

Dramatics Division Enters Annual School Play Contest, May 20

Third Act of Recent Red Domino Play Selected As Port's Entry

On Friday night, May 20, Baldwin will be host to the following schools: Lawrence, Oceanside, Southside, Garden City and Port Washington. The dramatics organizations from each school will participate in the Annual Nassau-Suffolk One Act Play Contest. The first three of the above named will compete on Thursday evening. The remaining contestants will present their talents the following night.

The third act of "The Road To Yesterday" was finally selected by Miss Bonnie Hawthorne, who chose this particular act because it was a school project and not something especially prepared for the contest.

The representatives from Port Washington are as follows: Marvin Markey, June Allington, Bill Buschman, Bob Brett, Berna Dean Purgett, Harold Johnson, Ted Farrelly, Frank Parker, Eleanor Beston, Charlotte Hewett, Mary Kellogg. Members of the stage crew are Odd Hope and Bob Bessell.

Mary Kellogg, pinch-hitting for Mary Church, will play the role of Melena. The school buses will furnish the transportation to and from Baldwin High School.

In former years, the Port Washington group entered the Pawtucket Contest, and also the State Contest. Last year, Baldwin captured First Place in the County Contest; Port Washington took Second.

Student Instructors Brave Unruly Classes

Once every school term comes a change in the educational system which introduces novelty to an otherwise monotonous school life. Certain representatives of the "laboring" classes obligingly trade places with their instructors and become "teachers for a day".

With the shifting of position comes a change on the part of the student teacher, for he must brave the storm of questions asked (often times to torment him) and command respect of the class. Before the day is over and done and school life returns to normal, heartfelt sympathy goes out to the instructor who must accomplish, in one term, the almost hopeless task of teaching history, geometry, or English. We have often wondered why some kind-hearted soul has not established "Teacher's Day", a day when all pupils must do their homework, pay attention in class, and give up chewing gum. But this may be too much to ask, so we will be content with "Student's Day" and look forward to the day that comes but once a year.

Long live "Student's Day"; may it continue for many years to come!!

M. E. Tracy to Address Journalism Class Today

Mr. M. E. Tracy, editor of the "Current History" magazine, will be the guest speaker for the journalism class this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Room 102. Mr. Tracy was formerly a feature writer of the daily syndicate of the Scripps-Howard chain.

All students who are interested in hearing this talk, which promises to be very interesting and educational, are invited to attend. The students who are scheduled for sixth period study in 102 and do not wish to hear this talk may go to the Library or to Room 202.

Mercury Theatre to Allow Student Ticket Discounts

The management of the Mercury Theater has issued discount cards to students interested in attending the performances. Currently playing are "Julius Caesar" and "Heartbreak House."

The cards entitle the faculty and students to a 25% reduction: 83c seats for 65c, \$1.10 for 85c, \$1.65 for \$1.25 and \$2.20 for \$1.75. These cards may be obtained through the English classes or by writing directly to the Mercury theater, 110 W. 41 St., New York City.

Coming Attractions

Friday, May 13—Baseball game. Port vs. Manhasset at Port.

Saturday, May 14—The Sophomore class will take a trip to New York.

Tuesday, May 17—Baseball game Port vs. Mineola at Port.

Wednesday, May 18—Dual track meet. Port vs. Farmingdale at Port.

Friday, May 20—Baseball game. Port vs. Roslyn at Port.

Saturday, May 21—The North Shore track meet will be held at Port.

Port Students Win Oberlin Scholarships

Rose, DeLeo, and Lowry Awarded Honors

Natalie Rose, a member of the class of 1934, has again received honors at Oberlin College. She won a scholarship to the Conservatory of Music when she was graduated from Port Washington.

There are only fourteen names on the Senior Honor List, and Miss Rose is one of six people who received honorable mention in the Bachelor of School Music Course. Because of the difficulty of the work, the honor is generally conceded to be an accomplishment worthy of note.

This year Michael De Leo and Malcolm Lowry, both members of the present graduating class, have been awarded scholarships at Oberlin College for next fall. The scholarships are renewable and are worth \$150 for one semester.

Michael and Malcolm have been particularly active in the music field during their high school careers, being members of the band and orchestra. They also ranked high in their classwork.

School Lawn Scene Of French Assembly

Today's assembly program will be given on the school lawn by the French classes of the High School. The program will be introduced in French by Peggy Morris. The French classes, led by the girl's chorus will sing two French songs, "Aupres de ma Blonde", and "Ma Normandie". "Vive La Rose," a Maypole dance is to be presented by the Pantomime class, accompanied by accordions played by Rose Smiles and Anthony Muro of the Junior High School. In conclusion the entire school will join in the singing of "Alouette" which will be lead by three High School boys.

Police Chief Webber Lauds Work Of H. S. Drivers Club

By CHARLOTTE WEBBER

When I approached my dad on the subject of junior licenses and junior driving, some very emphatic answers were hurled at me.

Naturally, I was a bit timid about broaching the subject to him, as I hope to get my junior license very soon; but I put on a brave grin and started to question him.

"Junior licenses should be abolished but the age limit for senior licenses should be lowered to seventeen years of age," was his startling and somewhat unwelcome remark.

He believes that the majority of high school students are not qualified to live up to all the responsibilities attached. However, it is his assumption that the Safety Drivers' Club in school is highly commendable, and it is his idea that every student should take a course in safe driving before even taking the driving test for a license.

Other qualifications are a thorough knowledge of auto-mechanics, and a realization that in 50% of accidents, the car is driven by a youth under twenty years of age.

Chief Webber went on to say that although many young people are aware of the dangers and responsibilities, the majority of them speed along the highway at 60 miles an

Choir Awarded High Honors In Amsterdam State Finals

Port Band To Play At Twilight Concert

AT COLUMBIA ON MAY 19

University Campus Will Be Scene of Program

On Thursday evening, May 19, the High School Band will present a concert at Columbia University. Mr. Harwood Simmons, director of the Columbia University Symphonic Band, invited the band to give this concert as a part of a series of Twilight Concerts which are being given on the Columbia University Campus on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Other bands in this series are from Port Chester, Crawford, Hempstead, Rockville Center, Teaneck, and Seawanhaka. This concert will be held at the Van Am Quadrangle of the University unless it rains, in which case it will be given in the John Jay Hall. The program which the band is now preparing will begin at 6:45 P. M., and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Both the band and orchestra are getting ready for the regional National Contest which will be held in Albany on May 26 and 27. Neither organization went to Amsterdam because each had won the last national contest and was thus automatically eligible for the 1938 National Contest without the necessity of attending the state contest.

Annual Dance Plans Finished By Juniors

Judging by the reports of the various committee chairmen, most of the plans for the Junior Prom have been completed.

Bill Fenno's orchestra has been secured to play from 8:30 P. M. to 1 A. M. on June 3, 1938. Harriet Umbach, the vocalist with the orchestra, is well-known and liked by the high school students.

The decoration committee, under the able direction of Doris Fenton, refuses to reveal its plans other than to say the ornaments will be unique.

Carol Lewthwaite announces that tickets, costing \$1.50 per couple, will be sold next week by various members of the Junior class.

Formal invitations to this affair are on their way to the seniors, the faculty, the Board of Education, and parents of the officers of the class.

Proud of Mixed Chorus



PRINCIPAL W. F. MERRILL

Following the triumph of the Mixed Chorus in Amsterdam on May 6, Mr. Merrill, Senior High School Principal, said "The parents, the faculty, and the students in the school are elated by the success of the group representing Port Washington in the State Contest. One fact is certain—the students, the faculty, and supervisors deserve credit for their untiring efforts, their spirit of sportsmanship, and for their accomplishing the goal, which seemed so difficult in the face of severe competition."

Contest News

Six girls from the chorus wandered into the Capital Building at Albany after it was supposed to be closed. The night watchman found them, and took them on a sight-seeing tour through the Capital. The girls ended their fun by singing on the million dollar stair case, with enthusiastic janitors for an audience.

Many of the Choir members went to the movies to see "In Old Chicago". Everyone was supposed to be in by 11:30, so many of the students saw only one half of the picture.

Speaking of being in at 11:30—Mr. Merrill was still up at 1:00, just waiting for some late arrivals.

The telephone operator in the hotel must have been tired of connecting the rooms of Fredda Turill and Warren Kunz. On reliable information we hear that Fredda's phone rang at least six times on Friday afternoon.

An unusual couple seen around Albany was Ernie Mazur and Rembert Brimm.

We also hear that Alice Palmer is expecting to hear from one of the young men from Albany.

At eight o'clock in the morning some of the members were rudely awakened by the ringing of their telephone, only to find out that someone read a notice wrong. The notice said that the rooms should be emptied by 8:00 P. M. Our brilliant student thought it said 8 A. M.

June 17 Is Date Set For Senior Banquet

Mike DeLeo, Senior class president, announced that June 17 is the date finally decided upon for the Senior Banquet. Most of the plans regarding speakers, menu, and other like matters have not been formulated as yet. They are now being considered and discussed, and will be printed in "The Port Weekly" at a future date.

According to the custom in previous years, some of the girls in the Junior class will serve. The chairman of the serving committee is Pat Turill.

All seniors who have paid their dues are eligible to attend. Their class officers urge them to pay all back dues as soon as possible in order to supply the necessary funds for the banquet.

As usual there will be dancing afterwards.

Port Is Only Group To Earn 'One' Rating

SOLOISTS RATE HIGH

Ten Players Are Eligible For National Contest

By MALCOLM LOWRY

Port Washington again carried off high honors in the field of music when the choir, fifteen soloists, and three ensembles participated in the Eastern State Finals of the New York State School Music Association, which were held last Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7, at Amsterdam. The Port Washington Choir was the only choir to receive a Rating of I, and ten of the soloists as well as the three ensembles were made eligible to attend the National Contest.

Used Private Cars

The thirty-six choir members left early Friday morning in private cars and arrived shortly after noon in Albany, where headquarters were made in the Wellington Hotel. After a brief rest, they proceeded to Amsterdam where the contests were being held in the Wilbur H. Lynch Senior High School. At about five o'clock, the choir sang its three prepared numbers before the judge, Mr. Richard Grant of Pennsylvania State College. It then went to the sight-reading room, and Mr. Ralph Winslow of Albany heard it sight-read one number. The mark for sight-reading counted for twenty per cent of the final rating. When the seven other choirs had finished singing, the judges decision was announced; and it was learned that no choir except Port Washington had received the highest possible Rating of I. Port Washington was entered in the competition for Class B, which is for schools whose enrollment is between 250 and 750. It is interesting to note that the highest rating given in either the Class A competition (for schools with enrollments over 750) or in the Class C competition (for schools with enrollments under 250) was only a rating of II.

Friday evening the choir members went back to Albany and spent the night in the hotel. Saturday the return trip to Port Washington was made.

Soloists Left Thursday

Because some of the solo contests were held on Friday morning, many of the soloists had to leave Port Washington on Thursday afternoon. The soloists and the ensembles had their contests in two music rooms of the Amsterdam High School. Each of the ensembles from Port Washington received the highest rating given in its contest. These three ensembles were the Woodwind Trio, which received a Rating of I; the home quartet which was given the Rating of II; and the Brass Sextet which also received a II rating. Of the fifteen soloists entered in the solo contests from Port Washington, ten were made eligible for the national contest. In the Clarinet Solo Contest, there were thirty-six entries, five of which were to be eligible for the nationals. This school's four clarinetists received the four highest ratings and were made eligible. They were John Smith, John

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Sixteen H. S. Drivers Receive Certificates

Certificates of membership were issued to the sixteen charter members of the National League of High School Drivers. They are as follows: President, Charles Griffes; Vice President, Michael De Leo; Secretary-Treasurer, Betty Lindemuth; Instructors, William Buschmann, Ernest Mazur, Frank Jost, Kimball Perley, Robert Bralla, and Warren Darress. Also to members Patty Turill, Fred Lacher, June Allington, Odd Hope, Townsend Jones, and Bayard Osborne.

There are now fourteen people being given driving lessons by Mr. Markland.