

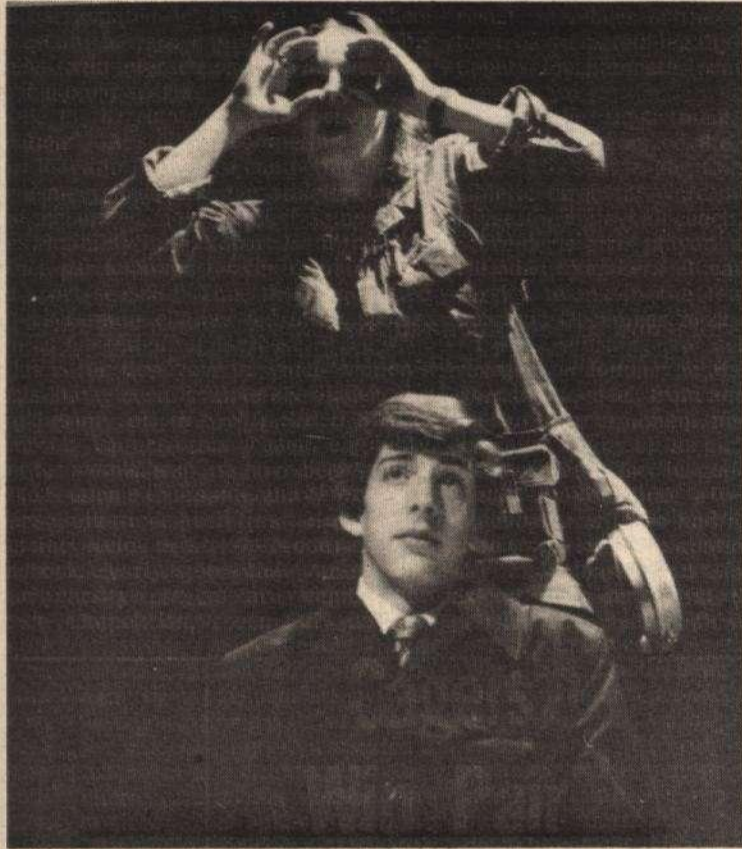
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Cuba Si



Appleby bubbles while Coffee perks.

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(See story page 2)

SCORE Starts Feb. 3

SCORE, an alternative education program, has been introduced to the Schreiber scene. In a special homeroom period on Thursday, January 16, brochures describing the program were distributed to all Schreiber students, and Dr. Killeen delivered some brief introductory remarks about the program.

The SCORE program will involve interdisciplinary teaching of the English-social studies field, combined with a "work-service experience"—some sort of volunteer or paying job to be pursued either in school or in the larger Port Washington community. The program will begin on a pilot basis with a maximum of 40 students on February 3. If successful, SCORE will be expanded to accommodate approximately 100 students next year. As of Friday afternoon at 3:05, some 27 students had expressed a definite interest in the program.

THE SCORE program was developed by Mr. Begun, Mr. Cahill, and Mrs. El-Kadi, and first formally presented to the school administration as a written proposal in September 1974.

As originally conceived, SCORE was to have provided a scholastic alternative for those students who have been having difficulty in Schreiber's modular program. The SCORE proposal was presented to the faculty in a series of meetings that stretched from October through November 1974. Considerable concern was expressed at those meetings that there would be a stigma attached to membership in SCORE, because its students would be only those who were unsuccessful in the regular Schreiber program. As a result, the program was modified so that it is open to all Schreiber students.

NCTE Contest To Be Held

The preparations for the contest for this year's National Council of Teachers of English Awards began this month at Schreiber. The contest, designed to recognize those students with superior writing ability, involves the selecting of 876 high school juniors from thousands of high schools throughout the country to receive the awards. These students are chosen from candidates named by the different high schools, and Schreiber High School can nominate four such candidates to compete for the awards this year.

In order to select Schreiber's nominees, the English Department has established a preliminary contest in which all juniors who will graduate in 1976 are invited to participate. The competing students will be asked to submit a sample of their work which they feel is their best effort and to write an impromptu theme on a topic chosen by the English teachers. So as to maintain secrecy and impartiality, all students will be given numbers with which they will label their work, and the list with the corresponding names and numbers will not be viewed until the four nominees have been selected. The committee judging the students' work will be comprised of English teachers Mr. Bocarde, Mr. Broza, Mr. Hamburger, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. McKenzie, and Mrs. Null. This contest will be held in the English office on Tuesday, February 11 at 9:50.

When the four students are selected, their names will be sent to the NCTE, where they will then be asked to send additional writing samples. The Council will announce all winners of these Achievement Awards in October of this year. Because it is a non-profit organization, the NCTE does not award cash prizes, but it does send the names and addresses of the winners to 3000 colleges, universities, and junior colleges in the United States. With this is sent a letter recommending the NCTE winners for admission and scholarships, where they are needed.

Suspension Committee Presents Recommendations

In the past week, the Faculty-Student Committee on Suspensions has presented its preliminary set of recommendations and conclusions to Dr. Killeen. In the report, the Committee deals with disciplinary practices and suspension.

The Committee states in the report, "Suspension should not be considered a solution, but rather an admission of defeat, and thus should only be used as a last resort." As an alternative, the members suggest that efforts for correction should be made through counseling and parental meetings with a school official.

Under New York State law, minors may be suspended for insubordinate or disorderly behavior, for conduct or condition that endangers himself or others, or for being disabled to the point that he cannot benefit from instruction. According to the Committee, clarification of the terms "insubordinate and disorderly" is necessary to avoid arbitrary suspensions. It also reports that suspension for these charges should only be used if smaller attempts for correction have been unsuccessful and after a student has been advised that the continuation of his actions will result in suspension.

The Committee points out that if suspension is utilized when a problem may be corrected by "more constructive means," it may have negative effects on a student. It cited that in a 1973 court case in Ohio, two psychologists testified that suspension injures a student's self-esteem and may cause the student to view school officials and teachers with mistrust and resentment. The two psychologists also stated that the student learns to step aside as a solution to problems and the student is viewed by school officials and others as a troublemaker. The Suspension Committee affirms that each case should be weighed individually to determine whether a suspension would be more detrimental to a student than permitting him to stay in school. In reaction to the above, Dr. Killeen states, "I seriously question whether a sample of school psychologists would verify the effects listed by the two Ohio Psychologists."

According to the New York State Education Department, "A teacher, guidance counselor or

assistant principal may not suspend a student. The principal may suspend a student for a period not to exceed five school days if the board of education has adopted a by law which permits him to do so." In 1972, the commissioner of Education reinstated a Hempstead student who had been suspended by the assistant principal. Even though the student involved assaulted a teacher (an offence that obviously merits suspension), the decision for suspension was immediately reversed because N.Y. State Education Law clearly states that it is a violation of due process for an assistant principal to suspend a student.

There is no provision in the New York State Education Law for expulsion of a student from school. (If the school officials wish to suspend a student for beyond five days, a hearing must be conducted at which the student has the right to present witnesses and be represented by lawyers.) The State Education Department booklet, Guidelines for Student Rights and Responsibilities, states, "A student who has been suspended prior to a hearing must be placed back in school or provided with suitable alternative instruction commencing with the sixth school day if the hearing has not been concluded or the superintendent or board of education has not rendered a decision as of that date."

Dr. Goutevenier, a member of The Suspension Committee, notes, "I feel very upset and frustrated over the fact that students are being dropped from the school for reasons of exceptionally poor attendance. This is a matter which the Board of Education alone has a right to determine. Board Policy clearly states that the principal may

only recommend to the superintendent that a student be dropped. He may not drop students, as is being done now. Once again we have a clear violation of due process under law, which brings us back to where we started in September." When Dr. Goutevenier speaks about students being dropped, his definition of "dropped" is essentially different from meaning of the administration.

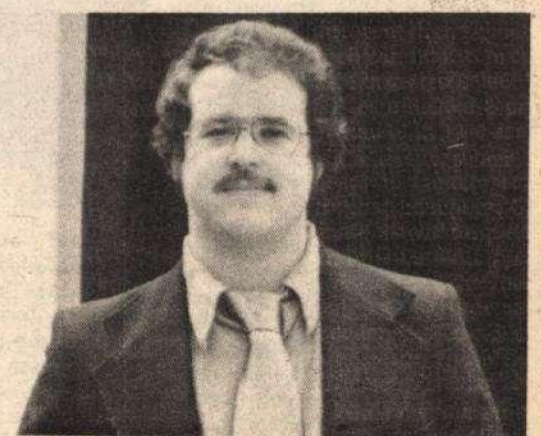
The Committee's report also specifies that "the guidance department should be contacted by the principal or assistant principal prior to the suspension." In his reaction statement, Dr. Killeen disagrees with this point because he feels that the guidance operation should not become involved with the administration's work in disciplinary measures. He believes that students would become suspicious and contemptuous of their counselors if they believed that counselors contributed information that led to suspension. Dr. Killeen suggests that counselors discuss the suspended student's problems after administrative action is taken and meet with the student on a follow-up basis.

The Committee concludes that it hopes that the report will clarify any confusing and dubious aspects of the suspension policy so that the policy "will reflect the highest spirit of the law and our educational philosophy." Dr. Killeen states that he agrees that due process should be included in the disciplinary process (as is required by law). The Committee will meet with Mr. Daiker, the Board of Education's lawyer, to discuss and interpret the Board's policy and New York State Education Law concerning suspension.

New Faces At Schreiber

Larry Murray

Robert Bookstein



Reinhardt Photo

Larry Murray, an outreach worker from Port Alert, will be in Schreiber during the afternoons. He hopes to organize a youth council and to reactivate the Port Alert newspaper, Asparagus. He wants to reach a large number of students that have not been known to Port Alert.

Robert Bookstein, a communications specialist, has replaced Greg Crosbie in the Multi-media Services Department. He has done extensive work with television at BOCES and on his own. He wants the students to run the studio their own way and to do more creative and original work.

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Lift Weights

During the past two years, there has been a very active weight-training program in operation in Port Washington. This program, directed by Mrs. Naomi-Beckley, has been very successful and has received wide scale support from many educational and community leaders. The program preaches that a healthy body makes a healthy mind. A present, the program is all volunteer and completely independent of the school district. It is open to all Port youths and is free of charge (except a small fee to cover insurance costs). However, the resources of this program are limited, and it can only do so much. The time has come for the school district, and particularly Schreiber, to take a more active role. Weight training not only serves to coordinate and strengthen the body's muscles, but has many therapeutic uses. A good weight training program needs a Universal Gym, a piece of equipment, and the time has come for the school district to make the necessary arrangements to obtain a Universal Gym, which could probably be used jointly by Schreiber and Weber.

The cost of the facility is substantial, over \$2000. However, there are many options open to obtain the money. The money could be allocated from the existing Physical Education Department budget of either Weber or Schreiber, or both. Sousa Jr. High School has its own Universal. It was able to purchase it out of its own existing budget. If the Physical Education Departments are not willing to make this commitment, many parents of children currently enrolled in Mrs. Beckley's program have expressed desire that they would be willing to help defray the cost. With the massive Athletic Budget of this school district, plus the bond issue which is currently financing the new Weber Gym complex, the funds can and should be found to purchase a Universal Gym.

Experience at Sousa and at other schools indicates that a Universal is very popular with students and would be in continuous use. Sousa offers special electives in this field and there are always more applicants than can be accepted. The facility could be used by school teams for special muscle development; courses could be given in Physical Education classes; nonathletic students could be exposed to weight training; and certain injuries could be aided through the therapeutic uses of the Universal. The list of uses is surely very long and the facility would definitely not be unused.

Several Board members, athletic administrative, and community leaders have shown interest in the current weight-training program and have expressed interest in looking into purchasing a Universal. The purchase would require no extra allocation of funds in the budget. If the effort is made by the administration, athletic officials and interested community members, the money can be found. A high school of Schreiber's caliber should have access to a Universal gym. Now is the time to make the com-

mitment to weight-training. If action is not taken, weight-training will probably die in Port Washington, because Mrs. Beckley's program cannot continue in its present volunteer status. A Universal gym is an invaluable piece of equipment which would be used by many students, regardless of athletic ability. The School Board and all people involved should move expediently on this matter so that come next fall, Schreiber has a Universal Gym.

Girls Punished Unjustly

The recent disqualification of ten members of the volleyball team left followers of the athletic program disillusioned. An error at the county level prevented the ten, plus over a hundred others in other Nassau County schools, from participating in the last half of the volleyball season. All the girls did was participate in a tournament over Christmas vacation that was sponsored by the Nassau County Department of Parks and Recreation.

The crime that was committed by the girls which prompted their punishment was entailed in the fact that, as of 1974-75, girls are no longer eligible to participate in non-school athletics during their interscholastic season in the same sport. Not only were the girls innocent of their mistake, but Mr. Romeo, Schreiber's knowledgeable athletic director, Ms. Hulse; the volleyball coach, the organizer of the tournament, the division volleyball chairman and the county chairwoman for women's athletics were all unaware of the rule change. The Section 8 volleyball chairwoman appears to be the only one who knew of the rule change, and although she says notice of the change was sent out, no one from Schreiber or apparently any other schools received it.

Earlier this year a rule was waived which restricted girls from playing in more than one sport per season. In view of the circumstances, why wasn't the rule which prohibited the girls from participating in the tournament waived? It doesn't seem fair that the girls—not just from Schreiber, but from all over Nassau County—had to be the victims of a rule of which no one knew about. Mr. Romeo is a conscientious man, with a full knowledge of the rulebook, and Ms. Hulse is dedicated and very involved with the women's program. If they didn't know about this important rule change, who did?

Athletics is for fun, especially on the high school level. If the girls in question had violated a rule deliberately, with prior knowledge of the violation, then they would be deserving of their fate. But to punish them for a mistake made by Nassau County is outrageously unjust.

Letter to the Editor

To The Editor:

Danny Parker apparently has a flair for fictional writing. His interpretations of class club ideas, goals, and services were silly, outlandish and of no purpose.

What about the Sophomore Class meeting? Although it is true that Mrs. D'Antonio had consulted the club, her plea for better sophomore orientation was not put aside; instead, four members were appointed to a

committee of students and faculty to look into improvements.

This is the same club meeting in which Danny claims that a "major conflict" arose over the "big issue" of shirts. It was not the big issue and neither was there a conflict of any sort, merely a review for new members. In fact, the shirt decision had been made weeks in advance.

Danny Parker also neglected to mention a few other possible

plans made by the club, including our intentions to put up a sports bulletin board and plans for a day trip to Bear Mountain in June. However, these ideas were "sluffed off" by Mr. Parker.

Obviously his interpretations of the Junior and Senior Clubs are questionable as well.

Where does Danny hope to get by his unwarranted remarks against these clubs? They have proved themselves vital and useful, but as for Danny Parker, what has become of his sudden

interest in sophomore orientation? Where was Danny when the student lounge needed fixing up? When did Danny Parker help set up a Honduras relief fund? And most importantly, where is Danny when the class clubs look to increase their attendance?

The class clubs have proved themselves concerned and interested. However, it is unfortunate that Danny has not awakened to these truths.

The Sophomore and Junior Class Clubs

takes up residence in the park. This madwoman has become a tourist attraction to the New York onlookers. Peter Coffee plays an interviewer for The New York Times. He and Cuba have two very conflicting viewpoints. Cuba wants recruits for the "revolution", yet the reporter gives Cuba a grim view of what her purpose for remaining in the park really is. As for the reporter's interview, the reporter tells Cuba that a story has a beginning, a middle, and an end and so far you have only given me a beginning.

Gripping performances were given by Amy Appleby and Peter Coffee. They both should be commended for their portrayals. Appleby was in full control as the Cuban anarchist with a mouth like you've never heard, and Coffee was finely cast as the reporter who usually interviews "theatrical people."

Cuba Si can be categorized in the genre of absurd theater. It shows through drama and low-key humor various opinions concerning Americans' fear during the Cuban Missile Crisis in the early sixties.

To Mr. Jones, actors and crews, a job well done.

Grapplers Grip Audience

Through the expertise of wrestling coach Mr. Mulada and members of the wrestling team, those of us who attended the Cabaret theatre during the week of January 6-10 understand the sport of wrestling a little more than we used to. To the uninitiated, wrestling may not seem to require much more than brute strength, but, as the demonstration proved, a knowledge of different moves is essential, and strategy plays an important role in determining the winner of a match.

After seeing the basic moves, and certain illegal moves, we witnessed a match. A regulation match is three periods long, each period lasting two minutes. The Cabaret match lasted only three minutes, but it was long enough to show us the considerable skill of Port's wrestlers.

A match can be won by pinning an opponent, forcing both his shoulders to the mat, or by decisioning him. A decision means that you have won more points than your opponent, but



Photo by Kathy Hecht

did not actually pin him. Depending on the outcome of an individual match, the team receives a certain number of points. Both team and individual honors exist in the sport.

Mr. Mulada explained that because the team competes in different championships, the season extends well into the spring. Wrestling can rightly be called the longest school sport according to coach Mulada. To add to the length of the season, the unique factor of weight makes wrestling a somewhat

grueling sport. A wrestler competing in a certain weight class, for example 140 pounds, must weigh in at or below 140 to be eligible to compete in a meet. It is to his advantage to be as close to 140 as possible, so he

must carefully regulate his diet. Wrestling is one of those sports that the average spectator knows little about. Presented in the auditorium stage for the purpose of educating the layman, the wrestling demonstration was both effective and enjoyable.

Cuba Si

by Steve Miller

Cuba is alive and well and living in Central Park, at least that's what went on during Mr. Jones' "Noontime Cabaret" presentation of "Cuba Si" by Terrence McNally. The play was presented during the week of January 13.

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Volleyball Dispute

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tournaments for high school boys in other sports—basketball, softball and flag football, for example—in which the advertising clearly points out the ineligibility of varsity and junior varsity players.) The response from the tournament organizer was that she had never been informed of the rule change, and that Mr. Romeo was telling her about it for the first time.

Meanwhile, Mr. Romeo was promised a list of the 120 ineligible players by the Section 8 volleyball chairwoman, but, two weeks later, he still hadn't received that list. For all anyone

knows ineligible girls could still be playing for other schools; in fact, some schools may still not know of the change in rulebooks.

Mr. Romeo called the incident a "significant error" and a "staggering blow for girls' volleyball in Nassau County." He added, "This didn't end up promoting volleyball but rather hurting it. The kids ended up suffering though they had nothing to do with it."

Mr. Romeo attributed the confusion to the "growing pains" of the women's program, and noted that the women's athletics program should proceed "more carefully" in order to avoid similar mistakes in the future. He

also noted that the hierarchy of women's athletics is still forming, thus accounting for the lack of communication when the rule is changed. Until the confusion is cleared up, though, Mr. Romeo said that the women's program was "defeating itself because the kids are getting hurt."

The Port team was in first place with an unbeaten record in its division before the disqualifications. Afterwards the eight remaining players played the last three games, beating Wheatley in a non-league game but losing to Hicksville and Cold Spring Harbor in league games.

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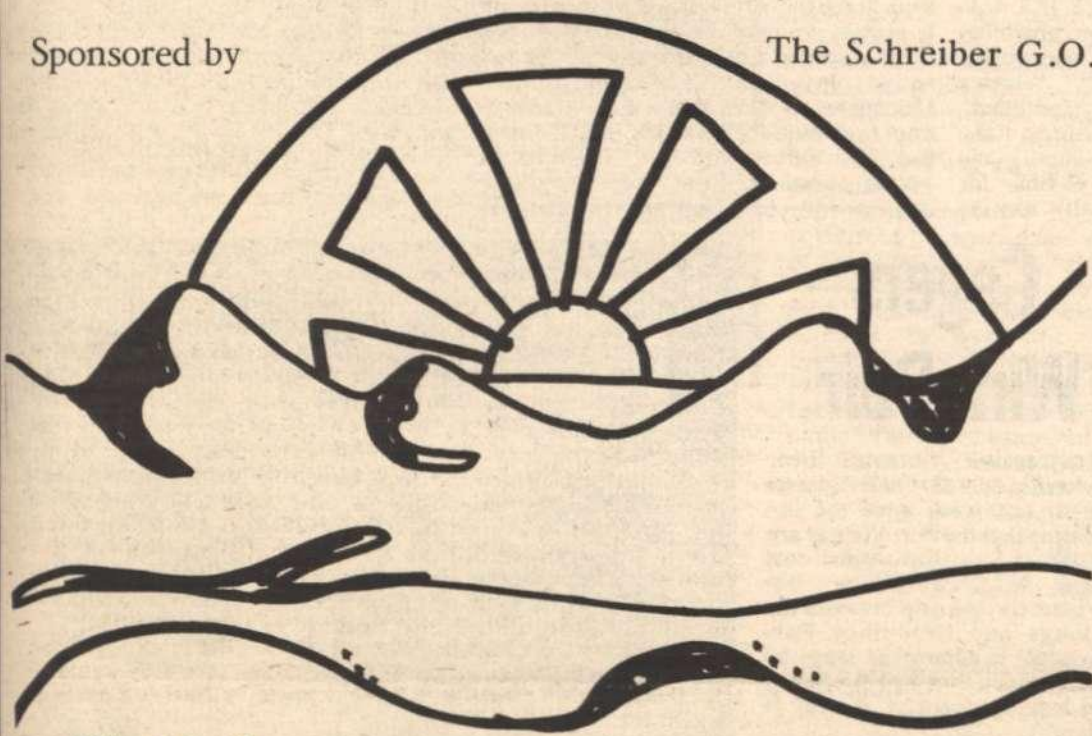
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15,000-17,000	10,000	3,010	960	500	1,460	800	250	2,500	510
16,000-18,000	11,000	3,010	870	500	1,370	800	250	2,420	590
17,000-19,000	12,000	3,010	770	500	1,270	800	250	2,330	690
19,000-21,000	13,000	3,010	670	500	1,170	800	250	2,220	790
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Ten Dropped From Volleyball Team In Dispute Over Christmas Tourney

Ten members of the Port Washington volleyball team were declared ineligible to play the last three games of the season after taking part in a Nassau County-sponsored volleyball tournament over Christmas vacation. All but one of the varsity players were suspended as well as three junior varsity players. The disqualifications left the Vikings with only eight players, of which only Lori Marro had been a varsity member. She was not suspended because she was away during the time the tourney was played.

The suspended varsity players were Robin Beil, Jody Coyle, Cindy Fegley, Dorothy Krause, Barbara Ligeri, Kathy Medlock and Donna Minotti, and the suspended junior varsity players were Jenifer Brunola, Nancy Joyce and Grace Taferner.

The dispute arose from the team members' participation in the fourth annual Nassau County Department of Parks and Recreation volleyball tournament for girls age 15 to 18. The rule that was violated is found in the New York State Public High School Athletic Association 1974-75 Handbook. Rule 13 (a) under Eligibility Stan-

dards reads: "No contestant may participate in non-school contests in baseball, basketball, ... volleyball... after the student has participated in his first interschool contest in that sport in that season. This applies to all interschool competition in the above-named sports."

Rule 13 (b) establishes the penalty for violation: "A student competing in any sport listed in (a) above competing in any game, meet, tournament or athletic contest (non-school...ed. note) in that same sport loses eligibility in that sport from the date of such participation for the remainder of that sport season." Thus the disqualified players remain eligible for other sports, such as basketball or lacrosse.

This is the first year in which women's sports have been completely under the jurisdiction of the N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A. handbook. Up until this season, eligibility rules for women's sports have been guided by the Section 8 (Nassau County) Women's Interscholastic Athletics Handbook. Eligibility Rule 7 in the 1973-74 edition of the Handbook clearly states that varsity and junior varsity players are eligible for outside competition, specifically naming

the County Parks and Recreation tournament, provided that the girls not use the school name, coach or uniforms. As a result, members of the Port Washington team participated—legally—in the last three County tournaments, prior to this latest one.

When the Department of Parks and Recreation organized the tournament, no notice was sent to Mr. Romeo, Schreiber's athletic director. Word was sent to Ms. Hulse, the volleyball coach, and as a result, Schreiber's girls played—along with some 110 other members of varsity and junior varsity teams—in the tournament which was held December 26-29.

Upon returning to school after the vacation on January 6, Ms. Hulse received word that a coach from another school had been at the tournament, and was preparing to protest if any of the girls who had been there played in any league games. The full squad played that afternoon against Uniondale, as there had not been enough time to pursue the situation, but the next day Mr. Romeo and Ms. Hulse began asking questions. First they called the division volleyball chairwoman, who was

"confused", in Mr. Romeo's words; then they called the Section 8 chairwoman for women's athletics who was also "confused". Then they got in touch with the Section 8 volleyball chairwoman, who was "definitive" about the ineligibility of the girls involved. However, it was during this conversation that both Mr. Romeo and Ms. Hulse discovered for the first time that this rule for the women's athletic program had switched from their own Section 8 handbook to the State handbook in 1974-75. According to the Section 8 volleyball chairwoman, a sheet had been sent to athletic directors rescinding the old rule which had allowed non-school play, but Mr. Romeo says he never received that notice, and neither had the other athletic directors he has spoken with.

At this point Mr. Romeo called a representative of the Department of Parks and Recreation who had organized the tournament, asking her why the ineligibility of varsity and junior varsity players had not been advertised in tournament literature. (The County runs numerous

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Impressive victories over Hicksville (79-58) and Syosset (86-73) last week gave the impression that the Port Vikings are by far at least the second best team in Division I. Unfortunately, the gap between the Vikings and first-place Farmingdale is almost as large as that between Port and the rest of the league, if not in record, in talent.

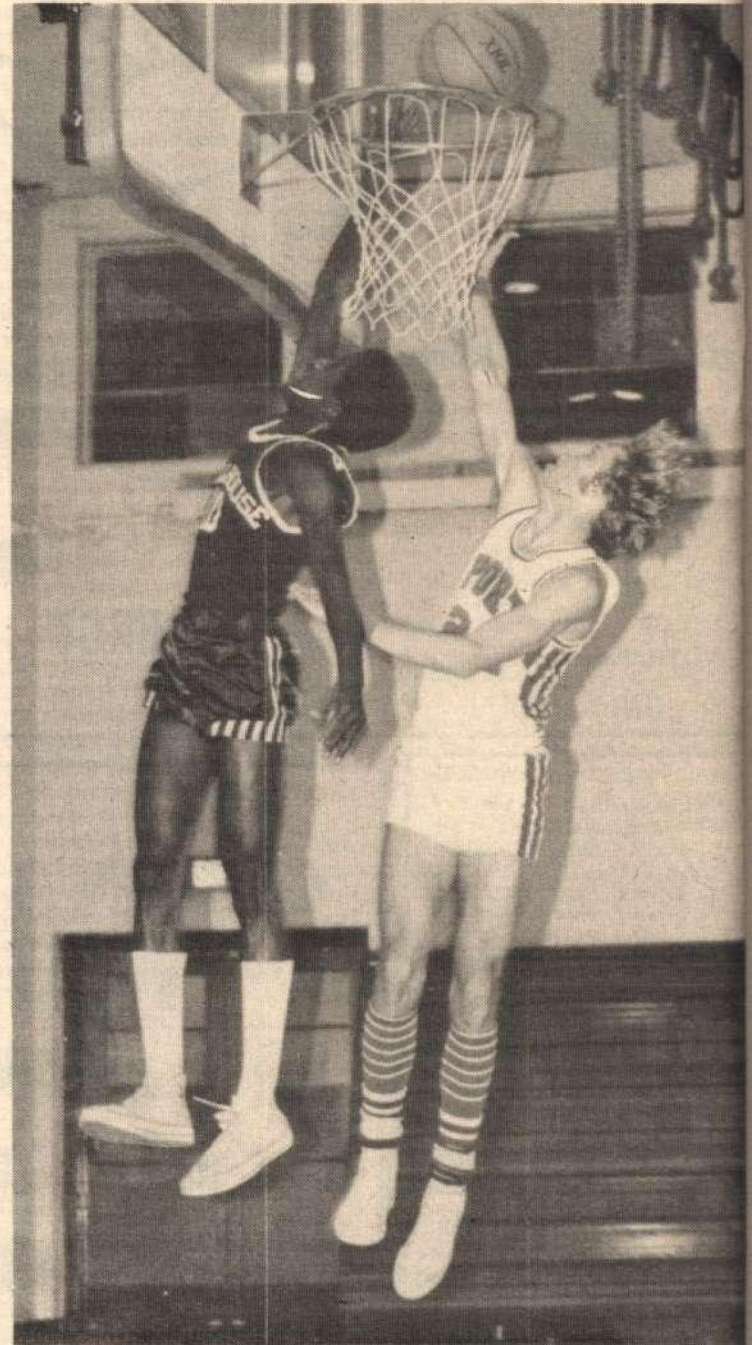
Port opened up a 10-point lead in the first quarter against Syosset and maintained it through the second and most of the third. Late in the third period Syosset closed the gap, ending the quarter trailing only 60-57, as both the Port offense and defense got a bit lazy. But in the fourth Rich Spann and Tom Brown came out hitting everything in sight, and the Viking defense clamped down to seal the win.

Spann was the star of the night, hitting an amazing 14 of 18 shots for 28 points, the highest individual total in Division I this season. His baseline jumper seems to have eyes that guide it through the cords unmolested by the rim. The 6-2 junior added 10 rebounds (6 off the offensive boards) and 3 steals in an all-star performance.

Spann wasn't the only Viking that was on fire, as the team shot a whopping 54 percent from the floor. Tom Brown was relatively cold (for him), but he still scored 21 points and led the team with 5 steals. Guards Don Meyers and Skip Amen showed a lot of hustle in playing well at both ends of the court. Meyers canned 6 of 8 shots in scoring 13 points and had 3 steals. Amen had 4 steals and 8 points in his role as point guard. Center Nip McKenna chipped in with 8 points and 8 rebounds.

Against Hicksville earlier in the week Port spurred to a 46-27 halftime lead before Coach Jessen brought in the reserves. Eleven of the Portmen scored, all but Scott Pink (who had his chances). Steve Moro, Pat Intintoli and Joe "The Eraser" Plominski scored two points apiece when they were in.

Spann was deadly again, hitting on 10 of 15 shots for 20 points, with Brown scoring 16 and Amen adding 11. The defense was superb as usual, forcing 27 Comet turnovers. Against Syosset the Vikes made an incredible 21 steals in forcing 32 turnovers.



Rich Spann the flying man is up in the air, over the rim for a layup, despite competition from UFH (unidentified flying Hillhouse (Conn.) player) in non-league action.

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