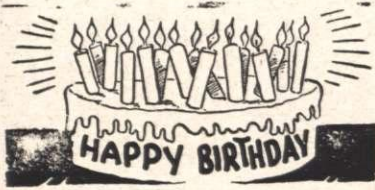


# ANNIVERSARY ISSUE



THE

## PORT WEEKLY



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### PORT WEEKLY CELEBRATES 25th YEAR

#### JUNIOR RED DOMINO PLAY

In this morning's assembly, the newly formed Junior Red Domino will present a short play called "The Youngest."

The plot concerns a family of three who have been deserted by their father previously. The mother is dead, and only the younger sister believes that her father will someday return. As the house is being sold for taxes, the father does reappear to save the day, and all ends happily.

The cast includes Jay Greene as the Father, Olga Osterholm as the Little Sister, and Bill Bowman, Sandra Ingram, Carolyn Crisafulli, and Malcolm Hill.

The play was directed by Joan Lamb, who has shown interest in dramatics for the past three years, having appeared in several Red Domino productions.

#### Student of Week



Janet Crowl

The winner of the Port Weekly Short Story contest is Nancy Crowl, a senior in Port Washington High School. Due to this honor she has been chosen as the student of the week. Her story is printed in this issue of the paper.

Aside from this Nancy has many other interests in school. She is outstanding in the girl's sports world, having been the girl's volleyball manager. She was on the J.V. hockey team, the girl's volleyball team, the one that played in the student-faculty game, and stands out as an excellent basketball guard.

In other phases of school life Nancy shines also. She manages the Latin Club as president, she is secretary of Circle, besides being a member of Clio, Celerity and Theatre Group. In scholastic standing she ranks among the top ten in her class.

#### The First Port Weekly

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## Port Weekly

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#### OUR FIRST ISSUE

As Seniors, we want to give you a paper published every week. We want this to be humorous and yet newsy. This little page is our first product. The future ones will be two and probably four pages, devoted to athletics, news and jokes. Help us by subscribing to our paper or else bring us some joke that happened in class or some bit of news. We need cooperation and you can help us in this way. You'll like the future numbers we are sure, so enter your subscription NOW!

#### THE ESSAY CONTESTS

Why not win some honor for your school as well as for yourself? There are two prize essay contests that are open to competitors. For particulars see the posters in Miss Beale's room. Enter the contests and win a prize.

#### ADVICE TO LATIN STUDENTS

Qui videt a thing  
Non ei well known  
Est bene for him  
Id reliqui alone.

Miss Shafer: "What did Dr. Joseph discover?"  
Bright Student: "Listerine."

The first issue of the Port Weekly. It is shown here as it was first printed including all of the typographical errors.

#### G. O.

This school organization was organized in 1938 under the direction of our present guidance teacher, Mr. Scherer.

In 1939, Mr. Hendrickson took over the G.O. and became the faculty adviser. In the same year the Handbook was prepared, the Constitution was written, and the G. O. tickets were made available for the students. The price of this ticket was then \$4, but this included the year book.

During the war the G.O. did a splendid job. They sold over a million dollars worth of war bonds. They assembled ninety tons of scrap metal and twenty tons of waste paper.

After the war there was a decrease in the sale of G. O. tickets. The sales decreased from 500 tickets out of 700 students to 250 tickets out of 500 students.

In 1950 the G.O. established a Constitution and Handbook Committee which revised both the

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#### PORT BEATS FRIENDS

Last Saturday Port journeyed to Friends Academy at Locust Valley and beat them to the tune of 19-0. Although Friends had a splendid team in the field, Port was better and, of course, won. Our boys played a fine game and every man worked hard. Friends Academy had only two men who starred. These were Kobbe, the Quarter-back and C. Plumb, the Full-back. But their line was not heavy enough to hold Port's furious rushers nor were they able to chisel holes in Port's defense.

But next Saturday, Port will have an extremely pleasant time with Southampton. Rumpr has it that the above named team trimmed Sag Harbor 104-6 or words to that effect. Truly it will not be a game for the timid.

The Line-up: L.E. Raff: L.T. Magee: L.G. Carmen: C. Lovejoy: R.G. ZurWelle: R.T. Hamm: R.E. Langley: C.B. Porter: L.H.B. Geddes: R.H.B. Greet: F.B. Linkfield. Substitutions: Ryeck for ZurWelle; Jenkins for Carmen; Markland for Raff; Blackmore for Lovejoy; Enscoe for Langley; Skillmand for Greet; Frost for Geddes; Chambers for Magee; Miller for Hamm.

We wonder how many Southampton men will be required to sleep on the floor of the Gym. Why not install some Murphy beds for their convenience? They (the beds, of course) might be put in the Gym closet when not in use. They would come handy, wouldn't they?

#### ATTENTION SENIORS!

Get your application blanks for the Community Scholarship Fund from Mrs. Webster or Mr. Scherer. This is also open to students planning to attend vocational or other training schools. See your next "Port Weekly" for additional details.



Jan. 19—Assembly, Junior Red Domino Play - "The Youngest"  
Jan. 19—Basketball-Manhasset at Port  
Jan. 26—Basketball at Glen Cove  
Feb. 2—Assembly-Talent Show

By Janet Kuhl

The Port Weekly was twenty-five years ago, as it is today, one of the most active organizations in school. It was organized in 1925 by a group of interested students under the direction of Viola Gaylord, our first faculty advisor. During the first year the paper was a small two column, single, hectographed sheet, printed once a week with no pictures or advertising. Towards the end of the year it began to be regularly printed in a small three column paper. There were no feature stories or gossip column, just news in the strictest sense of the word.

In the Christmas issue, December 22, 1926, the Port Weekly printed its first four page paper. It has been the same size ever since although the print and the length of the page has increased. Also in the same issue, Charles E. Hyde, who still advertises today, paid for the first printed advertisement ever to appear in the paper. Following that issue, half and quarter page ads appeared regularly on the back page.

In 1927 the Port Weekly joined the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, an organization for high school newspapers all over the country. During their first five years as a member, they placed second, third and fourth in the annual competition. In 1936 there came the crowning glory when the paper placed first in this annual competition. The paper was displayed in the University during the entire convention. This year the Port Weekly is again entering the paper in the conference, and we hope to have some good results. Staff members have also attended the Empire State Conference held every year in Syracuse, but in recent years representatives have been unable to attend.

During the period between 1930 and 1933, the banner and the type of print was changed due to a change in the printer. A larger more prominent print was used for the banner (which is, to all you non-journalists, the title of the paper across the front page). They started using the smaller print again when they celebrated their tenth anniversary in 1935.

In 1936, the paper again changed from a three column paper to a larger four column paper in order to make room for the new Junior High Section. It had two pages devoted to the

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Letters to the Editor

Editor  
 Port Weekly  
 Dear Sir:

I am writing this to inform you that I disagree very definitely with the criticism of the Girls' Sports' Night that was printed in your last issue.

First of all, the purpose of the whole event is to encourage girls who do not ordinarily go out for athletics to join in and work with other girls. There is no basis for objection concerning how hard the girls work. They are not forced to "slave" at anything. Everything they do is purely voluntary. Even the captains may refuse nomination if they wish.

Girls who get sick from worry are apparently not well-balanced enough to take on responsibility, and they should not do so. Again I repeat, everything is voluntary!

I think that the whole project of the Girls' Sports' Night is very worthwhile, for competition is good for everyone. It develops initiative and leadership, and it also teaches one how best to get along with other people.

In closing, I would like to state that the author of that letter was obviously not too well acquainted with the organization of Sports' Night, or she would not have made so many misleading and false statements.

Very sincerely yours,  
 Nora Carter — Student

Room 107  
 Port Washington Senior High School  
 Dear Sir,

We need a smoking room or some other place where the students may feel free to smoke. Manhasset has a special tree, Great Neck allows smoking on the school grounds, but we don't have anything pertaining to this subject.

Our school is crammed with people who like to smoke and who smoke with their parents permission. Why must the authorities ban this practice in the school? I can see the point of not allowing it through the halls and in the classrooms, but what is wrong with the lavatories and the outside? Why must we cross the street, climb in cars, or sneak around corners to have a "drag"? Why can't a special area be set off? Such an area could be a senior privilege or it could apply to both juniors and seniors.

I sincerely hope that the special committee to meet with the School Board will look into this problem.

Sincerely,  
 Mary Ellen

Famous Issues and Headlines

April 10, 1929

PORT ENTERS NEW BUILDING ONE OF LONG ISLAND'S FINEST DEDICATION HELD LAST SATURDAY

On Saturday, April 6th, 1929, the present high school building was dedicated. The "Port Weekly" issue of April 10th carried the story of the new building. This told of the improvements over what we know now as Jr. High: the auditorium, library, cafeteria, and other major improvements.

Oct. 21st, 1932

HELEN KELLER

CELEBRATED BLIND AUTHOR, STUDENT AND LECTURER SPEAKS IN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Hears Through Touch

In 1932, the issue of Oct. 21st carried an interview with Helen Keller, the famous blind author and student. Handicapped from childhood, this amazing woman had in 1932 obtained B.A. degrees from Harvard and Radcliffe Universities. Among the information obtained during the interview was the fact that Mark Twain and George Bernard Shaw are her favorite authors, and her garden is her most valued possession.

January 20th, 1933

ROOSEVELT GRANTS INTERVIEW

PRESIDENT-ELECT DISCUSSES SCHOOL JOURNALISM RECALLING HIS OWN EXPERIENCES IN "THE HARVARD CRIMSON" ADVOCATES WORK ON SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS FOR ALL

A representative of the Port Weekly, John McHugh Stuart Jr., was honored in 1933 when President-elect Franklin Delano Roosevelt granted him an interview. This interview followed the daily press conference of Tuesday, Jan. 17, and took place at the Roosevelt House on East 68th St., in New York.

March 20, 1936

THE PORT WEEKLY PLACES IN FIRST DIVISION AT COLUMBIA NATIONAL SCHOOL PRESS CONTEST

Port High Delegation of Seventeen Attends

"The Port Weekly" was given a first place rating at the March 1936 Columbia Scholastic Press Association. This award, for the year of 1935-36, was presented on the basis of stories, features, editorials, and typography by a point system. Part of Mr. Schrieber's statement was . . . "commend those instrumental on its (the Port Weekly's) wonderful development. Mr. Merrill's, in part, is as follows: ". . . I feel that this is a well deserved honor of which we should all be proud, and I congratulate the staff and its faculty advisors."

January 17, 1941

MID-DAY IN A MADHOUSE OR: AN INTERVIEW WITH TOMMY DORSEY

A Port Weekly reporter, was one of the 250 lucky reporters who interviewed bandleader Tommy Dorsey at the Paramount theater in January 1941. The issue of January 17 carried a report of the interview.

April 20, 1945

IN MEMORY

The Port Weekly issue of April 20, 1945 carried a two column tribute to the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, president of the United States, with sentiments which are still, nearly six years later, voiced by many Americans.

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## — HISTORY OF PORT MUSIC —

### MEET THE FACULTY

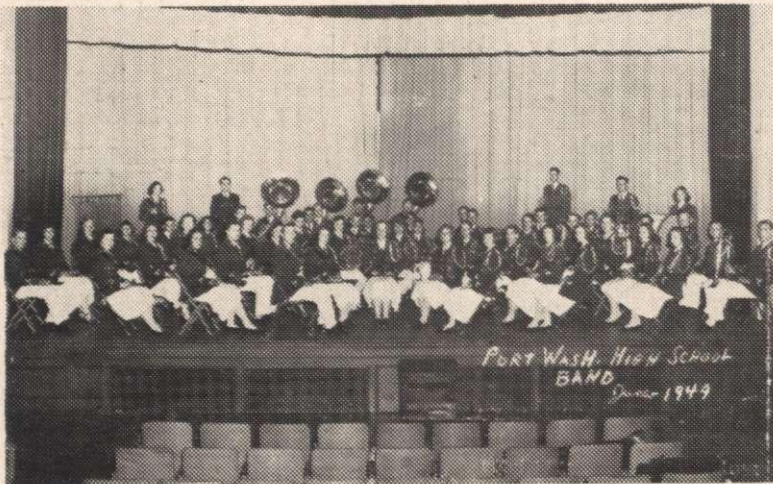


**MR. MESROBIAN**

Early in 1947, another wonderful person, Peter Mesrobian, arrived in Port Washington to take over the position of directing the orchestra. Incidentally, Mr. Mesrobian served in the United States Air Force for four years, played in the Air Force band, and took part in Irving Berlin's production of "This is the Army", made in Hollywood. Although this is Mr. Mesrobian's first job, he has had much experience in playing in and directing several orchestras.

Almost immediately Mr. Mesrobian organized an All-school Orchestra, the first of its kind in Port High. This organization has been in existence for only four years and has done exceptionally well. Last year it played in class five and received the highest honors. Since Mr. Mesrobian's appearance, the orchestra has increased tremendously in size. The string section is larger than it has been in twelve years. Mr. Mesrobian is a person filled with ambition and desire to improve the orchestra to the point of outstanding performance.

### 1949 CHAMPIONSHIP BAND



### History of Port Music

The brilliant history of Port's music department began with the arrival of Mr. Paul E. Bergan in 1929. After teaching at Oberlin College in Ohio for several years Mr. Bergan accepted a position in Port Washington and became the proud director of a mighty SEVEN piece high school band. The following year the enrollment tripled. From then on music has always played a very important part in the school's activities. After two successful years, here, Mr. Bergan saw to it that the band received new uniforms and also directed presentations of two Gilbert and Sullivan operettas — The Mikado, — The Pirates of Pensance. In 1931 Mr. Bergan accepted another position in Glenn Falls, New York and the position of music director was next assumed by Mr. Paul Van Bodegraven.

Mr. Van Bodegraven, being a firm believer in the idea that music was for every child, immediately organized classes for musical instruction in the grades. In 1934 the orchestra and band, after competing in the sectional contest and emerging victorious,

journeyed to Syracuse where they really delivered the goods. Not only did the orchestra take first place and the band tie for first awards, but the soloists also won many top honors. In 1935 our music dept. underwent another improvement when the Christophers moved to town.

Mr. Christopher took charge of the junior high school band and soon made it one of the finest junior high school bands in the state. With the Van Bodegraven and Christopher duo the future bands of Port High reached glorious heights.

Time after time the band entered the state and national contests and on these extensive travels it always took the honor ratings.

In 1940, Mr. Van Bodegraven left our school and became professor of music in the University of Missouri.

Mr. Christopher then became the supervisor of music and in his first year with the high school band won the national contest in Atlantic City in 1941. For six consecutive years the high school band came home from the national contest with first rating. In the years that followed Mr. Christopher kept the tradition of our bands in the upper class. In 1949, the Port Band was the only high school band in the country selected to appear at the National Music Convention which was held in Baltimore.

1947 brought to Port High another splendid personality. Mr. Mesrobian soon took charge of the string department and quickly organized a fine all-School Orchestra. This organization entered the state contests and has also started a neat string of consecutive one ratings. Incidentally, last year's orch, was the only orchestra to enter the State Competition Festival, competing in grade five — to say nothing of the fact that they walked off with a number one rating.

### MEET THE FACULTY



**MR. CHRISTOPHER**

Our maestro, George A. Christopher, was born in Vallisca, Iowa. He began his musical studies when he decided to take piano lessons during his grade school days in Missouri. Piano did not suit him too well however, and Mr. Christopher jokingly admits that he "quit piano three times." Nevertheless he maintained an interest in music and persuaded his parents to buy him his first cornet — a nickel plated "job" he spotted in a Sears Roebuck Catalogue! Young George showed great ability and promise with his new cornet. It wasn't long before he played in the school band and participated in many solo contests during his school days.

After graduation from high school, George Christopher worked as a professional musician. Because of his excellent ability to play all types of music, he played cornet and trumpet in work involving stage, dance and radio.

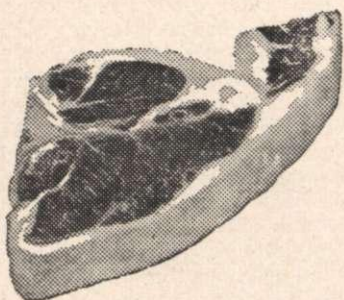
A graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington Illinois, Mr. Christopher has been teaching in Port Washington since 1935 and serving as supervisor of music since 1940.

Mr. Christopher studied under the late Dr. Ernest S. Williams, one of the greatest authorities on brass instruments. He also studied voice under Dr. Arthur E. Westbrook.

Mr. Christopher who is listed in the 1950 edition of the "Who's Who in Music", is vice president in charge of bands of the National School Band, Orchestra and Vocal Association.

### HYDE FIRST ADVERTISER

Charles E. Hyde is our first advertiser. His advertisement was in the December 22, 1926 issue.



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# HISTORY OF PORT CLUBS

## CLIO

Clio, which means muse of history, is the honorary history club of Port High. It was first organized by Mr. Scherer, but about ten years ago Mrs. Johnson became its faculty adviser.

It has had the largest number of members, through the years, than any other club in school, you will understand why when you consider the opportunities which the Clio offers to anyone interested in history.

At the monthly meetings of the Clio, the program usually consists of a speaker, forum or debate on international affairs, current or historical event. Than at the end of the year its members make a trip to New York City to visit some place of interest or to see a play.

The Clio not only serves its members but the whole student body as well. It furnished a prize to be presented each year to the most outstanding third year history student. It started the schools film library two years ago, and it gave the school the two flags which are in the auditorium.

The requirements necessary are: (1) to be, at least, in your Junior year (2) to have an interest in history and (3) to maintain an H average in history for one year or an S-plus average for two years. The officers for this year are: President - Keith Bullard; Vice President - Astrid Quark; Secretary - Marjorie Eckberg; Treasurer - Jim Steuer.

## LA TERTULIA

The Spanish Club, which has been inactive for several years, has been re-organized this year under the direction of Miss Stierle. In the past the club gave several assembly programs and visited Spanish museums and restaurants in New York City.

The club has been re-organized this year because of numerous requests. It is intended to further the practical knowledge of the Spanish language and Spanish life.

This year only 3rd-year Spanish students are members. Meetings which are conducted entirely in Spanish are held the last Monday of every month during the class period.

## LATIN CLUB

The honorary Latin club, Laeti Latini, has had a variable history. It began in 1929 under the direction of Miss Winters, and it had as its first president Joseph Dennister. There were originally sixteen members, and there are sixteen members now.

The purpose of the Latin Club is to make the students better acquainted with Latin life and background. Through the years the club has given programs in assembly and done interesting projects.

Last year it saw the Broadway show, "Caesar and Cleopatra" with Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Lillie Palmer.

For the first time in its history, the Latin club is planning a banquet under the guidance of Miss Duffy. Not only the Latin club members are working on this, but also members of the Latin Classes who are interested.

## CAMERA CLUB

The Camera Club was started in 1948 under the guidance of Mr. Lierheimer. During the first year its twenty-four members went on two trips around town to capture local color.

With Lee Munson and Jean Larson as president and vice-president respectively, the club sponsored a school-wide contest, drafted a constitution, and concentrated on teaching its members the fundamentals of photography.

In 1949 the club, adopting the name of "Focus", was renewed again with the help of Mr. Dimmick. Nina Stephenson was elected president, Tony Holt as vice-president and Clair Marshall secretary.

After three years the organization has finally obtained a darkroom equipped with a ventilating system, sinks, counters, lights, and electrical outlets. Thanks to Mr. Dimmick the club has an enlarger, safelights, trays and other equipment.

The club has accomplished much in its three years of existence and it hopes for an even better future. Our equipment will be complete when a projected darkroom becomes a reality. The practical experience gained therefrom will make for all-round photographers.

## CELERITY

Ever since its organization in 1926 as the first club for girls, Celerity has been one of the most popular clubs in school. "Ferocious," as Celerity was then called, started out with four members, but was soon enlarged to a membership of fifty-five in just three years. Miss Chrisholm, an English teacher, was the first advisor; Marjorie Carmichael the first president.

Activities of this club have remained much the same throughout the years. The main purpose is for the members to be of service to their school and community by willingly ushering at plays, concerts, graduation, Parents' Teachers meetings and Faculty meetings and giving food basket to the "Welfare". They also give a tea party for the Sophomores in the fall and get enough money on the spring to pay for two attendance awards presented at graduation to a girl and boy.

## RETORT

Retort, the Honorary Science Club, was formed in 1929 by Mr. Pickett, who has always been its faculty advisor. Originally the club was exclusively for boys, but in 1934, girls were also admitted.

Before the war, its members used to make excursions to places of scientific interest, and some of its members were admitted into the special Chemistry classes formed by the Chemistry Teachers of New York City.

For years the Retort gave an annual dance, and this year it is again giving one—on April 7.

Two former members of note are Bob White, now a full professor at Michigan U., who appeared in Life's January 1 issue as a promising young chemist, and Bob Van Allen, who gave a lecture on WJZ some years ago after becoming a successful chemist.

At the December meeting, 27 science students were initiated into the club, and plans were made for the next meeting and for the major activities of the year. Besides the dance, the club will sponsor a liquid air demonstration on April 24.

The officers for this year are: President ..... Kathe Quark  
Vice President ..... Frank Harding  
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Jim Steuer

## THEATER GROUP

The Theater Group was founded in 1942 by Miss Margaret Morrissey, who was then a member of the faculty. Now the group is under the direction of Mr. Schorenborn.

The purpose of the club is to gain real appreciation of the theater by attending a Broadway play at least once a month from September to June. This year the group has seen "Mr. Roberts", and "Death of a Salesman."

Admission is open only to Juniors and Seniors.

The officers are:  
President ..... Joan Lambie  
Vice President ..... Muriel Bode  
Secretary ..... Eleanor Rugen  
Corresponding Secretary ..... Priscilla Spaulding  
Treasurer ..... John Mossell

## RED DOMINO

Red Domino, our dramatic club, had its beginning on April 9, 1929. It was established by Miss Bonnie Hawthorne, the dramatics teacher here at that time. In the beginning plans were made to give a matinee performance, every two months, consisting of a one act play. Once a year, a three act play was to be given in an evening performance.

The name Red Domino was probably derived from the fact that the domino was the symbol of jesters and therefore stands for acting.

## COMMERICAL CLUB

Commercial Club was first organized in 1931 for the purpose to further the students' knowledge in the business world. It was under the direction of Mr. Dodds. The original requirements were to be a Junior or a Senior and be taking two commercial subjects. Since then they have changed. A Sophomore must have an S-S+ average. For the Juniors they are the same. The Seniors must be voted in to become a member. Mr. Schafer is now the faculty adviser.

## G. O.

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Constitution and part of the Handbook. The rest of the Handbook will be completed in '51. The G.O. also took over the Traffic Squad which certainly was an improvement.

The successes and failures of the G.O. years largely depends on the Student Leaders. We are lucky enough to have good officers this year.

At the same time we want to thank Mr. Hendrickson for his splendid contribution to the G.O. and we hope that he will be able to be with us for many more years.

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# 25 YEARS OF SPORTS IN RETROSPECT

## Basketball

In sports Port has always been closest to basketball and it is perhaps her favorite. Port has always had an active participation in basketball as long as inter-scholastic sports have been going on. Since 1925 the hoop game has changed in every respect except that it is still played with five men. It wasn't a tactical sport when it was first invented by Dr. Naismith, but it has gradually been developed into a game requiring guile as well as skill. It wasn't until 1928 that our own Blue and White started using a zone defense. The greatest difference between then and now is the scoring. Despite the fact that defense was poor the scoring was very low. The best example of low scoring was a game between the Portmen and the Green Wave of Westbury in the late 1920's that resulted in a 12-2 final score. These days a single man scores in the 20's and a good team can rack up 70 or 80 points.

In 1925 we had a pretty good team for the times and it finished only fair in the league standings. That year and for several years to come the varsity team was playing in what is now the Junior High gym, as that was the High School then. It didn't afford the space they now have and therefore play was especially cramped.

1925 turned out to be the warm up year for 1926 because Port has a very good year and got into the playoffs. They very neatly trounced Mineola for the win and the championship.

1927 - Mr. Pickett took over the reins of the team. Most of the talent was green and the team didn't fare well.

In 1928 Mr. Utz took on the coaching chores. He instigated a new style, but the team did not take to it readily. So, in readjustment they had a bad season.

Mr. Utz's new style paid off in 1929 as the Blue and White won the division A championship. They took all teams in stride and rolled right on to the top.

In 1928 Mr. Utz took on the name known as Coach Costello. They turned up with quite a good season considering a new coach and only one letterman

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The 1946 Long Island championship team from Port.

## Football

### A Quarter Century of Football

Twenty-five years ago, in 1925, when Mr. Seeber, and Mr. Connery were coaching, Port's team come up with a commendable record. It was 6 wins and 1 loss.

In 1926, with the same coaches at Port, the record was not as honorable. They ended the season with 2 wins, 5 losses, and 1 tie.

1927 found Coach Connery alone at Port. The team that year was slightly better, having a record of 3 wins and 5 losses.

In 1928, Connery again, the team had a shaky season winning 3 and losing 4.

In 1929 Connery left and Seeber took over the post of coach. Despite the change in coaches, the team had only a fair season, coming up with a record 3 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie.

In 1930, Mr. Costello came to Port as assistant to Mr. Seeber. That year the team won 3 and lost 4.

In 1931, with the same coaches, the team fared little better, winning 3, losing 3, and tying 1.

In 1932 found Costello as head coach. That year the team had a record of 2 wins, 1 loss, and 2 ties.

In 1933 Costello's boys had an even season, they won 2, lost 2, and tied 2.

In 1934 the Blue Wave was at low tide; winning 2 and losing 4.

In 1935 Port had its first undefeated season in 13 years, when they won 4, lost 0, and tied 2.

Skipping to 1937, we find the remaining drops of the badly injured Blue Wave ekeing out a record of 2 victories, and 4 defeats.

Skipping again to 1940, with Joe Biro starring in the backfield, the team won 2, lost 1, and tied 1.

In 1941 the team won 4, lost 2, and tied 0.

In 1942 the Blue Wave turned extremely Green, and with only one returning letterman, managed to eke out a 1 and 1 record.

In 1943 the Wave turned out a record of 3 wins, 2 losses, and two ties.

In 1944 the team won 3 and lost 4. It was a bad year.

1945 found the Blue Wave with almost the same record as the year before, the only difference was an additional tie.

Skipping once again to "47", we find the Blue Wave going through one of its best seasons in the football history of Port High. By coming up with a record of 6 wins and 1 loss, and by beating Farmingdale in the playoffs, Port, for the first time in history, became *The North Shore Champions!*

In 1948, Port was again in the glory by repeating the record and playoff action of the previous year.

In 1949, with a record of 6 wins and 2 losses, Port was again championship material, but was beaten by Hicksville in a spectacular game.

In 1950, Port had a fairly good season, but could not reach the playoffs. They won 4, lost 2, and tied 1.

Over the years it seems that Port has turned out consistently good football teams.

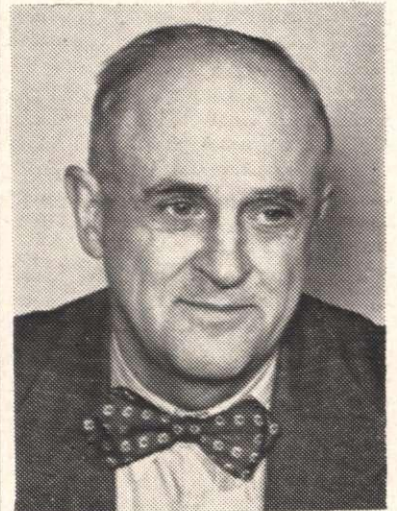
back. During the regular season Port beat Mineola who eventually won top honors for the year.

1931 brought a mediocre team up and they won about half of their games.

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## Meet the Faculty



Mr. Seeber

Mr. Seeber, boy's physical director, has one of the longest "terms of service" of any of the teachers in this school. He came here in 1921.

Born and raised in Milford, New York, he went to Bucknell University after graduating from high school. At the outbreak of the first World War he enlisted in the Ambulance Corps, where, (within) four months he rose to the rank of first Lieutenant. He served in the Alps and the Argonne Forest in France.

After honorable discharge and reception of the Service Medal, Mr. Seeber attended Savage, where he played football and baseball.

It was after he graduated from Savage that Mr. Seeber came to Port as physical director and coach of all sports.

So great was the regard for Mr. Seeber, that when the new school (our present one was built in 1929, the athletic field was named "Seeber Field".

Mr. Seeber has been president of the North Shore Athletic League twice and is the only physical director to be elected to represent Long Island on the State Committee for High School Athletics.

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senior high and two pages for the junior high. The junior high had its own editorial staff, running their part as a separate paper. This was the year they placed first in the Columbia competition.

In 1937 the paper expanded again. This time to a five column paper, the largest the Port Weekly has ever had. All parts of the paper expanded. They used more ads, more pictures and many more features.

The paper shrunk in 1940, when it went back to the usual four columns and it has remained the same size ever since. It also dropped the junior high section that year since the high school had moved out of the junior high building and into the new high school building.

In 1942 the Port Weekly won the International First Place Award given by the Quill and Scroll Society for an excellent paper. In this paper the middle section of the paper was divided into three departments—the editorial, the general and the sports sections. This was not too successful because some of the news did not fall into one of these categories.

During the war years, the paper was printed on a cheaper grade of paper because of the shortage. After the war, it went back to normal which is the type of paper we use today. Another extra feature of the Port Weekly, during the war years, was the fact that the boys were sent the different issues free of charge.

This year the paper is being printed by a new printer and is under the direction of a new faculty advisor. With these changes, the Port Weekly is functioning a little differently, but they are still anxious to print the news that the students like to read.

JUNIOR RED DOMINO

The Junior Red Domino, a brainchild of Doc Ehre's, was organized this September under the direction of the Red Domino. The purpose of this club is to give the Sophomores a chance to act; and help them get into the Red Domino.

PRINCIPAL



MR. MERRIAL

Mr. Merrill our principal was born in Shelton, New Jersey a small farm community about three miles from New Brunswick. He worked his way through Colgate University where he graduated in 1914 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry and Education.

After doing graduate work at Columbia University and New York University Mr. Merrill earned his Masters degree in 1940.

Mr. Merrill has taught at a number of schools in New York State and New Jersey. He was principal of Brookfield High School, and assistant principal at Fulton, New York in addition to being the Math, Chemistry and Athletic instructor also.

From 1916 to 1918 Mr. Merrill taught Math and Science at Malone, New York where he met Mrs. Merrill who was teaching French at the time. They were married two years later in 1920.

During the next year Mr. Merrill worked with the Chemical Warfare Service of the United States Army. He worked on the development of new type gas masks which were to combat the new poisonous gas which were being used at that time.

In 1922 Mr. Merrill came to Port and has remained as principal for thirty years.

Fight T.B.

SUPERINTENDENT



MR. SCHRIEBER

Mr. Paul D. Schreiber has been Superintendent of the Port Washington public schools since 1920. Immediately prior to then, he was Principal of the High School, which was then located in the present Junior High building.

Our Superintendent recalls the plans for the grand opening of the present building. It was to be held on a Saturday afternoon in April, 1929, and the Assistant Commissioner of Education was to be guest of honor. On the previous Monday the seats for the auditorium hadn't arrived. For the next few hours the wires burned between the factory in Detroit and Port Washington. The result—a special car was hooked to a trans-continental train, and the seats arrived Wednesday. Crews of workmen worked around the clock from then till Saturday. The last seat was nailed to the balcony floor as the curtains parted for the ceremonies at 2:00!

Mr. Schreiber is identified with a number of civic activities. He is President of the Nassau County Vocational Education Board, a member of the Grand Jurors Association, and is on the North Shore Hospital board. He recalls with pleasure his years as a high school principal when he came in closer contact with young people.

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**Meet the Faculty**

**HISTORY OF GIRLS' SPORTS**



**MISS FOHRENBACH**

This week the Port Weekly is turning its attention to the girl's gym teacher, Miss Fohrenbach.

Miss F. graduated from Hunter College where she was a Phi Beta Kappa and took post graduate work at N. Y. U. After that she taught in Port Washington Junior High School and Main Street. From Main Street she came here to High School where she has taught for four years and says she would not change for anything because she thinks the girls here are terrific. She says she likes some boys and all girls and she isn't married.

She has had the distinction of writing several modern dance articles for magazines with pictures of our girls.

Miss F. has refereed at hockey, and basketball games for colleges and at the J. H. S. color wars.

Many thanks to Miss F. for being Faculty of the Week and we hope that she will be here a long time from now to guide girls sports and practice her good sportsmanship.

**G.A.A.**

Nancy Crowl

The purpose of the girls' athletic program in Port High has always been to give girls opportunities for developing their physical capabilities and qualities of leadership.

Organized groups in field hockey, volleyball, basketball, softball, tennis, archery, and tumbling have helped toward this end ever since the founding of this school.

An athletic association, with students managers chosen by the girls for each activity, was not instituted until 1946 with the arrival of Miss Fohrenbach, the present gym instructor.

Each manager is responsible for organizing her activity under the guidance of Miss Fohrenbach. She must also take care of corresponding with other schools and arranging suitable dates for games or meets.

The managers of most activities have a hand in choosing the teams. (Miss Fohrenbach has the final say). A manager must take care of all equipment involved in her activity, and she is responsible for seeing that all notices concerning her activity are posted on the bulletin board.

There have been five presidents of the Girls' Athletic Association. The first was Dorothy Wysong, and her successors were Elsie Imperial, Rose Marie D'Agostino, and Ann Peterson. The president is Marjory Peterson.

During Elsie Imperial's term two innovations were brought about. The Sports' Night Trophy, which is given every year to the winner of the Sports' Night, and the girls' Sports' Banquet. At the banquet, which is given late in the spring, awards

are given for accumulation of points and for excellence in certain sports and activities.

Under the direction of Miss Fohrenbach much advancement has been made in modern dancing and tumbling for girls with special talents in those fields. In recent years, two of the most outstanding modern dancers were Audrey Neumann and Cynthia Preftakis, both of whom are continuing their work in college. Everyone also remembers the amazing lightness and grace of Rose Marie D'Agostino when she performed on the mats during the Sports' Night demonstrations.

The biggest yearly sports event for the girls is the Sports' Night competition between the Blues and Whites, which was inaugurated in 1946.

Two captains are chosen from each class to organize each team. There are relay races, games, and events such as a tumbling demonstration and a basketball game. The teams have always been evenly matched, and it has always been a fight to the finish. In 1947 the Whites came out on top, under the leadership of Julia St. Claire and Joan Wilkinson. The next time the Blues won with Janet Graseck and Tommy Fairbanks at their head. Then, in 1949, something happened that seemed to end the two previous years perfectly — a tie! In 1950 the White's captains, Edith Costello and Nan Miller, again stepped up to receive the trophy.

When asked for some outstanding teams and players, Miss Fohrenbach mentioned the undefeated basketball team of 1947.

Some of the most outstanding athletes Miss Fohrenbach named are Elsie Imperial (hockey), Joan Hohenrath (hockey and basketball), Janet Graseck (basketball) and Rose Marie D'Agostino (hockey and basketball).

**Tennis**

Tennis was first introduced in Port High in 1927 by Mr. Seeber. At the time of its introduction there was but an all boy's team, consisting of a handful of players.

In the following year, however, the boys bowed out to the girls who took over the team till 1930 when Port came up with both a boys' and a girls' team.

Port had its most successful year in the fall of '48" under the leadership of Mr. Brown, who has been coaching the team since 1932. They breezed through the season except for two close 3-2 games with Great Neck and City, taking all of its scheduled games and going on to win the North Shore Tournament. The winning team consisted of Dick Leather, Mike McCormick, Lee Munson, Victor Bethge, Larry Parks, Dan Matheson, and Bill Taylor.

The next year's team, however, won but three out of its four games. Mike McCormick made the only play of consequence with an almost perfect score over Manhasset.

Although this year's team won only five of its eight scheduled games, Coach Brown and his players are hoping for a much better season next year.

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## Track

In the days of yore, say 1925, the Port Washington Track Team was just beginning a five year splurge of glory. That year the team won both the Invitation and the North Shore meets. In records handed down to us (written in ancient Sanskrit) it shows that in this five year period "the" team finished no worse than third in the Invitation or the North Shore Meets.

The winter of 26-27 brought indoor track to Port. It was at that time also that the feats of "Lem" Lovejoy, who set a record at high jump that's pretty hard to beat—6 feet three and a third inches.

After 1930 the team (as well as everything else) fell apart. However, just before the war, Port came up with another winner. Our fleet-footed heroes won both the Invitation and North Shore Meets (again!!!). In '41 they repeated the process.

The war put a crimp in all things including a source of information for this wretched account.

After the war, 1948 to be exact, a fellow by the name of Bell saved the situation. Like the same Bell who solved the telephone problem by inventing one, this Don Bell gave the team new life. Bell's stock in trade was a twelve shot which he usually threw about fifty feet. Of course, one man doesn't make a team, but for the last three years Port has been going places.

Another field of the foot race was featured this year (1950) when a few brave Sophomores and one Freshman built a Cross Country Team.

The next few years will show big things for the Port Track Team.

## BASKETBALL

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Jessen starred again in 1941 as he lead the team to a playoff for the North Shore Championship. They lost to Garden City in the post season game 31-23. They were rated the third best team in Nassau. Costello's charges had a 9 won and 2 lost average for the year.

In 1942 the quintet had only one man over six feet. The season wasn't good as they lost 8 games in a row. Port came out on top 5 times and the opposition romped to victory 9 times during the season.

They walked off with the championship in 1944 with a great season. They won 12 starts and lost only 2.

The 1945 squad was made up of Sophomores and Juniors who later turned out to be the greatest team in Port's history. They ended up only fourth in the league scoring respectively. Out J.V. had a very good season too. Late in the season we started the longest winning streak in Long Island history.

Al Willis, "Myrt" Dumpson, Al Jessen, Bob Bowman, Al Salerno and Chet McDonough made up the best team Port has ever seen. The 1946 team won 19 while dropping none. After Bowman graduated Port had a close call at the hands of Westbury, but the "wonder" five eked it out 31 to 30. They played 3 play off games in Jamaica Armory. The pattern was complete as Port won the Long Island title from Patchogue 48-16.

The 1947 team lived up to all that was expected of it. "Myrt" Dumpson, Jimmy Dykes, Chet McDonough, George Shaver and John Schachtsiek compiled 18 wins only to lose the Nassau County title tilt to Oceanside 25-36. This was the first defeat since March 2, 1945, 32 games ago. Dumpson scored 258 points and Dykes scored 211 points over the season.

With the whole team graduating, 1948 was mighty slow by comparison. The 7 and 8 record was expected. Tony Dempster was the team's high scorer.

In 1949 Dempster sparked the team up to a second place tie. The squad finished with a 5 and 5 record. Otis scored 119 points, McCormick scored 115 points and Olstad scored 95 points to attain second place in 1950. The regular season's record was 6 victories and 4 defeats.

Port is on the up grade now and the next 25 years may show more titleholders and championships on our record.

## CIRCLE

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