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## Thru The Keyhole

By George Levine

Engarde folks! That man is here again. After a delightful week's vacation I'm back with my nose to the proverbial grindstone ready to grind out the week's news, so, take it away, Current Comments.

### Current Comments

Well, the dance was a decided success. Rick Renson and all those concerned certainly can take this as feathers in their caps. (Plural denotes excellency of affair and due panegyricization thereof.)

Although not in actual attendance, yours till Niagara Falls (me), heard enthusiastic accounts from various participants. The dance had everything. There were attractive decorations with a motif of green, excellent refreshments to satiate the most epicurean gourmet, and the finest dance music obtainable through the combined medium of the victrola and the best dance records in existence.

It is not known whether there will be any more dances in the Junior High this term. This reporter has reason to believe that there may be one more dance this semester. However there is nothing definite about this as it has not been discussed in the Council yet.

For a list of the couples who attended, see last week's paper.

One party took place on Friday the eighteenth at the Renson domicile. Among those who showed up were: Barbara Kerby, Muriel Vanderbilt, Hazel Kirk, Barbara Riggs, Charlotte Griffes, Adelaide Crawley, and the Messrs.: Brimm, H. Hinrichs, N. Hinrichs, Raymond, Collings and of course the genial host, Rick Renson.

Rumor has it that Charlotte Griffes will give a party early in April. At the moment we "don't know from nothing," but expect to have all the dope by next week.

### Homeroom Happenings

**TO ALL REPORTERS:** The homeroom representatives of the Port Junior are falling down on their jobs. Only two handed in any homeroom news last week. How do you expect to get the news of interest to all the school if each homeroom reporter doesn't do his job? Bring it in today, after school, to Room 304.

Homeroom 211 mourns the absence of Bruce Rumstetter. He has been in the hospital for several weeks.

In the last homeroom meeting of 211, Everett Wilson, chairman of the housekeeping committee was heard to remark that the boys on the housekeeping squad did better work than the girls. *Maybe the man's place is in the home!*

Homeroom 304 challenges any other room to equal its banking record of improvement every week since January 25.

### Week's Wit

*A dramatic critic gives the best jeers of his life to the theatre.*

Well fans (or would the singular be a little more accurate?) that is all for the present so if you desire to read more of my journalistic effort you will have to take in next week's column. (I hate to brag but I ain't subtle.) Goodby and good luck and all the trimmings till next week when I will welcome you with a jolly "how do you do," mad Russian style.

### Charm Club Officers

Newly elected officers of the Charm Club are: President, Irene Hope; vice-president, Beverly Amthor; secretary, Eleanor Tomlet; treasurer, Yvonne Holmes; membership committee chairman, Ruth Seaman; suggestion committee chairman, Virginia Hansen; and advertising committee chairman, Mary Dunn.

## Strong Navy Squad Defeats Manhattan

On Tuesday March 15 in a special playoff game Smith Gloucester's Navy team defeated Tony Natale's Manhattan team by the score of 19 to 13. Two weeks before Manhattan defeated Navy 11 to 9. Natale opened the scoring and then Smith evened the score. Natale made a foul and a shot to make it 5 to 2 as the whistle blew for the quarter. Karl Knutsen opened the scoring in the second quarter and Smith followed up with 4 points and Knutsen sank a foul for Navy. Larry Wright scored for Manhattan to make it 9 to 7 in Navy's favor when the teams took time out for the half.

Four minutes later the teams took the floor and started the battle again. Smith started the scoring again and Mike Contino put Manhattan back in the game when he made a basket. Knutsen gave Navy a larger lead by scoring and then Harry Hooper entered the game by scoring for Manhattan. Smith gave Navy a 4 point lead again. Bob Walter then scored for Navy, Hooper scored for Manhattan and Mike Caparella finished up the day's scoring and game by shooting a long shot.

### LINE-UP

| Navy          | Position | Manhattan   |
|---------------|----------|-------------|
| S. Gloucester | R F      | H. Hooper   |
| M. Caparella  | L F      | M. Contino  |
| C. Knutsen    | C        | T. Natale   |
| B. Walter     | R G      | B. Hamilton |
| W. Sebrowski  | L G      | L. Wright   |

Substitution's  
Navy — R. Finlay for W. Sebrowski.

## Dear Diary

By Janeth Stewart

Saturday, April 30, 1938  
Dear Diary,

Today I went into the yard to plant some Pansy seeds with my new garden tools. I planted them in a nice straight row. The colors I had were yellow, purple and red. At least that's what it said on the package. Now if they'll only come up before next winter.

Sunday, May, 1938  
Dear Diary,

I spent nearly all day out in the garden watching my little plot of ground. I was looking for the first sign of little sprouts. But I was greatly disappointed. All I saw was the ground just as I had seen it yesterday after I had finished planting the seeds.

Monday, May 2, 1938  
Dear Diary,

I'm getting sore. Today I dug up my seeds. I was so discouraged with them that I just couldn't be patient any longer.

Tuesday, May 3, 1938  
Dear Diary,

I felt so sorry for my seeds that I planted them again and squirted the hose on them for half an hour. Now I spend my time hoping and praying that my seeds will appreciate my repentment by showing some signs of life.

Wednesday, May 4, 1938  
Dear Diary,

Today I spent nearly all morning watching my garden again. In the afternoon it only took ten minutes to dig my seeds up again. This time I threw them away with no regrets.

## Overdue Overnight Book Library Misdemeanor

An overdue overnight book is one of the most dangerous crimes known to the Junior High School Library. This crime had been so frequently repeated in the past that there has been a great deal of trouble caused.

When you see a red star in the back of the book you will know that that book is an overnight one. Also there will be a slip attached to the card and it will say: This book cannot be taken from the library until 3:04 and must be returned by 8:56 the following morning.

The reason for this is that most of the books are used by other people during the day are too valuable for reference to be lent to one person for one whole week. Please try to cooperate with Miss Godfree in getting your books in on time.

## Anthony Picardi, of 211, Shows Honesty

Anthony Picardi, a student in Homeroom 211, last week demonstrated the fact that honesty is the best policy and that character training is being carried on in the Junior High School.

Anthony found a wallet containing \$111.00 on the Port Washington Station platform. He turned the wallet and the money over to the police who found that it belonged to a woman in Great Neck.

As a reward for his action, Anthony was given \$20.00, half of which he gave to his mother and half of which he intends to deposit in the school bank.

## Spending An Hour With Radio Heroes

By Ruth Scholl

First I would like to introduce Susie Pumpernickle who will tell you this story in her own way. Susie can be found in almost any class. Here she is readers, Susie Pumpernickle.

The first heart stopping thriller I listen to is Dick Tracy who enters our homes via radio at five o'clock sharp. But before I tune in on Dick I always eat a heaping dish of Crisco—no I mean Wheaties the food of Champions or Puffed Wheat, oh what's the difference as long as it's a heaping bowl of something good? As you know all puffed little boys and girls eat their puffed wheat each day. If you don't, have your mother buy a box at the nearest hardware or grocery store. Now here's Dick's message to all you up and coming young sleuths: Buffalo 21, 4, 16, 8, 5, 9, 3, 2. After deciphering this important message I look at my radio program.

I immediately switch to station FOO on which I hear that Chinese version of Dick Tracy, Charlie Chan. Incidentally Charlie is none other than our own Mr. Woo Poo who gets so much fun out of ruining pop's best and 200 favorite shirts. While hearing this master mind I became determined to buy a pair of chopsticks and a bowl of rice and try to solve the mystery of Algebra.

However before I can do so I hear that All American boy Jack Armstrong. (Here's a hint to lazy people like myself) I tune in on Jack to save myself the trouble of cutting my fingernails. I average about three nails a minute when Jack is on the air. Tune in and save your nail scissors.

At this time I am usually called away to set the dinner table. "Gee Whiz," I usually groan, "I'll bet Dick Tracy doesn't have to set the table." As I finish I hear the blood chilling scream of — Oh no, it's just Junior G Men signing off and I guess I better too.

## Essay On Homework Proves Enlightening

By Mary Louise Teta

No doubt you all love homework, so without further ado I will show you how I and many others attack our homework. First I take out my books and look at them very lazily and begin to sing, "Oh I wish I had someone to love me." I take out my math book and then I feel like going to sleep.

That Miss Saurcraft has some nerve giving us all these problems. (quiet for one minute) Shux! I can't work without some jazz. (Puts on radio) One half divided by five is hi de hi dee hi—boy that Benny Ray has some hot band. Let's see where was I, oh five times four is —(telephone rings) "Hello, oh! Sammy, how are you? You don't say. By the way whom were you with in the movies the other night?" This goes on for two hours. Begin work again.

Mother calls, "Darling, you must come to bed. I think those schools give entirely too much homework. I'm going to complain to the principal."

## Dance Held In Gym On St. Patrick's Day; Couples Danced To The Radio - Victrola

### Big Apple Attempted By More Athletic Students While Less Ambitious People Looked On

The much discussed dance was at last held in the Gym on the seventeenth, St. Patrick's Day. The Gym was appropriately decorated with green and white bunting (paper to you) and green shamrocks. These shamrocks attracted much comment. They were along the walls of the Gym and helped to brighten the place up quite a bit. As the girls and boys were requested to wear green if it were possible most of the boys had green shirts or ties on, and the girls wore green dresses. The space under the balcony was fixed as usual for the faculty members. Balloons were not to be seen as the council decided that they caused too much disturbance last year.

There were about eighty tickets sold before the dance. At the door the number sold was said to be near or over ten, so altogether there were about one hundred and eighty people there. The extra money is to be saved and used for a final dance at the end of the term. Then the remaining money from all the dances following is to be used for this big dance. At the dance an orchestra will be hired and it will probably be one of the biggest dances that Junior High has ever given.

## 9A Team On Top In Interclass Games

The last (but not least) of the girls interclass basketball games was played last Friday. Three of the teams played: the 8B1, 9A and 9B. The first game was played between the 9A and the 9B. This game brought victory for the 9A and a score of 17 to 4. The 9A and 8B1 played off their game ending with the 9A still the victors by one point. The 8B1 had 8 points and 9A had 9 points. M. L. Teta and B. Fox scored the most baskets for their teams.

Ending these interclass games we find that the 9A team is on top and each of the girls will receive twenty-five points. The next in line is the 8B1 each earning 15 points and as runner-ups we see the 9B, these girls getting 10 points.

### Sports Council

Last week a girls Sport Council meeting was held and Myrtle Webster the chairman took charge. A bicycle hike is to be sponsored for and by the members of the Sport Council and will be held Monday, March 28, 1938. All members who wish to go along please sign up in Miss Fett's office. What the Sports Council is for, was then explained by M. L. Teta to all who did not know. An announcement concerned the individual points which are to be in no later than the end of April. The girls who had not taken the oath then received it and the meeting was adjourned.

## Newspaper Recipe For Port Junior

By Ruth Scholl

The first ingredient is a hard working staff with original ideas. Then you add a few editors, stirring slowly all the time. Cream this well and add an adviser (Mr. Allen for example). Pour these into a bowl and you will have guaranteed results.

Now that we have the raw materials add a large lump of butter, inside of this is a printer who for some unknown reason is necessary to the paper. With the printer there usually comes a booklet on how to set up the paper. There is however a substitute for this little leaflet. It is our own system for setting up papers. This of course is entirely different than the printer's ideas and should be used when nothing else is available.

Last but not least are the readers who give the circulation department something to do. If you beat these well with an egg beater you will be surprised and pleased at the results.

## Unconquerable Three Still Lead Banking

The invincible three are still in the lead in banking, each having 100%. Mr. Hulbert, Miss Kinne, and Mr. Ryeck apparently have model thrift rooms. Perhaps the groups are largely made up of Scotch people.

Second place went to room 307 with 93.9% and third place went to a newcomer, room 214.

## Look For Articles In Lost And Found

This week we bring you a list of articles which were found in the lost and found department.

Lost: A brown fountain pen, in school. If found please return to room 212 or 221. Reward.

A pair of orange earmuffs. Return to Donald Collings. Reward.

A red pencil case containing a pen and pencil combined, two school pencils and a pencil sharpener all lost near the bike room. If found please return to Marilyn Baum. Reward.

Found: A blue pocket book in the assembly.

Two odd mittens and one glove which were brought to Mr. Haron's room.

A navy blue knitted hat found in the girl's basement.

Great things have been effected by a few men well conducted.