments as decided by the committee.

Similes By Students

He danced like a small tugboat maneuvering his partner around the floor.

She walked like a person doing the rumba.

Her hands, like geographical maps with light and dark brown areas,

were traversed with rivers here and there.

Her hands were as limp as a clam
Confidence in a friend is like water poured through a sieve.

OFF WITH THEIR HEADS

He who says "It's genu-wine,"
Let him pay a heavy fine.

Straight to Hades on a visit
Send all those who say "Ex-quis-it."

Let the blockhead be confounded
Who declares "I almost drowned!"

Every time they say "fore-head,"
Send them supperless to bed.

All the "Mischievous" imps
Should be dropped from soaring blimps.

That blantant "Athaletic" feller
Must be locked up in the cellar.

If anyone should say "Attacked"
Let his liver be extracted.

She who lisps with manner airy
"Diction-ry" for "Dictionary",
"Culin-ry" for "Culinary",
"Semin-ry" for "Seminary",
Cart her to a cemetery!

—State Teachers' College Bulletin, N.D.

HOBBIES ARE LISTED

Do you collect movie stars' pictures, finger prints, autographs, hair pins, or do some other bit of hobbying? There seem to be several studes around this y'ar place that are hobby fans.

Bill Zwerlein gets rid of his spare dough on films. He already has quite an assortment of cameras and enjoys most "shooting his friends."

Collecting Red Cross pins and boy's tie pins is a favorite pass-time of Violette Levy.

Angelina Caparella has quite a collection of old and curious coins, some of them dating back to—??

Music proves most interesting to Vincie Piazza and Francis Fritchie. They play the violin and piano, respectively.

Mr. Scherer finds planning public forums both enjoyable and educational. He gets a kick out of big enterprises and doesn't consider them entirely work.

THE JOKER

Oh, he is a perfectly beautiful horse,
The kind that one seldom spies;
And he has a long pedigree, of course,
He even has pedigreed flies.

His face, an aristocrat's is very long;
His eyes are a beautiful brown.
One quickly can tell that he must belong
In the best stables of the town.

With beauty like his, he must have a good walk,
Trot, canter, and gallop, too;
But at the horse show he has not been the talk,
For he has not been in view.

For no one has ever ridden him,
No one has seen him move;
With grace and beauty in every limb
This should be hard to prove.

But it's not, for in spite of his look,
It's true,
To ride him would be very hard;
And this for a very good reason too—
He's the horse on a playing card.

—Phebe Crosby

A PORT PROFILE

Baseball Preferred Sport Of Football Captain

Our prospect this week is a native of Port Washington. After attending parochial school until the 8th grade, Bernie Mallon made this his alma mater. He was graduated last year and is now a P. G.

Next year, Bernie intends to take a business course in some New York City College, probably Manhattan.

Although he is captain of the football team, baseball is his favorite sport. He has earned four letters in sports: two in baseball and two in football. His position on the football team is quarterback.

Bernie is a member of the Varsity Club and the Commercial Club. He answers to the nicknames: "Muskkrat", "Alone", and "Nip". He is eighteen years old and according to Miss Andel, "Nip" is quiet, reserved and oh—!"

DO YOU REMEMBER

5 Years Ago:

Mr. Merrill announced that Port High was among the one hundred twenty-five schools to be approved by the "Commission on Secondary Schools of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools" as an accredited high school.

4 Years Ago:

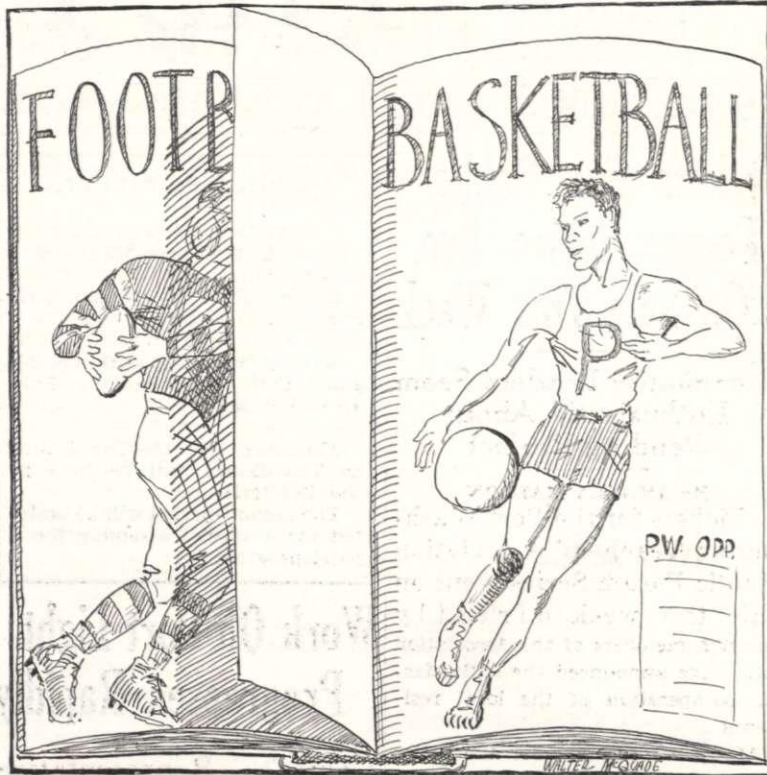
Second and third year Spanish students under Mr. James Lyons were reported as having gone to visit points of interest in New York City. They went to the Spanish Museum where an hour was spent in examining exhibits of life, industry, and customs of Spain and Latin America. Dinner was eaten at the Hotel LaEstralla, and afterwards, they went to see "The King of the Gypsies," a Spanish film. Work was begun on a literary supplement of "The Port Weekly" for Christmas. (The idea went over in '32 so why not in '37?)

3 Years Ago:

Seniors interviewed college graduates at a meeting where twelve co-educational and ten men's colleges were represented. Refreshments were served.

"Red Domino" elected four new members: Edith Leahy, Eric Cudd, Ruth Guilford, and Andrew Johnson. At a special meeting the discussion of an advanced course in dramatics to be offered exclusively to "Red Domino" members, was brought up.

A New Leaf



Former Teacher Discusses Panama Canal Zone Life

By JAMES A. LYONS

Life here in the Canal Zone is an excellent lesson in government regimentation. We belong to Uncle Sam, and he rules our lives in ways so diverse as to be sometimes slightly ludicrous.

We are fingerprinted and photographed. We live in government houses; buy food, clothing, and even Christmas toys in government commissaries; find entertainment (including movies) in government club-houses; get free medical treatment in government dispensaries or the world-famous Gorgas Hospital. If the kitchen sink goes on strike, we call a government plumber; if the cal la government plumber; if the car refuses to start, we send an SOS to the government garage. And all this is done with the maximum of efficiency and a fine disregard as to whether you are Princeton 1930 or Ditch-digger 1914.

Life Is Interesting

There are many other curious facts about life here in the Zone. Technically we are on foreign soil, for the Isthmus is part of the Republic of Panama. By treaty the Canal Zone is leased by the United States "in perpetuity," but Theodore Roosevelt made it plain to the Panamanians that it was not our intention ever to set up an American colony here. So, although living under the American flag, we must submit to Customs inspection, we can use only Canal Zone postage, we can not vote, and we can not be taxed. (What a place to win the Irish Sweepstakes!) Cigarettes are six cents a pack; gasoline is eleven cents a gallon.

Panama lies about nine degrees north of the equator and has, therefore, wet and dry seasons. November winds up the wet season and Nature certainly gives us one final fling. The rainfall in this one month is often one-half of the yearly total. Many people prefer the rainy season, however, because temperatures are much lower, often almost too cool for comfort. We have had blankets on our beds every night since we came. December ushers in the dry season, which lasts from four to five months. Almost no rain falls then and the climate is similar to that of Arizona in many respects. The days are very hot, but the nights are always delightfully cool and comfortable.

School Work Hard

The school system is much like that of Port Washington except that the pupils have to work harder. In commercial classes, for instance, pupils at the end of the second year have to write one hundred words a minute in shorthand and fifty words a minute in typing. Sports are popular, touch football in particular. Everyone except infants in arms seems to swim superlatively well. Pupils here are remarkably healthy. This is due in part to the extremely healthful conditions which the government has created, and also to the fact that there is no poverty in the Zone. Either you work for Uncle Sam or you don't live here. Thus, everyone has the means to live well. Perhaps there is no other place in the world where there is so high a standard of living.

TIDBITS

By THE THREE WISE MEN

Here we are again folks full of flashes too. We'll begin over at the Mineola skating rink.

The most unusual couple found over there Saturday night were Dot O'Day and Ted Swensen of the Navy. (Did he live up to the Navy traditions, Dot?)

"Butcher" Kunz's car was parked in such a way in front of the Tur-rill Mansion that it was necessary to drive up onto the lawn to see the "Butcher."

Speaking of the movies, why does Bob Clarke always take Nina Cox to a quiet corner? Answer—NOT SO MUCH DISTRACTION. Right, Bob?

The G. O. dance in Manhasset was quite well attended by the Port crowd. Most of the stags entered through the boiler room window. Helen Allington and Frank Jost were among the couples there. The next day Helen was seen with her arm in a sling. What a brute! Eddie Johnson and Truly Yetter, Bud Zwerlien and Mil Lang also tripped the light fantastic that evening.

Marion King, of the Beacon Hill Kings, threw a party Saturday night. Some of THE WISE MEN came in through the window, but by request left like (gentlemen?) through the door. . . . It was hard to pierce the semi-darkness but GENUINE 'Raccoon Coat' Griffes and Iis Senn were a couple of bright lights that stood out all evening.

The Alumni must still think that our high school girls are pretty nice. We noticed that four of them were taken out Saturday night. Right, Ruth?

We were wondering in what part of town Doug Rodgers' interests lie now that a certain Beacon Hill Miss has been scratched from the list. Betty O'Brien seemed to be full of information about the subject.

The same man, that brought that Maxwell to school not so long ago, was seen at the skating rink Saturday night with a secretary from the Junior High School. To his dismay the Maxwell let him down, and he was left with a flat tire.

Extra - Extra - Extra! Exclusive from Ithaca headquarters . . . Something about Smith-Rodgers and a dame in the dark? Hum boys, better let us in on it.

Warmest regards to all my friends in Port. Need I say that the PORT WEEKLY is a welcome means of keeping in touch with them?

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Dear Tom— You ask BILLY TIS I think he and full of him this. P.S. Gee! he likes me him—T.

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