

### Upton Close Speaks To Public Forum

Upton Close, nationally famous lecturer, inspired an attentive Public Forum audience last Tuesday evening by his impulsive dissertation on "The Illusion of an Empire".

Mr. Close is a well-known authority on European conditions and has often substituted on the national radio hook-ups for Lowell Thomas. As a news commentator of long experience, he is also called "one of the platforms best speakers". Mr. Close, who was born on an Indian reservation in the State of Washington where he later went to college, obtained his pen name by his code identity phrase "Up Close", while in the Federal Bureau of Intelligence service.

Mr. Close held the audience spell-bound with facts behind the present fires in Spain, Central Europe, and the Far East, he also touched, during the course of the evening, on the possibilities of our remaining out of war and when the next World War breaks. His talk was both vigorous and convincing.

Dr. Will Durant, world renowned philosopher, will appear on the final Forum night of April 5 when he will address the Port Washington people on "Does Man Progress?" Dr. Durant is a philosopher, author, publicist, and brilliant lecturer. In his early life he taught language at Seton Hall College, then later became the sole teacher of the Ferrer School in libertarian education. Dr. Durant talked to the Port Washington Forum on April 6, 1937 on the topic "A Blueprint for a Better America".

### Retort Will Present Assembly Program

#### Tickets For Annual Dance Now On Sale

On Wednesday, March 23, the retort science club of the school, held its bi-monthly meeting in the chemistry laboratory. Several members of the club performed experiments of a spectacular and instructive nature.

These experiments will be presented by the same persons in an assembly program which will be given by the Retort the first week in April. The experiments were chosen because they will prove interesting as well as instructive to the student body as a whole even though they have no knowledge of chemistry.

Tickets for the annual Retort-Celerity dance are now on sale and may be purchased from any member of the Retort. The well known Bill Fenno and his orchestra have been engaged for the dance which will be held Saturday night April 9, in the cafeteria.

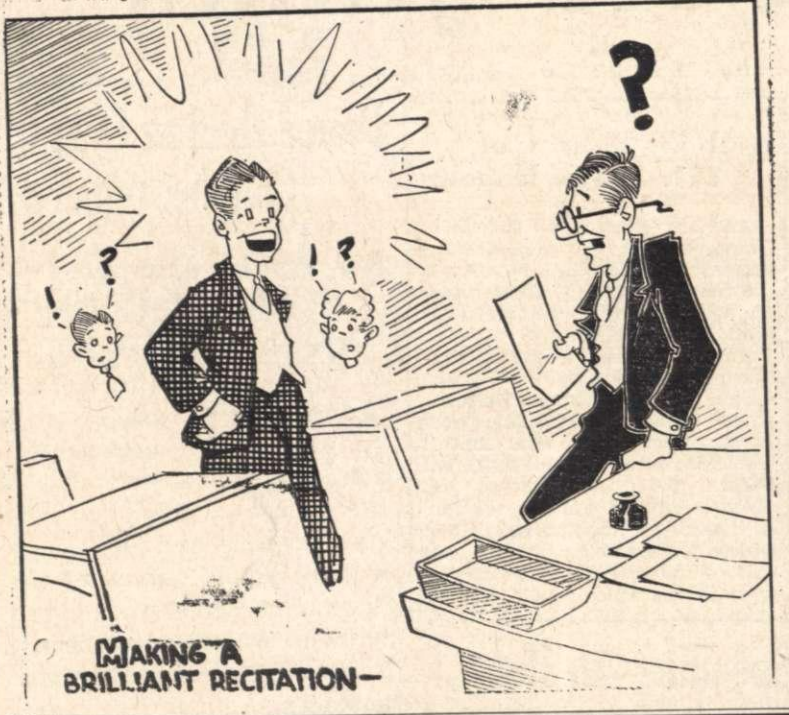
### Famous Conductor Attends Rehearsal

(Continued from Page 1) organization has been due in no small measure to the genial philosophy of the leader and his ability to handle men. He says "I love music, it is as natural to me as breathing. I know how all the masters of the various instruments have played the greatest music in the world. This helps my men. I don't tell them what Arthur Pryor thinks should be done; I tell them to play the music as the composer wrote it, using the technique that characterized the greatest artists." In this manner Pryor's Band belongs to every member of it. "It is not mine — it is theirs," states Mr. Pryor.

Pryor's Band has toured the whole United States. It has become an institution at Asbury Park, New Jersey, where it has been featured for twenty-nine seasons. Other engagements include nine summers at Grove Park, nine seasons at Royal Palm Park, Miami and many National Expositions and State Fairs. Mr. Pryor and his band have recorded for the Victor Co. for thirty-one years, and have been heard on the air for extensive engagements with Schrader Town, American Tobacco Co., Goodyear Rubber Co., and the American Gas Co.

Mr. Pryor has been a conductor for forty-six years. In the field of composition he has written over three hundred fifty numbers, vocal

### People We Can Do Without



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

**By Nancy Gagnet**  
Last Thursday our basketballers faced a hardy Westbury team in a game played on the opponents court. The Westbury guards were striving to check our forwards, but we were able to keep clear of them. At the close of the first half of the encounter, the scores was 10-6, with Port holding the heavy end of the score. The final stanza saw two fast-traveling teams, with Westbury's forwards going on a scoring spree, while our guards tried to prevent them from getting ahead. However, Westbury's sextet succeeded in the netting of the needed tally, and the final score was 16-13 with the Westbury girls emerging victorious. The high scorers of the day were Peggy Mordt and Betty Fligon, who showed great prowess in this contest.

Port's second team played an improved game with the guards putting up a good defense, and the forwards playing very fast, making the score at the half 15-5 in Port's favor. The second half was much the same, Port's team maintaining the lead and making the score 25-11. The interclass basketball games have been progressing steadily. Although they are newcomers, the 10A's show much experience in the games. The 12B's also show good team work.

Cooperation has been shown by the riding classes, since 15 girls were present on Friday afternoon and 11 girls attended on Saturday morning. Mr. Bragg, the proprietor of the academy, stated that he will hold a horse show before school is over, if the girls continue to display their interest; the girls will be divided into classes, according to their ability.

As we go to press, we do not know the results of the Faculty-Varsity game which was played on Wednesday, but Miss Maher stated that the proceeds are to be given to a worthy cause. She also remarked that the faculty doesn't mind making fools of themselves, as long as they get paid for it.

The results of the Alumnae-Varsity game played on Monday, March 21, were 18-16, the varsity coming out on top. The Alumnae team consisted of such well known former stars as G. Alexander, D. Schauer, E. Seifts, and the Slaska twins. The game was very close throughout its entirety.

#### Lieutenant Merriman Speaks

Lieutenant J. S. Merriman, Jr., addressed a group of students about Coast Guard work on Thursday, March 24. All boys interested in a similar type of training such as the United States Naval Academy or the Merchant Marine, attended the lecture.

This unusual talk was accompanied by sound motion pictures and descriptions of the Coast Guard and its Academy.

and instrumental.

He is today more keenly interested in music, bands particularly, than ever. He devotes much of his time helping to further the cause of school music because he sees this tremendous movement to be a vital force in molding the youth of America and in generating a great love for music throughout the nation.

**By Mike DeLeo**  
Well, there isn't much to tell in the line of sports at this time of year, but there still seems to be some basketball news.

The East took over the West in the All-Star games at Oyster Bay last week. The scores were 23-19 and 32-29. "Augie" and "Mac" of the Blue and White, of course, played for the West and contributed thirteen points to the lost cause. "Augie" accounted for eight points and "Mac" for five. These lads played for three quarters. Mike Romeyko carried the Port colors into the second team fray.

A group of high school youngsters composed of Augustino McCarthy, Duffy, Don Smith, Markland, and Tonsmeire, and calling themselves the White Phantoms (or Something) took over a highly touted and experienced Royal Cafe quintet. Jenkins, Mike Romeyke, "Dap" Sullivan, Leyden, and "Strap" Smith made up the latter group.

The high school lads run up quite a score in the first half but the older boys put up a great fight and were nosed out by the score of 30 to 29.

Tony Augustino put on quite a shooting exhibition to lead the scorers with 17 points to his credit.

Speaking of scores here is a composite picture of all the scoring done by the Blue and White in sixteen games?

Mac Carthy	101
Augustine	93
Romeyke	89
Smith	73
Markland	37
Tonsmeire	5
Duffy	13
Lamberti	16
Ligeri	2
Total	434

Opponents 357. The last games of the interclass basketball schedule were played yesterday. The winner of the battle between the 12B and 10A will be the victors of the contests. Sorry we went to press too early to give the final score. Here are the standings before Thursday, March 24:

	Won	Lost
12-B	4	0
10-A	4	0
11-A	2	2
10-B	1	3
11-B	1	3
12-A	0	4

Baseball's in the air—

#### Optical Demonstration Given

A demonstration of the otholmographer, a machine which takes pictures of eye movements, and the metronoscope, an instrument for training better eye movements, was held in Room 108, Wednesday morning, March 23.

It was arranged by Mrs. Reed in cooperation with the American Optical Company.

#### Parents To Meet Here

Mrs. Ruth Colegrove, Director of Parent Education in Part Washington, is planning to meet with the mothers of pre-school children at three o'clock on the following afternoon: March 23, April 6, and May 4. The meetings will be held in the teachers' cafeteria.

### Coach Seeber Begins Baseball Practice; Many of Last Years Squad Answer Call

#### Assembly Speaker Apr. 4 Team Will Open Season Against Adelphi



Helen Hiatt

### Helen Hiatt Will Speak In Assembly April 14

#### European Traveler to Tell About Foreign Youth

(Continued from Page 1) while there met many diplomats such as Baron Aloisi of Italy, Pierre Laval of France, Anthony Eden of England, Dr. Salvador de Madariaga of Spain and others. She attended the great Nazi Parteitag at Nuremberg in September, 1936, and heard Hitler enthuse his "brownshirts."

All in all, her experience qualifies her to tell at first hand what the young people of Europe are thinking and talking about, what they are apt to want to do if war comes, and what they will probably have to do. And through it all, she remains the typical American girl, searching for facts in a friendly way.

#### Senior Class's Costume Party Friday Is Success

The Senior Class party, which was held in the cafeteria last Friday evening, proved to be a social success. John Wilkie, who appeared as a tramp; Jeanne Vanderbilt, garbed as a cowgirl; and Joan Lee, representing a belle of the "Gay Nineties," carried off the honors for the best costumes.

The entertainment committee, under the direction of Clinton Hege-man, provided games for all those who wished to play them, while James Fullylove made arrangements for others who wished to dance. All the girls of the class co-operated to provide refreshments.

The party ended officially at 11:30 p. m., but several of those who had attended remained to restore order in the cafeteria.

#### Band Plays In Assembly

At 9:30 this morning in the assembly, the members of the band dressed in their uniforms, played a few excerpts from the forthcoming concert to be presented on April 8, 1938.

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Last Wednesday Coach Carl Seeber called a meeting of the Baseball candidates for this year's squad. A large number turned out. Many of them were entirely new aspirants for diamond positions, but a good number from last year's squad returned. Among them Bernie Mallon, Art Duffy, "Mac" McCarthy, Art Nelson, Alan Gould, Lindy Lamberti, Don Harshbarger, Ernie Tonsmeire, "Mac" MacCallum, "Red" McLaughlin, and Bob Clark. As this story goes to press before the meeting, it is impossible to report what occurred.

Official practice will probably start next Monday. Sore arms and blistered hands will be a common thing next week. The schedule starts late this year, so there is ample time for about two solid weeks of practice.

Only about four of last year's regulars will be on this year's varsity. They are Art Duffy, catcher; "Mac" McCarthy, infield; Bernie Mallon, and Don Harshbarger, fielders. Likely candidates for other positions are uncertain. Alan Gould is a possibility for third while first base will undoubtedly be covered by Art Nelson. Lindy Lamberti, Bob Clark, Tony Augustine, "Whitey" Gulbrandsen, and Ernie Tonsmeire are all aspirants for any open positions.

As usual, there are a great many who have stated that they would like to do mound work. A few of these are "Speed Ball" Markland, "Wild Cat" Clark, "Red" McLaughlin and "Mac" Mac Callum. The latter two did a little pitching last year. "Zook" Zaremba will be sorely missed this season when it comes to pitching and hitting.

Hitting is one phase of the game in which Coach Seeber will have to train the boys hard. Last season Port's bat work was pretty weak at times in comparison with their opponents. Don Harshbarger and Bernie Mallon are the only dependable batters from last year.

St. Paul's has dropped from this year's schedule, and the team was substituted. Nine games are scheduled and there may be one or two with the Post Office gang. This is not definite. The opening game on April 26, sees Port meet Adelphi, whom they trimmed last year. Mineola, Glen Cove, Roslyn, and Manhasset are other schools which will battle Port on the diamond.

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