



by Seamus McGrady

Last Friday night, the Westbury High Gym was the scene of a fierce battle between Mineola and Hicksville. It was nip and tuck all the way (the score was tied thirteen times) and only in the last few minutes was the game decided when Emig of the Mineola squad scored two consecutive baskets to win the NS-AL championship. Tonight Mineola will face the SSAL champions, Lynbrook, at Hofstra College.

Basketball Team

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proved his ability to play under pressure.

Paul Nuzzolese proved that a big man is always needed on a basketball team; without his spirit and rebounding ability, the team could not have fared so well.

Howard Blakeslee makes up for his lack of height by having

a great variety of shots, his favorite being a hook shot.

Bob Dohm completed three years of varsity basketball, and, besides being the team's second high scorer, was a playmaker as well.

Ralph Deater plays a hard running game and his major threat is a jump shot which he takes from anywhere on the floor.

John Ramsey did not play with the team until quite late in the season, but when he finally did, his height and shooting ability were used to advantage.

George Palaski is a fine rebounder because of his height, and his ability makes him a valuable outside shooter.

Bob Metzger "really came through" this year with his fancy footwork and dribbling, and ended up the team's high scorer with a game average of 10.4 points.

John Schermerhorn is known for his reliable playing, and his rebounding greatly aided the team.

Al Pollock was the only junior letterman, and he scored mostly on a long set shot.

Bob Lincoln figures to be one of the important pivot men next

year, and will be able to use his long legs in rebounding and jump shooting next year.

Eddie Lloyd is a speedy, scrappy player, with a long one-hand shot.

Roddy Hull was unable to finish the season because he sprained his ankle badly; however next year he will be able to use his height and speed and should make a fine offensive abilities.

Seamus McGrady, when he wasn't playing left forward, could usually be seen taking notes for his write-ups of the games. This year of experience should make him good varsity material next year.

Coach Costello said, "Considering the fact that only one player was back from last year's starting line-up (Bob Dohm) and that the Western Division is harder than the Eastern (Port defeated Hicksville, the Eastern Division champions, 52-46), I think that the boys deserve a lot of credit."

The Sports Staff of the Port Weekly is especially indebted to varsity manager Ron Mullon, who was always helpful when statistics were needed.



By Roger Musselwhite

Last week the smell of Spring in the air brought out the interest for baseball in Port High. Try-outs for the Varsity team took place the latter part of last week, and the squad should be fairly well decided by Monday. Coach Rogo has a fine nucleus to work with this season, since last year's team had only two seniors. The vacant berths on the team will probably be filled by some of the promising sophomore candidates from last year's successful freshman squad. After the squad has been selected next week, a list of the boys who make the team will appear in my baseball column, "Pop-ups."

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