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22 Try Out For J. V. Cheerleading

"T-E-A-M! yay, TEAM! Port! Port! Port! once again these famous yelps are echoing through the halls of old Port High. The J. V. cheerleading tryouts are here again and 22 Juniors are hoping to be chosen for the 8-girl squad.

The judges of the contest were Mr. Seeber, Mr. Brown, Miss Fehrenbach, Carol Carpenter, president of the GAA, and the captain of the present cheerleaders, Pat Haron. The girls were rated on a scale of 25 points by each judge. Up to 5 points for each of the following were counted: Pep, jump, smoothness of movement, appearance, personality and poise.

It may be that the girls who did well in the practices made a poor showing at the tryouts, due to tension and nervousness. The final choices were announced soon afterward and an anxious crowd learned that Dorin Oltarsh, Annabelle Sloane, Carolyn Gaita, Niba Nataloni, Pat Cooper, Irene Rice, Randi Sontum, and Catherine Montouri, had been chosen for this honor.

Port Light Staff Finishes Sketches

As of Nov. 21, the literary staff of The Port Light had completed the senior class write ups, and these along with the layout of the senior class pages were sent to Myres and Company of Topeka, Kansas to meet a December 1 deadline. The layout of the senior class pages was completed by Doug Murray and Marni McCarthy under the supervision of Myrna Horowitz and Janet Compere. The literary staff has also completed the writing of the dedication. Their next job will be to write up the various activities of Port High.

The art staff will be devoting itself to the preparation of the division pages of the yearbook, which will be completely art work. They also must complete the faculty and administration, football, and hockey pages. These subjects will take up the next twenty pages of The Port Light and will have to be ready to meet a January 15 deadline.

Feature Candid Shots

This year there will be quite a few candid camera shots of the campus, students, faculty, and activities of Port High. The candid shots are being taken by Carl Dahl.

The business staff of The Port Light is working on selling advertisements to the merchants
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Student Of Week

Janet was chosen student of the week because she is the newly elected co-editor of The Port Weekly. Before she had been assistant editor and last year's copy editor. She is active in many important school activities. Among them are Port Light, Rertort, Circle and Celerity. She is the enthusiastic vice-president of Clio, capable secretary of Latin



Janet Kuhl

Club and president of Theater Group. Last year she was the representative to the council from homeroom 108. In sports, volleyball and basketball lead her list of favorites.

These activities and the excellent work she does to maintain her high scholastic average will help her get into the college of her choice, Middlebury.

P. Pumphrey On Power's Show

Last Friday evening Preston Pumphrey appeared on the Jimmy Powers "Powerhouse of Sports" Show at 6:45 on television station WPIX. The first portion of the program was devoted to a discussion between Mr. Powers and three football coaches from Brown University.

In the second half of the show, Preston and a young boxer, Ernie Jamaci, who won the Golden Gloves in 1948 and 1949, were interviewed by Mr. Powers. He asked them whether they thought sports were being overemphasized in schools and college. Preston said that he believes they are not, and mentioned our ruling concerning eligibility for athletics. Mr. Powers also asked the boys about what they planned to do after high school.

Sock Hop Set For December 15

Oratorical Contest Presented Dec. 7

The local contest of the Annual American Legion Oratorical Contest will be held here in a 10:30 assembly on Friday, December 7. The contest is sponsored by the American Legion Post 509. The participants in the local contest are Pam Mori, Barbara Millman, Frank Harding, Leonard Jacoby and William Cunningham.

The winner of the local contest will attend the sectional contest which will be held the week of December 9. The victor of the sectional contest will go on to the county contest which will be conducted during the week of January 13. The winner of the county contest will compete in the eleventh district contest which will be held at Mineola High School on Wednesday, February 13. The eleventh district includes the counties of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk. The victor of the contest of the eleventh district continues on to the state competition where the representatives of New York State in the National Contest will be chosen.

Port Delegates Go To MSSC Meeting

Last Tuesday, November 27, Port Washington High School sent two delegates into Columbia University to attend a meeting of the Metropolitan School Study Council on human relations. Preston Pumphrey and Janet Kuhl, the two delegates, participated in the meeting, which opened at ten o'clock with coffee and doughnuts, and lasted through till three o'clock in the afternoon. The main purpose of the meeting was to plan for a "Youth Day" to be held at Columbia sometime in the spring. There were numerous other delegates representing other schools in the metropolitan area also attending. After different group discussions in the morning, different topics for the spring meeting were decided on and plans were made for the afternoon. A special steering committee was set up to further carry on the plans of the group. At three o'clock the meeting was adjourned.

The committee on human relations was established to straighten out the different "tension areas" in the schools and it is felt that through these various meetings the schools will be able to straighten out their own problems.

Riviera Band At G.O. Christmas Dance

Come on out, kids, save on shoe leather and have a terrific time supporting your G. O. This year the G. O. has come up with a snazzy idea of having its Christmas dance a sock hop. It's strictly informal—informal?—whadya mean informal—just check your shoes at the door. There'll be the Aristocrats, a threepiece band imported from the Riviera, that plan to play a great variety of music, taknig only short intermissions. As always its girl ask boy, beginning at 8:30 and ending at 12:30. The price is very reasonable, \$1.25 with G. O., \$1.75 without. The entertainment promises to be very lively with prizes to be given for the brightest and most unusual socks. If the turnout is as expected, there'll be a lot of dismayed mothers Sunday morning of December 16 upon seeing dirty and worn-out socks of their off-springs as the only souvenirs of a terrific evening.

The decorating committee is already working hard to bring out the Christmas spirit in the decorations. The chairman of this committee is Dee Dee Davis, while Sally Enscoe and Jimmy Roberts are superintending the Refreshment committee. Judy Neely and her committee will soon fill the halls with gay posters announcing the dance.

Students Join In All-State Festival

November 16 and 17 were important dates for fourteen music students from Port High. The annual Sectional All-State Festival took place at Long Beach High School. This affair consisted of about eight hours or rehearsal for each of the chorus, band and orchestra during the two days and then a concert Saturday night. High school students from thirty-nine different high schools on Long Island were picked to participate.

A great credit to our school is that two of our first chair band members also held first chair in the All-State band. They were Danny Smith, cornet; Louis Rowley, flute; and Teddy Kuczinski, trumpet. It was a wonderful experience and all who attended enjoyed the hard work as well as the good music which resulted.

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Importance Of Being Serious

When you enter high school you should no longer be considered a child. You are expected to act grown up. For example in the halls you are expected to move orderly with a minimum of confusion on your own; unlike Junior High where traffic officers watched your every step.

However, quite a few members of the sophomore class and of the junior class also do not take school very seriously. They just fool around in class and do only what they must do in order to pass. In their senior year many of these people realize that they need a good high school record to get into college or get a good job. Then they get down to work. But your senior year is a very late time to buckle down to work. Your rank in class is one of the things that colleges consider important and it is determined by your work in your junior and sophomore year.

A lot of you sophomores and juniors will do yourselves a lot of good if you do a little more than the minimum amount of work in this school.

The Question Of The Ages

What is the question that is troubling more people right now than any other? Is it the ponderous problem of the U.N.? No. Is it the troublesome topic of yearbook pictures? No. What is it, then? It is the question, "What is a rah-rah?"

What IS a rah-rah? What makes one eligible to be called one? Who determines whether you are or are not one? What are some examples of them? Are they of any use to humanity?

Many people consider that a rah-rah is a kind of show-off. If that is true, then we are all rah-rahs, for we all like to show-off in one way or another. Some show-off by calling attention to their marks, good or bad. Some call attention to themselves by wearing unusual or conspicuous clothes. Some show-off by asking silly questions in class. We have all at one time or another probably resorted to one or all of these ways of getting attention. So just showing-off does not really constitute being a rah-rah.

Other people maintain that a rah-rah is one who is just out for a good time and does not do any useful work for anyone or anything. This is probably true, for the people whom I have heard called rah-rahs have certainly been just out for a good time, and to my knowledge have never done anything useful or constructive for the school or for other people. This quality signifies a marked tendency to sheer laziness.

Thus, I think that a rah-rah is a very lazy but fun-loving person who likes to draw attention to himself. I don't condemn rah-rahs as a whole; some of my best friends are rah-rahs. I think that rah-rahs occupy a very important place in our civilization. They all seem to get along all right, and it will probably turn out that the rah-rahs of today will be the bank presidents of tomorrow, while the people who look down their noses at rah-rahs now will probably end up on the relief rolls. Maybe there ought to be a lot more lazy but fun-loving people who like to draw attention to themselves. Maybe the world would be a happier place to live if people would forget their never-ending quest for money, fame, and reputation, and devoted all their energies to the full-time job of being rah-rahs.



Commercial Club

Beta is issuing a Commercial Club paper to its members. This new project was started very recently with Mary Wanser as editor and Mr. Schafer as faculty advisor. The staff members are quite enthusiastic about their paper and hope that it will grow and improve.

Laeti Laetini

The members of the Latin Club are contemplating a trip to the city to see "Quo Vadis" and to take in a little sightseeing. The club is also thinking of presenting a play as its main project for the year. As you remember, the Laeti Laetini held a Roman banquet last year which turned out to be a big success. The group thought that it would like to do something different this year.

Pearls of Wisdom

Two charming quotes:
"She walks as if she cracked nuts with her tail!"
"She has three heads, two of which is used for shoulder pads."

Attend History Contest

After school on November 15, Fred Johnson, Laurie Newbold and Bill Levine went to the Journal American History Contest, which was held at Hofstra College. The test started at three in the afternoon and lasted until five.

Yearbook

Seniors. . . Make your yearbook a success—help out by turning in your patron slips and contributions as early as possible to Mr. Schafer.

Parent-Teacher Night

On the night of November 28 the annual parent teacher night was held in the school from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00. Before making the rounds of the classes the parents heard speeches given by Mr. Merrill, the G.O. officers, and several other students including Preston Pumphrey, James Roberts, Myrna Horowitz, and Marile Marzo. After the program the parents visited each classroom according to the schedule of their children. Members of Celerity were present to act as ushers and to serve the refreshments. The P.T.A. night proved to be a great success as many parents attended.

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Inform Boys Of New Scholarships

The Fund for the Advancement of Education has made available a special group of scholarships for which any boy in high school may apply, provided he will not be more than sixteen and one half years old on September fifteenth, 1952, and provided he is in the upper part of his class. These scholarships will provide full tuition to Yale, Columbia, Wisconsin or Chicago University for four years. Financial need does not make any difference with the eligibility of a candidate, but if the candidate does qualify on that ground he is awarded \$100 a year for maintenance, in addition to the full tuition award.

The purpose of these scholarships is to help young men to complete their education despite the uncertainties arising from the present world situation. The boys interested in the scholarships and who feel themselves eligible should contact the guidance office. They will be required to take a special examination prepared by the College Entrance Examination Board, and the candidates will be notified of the results by July 15, 1952.



- Dec. 4, Latin Club Meeting
- Dec. 5, Art Club Meeting
- Dec. 6, Retort Meeting
- Dec. 7 Dramatic class play presentation.

AT THE BEACON

Wed.-Sun. Nov. 28-Dec. 2

"Here Comes The Groom"
"Fort Defiance"

Mon. & Tues. Dec. 3 & 4

"Ninotchka"
"Her Panelled Door"

Wed.-Tues. Dec. 5-11

"The Mob"
"Sunny Side Of The Street"

Wed.-Sun. Dec. 12-16

"Across The Wide Missouri"
"No Questions Asked"



What with last weekend and the long Thanksgiving weekend, (we hope you all enjoyed the turkey!) there sure were plenty of big doin's. . . . so here's what's been happening!

Friday, the 16th, Arline Anshutz had a lively hen party. Seen cackling together were Arline (natch), Mary Helen, Sal-lie R., Janet Oswald, Irene, Stella, Nancy Ramey, Dot Breska, Suzy Blair, Annabelle, Carolyn G., Jean, and Barbara Pollack. Of course there were lots of stags.

At the movies on Friday night were Marni and Al, Francine Fattizzi and Pin, Isabella Cella and Billy Drews, Barbara De Feo and Bob Stienman, Barbara Gagne and Eugene Santicolli, and Joannette Smith and Michael Maters.

Dot Tiemann had a party on Friday night, too. Seen there and having lots of fun were Dot and John Bollinger, Cris and Pete, Judy and John Nolan, Dee Dee and Bob and Dodie and Jimmy.

Kate Stowe had Barbara Beck, Dizzy Fisher, and Toni Monetti over to hack around. Another party on Friday night was at Janet Kuhl's. Seen wrecking the place were Pat McCormack, Barbara Lynch, Jean McGregor, Nina Kalfaian, Carolyn Fynn, Sally Innes, Connie Sozzi, Sandra Ingram and Joy Burroughs. There were loads of stags too.

On Saturday night, after our glorious victory over Glen Cove, everyone was in a good mood and ready for another night of fun. Bob McIver had a small but hilarious party. Seen there being hilarious were Bob and Joyce, Langdon and Jane, Bill McIver and Doris Haviland, and Connie and George.

Jan Ackerly and Don Easterly, and Nina Kalfaian and Don Stein went to see a play at Manhasset High School. Joan Brooks and Dave Palmer and Denyse and

Dick Staggo went to the movies in Great Neck.

Carmella Papsidera had a party on Saturday, too. Everybody had a swell time. Everybody was Carmella and John, George Adami and Marge, Angie and Chicken, Jeanne and Tom, Irene and Jimmy Hehn, Arline and Bial, Walt and Barbara, and Tommy and Barbara.

Now for the Thanksgiving weekend, which sure was a brawl with all the college kids home for the turkey and fun.

On Thanksgiving Leona Doyle and David Hess, and Joyce and Randy went to Ebbets Field to see Brooklyn Prep (rah) play St. John's. Wonder why they forgot the score? Also on Thanksgiving, Pat McCormack and Charlie Hoins and Pieter and Jean went to see the Hofstra game.

Friday night was quite a night for parties. Barbara Beck had a very open house. Need we say more?! Peter Mertz had a real terrific party. It was very noisy in the living room but the basement was awful quiet. Seen around were Pete and Cris, Dorin and Jimmy, Nina and Malcolm, Judy and John, Joyce and Randy, Dee Dee and Bob, Langdon and Jane, Cynthia McCormack and Roger Irving, Fred Duell and Barbara Trend, Sue Brownlee and Mel Porter.

Wednesday Carol Wiley had an open house and everyone was there and had a good time.

Wednesday night Jay Greene was up to Jan Ackerly's house to visit.

Peggy Hoffer gave Joan Burke a surprise party. Seen enjoying themselves were Sue Capobianco and Frank Bergen, Peggy and Tony, Carol Waters and Jackie Mondeada, Joan and "Pro", and Libby and Stuie.

Dick Frazier had a small party. We know that fun was in the making when Fay and Dick, Joyce Weber and Bill Lewis, Dot and Wimpy, and Lee Ann and Jack got together.

Another small party that we know was fun was at Bill Chapman's. Bill's guests were his date, Sally from Vermont, Annabelle and George, Jeanne and Jimmy, Arline and Bial, and Irene and Eddie.

Nancy Cunningham had her hands full with a house full of lively guests. They were Barbara Beals, Katherine Bradley, Lee Painter, Linda Pollack, Marlyn Franshaw, Mickey Compere, Barbara Mc Kelvey, John Davidson,

Things & Stuff

How to Give an Oral Talk.

Most of the English teachers at Port High have adopted the sadistic and cruel device of the devil known as the oral talk. I feel really sorry for anyone who has to give one, and I must tell you a few of the little stratagems and tricks in dealing with these horrible things.

When you are forced to deliver an oral talk, the first thing you must think of is, "How can I get out of it?" The easiest way is to put a revolver in your mouth and pull the trigger. Of course, there are more subtle methods. You can plead insanity, or develop a sore throat, or if you are more ambitious, you can stab the teacher.

But suppose you are not the violent type. Suppose you even like the teacher (Yes, there are a few humanitarian souls who are that way!) but just don't want to give the talk. You have two choices. You can turn tearfully to the teacher and give him-or-her a look like that of an anemic cocker spaniel who has spent the night in the pouring rain. If you have liquid brown eyes, this scheme is foolproof, but if your eyes are neither liquid or brown, you will succeed in only driving the poor teacher out of the school, screaming and weeping. This might help, but the teacher will probably want to get revenge by forcing you to give the talk. The alternative is to simply state that you don't want to do it. This is neither diplomatic nor practical. It is not very original, either. The best bet is simply to grit your teeth, tighten your belt, and summon up your determination, and then give the talk. It may not be good, but it will be from your heart.

Kip Fried, Doug Murray, Peggy Wild, Bob Herring (St. Andrew's) Louie Cozza, and Richard Ambler.

Seen at the Great Neck movies on different nights were Jean McGregor and Pieter, and Randi and Pete.

Yesterday Sally and Lin and Marile and Leonard went for a hilarious Sunday afternoon drive.

That's all for now kid's! Let's keep the dates and parties rolling so there will be lots in the column for next week. Adios, amigos.

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School Cheer?

Song to be sung by representatives of the different classes, accompanied by cheerleaders and rhythmic thumping of basketball on court, with 'T-E-A-M!' Obligatto.

Sophomore

Oh, I am a sophomore of vulgar degree,
The lowest Amoeba's no lower than me—
But I'll cheer loud and clear for Port High's quintet
And I hope that they have the best season yet!!

Junior

Oh, I am a junior with debonair air
I make up my face and peroxide my hair
But I'll yell, oh so well, and I'll whistle and scream—
Just listen to this, boys "Hurrah for the team!"

Senior

I'm a senior without any scruples or fears—
I've been in Port High for three—ahem!—years.
But I'll scream for the team and I'll cheer at each game
While the winning team spreads old Port Washington's fame

All

Oh, our team is a dream on the basketball court
And they'll all do their best to win for dear Port
Cheer again for the men and a wonderful fellow—
Let's all get behind our coach, Mister Costello!

A Word Of Wisdom

Jack Schmeig, our etymologist, has called to my attention that the technical name for mercurochrome it actually merbromin, dibromoxymmercurofloursecein sodium. That "Sodium" at the end seems rather superfluous, doesn't it?

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by PETE MERTZ
A Squeaker

According to the statistics, the Port-Glen Cove game didn't look to be up to the usual calibre of their old traditional game. But it proved to be far from below the average. Glen Cove also proved to be far better than their two and five record. Actually they outplayed Port except when the chips were down. Inside the five yard line the Blue and White forward wall was the original immovable object. The up ground on the pitchout series while the Costellomen showed ability in



Mertz

all phases as against any particular one. Port's touchdown came with only seconds left in the first stanza on a pitchout to Booker. Musselwhite plunged over scoring the all important extra point. Glen Cove tallied late in the game on a pass, but the conversion was blocked. It was the Blue and White's superior defense that won the game. Jackson kicked seven times and Port made two beautiful line stands.

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J. V. Action

After being twice postponed, the Great Neck-Port J. V. foot-

ball game was eventually played on Tuesday in a sprinkling rain. Mr. Horton's crew was hurt somewhat by the new ineligibility ruling. Neither that nor the weather dampened the boys' spirits but they lacked the smooth workmanship of the Orange and Blue. The Blazers scored once in each half but failed to make the extra point each time. The final score was 12-0.

Season At A Glance

With schoolboy football now completely over, it comes time to think of basketball and other winter sports. But before we do, let's take a look at the statistics. Only two Nassau teams finished unbeaten and untied, Great Neck and South Side. Locust Valley and Chaminade were undefeated but both were tied once. Hempstead, Oyster Bay, Manhasset and Woodmere lost only one game. Port, Mephram, Baldwin, and Freeport won all but two games. Port's record of five wins and two losses was the same as in 1950, except that Manhasset and Great Neck were the victorious this year, whereas it was Westbury and Manhasset last season.

Individuals

As you know already, Port's only touchdown Saturday was scored by Carl Booker. It was his fifteenth of the campaign giving him an even 90 points. Before the game Carl trailed Manhasset's Jim Brown's 85 points by only 1. Reggie Giddens was third with 78. Pretty soon they'll be voting on the all-scholastic teams of 1951. Venturing a guess we think that at least three Port players should rate a berth on one of the teams. Carl Booker, for his running, Ernie Jackson for his passing, and Walt Palawski for his job as center and as a line backer. All three fellows are hustlers and play the game right down to the hilt. We're glad that Ernie will be back at quarterback next year, and sorry that Carl and Walt will be departing for destinations unknown. So much for the '51 football season.

Cagers

Basketball practice has been in progress for only a week but already the squad has been cut to playing size. The Varsity and J. V. teams haven't been picked as yet. The squad so far consists of Laucella, Jackson, Musselwhite, D'Elia, Chichanoswki, Epominande, Jankowski, Walters, Booker, Adami, Markle, Hall, Flemenco, Dumpson, Demphsick, Sanstassoli, Boehme, Wilem, Olley, Parker, Horowitz, Palawski, Hosa, Spaulding, and one or two others. This squad has but two varsity lettermen and eight from the J. V. With able training, however, and Coaches Costello and Horton, they will devolp into a fine team—we hope as fine as last year's champs.

For Our Amateur Proofreaders

The Port Weekly is offering a prize of fifteen pounds of Jim dashes for the person who can find the most mistakes in the following paragraph.

WE WISH to call theAtTention of the Student BODY? TO thIS Imoprtint DevELopMent In the FaculLyyt along With THat ofAll The Parents of Sutt dents Of GRADE SCHOOL Cihhdren tHat Dew to Limmitid BusSes Facilitys that UnleSS THIS SITUation iz Korrested wthe the OTHER wise Thare WHILLBEnoFrutHer STUDENT ParsiSipashun at BASKETbaLL GamESInThe Mewly CumpLited JIM unTIL fruth-er -COPION of The StuDEnt body? INTHIS ImPortANT MAttER WhichAffaexs theWHOLE SCHOOL.



The hockey season ended last week, and the varsity came through with a clear record and an undefeated season, and the J. V. lost only a few games. After school Tuesday, the varsity members had a party to celebrate their excellent season. Marge Hazard deserves a lot of credit for her hard work and loyalty to the team, and Miss Fohrenbach has the gratitude of all the girls for her advice and counseling.

Signups for volleyball took place last week and the first practice was held on Tuesday. We hope a lot of girls come out for volleyball, as they have in the past years. Pat McCormack is manager and will choose the teams along with Miss F. Cold weather keeps some girls from hockey, but with our newly completed gym we won't have to worry about the temperature.

Port Light Staff

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of the town. The ads are coming in much better then they were before, but they are still short of their goal. The goal is \$700 worth of ads. If the business staff succeeds in selling their goal of ads, it will be possible to add eight extra pages to the year-book.

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Reviews

By Al Hilfer

"The King and I"—Not quite up to its reviews but, then the reviews were unusually warm. There's nothing wrong with the book of this musical about Siam but the score is not quite up to par. One of the highlights is a dance called, "The Small House of Uucle Thomas" a takeoff on "Uncle Tom's Cabin". The principals are Gertrude Lawrence and Yul Brynner, whose acting is especially splendid.

"Saint Joan"—This play is about Joan of Arc, "Who was all things to all men" Shaw a great playwright has clearly scored a posthumous triumph in this repeated version of his play which was originally produced in 1923. All the real characters from Joan, herself, to Cauchon, the inquisitor, are fairly and accurately portrayed by Shaw. The text of the trial scene is taken from actual records of the trial scene. The cast, headed by Uta Hagen, is marvellous. About the best thing on Broadway currently.

"Inside Bob And Ray"—This sparkling half-hour comedy show is all that keeps radio alive these days. The title is derived from the fact that all voices, with the exception of the announcers and a female singer's, are those of Bob and Ray. Both men are excellent mimics and they disguise their voices under various dialects. If you like good, clean, humor You'll love Bob and Ray. N. B. C. Saturday night.

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