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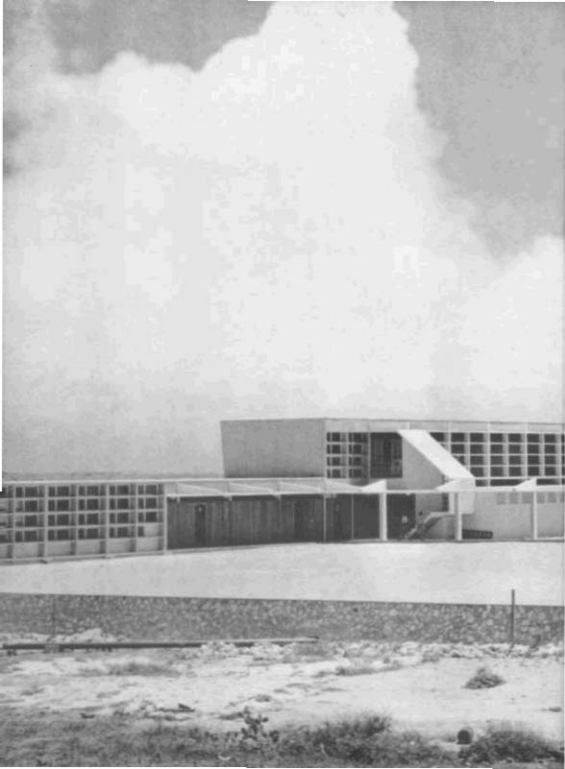
IN the twenty years dating back to nineteen hundred twenty-nine the Lago School has grown from a single room with only one teacher to an accredited college preparatory school of over four hundred forty students and twenty-eight faculty members. Included in this system is an ultramodern high school building which represents the first phase of a completely new Lago School. During these twenty years at Lago many fond memories have been shared by those who have passed through its halls and classes. As a Twentieth Anniversary issue it is intended that this *Pan-O-Ram* should not only commemorate a happy and successful past but also introduce an equally promising aspect for the Lago School of the future. Still, ultimately, this is an annual which the staff sincerely hopes will preserve for this year's Seniors a lasting and living picture of Lago High, nineteen hundred forty-nine, perhaps the happiest year of their lives.

Dedication

TO our friend Miss Lyda Varney, the staff dedicates the 1949 *Pan-O-Ram* in gratitude for her untiring devotion and interest toward the preparation of this volume. Lago High will greatly miss her humor, her goodwill, and her lasting cheerfulness, but as Mrs. Lilly, we give her our best wishes for happiness and an assurance that her charm and friendliness will continue to win her as many friends elsewhere as she now has at Lago.



Miss Lyda E. Varney





Faculty

FAMILIAR faces appear on the following pages, but these pictures cannot reveal the hard work, the patience, the understanding, and the knowledge that the members of the faculty have contributed to our education. By consistently going beyond the line of duty to assist us in the problems of youth, they have become more than teachers—good friends. We, the students of the Lago School, unite to view our instructors, lest they should be forgotten in time, and to show our appreciation for them, the faculty.



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Seniors

THE memory of our senior year at Lago will long remain etched upon the minds of the people whose faces ensue—English IV, the Senior Banquet, the Senior Picnic, *The Pan-O-Ram-Weekly*, *The Annual*, and finally the termination of all these unforgettable things—Commencement. Our senior year has been one of the main foundations in forming our lives, and thus it will be prized as part of us.



THE STAGE

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CLASS MOTTO:

Learning • **A**mbition • **G**uidance • **O**pportunity =
SUCCESS

CLASS FLOWER

Red Carnation

CLASS COLORS

Scarlet and Gold

CLASS ROLL

John J. Cahill
Muriel E. Holness
Murry V. Jennings
Susannah Mingus
William L. Morgan
Betty V. Orr
Roberta A. Pfaff

Robert E. Rafloski
Kenneth H. Repath
Richard D. Rosborough
Patricia H. Scott
Barbara L. Stiehl
Leonard A. Teagle
William D. Walters

IS SET

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The curtain has begun to rise,
On this our lifelong enterprise;
Behold, the stage is set,
And forthwith begins the work and sweat
To play our part in the act of life,
Of such as us the world is rife.



JOHN J. CAHILL

"jay"

"He is a solid base of temperament"

This senior from Jersey bounced down into our midst in the summer of 1945. Jay's four years in Aruba have been occupied mainly in keeping his snipe shipshape. In compensation for his labors he has proved to be tough competition for his older marine emulators, bringing the "Tarifa" in for many firsts.

Jay, as treasurer of the Lago Youth Canteen, has been a vital member of the organization in arranging all the financial matters.

Being the mathematical wizard of the class, Jay plans to go to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and study in the field of engineering.

ACTIVITIES: Class Vice-President 1; Canteen Treasurer 4; School Safety Patrol 1, 2, 3, 4; School Play 3, 4; P-O-R Weekly 4; Pan American Program 3; Golf 4; Bowling 3, 4; Football 4; Basketball 4; Tennis 4; Yacht Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Activity Award 4.

ADDRESS: Lago Colony, Aruba, Netherlands West Indies.



MURIEL E. HOLNESS

"muriel"

"She makes sweet music with the enamel stone"

Feeling the London Blitz a bit too hot under the collar, Muriel migrated to Aruba to spend the rest of her high school days the American way. She will continue most of her college days under the same influence at Texas University.

Besides being the owner of such beauty as to win her the title of "Miss Esso Fair, 1948" she is a kitten on the keys, possessing a propensity toward the classics.

Muriel has decided that the field of dress designing is to be her major choice of study. Can it be that someday our classmate of today might be the Madam Paris of tomorrow?

ACTIVITIES: Spring Festival 2, 3, 4.

ADDRESS: 512 Trinity Street, Lockhart, Texas.



MURRY V. JENNINGS

"murry"

"Witty, entertaining, and pleasant"

The initial "V" for Murry's middle name might well stand for "Versatility". In the annual school play of 1949, *Out of the Frying Pan*, it may be remembered that Murry won the award for the most natural performance in his portrayal of George Bodell. As the Canteen's publications chairman he has contributed articles of weekly interest about the Canteen to the *Pan Aruban*. This all-round senior has also been active in various athletic fields. In the tennis tournament this year Murry succeeded in defeating all the contenders, thereby establishing himself as the top tennis player.

During the next four years he will attend Lehigh University where he plans to delve into the study of journalism. Great Scott! What the Dickens! He might even write a book! !

ACTIVITIES: Canteen's Publications Chairman 4; Safety Patrol 4; School Play 3, 4; Playground Supervisor 3; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 4; Band 3, 4; Dance Orchestras 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Pan American Program 3, 4; Golf 4; Football 4; Basketball Varsity 4; Softball Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 4; Dancing 4; Track and Field 4; Activity Award 3, 4.

ADDRESS: 213 Pennsylvania Avenue, Warren, Pennsylvania.



SUSANNAH MINGUS

"sue"

"Exceedingly wise, fair spoken, and persuading"

During her four years of pacing the halls of knowledge at Lago High, Sue has managed to maintain a high scholastic standing despite all the time she has given assisting the office administration. Through the years at Lago she has been attempting to live up to the reputation which her three sisters established before her in their studious application to the advantage of knowledge.

In her spare moments swimming monopolizes most of the time of this petite blonde. Next year will see Sue in Sweet Briar, Virginia, attending the girls' college there where she will prepare for future life.

ACTIVITIES: Class Secretary 2; Playground Supervisor 3; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 2, 4; Library Council 4; Cheerleader 1.

ADDRESS: Lago Colony, Aruba, Netherlands West Indies.



WILLIAM L. MORGAN

"bill"

"He bloweth a mighty trumpet"

Bill hails from the land of Wales, his first acquaintance with "the Rock" being in 1941. Having a proclivity toward the American influence, he has finally acquired the "Boogie Beat" (without boogie, life would be a mistake). In his spare time, "Hot Lips" can usually be found practicing his trumpet or listening to Be-Bop records.

His future plans include first a trip back to jolly old Wales and a return here before entering Texas University in 1950. His ambition is to play a trumpet in his own band. Can you perhaps picture something as unique as Morgan's Jivesters? Here's to the band, Bill, and success.

ACTIVITIES: Canteen Vice-President 4; School Play 2, 3, 4; Safety Patrol 4; P-O-R Weekly 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Pan American Program 3; Golf 4; Bowling 4; Football 4; Basketball Varsity 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 4; Dancing 4; Track and Field 4; Activity Award 4.

ADDRESS: 49 Pentre Street, Cardiff, Wales.



BETTY V. ORR

"betty"

"Silence is a true friend who never betrays"

Betty was but a babe in arms when she stole her first glimpse of Aruba back in 1931. Time elapsed, as it must, and Betty found herself an active member of the senior class of 1949.

Swimming and dancing are her first two loves, but when it comes to quieter relaxation, Betty is perfectly content to sit reading a good book with something to munch on occasionally.

Having worked two years as a laboratory technician in the Lago Hospital, this tall blond senior is well qualified for her future as a nurse after obtaining her R. N. degree from the University of Florida.

ACTIVITIES: Annual Play 3; Library Council 4; Spring Festival 2, 3; Tennis 4.

ADDRESS: 1145 S. W. 13th Street, Miami, Florida.



ROBERTA A. PFAFF

"bobby"

*"I am a great eater of beef, and I believe it does
no harm to my wif"*

Bobby, being a Jerseyite, took leave of her native birthplace to commence residence in Aruba early in 1940. Through high school she has steadily climbed the ladder of popularity by such marks of distinction as her dog, Shawn; bridge playing; and her cerebral capacity.

In her spare time she is inclined to favor the cultivation of the arts of dancing and sewing.

Her ambitious nature is shown in her numerous activities and from all indications has little chance of decrease, as Bobby plans to take up skiing among other things on the campus of Middlebury College.

ACTIVITIES: Class Vice-President 2; Class Secretary 3; Canteen Secretary 4; School play 2, 3; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 1, 2, 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Pan American Program 3, 4; Golf 4; Bowling 3, 4; Activity Award 4.

ADDRESS: Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont.



ROBERT E. RAFLOSKI

"bob"

"My theory is to enjoy life, but sometimes the going is rough"

Although born in Mexico, Bob is a staunch Massachusetts man. Not being content to rest at ease on his two brothers' reputations, he has made a name for himself. Breaking several bones in the course of his Senior year is not at all what has made him well-known, but it is mainly for his work on the Canteen that he will be remembered. He has done a commendable job of setting up this organization and paved the way in leadership. A voyage to sea helped give him a concept of life worth noting.

Among his chief likes are football and archery.

He plans to attend San Jose College in California and study medicine with the help of his two brothers who are also attending the same college.

ACTIVITIES: Class President 2; Class Vice-President 4; Canteen Co-ordinator 4; School Play 1, 2, 3, 4; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Bowling 4; Football 4; Softball 1, 2, 3; Activity Award 3, 4.

ADDRESS: 27 Adelle Circuit, Worcester, Massachusetts.



KENNETH H. REPATH

"ken"

"Learning maketh a good man better"

Beginning life in Los Angeles, California, and inching his way south after a brief stay in Tampico, Mexico, Ken finally arrived on our tropical isle in the summer of 1938. Since then he has taken the utmost advantage of all the outdoor sports including tennis, golf, and sailing, which account for his bronze colored complexion. Aside from this he confesses that his greatest weakness is picnicking at Boca Prins.

During his ten years at Lago he has displayed dependability, alacrity, and scholarship. Subsequent to graduation he plans to attend the University of California at Berkeley. With much clairvoyance he sees himself retired with his family at their luxurious home in Palm Springs, California.

ACTIVITIES: Student Council 1; Class Vice-President 3; Class President 4; School Play 1, 2, 3; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 1, 2, 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 3; Spring Festival 2, 3; Pan American Program 3, 4; Golf 4; Bowling 3, 4; Football 4; Basketball 4; Dancing 4; Track and Field 4; Yacht Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Activity Award 1, 3, 4.

ADDRESS: 312 Mt. Holyoke Avenue, Pacific Palisades, California.



RICHARD D. ROSBOROUGH

"dick"

*"He learns more from smiles and tender looks, than ever
he did from out his books"*

Originating in Aruba, Dick is the nocturnal member of the class. Being a lion among ladies and always ready for a good time, he is a leader in many fields. Photography and sports monopolize most of his time. He is very adept in finding time to win the heart of many an innocent girl.

The future will find Dick an engineer after his graduation from Purdue University. He will undoubtedly settle down out Indiana way. We would like to wish him all the happiness and success he deserves and may he also be a good engineer of life.

ACTIVITIES: Class President 3; Student Council 4; Safety Patrol 2, 3, 4; School Play 1, 2, 3, 4; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 2, 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3; Pan American Program 3; Golf 4; Bowling 4; Football 4; Basketball Varsity 4; Softball Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; Dancing 4; Track and Field 4; Yacht Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Activity Award 3, 4.

ADDRESS: Kentland, Indiana.



PATRICIA H. SCOTT

"pat"

"All our swains commend her"

Pat's arrival took place in "them thar hills" close to the big city of Casper, Wyoming. In 1944 she decided to leave the land of cows for peaceful Aruba. She included in her equipment for the trip a rod and reel with which she has managed to catch many a smooth "muchacho."

Having an affinity for sewing and dancing, she manages to spend most of her leisure time pursuing them.

College is to be her home in the immediate future. There she will study the art of becoming a good wife.

ACTIVITIES: Class Secretary 1, 4; School Play 1, 2, 3, 4; P-O-R Weekly 4;
P-O-R Annual 1, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Golf 4; Bowling 4; Dancing 4.

ADDRESS: Macalester College, St. Paul 8, Minnesota.



BARBARA L. STIEHL

"babs"

"All are not gifted in the art of flying"

Born here, but a Texan at heart, are the earmarks of Babs' nature. Life, love, and the pursuit of happiness might well be the code of this 5' 7" brunette, and if the accomplishments make the girl, she has them. Flying is perhaps her most well-known feat, with tap dancing and bowling forming a close second. Her patio has been the point of party interest for many a gay time.

September will find Babs with several of her classmates in the halls of Texas University, where her brother is also ascribing to the grains of knowledge offered there.

ACTIVITIES: School Play 2; P-O-R Weekly 3; Pan American Program 3, 4; Golf 4; Bowling 3, 4; Flying Club 4; Activity Award 3.

ADDRESS: 703 Canton Street, San Antonio, Texas.



LEONARD A. TEAGLE

"lenny"

"Friendly, full of life—what more?"

Throughout his years at Lago High Lenny has been an enthusiastic participant in numerous and varied activities. This enterprising young man will long be remembered for his tenacious work on *The Annual*, his perseverance in the snipe races, and the patience he displayed in dragging records and victrola to many a party. His ability to tinkle the ivories has made him an invaluable member of the dance orchestra.

Easy-going Lenny has been a decided asset to the Senior class and will undoubtedly succeed in Middlebury College in the next four years as he has here in the past. Here's wishing you the best in anything and everything you may do, Lenny!

ACTIVITIES: Class President 1; Student Council 1, 3; School Play 1, 2, 3; P-O-R Weekly 4; P-O-R Annual 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 3, 4; Spring Festival 2, 3, 4; Pan American Program 3; Golf 4; Bowling 4; Football 4; Basketball 4; Tennis 4; Dancing 4; Yacht Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Activity Award 1, 2, 3, 4.

ADDRESS: Lago Colony, Aruba, Netherlands West Indies.



WILLIAM D. WALTERS

"dave"

"He's a jolly good fellow"

David, a good neighbor from England, blessed us with his presence in 1945, forming one of the later additions to the Senior class.

Liking people, he spends most of his time with them. Swimming also forms one of his chief occupations as he seems to have taken fancy to the unmerciful Aruban sun.

Dave hopes to serve on an Esso tanker, later carrying on at sea in some division of the English fleet. Friendly and easy going, he is sure to find a friend in every port. We all wish you good luck, Dave.

ACTIVITIES: Spring Festival 1, 2; Dancing 4.

ADDRESS: c/o Mrs. B. W. Tarr, Weeke Farm, Loddiswell, Nr. Kingsbridge, Devon.

SENIOR DIARY

October

- 1 School starts—Morgan's late
- 3 Jennings defeats Wiley for Tennis Championship
- 5 First issue of dirt delivered by *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*
- 11 Campaign commences for Youth Canteen
- 13 Big wheels start revolving—Class of-ficers elected
- 15 Caribe sinks Lago 6-4
- 19 Scott has head examined in hospital—a hopeless case
- 23 "Da Mob" gives a danze
- 25 Fresh Frosh Fixed
- 26 "The Pause That Refreshes" installed
- 27 "Smilin' Jim" Downey arrives—Sue swoons
- 30 Bill chickens out with his Halloween chick

November

- 1 Football and skull practice start—sore backs and sore heads
- 2 Charles Atlas, Inc. opens branch of-fice under Downey's direction
- 4 Spine's Jeevers—Teagle, Morgan, Jennings, and Repath—unite
- 5 Canteen born—Waa-aa-a-a-a
- 6 SENIORS pic-neck at Palm Beach
- 8 Teagle elected Editor UNANI-MOUSLY
- 13 Honor Roll Policy published—Marks soar
- 18 Thanksgiving—Thanks given for—
- 20 Juniors take school for "Merry Go Round" ride

December

- 4-12 No homework—Esso Club Fair
- 12 Muriel crowned "Miss Esso Fair"
- 14 Canteen finds 500 guilders in golden pop corn
- 18 Sore feet—Dancing lessons begin
- 20 Students bowl over faculty
- 28 Rafloski, Rosborough, Morgan, and Jennings camp in them thar hills
- 31 SENIORS kiss and tell

January

- 7 92.3% (Morgan must have been the .3%) of SENIORS on Honor Roll
- 14 Students jump into *Out of the Frying Pan*
- 14 SENIOR Class chooses class colors of scarlet and gold and flower of red carnation
- 17 SENIORS decide to adopt Canteen

February

- 4 Muriel begins to use Ponds and 3 other brands—She wants to be en-gaged
- 5 Morgan misses big chance—Scott
- 8-9 Lago High becomes dust bowl—Students open books for midyear's
- 11 Morgan and Rosborough try to jump *Out of the Frying Pan*
- 12 Morgan finally kisses Scott as they are crowned King and Queen of Hearts
- 17 SENIOR jewelry arrives—Golden aura surrounds campus
- 26 SENIORS cavort "Down Among the Sheltering Palms"

March

- 2 Varsity tuned down by R. C. A.—39-33
- 4 Varsity beats the Chinese Club

SENIOR DIARY

- 10-11-12 *Out of the Frying Pan* into the Public's lap
12 Jennings and Morris get "Aruban Oscars"
18 "Big Game Night" at Caribe
19 Students "Swim and Sway the Canteen Way"
19 Cahill's car rocked by earthquake
23 At long last—the new school
23 Freshman basketed by Seniors—32-13
24 "Bobby's in bed," so Murry and Bill found out !!
25 Muriel at Texas U., Kenneth at U. C. and Washington, Betty at University of Florida
27 World Premiere of Wachter's films
30 Pat Scott at Macalester

April

- 1 Nelson and Gregersen appropriately crowned King and Queen of Fools
7 Morgan meets with accident—gets a close shave
9 College boards—SENIORS not bored
10 Bobby at Middlebury, Dick at Purdue
22 Stars Under the Stars—first Amateur Show
23 Spine's Jeevers tingle spines at Canteen
29 Canteen Cables Queen
30 Scott's car overhauled at Coronation Ball

May

- 2 UNESCO aired at Church
4 Lago's Softballers soften Surinam Club in first victory
4 Lago's elite (according to Gregersen) cruise to Island
9 Hoffman succumbs—Annual contract signed

- 10 Surprise Holiday
13 Lenny at Middlebury and Dartmouth
14 Janet takes famed long walk—Fluh, Murry?
15 High School's first aviatrix—Stiehl solos
16 Murry at Lehigh
17 Ritual performed—Achievement Tests
18 Mingus spellbound over Spellman
25 Jay at Cornell and M. I. T., Kenneth at Stanford, Bobby at St. Lawrence, Sue sweetens Sweet Briar
25 Dunking, dinking, and dwangeous dwiving at Canteen Skating Party
27 Teagle, Rosborough, Rafloski, and Miss Varney visit governor, buy dress, and lunch at La Scala
28 Movie stars photographed in Kodachrome for Aruban travelogue
29 Stiehl announces loose for Prom

June

- 1 Warning flashed! Rosborough and Teagle secure licenses
2 Murry at Washington and Jeff
3 Rosborough and Rafloski collaborate successfully—Their radio worked
5 "Toastmaster" plugged in at SENIORS' luxurious luncheon given by Miss Varney
4 Chuck Koiser seen flashing at Junior Promenade
9 Murry at Cornell
10 SENIORS sup at Strand
18 SENIORS peril "Perils of Lago Lou"
19 Baccalaureate
24 Commencement

JULY

- ??? We're at the printer's mercy



Most Popular Senior Couple

Pat Scott and Dick Hoshorough

"TOP-NOTCHERS"

In every school there are students who not only have the ability to do their scholastic work well but who also prove their worth to the school and student body in many other ways. The seniors who have been the leaders and have shown the greatest interest in serving the school are called "Top-Notchers" at Lago. They have worked many hours on such things as *The Annual*, *The Weekly*, music, dramatics, athletics, and varied programs throughout their four years. In selecting these students the faculty and student body have well chosen a typical teen-age group which is certainly all-round.

Scoring double honors by appearing on this page and being the only co-ed to make it, Bobby Pfaff rates at the top of the list. Radiating friendliness around the school and liked by all who come in contact with her, Bobby will be remembered as the co-composer of this section and for her skilled reporting on *The Weekly*.

Lenny Teagle needs no introduction, for his outstanding qualities—perfectionism, patience, and perseverance—are well-known by the student body, faculty, and many of the adults residing in the colony. Lenny tackled the publication of this annual alone and has whipped it into something that will prove a lasting memory of himself as well as of 20 years at Lago. Excelling in other contributions to school activities, scholarship, and friendliness; and being the second student ever to earn a fourth year award at Lago, he certainly merited the honor of special recognition on this page.

Considered their "ideal" by the sophomore men, Bob Raffleski combines in his personality two traits rarely found together—the ability to be important and look the part at the same time. As the co-ordinator of the Canteen, managing editor of the *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*, and business manager of the *Pan-O-Ram*, Bob basked in Lago's limelight.

"Most Likely to Succeed" is ample introduction to Kenneth Repath. Winning dual honors by serving as senior president and graduating first in his class, Kenneth has proved his potentialities for both leadership and scholarship. In addition to his outstanding academic work, Kenneth, as editor of *The Weekly*, made it bigger, better, and more popular than ever before. With hard work on *The Weekly* and numerous other extracurricular activities he has earned the gold cup for three years of school service. In the field of sports he took a wide and active interest but showed particular ability for running when he captured the award for the 100 yard dash at the track meet. Amiable, fun-loving, Kenneth will be among the seniors sorely missed in the coming year.

Flipping through the pictures in this annual, you'll notice Dick Rosborough's smiling face time and time again. This is self-explanatory for the fact that Dick is one of Lago's most outstanding fellows in anything he does. He played a lead in *Out of the Frying Pan*, covered second for the softball team, was managing editor for this publication, and will always be close to Lago's undergrads as a supplier for the "Diet Column".

Perhaps the "all-roundest" on this page, Murry Jennings, will give an added zip to Lehigh which will be missed by Lago High. Murry was spotlighted as tennis champion, a mean dribbler on the basketball court, winner of the award for the most natural actor in *Out of the Frying Pan*, a star writer on *The Annual* and *Weekly*, and the kids' favorite emcee at the weekly amateur shows.

This has been the second year that the honor of "Top-Notchers" has been bestowed upon students of the Lago High School. It is with true sincerity that the members of the senior class appearing on these pages ask the undergraduates to strive to attain this honor and cherish it as the memory of a high school career well-done.

TOP



DICK ROSBROECHE



BOBBY PEARY



LENNY TEAGLE



MURRY JENNINGS



KENNETH REPATI

NON-VIERS



BOB RAFLOSKI

WE BEQUEATH

We, the elite (the Seniors of Lago High), do hereby bequeath to the understated as indicated in the presence of the students of said Lago High School. Being weak in mind and on the verge of physical collapse after a grinding education at said same school, we leave no bad traits for lack of same, but our excess of worthy traits forces us to dispense with the understated paraphernalia to the following worthy and unworthy people, our sole heirs and assigns forever:

INTRODUCTORY CLAUSE

Bob Rafloski, after four terrifying years at Lago, leaves his unequalled love of anything in skirts to those women-haters, the Babbage twins, and his superfluity of co-ordination and physique to all young males of Lago High aspiring to become "he-men".

BE-CLAUSE

Sue Mingus leaves the tête-à-têtes with the administration in the office to Birgitte Gregersen and her connections to Mary Frances Barnes.

HER CLAUSE OF GRIEF

"Little" Bobby Pfaff wills to Miss Varney, in hopes she can use them, her emotions, and to the whole student body she leaves her numerous good traits. But a special honor is conferred upon Penny Kichey to whom she recompenses her "smashing" sense of humor.

WEE CLAUSE FOR STATION IDENTIFICATION

Feeling rather benevolent, Murry Jennings endows Ken Work with his repertoire of wild antics and wise cracks. Not wishing to force his drumming on anyone in particular, he leaves his position in the band vacant.

CLAUSE V

Lenny Teagle, feeling his orange hair might be an asset in later life, leaves it to Sonny Nelson in hopes he can find some use for it. Being in a generous mood, he also casts behind him his interrogative powers to Ann Wetherbee.

SANTA CLAUSE

David sacrifices his good disposition to Phyllis Taylor, and all his money he bestows upon Penny Rich (ey).

LUCKY CLAUSE

Dancing ability is donated to John O'Brien through the courtesy of Babs Stiehl. She also leaves her bossing ability to "Red" De Weese who, it is believed, needs a little bit of that "rough and ready" technique.

THE CLAUSE THAT REFRESHES

Muriel "Moo Moo" Holness, not having partaken in Downey's course and still being of sound mind and body, leaves her title of "Queenie" to Nancy Morris and her mooing to Ralph Stahe.

CAT CLAUSE

Our matchless Patricia Scott thrusts upon Bobby Hellwig her unlimited supply of "Scott Baits and Traps". Her so-called innocence is bestowed upon Ken Work without further ado, with the understanding that he use it discreetly.

CLAUSE-TROPHOBIA

Bill Morgan decides he doesn't want to be cheap about it, so he parts with his corn to be canned, but preferring not to be too generous, he takes his timid look with him.

BING CLAUSE BEE

Our class shower singer, Kenneth Repath, leaves his melodious voice to Mello and his amazing gracefulness to Lago High's lovelies.

CLAUSE X

After having hunted, and hunted, and hunted, Betty Orr has found a year's supply of gum and thus bestows it on a fellow gum chewer, Sally Armstrong.

RELATIVE CLAUSE

Jay Cahill drops his ballerina-ing on Donald, his brother, whether he wants it or not, and his temperament to anyone who will have it.

SUPERSTITIOUS CLAUSE

"Bluebeard" Rosborough delivers C.O.D. his cave-mannishness to Bob Drew. A special delivery package of his "Forever Fooling" is left to the Carrell twins.

PRINCIPAL CLAUSE

We, the Senior Class, pay tribute to Mr. Hoffman in that we deal him a hot million guilders with which to finance our successors.

Concluding, we leave to Lago's teachers our fond memories on the pages of this annual.

500 YEARS HENCE

Fellow mortals, we take you 500 years hence to that unparalleled day of the Last Judgement. Imagine St. Peter seated behind his little black book reading the life history of each prospective tenant. At the end of each dissertation he pauses to gesture the individual to his left or to his right. Oddly enough, the left side is quite preponderant to the right. Could it be that the accommodations there have better heating facilities?

The monotony of the routine is interrupted by a distant rumble—it nears; one can distinguish—oh no, it can't be,—but it is, the decrepit remnants of the Seniors of Lago High School of 1949. It looks as though they've had a rough time. As they alight on the platform before St. Peter, it is quite obvious that for the first time in their lives, they are prepared to be obsequious, contrary to their behavior at Lago.

St. Peter looks dreadfully weary, such a grueling job; but his expression brightens with the prospect of a few new faces around the Pearly Gates. The whole process is much assimilated to a court room procedure, St. Peter acting as the prosecuting attorney reads the charge in the case, the "State" vs. the Senior Class. As an extra special feature for the Annual, St. Peter granted permission for us to duplicate the pages about Lago's infamous Seniors. Due to an acute shortage of time and paper, we are spiritually able to print just those facts about their lives which would prove to be of the most interest to you, our fellow immortals! !

After several years of indecision as to what college to attend Sue Mingus at last successfully completed her formal education and took her place in the big world of yesterday. She could be seen and heard daily on Television Station B-1,-A-B which presented the soap opera entitled *The Adventures of Lago's Sue*, sponsored by the makers of Appetizing Aloes for Anemic Arubans.

That Broadway smash-hit of yesteryear entitled "Nevah Happen," starring Murry Jennings, was written, directed, produced, arranged, and financed by none other than Murry Jennings. The plot of this phenomenal money maker seems to revolve around everyday life on some remote island called Aruba.

In Vaudeville's great comeback in the '50's Bobby Pfaff shot to fame as she waddled across the stage with Shawn on a leash, and said her punch line, "Now I'm really mad!"

Pat Scott won not only fame but great popularity through her syndicated column which appeared daily in 2,000 papers entitled "A supplement to Dorothy Dix.—Where She Leaves Off, I Take Over." Her readers clamored for the advice which she gave for a small fee.

Having joked and blown his way to stardom, Bill "Hot Lips" Morgan was awarded an oscar for being the most outstanding comedian of the year in his celluloid version of "Morgan Blows at Midnight".

Muriel "The Walk" Holness was employed as hat check girl in a Texas night club. With her background of English beef, "Moo Moo" lured the customers in with her famed cow smile.

The world-wide famous bridge authority, Ken Repath, completed a second book entitled "How Not to Play Contract Bridge". Between chapters he devoted his time to giving Arthur Murry pointers on South American dances. (St. Peter's note: Ask him to teach me the divine samba.)

Not quite sure that Ivory Soap is 99.44% pure, Lenny Teagle devoted his entire lifetime assuring the public that this statement was false. We now staunchly believe that Ivory Soap is only 99% pure.

After studying psychology for years and years, Bob Rafloski had what was known as a "soft racket". And what position could have been more distinguished than posing for photographers in swank clubs with a glass of Lord Calvert's in hand?

Having completed her college education at Texas University, Babs Striel married a millionaire oil tycoon and resided at a luxurious penthouse atop the famed Shamrock Hotel. Between lavish parties she found time to write a column called "Your Day" and is reputed to have received more fan mail than Eleanor Roosevelt.

Jay Cahill, the chess champion of the world of days gone by, contented himself by sitting day after day stroking his three-foot beard and scratching his bald pate while he played Cahill chess which he invented. This new type of chess became quite the rage throughout the World. (St. Peter's note: The after and under world, too.)

That famed fullback of Purdue's gridiron team, Dick Rosborough, finished his plans for the first practical vehicle combining the attributes of the car, airplane, and yacht. General Motors Corporation bought the plans for a fabulous sum and produced them in super-duper-double-mass production in order to satisfy its anxious customers.

Betty Orr formed a magnificent collection of engagement rings from princes, mikados, and counts during her travels on her luxury liner. (St. Peter's note: You should have known, you can't take it with you.)

David Walters, an eminent heart specialist, used to run an agency called "Love and Be Loved". This correspondence romance organization raked in millions for Dave and made thousands happy as well.

The everlasting resting places of these individuals, unfortunately, was not disclosed to us. So we leave it all to your imaginations! ! ! !



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SENIOR FESTIVITIES

Ushered in by Miss Varney's luncheon, and ushered out by Commencement, *Senior Festivities* provided hours of enjoyment which will serve as fond memories for this year's graduates of Lago High.

Gathered around a T-table in the Church annex on June 3, the Seniors and Miss Varney celebrated the joint birthdays of Lyda, Lenny, and Dick. While dining on chicken salad, hot rolls, and shoe-string potatoes the guests were entertained with toasts based on the theme, *Senior Activities*. Clever twasts were applied to the toasts, and "well done" was chorused by all who attended.

Fun, the main objective of all the Seniors who attended the Junior Prom, was ladled out to them in big scoops. Picking up dates and pinning corsages preceded the first stop in their joy ride—Rosborough's. Tropical drinks were poured to the accompaniment of recorded music, and witty, even though cutting, conversation was emphasized. Next stop was the Golf Club where the guests of honor parked at reserved tables and danced to Speen. The party moved on at midnight to Bobby Hellwig's who entertained the Seniors for supper. After four hours of Speen that food was needed to replenish strength. Swimming, as a prelude to bed, was planned by the Seniors; but cold feet from the water and from parents prevented any of them from diving in. They preferred to sit on shore!

Ford, Mercury, Pontiac, and Nash pulled out from the colony Friday evening, the 10th of June, and made the long trip to the sumptuous Strand. Here the Seniors and invited guests streamed from the automobiles to dine; it was the annual Senior Banquet. Lobster salads activated appetites, and steaks smothered in onions satisfied them. Dancing followed at Mury's, and the evening proved a memorable one for the pages of *Senior Activities*.

At the Baccalaureate service on June 19th, the aspect of graduation dawned for the first time on

the Seniors. Urged by Reverend Evans to be willing to substitute shields of brass for shields of gold, or second aims for first aims in life, they realized the responsibilities of emerging into the world.

Commencement, supposedly the beginning, seemed to the Seniors more like an end, for as they listened to various speakers, remembrances flooded their minds and washed away the past years of hard work, leaving only the pleasant side of school, friends, and thoughts. Distinguished in scholarship and extracurricular activities, this graduating class was the first to be graduated from the new high school. After the presentation of diplomas the Graduates received congratulations and best wishes from their parents and friends. With the formal side of graduation coming to a close, the Graduates parted and went their various ways for further celebration.

In gratitude to Miss Varney for her assistance in every way and in celebration of her coming marriage, the Seniors gathered for the last time on Saturday, June 25, at a dinner and shower given by Lenny and Kenneth. The dinner was climaxed by the opening of the shower gifts. Surprisingly, every gift added a different piece of silver, linen, or china to her collection. Shortly afterwards the group proceeded to the Golf Club for a Canteen Dance given in their honor. With toasts to their success by the undergraduates the Seniors officially ended their social season.

The receiving of diplomas usually means the end of school for the Seniors, but in this instance Monday, the 27th, was the last day. It was necessary for the Graduates to come and collect their grades, and then the long process of signing cards and memory books began. It is fitting that the signing of the cards should mark the end of *Senior Festivities* because on these cards they left behind their best wishes to the student body for future years and thanks for the many good times they have shown them.

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THE SENIOR CHARGE

Members of the Junior Class:

The Senior Class takes this opportunity to emphasize the importance of next year's responsibilities. By responsibilities, we mean the assumption of leadership; leadership in meeting scholastic requirements satisfactorily, and leadership in extra-curricular activities. Of course, we are aware that these thoughts will be forgotten by you as quickly as we erased last year's Senior Charge, but we hope by illuminating them that better leaders will result.

Glance back through the past years of your scholastic endeavors. You have made some bad marks and some good ones, prepared your assignments regularly, but probably have unconsciously let your studying relax into a bad habit—a tendency which by repetition has become prosaic. In your senior year dismiss the habit; develop that extra drive, consistently learn more than is required by doing more than is required, and chalk up better marks. Responsibility in this case is a duty to yourselves and to others—to yourselves, in that a lack of excellent grades will magnify your errors in the eyes of the directors of admissions or employer upon whom the aspect of college or a career hinges; to others, in that your standards control the standards of the school; "Monkey see, monkey do" is applicable to underclassmen. If you maintain a high level, they will rise to it.

In the other faction of school affairs, extra-curricular activities, tradition combines with that sense of superiority which embraces all "Seniors" to make you the sachems of school society. Recognizing this, a program was initiated in 1949 whereby the Seniors each year will edit the yearbook, write and publish the *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*, and preside over the Student Council and Youth Canteen. Develop these opportunities to the best of your ability as a group, for by learning to give as well as to take, to work as a unit as well as alone, you become better leaders.

You may ask, "Why better leaders?" We answer: Leadership can't be overemphasized, for today, as the chasm between capitalism—a free way of life—and communism—a controlled way of life—deepens, the free world turns to the U. S. for leadership; and it is we, the coming generation of Americans, who must assume it. Leadership in exemplifying the rights of men, and leadership in defending these rights is your and our duty.

So, we, the Senior Class, charge you, the Junior Class, to prepare yourselves scholastically in order that you can pursue your aims in life unthwarted, and to grasp the opportunities of leadership so that you can mold them into something tangible as a foundation for future responsibilities.

JUNIOR ACCEPTANCE

Members of the Senior Class:

We acknowledge your right to give us this charge and thank you for bringing to our attention the wider horizons of our academic careers beyond the day by day preparations. We recognize the fact that a democracy rests upon a liberally

educated citizenry. Speaking for my classmates, I promise you that we shall make every effort during our final year to keep before our eyes the main objective of education—the intelligent and conscientious preparation for fitting one's self for the world of tomorrow through the pursuit of high ethical standards and noble ideals.

BACCALAUREATE

LAGO COMMUNITY CHURCH—ARUBA, NETHERLANDS WEST INDIES

Donald R. Evans, Pastor

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE, JUNE 19, 1949

Organ Prelude .....	.....	Mr. H. Carter Miller
Choral Call to Worship		
Processional Hymn—No. 333 .....	.....	"Send Down Thy Truth"
Invocation and Lord's Prayer		
Doxology		
Responsive Reading—No. 608		
Anthem .....	.....	The Junior Choir
	Mrs. G. N. Owen, Director	
Scripture Reading .....	.....	II Chronicles 12:1-14
Pastoral Prayer		
Choral Amen		
Hymn—No. 321 .....	.....	"Lord, Speak to Me"
Sermon .....	.....	"Shields of Brass"
Recessional Hymn—No. 312 .....	.....	"O Master, Let Me Walk"
Benediction		
Choral Amen		
Organ Postlude .....	.....	Mr. H. Carter Miller



SENIOR CLASS OF 1949

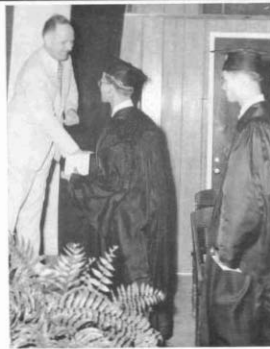
FIRST ROW—*left to right*: Kenneth Repath, Barbara Stiehl, Muriel Holness, John Cahill, Betty Orr, Roberta Pfaff, Murry Jennings. SECOND ROW—*left to right*: Susannah Mingus, Leonard Teagle, Patricia Scott, William Morgan. THIRD ROW—*left to right*: Robert Rafloski, Richard Rosborough, David Walters.

COMMENCEMENT

LAGO COMMUNITY SCHOOL—ARUBA, NETHERLANDS WEST INDIES

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMME, JUNE 24, 1949

Processional	"The Coronation March"—Meyerbeer	Elvira Macrini
Graduation Prayer		Reverend Robert A. Kirtley
Address of Welcome		Susannah Mingus
Piano Solo: <i>Sonata Pathetique</i> —Op. 13—Beethoven "Adagio Cantabile" "Malaguena"—Lecuona		Leonard Teagle
Senior Charge		Kenneth Repath Senior Class President
Junior Response		Milton Hatfield Junior Class President
Trumpet Solo: "Valse Brillante"—Austin Edwards		William Morgan
Presentation of Awards		Mr. Ray M. Zaner Assistant Principal
American Legion Award		Legionnaire, Miss Gladys Sell
Class Song: "Lago Ever Onward" Music composed by Leonard Teagle		Class of 1949
A Transition Period		Mr. Ira P. Hoffman Supervising Principal
Message to Graduates		Mr. Charles F. Smith Industrial Relations and Public Relations Manager
Presentation of Diplomas		Mr. Fred C. Eaton, Chairman School Advisory Committee
Benediction		Reverend Donald R. Evans
Recessional	"The Coronation March"—Meyerbeer	Elvira Macrini

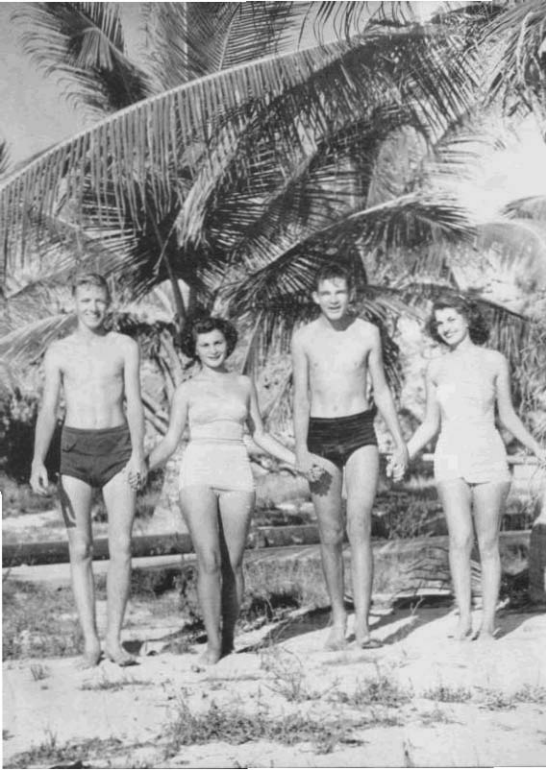


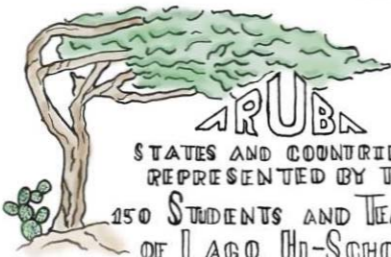
TOP—left to right: Roberta Pfaff, Robert Rafloski, Kenneth Repath, Richard Rodborough. LOWER LEFT—Mr. F. C. Eaton, David Walters. LOWER RIGHT—left to right: Mr. F. C. Eaton, Robert Rafloski, Kenneth Repath.

Undergraduates

AS you glance through this section, you will see the many faces that comprise your buddies, steadies, and just plain friends during the past year in Aruba. Some will be here this fall, and some will be gone, but all will be remembered as the best kids anyone could meet, anywhere. To those who shoulder the responsibility of keeping Lago High as well as it always has been, we salute—The Undergraduates.

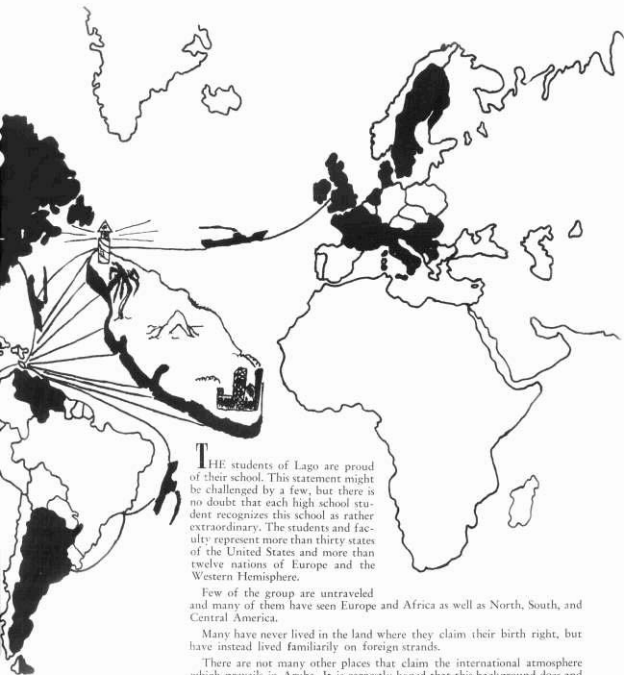
DOWN AMONG THE SHELTERING PALMS 





ARUBA

STATES AND COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED BY THE
150 STUDENTS AND TEACHERS
OF LAGO HI-SCHOOL



THE students of Lago are proud of their school. This statement might be challenged by a few, but there is no doubt that each high school student recognizes this school as rather extraordinary. The students and faculty represent more than thirty states of the United States and more than twelve nations of Europe and the Western Hemisphere.

Few of the group are untraveled and many of them have seen Europe and Africa as well as North, South, and Central America.

Many have never lived in the land where they claim their birth right, but have instead lived familiarly on foreign strands.

There are not many other places that claim the international atmosphere which prevails in Aruba. It is earnestly hoped that this background does and will make Lago students the type of citizens needed in a peace-making world today.

JUNIORS

MILTON A. HAYFIELD
Milton
Class President



WARREN B. CARROLL
Warren
Vice-President

MARY FRANCES BARNES
Mary
Secretary



BIRGITTE B. GREGERSEN
Birgitte
Student Council Representative

DOROTHY A. FULTON
Dotty





Johannes Hagendoorn

JOHANNES C. HAGENDOORN
Johnny



Donald MacEachern



Ralph Staake

DONALD J. MAC EACHERN
Don

RALPH B. STAAKE
Ralph



John Stuart



Charles Wilson

JOHN J. STUART
John

CHARLES L. WILSON
Chuck

CLASS of 1950

Those Seniors-To-Be

Of the eleven Seniors-To-Be, seven of them—Birgitte Gregersen, Mary Frances Barnes, Johnny Hagendoorn, Milton Hatfield, Donald MacEachern, Ralph Stahre, and John Stuart—began their first year of schooling at Lago in September, 1938.

Birgitte Gregersen, our Danish representative, was born in Aruba. During the greater part of her high school days she has been on the honor roll and was a member of the Library Council and the Student Council this year. Although not very interested in sports, she likes to bowl and has been in the High School Bowling League for three years. In her sophomore year she was voted into the *Entre Nous* Sorority and has remained an active member. During her spare time, Birgitte sews most of her own clothes, and, as any coed, she enjoys dancing very much. Being on the *Pan-O-Ram Annual* Staff has kept her busy during much of the school year and through the summer months. In the fall of 1939, she hopes the University of Delaware will claim her presence. There she plans to take a course in merchandising and fashion designing.

Milton Hatfield, though born and raised in Aruba, is generally known as the "Missourian". In his junior year he was the class president and has been an honor student throughout his three years in high school. He has a definite propensity for sports, having made the Varsity basketball team, the golf team, and also Lago High's softball team. This year he won the low-net Aruba open, and thus proved himself keen competition for the older golfers. Also, Milton is Lago High's first student to learn how to fly. With these accomplishments in sports, it is easy to see why Milton was awarded the Lago High School Athletic Trophy for the outstanding athlete of the year. Following his graduation from high school, he plans to go to the University of Florida and secure his degree in aeronautical engineering.

John Stuart, although a British subject, is a "native" of Aruba. He has been dubbed the class comic for several years now, and the diabolical gleam in his eyes sets him apart from the rest of the class. When not being his roughish self, he can be found earning his pin-money by simonizing cars, or his countenance may be found mirthfully grinning from the depths of an Easo Club armchair. John has spent much time in the past few years constructing model airplanes and ships. Although not much of a sports enthusiast, he enjoys a fast game of basketball, was a notable member in the High School Bowling League, and on weekends augments the population at the beach.

Mary Frances Barnes claims Texas as her place of birth, but she left God's country at the age of six months for Mexico. Mary, having left Mexico for this part of the world after five and one half years, has spent most of her school days in Aruba. This year she was class secretary, and a member of the Library Council, *Wreath*, and *Pan-O-Ram Annual* staffs. Every summer for several years has seen Mary working in the hospital laboratory and X-Ray room, a fact which denotes her interest in science. Photography and swimming also rate high with Mary as enjoyable pastimes. In her college years, she plans to complete a medical course and also a course in X-Ray technology.

Johnny Hagendoorn, born in Rotterdam, Holland, came to Aruba at the tender age of one. For many years Johnny has been interested in science. This year he was a member of the Safety Patrol. As one of Lago's few real camp enthusiasts, he has been known to spend anywhere from one to three days in Aruba's wilderness. As a more relaxing pastime, Johnny likes to go swimming and goggle-fishing. Having just applied for his American citizenship papers, he is still not certain what he will do after graduation from Lago High.

From Hackensack, New Jersey, comes Ralph Stahre. The bespectacled junior of Swedish parentage has been a part of this class from the very start. For the past two years Ralph has been a member of one of the bowling teams. Also, this year Ralph was on the Junior Varsity basketball team. One of Ralph's favorite, more quiet, diversions is reading. Anything from detective stories to the latest novel, he'll enjoy. Aside from reading, he is known for his ability to talk himself into or out of any situation. After high school, Ralph aspires to become a civil or mechanical engineer.

Donald MacEachern, generally known as "Don", spent his first few years in Lago only to forsake us in 1943. After many years, Don again joined us in the sophomore class. As a star member of the Bowling League and also being on the Junior Varsity basketball team, he has kept right along with the crowd. Even though he has lived most of his life in Aruba and Caracas, he claims Massachusetts as his home state. The study of architecture subsequent to his graduation from Lago High holds the dominant position in his future plans.

Warren Carroll, our only "cowboy," hails from Casper, Wyoming. Warren has held a top position in his class during each of his three years in high school. Besides having been a member of the Safety Patrol for three years, he was an outstanding member of the Varsity basketball team, has been a decided asset to the softball team, and also claimed top honors in the track meet. His ability and interest in sports has won for him a medal for outstanding achievements in athletics. His talent for drawing excellent cartoons has made him an invaluable member of both the *Weekly* and *Annual* staffs. As for earning his future living, Warren is undecided as to whether he will be a dentist or turn to forestry.

Dorothy Fulton blessed Long Island with her presence in 1931. But for us at Lago, it was not until the eighth grade that this class made her acquaintance. Being a good artist with a great deal of originality, Doty has worked tirelessly on decoration committees and has also been at the head of the make-up department for many of

Lago's plays and programs. As a member of the Library Council this year, she was a great help in reorganizing the library set-up. Doty likes music and sewing; however, for a little exercise, she goes bowling and plays tennis. In addition to her other activities, Doty was member of the *Entre Nous* Sorority. After obtaining her degree Doty plans to become a fourth grade teacher.

Our junior year brought us one last member. It was Charles Wilson, better known as "Chuck". Chuck was born in Mineola, Long Island. Before coming to Aruba, he did a considerable amount of jockeying in his spare time. He has ridden horses in steeple chase races and also in the horse showing. One of his various treasured winnings is the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals trophy. This year at Lago, Chuck was on the Junior Varsity basketball team. Aside from this, he enjoys football and swimming. After high school, he plans to enlist in the U. S. Marines, and after serving his time, he intends to study veterinary medicine.

Elvira Macrini, who at present is a Sophomore, will be a Senior in the fall. Elvira, a New Yorker of Italian descent, arrived in Aruba during April of 1939. This year she showed her athletic abilities by making the girls' basketball team and the Cheerleaders' Squad. Sewing, dancing, and playing the piano are among her accomplishments. After graduation, Elvira plans to attend a southern college, but she has not yet chosen her major.

In the past year, the Juniors' main project has been preparing for the Junior Prom. In order to raise funds for this, they sponsored a very successful bake sale during the second week in April. Preparations for the Prom were started several weeks before the dance was to be given, and it proved to be one of the most delightful entertainments of the year.

With the coming year their last one, these Seniors-To-Be are looking forward to their responsibilities as the academic and social leaders of Lago High.



MAD BUSH BETWEEN CLASSES



DOWN BY THE SEASIDE



LAGO'S



SMILING ONWARD TO ENGLISH IV



EIGHTH GRADE SONGBIRDS



BOBBY AND HER BOSOM PAL



FISHIN' AROUND (AS USUAL)



AFTER THE MOVIE GET-TOGETHER



GOOD, GOOD, GOOD—PLENTY, PLENTY, PLENTY



HALLOWEEN AT LAGO



LAGO STAR GAZERS





FRED ASTAIRE



BEAUTY IS ONLY MAXFACTOR DEEP



"JANE RUSSELL" FLETCHER



SHOP CLASS AT EASE



"OH, THE MONKEY WRAPPED HIS AROUND THE FLAG POLE"



BARNEY MINGUS



NEW YEAR'S DAY ON THE ROCK



WACHTER'S BRAIN CHILDREN IN PHYSICS



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PAN-D-RAM WEEKLY TETE-A-



SHING AT PLAY



"I'M FOREVER" BLOWING BUBBLES



CAVEMAN MOEDAN

SOPHOMORES

WILLIAM F. MOYER
Bill
Class President



KENNETH E. WISE
Ken
Vice-President



WILLIAM T. GIBSON
Tuddy
Secretary

LAWRENCE F. MORAN
Larry
Student Council Representative



GLEN J. AULOW
Glad

JAMES H. BRADLEY
Tack

ROBERT L. BURRAGE
Bob



WILLIAM A. BURRAGE
Bill

JOSEPH R. CARROLL
Joe

LOONEY E. DREW
Bob



SHARLE E. FLYNNER
Shirley

BONNIE A. HILLMAN
Bobby

Best Friend
Shirley
Bobby



GEA A. HINDS
Gis

ANNIE L. JAMISON
Ann

ELVIRA E. MACKIN
Elvira



NANCY C. MORAN
Nancy

JOHN A. O'BRYEN
John

PERRY LEE RIGBY
Perry



XENIA T. SCHWARTZ
Xenia

JAMES L. SMITH
Jim

KATHLEEN D. SPIVE
Kathleen



RONALD M. TURNER
Ronnie

ANN D. WETHERS
Ann

Not Pictured:
SHIRLEY L. GLADMAN
Shirley

CLASS of 1951

FRESHMEN

JAMES H. WYANDLE
Jr.
Class President



SAMUEL G. EVANS
Jr.
Vice-President

DIANE CHRISTOPHERS
Diane
Secretary

MAKE KATHORINA MENON
Polly
Treasurer



CHARLES E. GREENE
Dick
Student Council Representative

SALLY E. ARMSTRONG
Sally

BERT L. BAKER
Bert



BRIAN B. BOST
Brian

EARL W. BUTLER
Earl

DONALD A. CAHILL
Don



ELIZABETH A. DENTON
Willy

MARY L. FIDLER
Lore

STUART W. HAYS
Stuart



JENNY R. HARTMAN
Maggie

DOROTHY J. LEANDER
Dorothy



DOMINICO M. MACRINI
Dominic

CARLA JEAN MABREY
Carla

WILLIAM E. MELLO
Bill

*Princess of
School of
St. Mary's*



GLORIA L. MORAN
Gloria

MARY B. MORAN
Mary Lou

LYSTER A. NELSON
Lyster



*Reddy
Palant*

ROBERT D. NORCROSS
Bob

JOHN J. PARSONS
Jack

THEODORE T. PALANT
Ted



BRIAN DEE SCHMITT
Brian

DOUGLAS W. SCOTT
Doug

MARY B. SPITZER
Mary B.



PHYLLIS D. TAYLOR
Phyllis

ROBERT D. THORSSNESS
Bob

KEITH E. WINK
Keith

*Princess of
St. Francis
School*

CLASS of 1952



NO, YOU CAN'T SPEAK TO THE BOSS



NATIVE ARUBAN GOAT



LAGO HIGH'S LIT UP TONIGHT



THE RAUSE THAT REFRESHES



LITTLE KENNY BEBATH AT PLAY



DRINKS IN REVIEW



LIBRARY TAKES A WALK TO THE NEW SCHOOL



SEEING THE STARS UNDER THE STARS



ROBIN HOOD BURSON AND MOE POSE FOR CAMERA



DRIFTING AND DREAMING



HAVE YOU HEARD?



OPERATION LIPSTICK



THE BRAIN FACTORY



QUE PASA, MURIEL?



LOITERING LAZYGATES



AT THE GOLF CLUB



KEENAN POPS A CORNY AT A PAN-O-BAM WEEKLY MEETING



L. P. HOFFMAN AND FRIENDS



THE THINKER



YOUR HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE

The EIGHTH GRADE



EIGHT "A" FIRST ROW—left to right: Mr. John Kedes, homeroom teacher; Gerda Sanberg, Bettine Horigan, Grace Macrini, Beth Evans, Robert Lloyd, Neil Carroll, Dion Caskley, Joseph Schmitt. SECOND ROW—left to right: Rose Ann Meyer, Louise O'Brien, Dewey Johnson, John Borbonus, Mary Jean Owen, Gloria Fulton, Nancy Carroll, Dennis Hynd. NOT PICTURED: Annette Gregersen, Henry Goodwin.

Of the thirty-five members of this year's Eighth Grade, eleven of them were born on this island of Aruba. These include Louise O'Brien, commonly known as "Irish"; Albert Fuller, class prankster; Gerda Sanberg and Yvonne Hagedoorn, two Dutch citizens of the class; Annette Gregersen of the Titian locks; Charles Stuart, the only British member born here; Jim Rosborough and Denny Dodge, whose yell of "Extra" comes from delivering the *Miami Herald*; and Sarah Ann Smith, who won fame for studying yesterday's lesson for fear of a test today and her part in *Out of the Frying Pan*.

Before beginning school careers, however, several more members joined this class. Rose Ann Meyer, alias "Rosie Bud" hailed from Springfield, Missouri; Grace Macrini from New York City; Nancy and Ruth Carroll, the class twins, from Chicago, Illinois; Beth Evans from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Dean Wick from Omaha, Nebraska; Al Leak, St. Joseph, Missouri's favored son; and Mary Jean Owen from Newark, New Jersey were all welcome additions to the class. With all these, one might imagine the result!

To add to the scholarship of the class during the second year of school, Bettine Horigan a North Carolinian by birth, arrived from Buenos Aires, her home since early childhood. In the third grade Neil Carroll came from—you've guessed it!—Casper, Wyoming. The next year a trio arrived

consisting of Tubby Schmitt, from Tulsa, Oklahoma; Robert Lloyd, who formerly lived in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Gloria Fulton, from Lynbrook, Long Island. In the fifth grade the roll call boomed when more students joined this class: Donald Gray, from Bronx, New York; John Borbonus of Johnstown, Pennsylvania; Henry "Skipper" Goodwin from Somerset, New Jersey; and Dewey Johnson from Charleston, South Carolina. Soon afterwards Paul DeVuijst, a Dutchman born in Curacao, joined the class, as well as Patsy and Richard Faunce, who previously lived in Aruba, returned here from New Orleans, Louisiana. Dion Caskley from Long Island, New York, arrived in the Sixth Grade as did Mary Kidd from Filmouth, Cornwall, England, and Virginia Garrett from Cambridge, Massachusetts. Dennis Hynd was the last to join the present group this year, arriving from Barry, South Wales. This class now represents fourteen states of the United States and a total of four nations which is quite a record for any class its size.

One of the Eighth Grade activities which ranked the highest this year was sports. The girls organized an excellent basketball team, one which defeated every challenger. After winning games played with the Sophomores and Freshmen, the Eighth Grade girls challenged a team made up of girls representing the various other high school classes and they won by a score of 22-1. This sparkling team con-

sisted of Annette Gregersen, Yvonne Hagendoorn, Grace Macrini, Rose Ann Moyer, Bettine Horigan, and Gloria Fulton.

The boys also had a good basketball team, losing only one game in the four games they played. The outstanding players of this team were Al Leak, Donald Gray, Richard Faunce, Neil Carroll, and John Borbonus. In April a softball team was formed with the infield as follows: John Borbonus and Richard Faunce, pitcher; John Wade, catcher; Charles Stuart, first base; Jim Rosborough, on second; Neal Rae, short stop; and Al Leak, third base.

This next Freshman Class, as has been noticed by many, is very active in and out of school. They have become almost notorious for placing tacks on any chair unoccupied at the moment; for tripping fellow classmates; for slamming desks and books alike; for the male members of the class dressing in such outfits as shorts, tee-shirts, and ties, with their hair parted in the center; for catching flies; and for watching the clock tick. However, they claim part in many worthwhile activities as well.

Few will forget the Sadie Hawkins dance as one of the very best of the year which they sponsored with the aid of Mr. Krebs. Nor can the assembly on Valentine's Day be overlooked. A play was presented, entitled "Be My Wallentine", with a cast of Beth Evans, Rose Ann Moyer, Dean Work, Yvonne Hagendoorn, Tubby Schmitt, Jim Rosborough, Bettine Horigan, Annette Gregersen, John Borbonus, and Charles Stuart. Piano selections and musical selections were used as between-acts en-

tertainment. Mary Jean Owen and Dennis Hynd assisted Mr. Krebs in producing the program.

The Calling All Girls Club was organized in early January of 1948 by Mary Jean Owen. This club then consisted of only seventh graders. Its main purposes were good sportsmanship, friendship, posture, and grooming. At the beginning of 1949 the new Seventh Graders were invited to join. The activities of the past year have been a fashion show, an informal dance, a tea for their mothers, and a formal "Birthday" dance. The officers for this year were Rose Ann Moyer, Gloria Fulton, and Mary Jean Owen.

The Eighth Grade has also been a supporter of the Canteen this year and promises its continued interest.

Sarah Ann Smith received the annual American Legion award, which goes each year to the student of the eighth grade who displays Scholarship, Courage, Integrity, and Initiative. The Eighth Grade silver service pins for extracurricular activities were awarded to Rose Ann Moyer and Sarah Ann Smith. Annette Gregersen was chosen the most outstanding girl athlete of the school, and Bettine Horigan won the award for the display of the greatest sportsmanship.

The class officers for the year 1948-1949 were selected as follows: Skipper Goodwin, president; Mary Jean Owen, vice-president; Tubby Schmitt, secretary; and Jim Rosborough, student council representative.

The history of the Eighth Grade concludes with an expression of gratitude to all its teachers and a promise to be a good Freshman class next year.



EIGHTH "B" FIRST ROW--left to right: Patsy Faunce, Virginia Garrett, Neal Rae, John Wade, Charles Stuart, Dean Work, Jim Rosborough. SECOND ROW--left to right: Richard Faunce, Paul De Vujiit, Yvonne Hagendoorn, Donald Gray, Al Warren Leak, Sarah Ann Smith, Mary Kidd, Ruth Carrell. NOT PICTURED: Denny Dodge, Albert Fuller.

The SEVENTH GRADE



SEVEN "A" FIRST ROW—left to right: Miss Wilhelmina Hill, homeroom teacher; Robert Gladman, Valerie Chandler, Buddy Berrisford, Judy Ballard, Jean Wubbold, Richard Featherstone, Lad Mingo, John Dascanio. SECOND ROW—left to right: Stanley Norcom, Dirk Van der Linden, Miss Fletcher, Russell Brook, Bobby Griffin, Nancy Koopman. NOT PICTURED: Shirley Hewlett.

Of the thirty members in the Seventh Grade, only nine can be classed as "Aru-babies". These include Judy Ballard, Buddy Berrisford, Russell Brook, Donald Greene, Elna Harris, Shirley Hewlett, Nancy Koopman, Nancy MacEachern, and Kay Norris. By the time this group was ready for school, they had been joined by David Barnes, coming from Tampico, Mexico; Ray Burson and John Dascanio, originally from New Jersey; Valerie Chandler and Pat Eperon who were born in England; Nancy Chippendale and Bobby Griffin, from Massachusetts; Dirk Van Der Linden of Holland; Marion Fernando from Scotland; Bob Gladman from South Dakota; and Lad Mingo born in Florida, but a staunch Texan at heart. The class twins, Robert and Richard Featherstone, who were born in Oklahoma, also started school with this group.

The only thing worthy of note that happened in Grade Two was the addition of Sharon Carroll, who left her home state of Wyoming for Aruba.

During the third and fourth school years of this class, Lago was brightened by the arrival of Stanley Norcom from Oklahoma; Bob Borbonus from Pennsylvania; Jack Wiley of New Jersey; and Bill Moore from God's country—Texas.

The fifth year saw the arrival of Mitzi Fletcher, another loyal Texan. In the Seventh Grade the class was completed with the addition of Richard Beers, who, born in the Canal Zone, arrived from California, and Jean Wubbold from 'way down Virginia.

The first big social event in the class history was a Fifth Grade dance given by Judy Ballard and Elna Harris. Although at that tender age only a few were accomplished dancers, it proved very enjoyable.

In the Sixth Grade the class became noted for its athletic prowess. A ball team, composed of Stanley Norcom, Bob Gladman, Donald Greene, David Barnes, and John Dascanio was organized. Dirk Van der Linden, Lad Mingo, Nancy Koopman, and Jack Wiley demonstrated their ability on the tennis courts, while Bill Moore and July Ballard specialized in golf. Kay Morris and Bill Moore became known as the "finny folk" of the class after demonstrating their ability in swimming.

The Seventh Grade has the distinction of being the first to begin its high school career in both old and new schools. This year has proved to be a very eventful one.

The Seventh Grade Assembly, written and directed by Miss Hill, was a minstrel show entitled "Blackface Varieties". Jack Wiley, the interlocutor, acted as a southern plantation owner surrounded by his charcoal-faced slaves. Outstanding among the many features of the program were the many darkie favorites that were sung. Ray Burson's unlimited supply of funny jokes and stories, the Featherstone twins' blackface song and tap routine, and Mitzi Fletcher and Sharon Carroll's rendition of "Horace, My Pet Mountain Lion". The colorful scenery added that special touch that made the high school thoroughly enjoy this program.

The class was active in Canteen work this year, and sponsored the Easter Dance under the guidance of Miss Keenan. Tickets were sold in order to raise funds for the Canteen treasury. Also, the Seventh Graders sold table reservations, which is a comparatively new innovation at Lago High dances. Some of the boys and girls of the class spent many hours planning a floor show for which they deserve much credit. There was singing and tap dancing by the Featherstone twins; songs by a girls' quartet, consisting of Jean Wubbold, Kay Norris, Marion Fernando, and Pat Eperon; "Easter Parade" sung by Patsy Faunce; and a very humorous pantomime version of a Robin Hood Ballad which

was narrated by Bobby Bourbonus, and featured Dick Beers, Donald Greene, and Ray Burson. The highlight of the evening was an Easter Hat Parade with a prize going to the creator of the most distinctive creation. Marion Fernando was the lucky winner of this event. Delicious refreshments were served and following them there was more dancing with an occasional prize dance. Toward the end of the dance, Jack Wiley, master of ceremonies for the evening, presented, in behalf of the Seventh Graders, an orchid to Miss Keenan for her helping making this an enjoyable and memorable Easter Dance.

The class was not idle when it came to school programs either. One of the members of the class, Jean Wubbold, gave a fine performance in one of the leading roles of *Out of the Frying Pan*. A large part of the Seventh Grade was active in the dramatic variety program and also in "La Fiesta", the Pan-American Day program.

For outstanding school service in the Seventh Grade, Jean Wubbold and Marion Fernando were awarded silver pins.

The class officers for the year were Marion Fernando, president; Jack Wiley, vice-president; Lad Mingus, secretary; and Nancy MacEachern, student council representative.



SEVEN "B" FIRST ROW—left to right: Bill Moore, David Bason, Robert Featherstone, Sharon Carroll, Nancy Chippendale, Ray Burson, Richard Ross. SECOND ROW—left to right: Pat Eperon, Elsa Harris, Nancy MacEachern, Donald Greene, Marion Fernando, Bobby Bourbonus, Jack Wiley. NOT PICTURED: Kay Norris.



MOVING DAY



GET PREPARED FOR A SALE



IT'S LOVE, LOVE, LOVE



CONTEMPLATIVE SENIOR



MR. KREBS SHOWS SCIENCE STUDENTS IN SEVEN "B" WHAT MAKES THEM TICK



FIRE DRILL POLLETS



BEFORE AND AFTER



"BRIDGE" EN LA CLASE DE ESPANOL



SEVENTH GRADES ASSUME STUDIOUS POSE FOR CAMERA



SINK THAT PUT



UNWELCOME TO ENGLISH II



MY OLD SOMBRERO



"DRINKIN' RUM AND COCA COLA"



THOSE IPANA SMILES



HUBBA, HUBBA!



STUART FAMILIARIZES S. C. WITH SCHOOL ROUTINE



CAMPUS CUTIES



THERE'S THAT MAN AGAIN



TYLES AT PLAY



QUIET MOMENT (FOR A CHANGE!) IN ENGLISH II



LEADERS IN ACTION

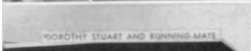


SACK TO DARWIN



GLORIA MORRIS, MOST NATURAL ACTRESS IN 'OUT OF THE FRYING PAN'

BUT THEIR BATHING SUITS NEVER GOT WET



GODOTHY STUART AND BURNING-MATE



THE BEEHIVE



Classes



Miss Varney conducts a study hall in Room I of the old school.

ON the following pages, the camera has permanently captured a few of the classes during the 1948-1949 school year. Careful examination of the photographs will reveal the class wit, the diligent student, and the chummy groups which joined together to form a class at Lago High. It is to these groups that tribute is paid, for by increasing the competition among students, scholastic achievement has reached new prominence in the classes.



UPPER—Mr. Zaner teaches American History in the old school library.

LOWER—The Chemistry Class runs a distillation of water in the laboratory of the old school.



UPPER—Miss Barclay's high school Music class pauses before singing "The Bells of St. Mary's".
MIDDLE—Bill Morgan gives a speech in Miss Varney's English IV class.
LOWER—Miss Keenan asks for corrections of sentences on blackboard in English II.



UPPER—Wood-working in one of Mr. Lary's Shop classes at the new school.
MIDDLE—Miss Hagerboest's Physics class discusses generators.
LOWER—Miss Pannevis presides over students reading and studying in the old school library.



UPPER—Algebra II with Mr. Wachter during first period in the morning.
LOWER—Constructing radios in Physics Lab period in the new school shop.



UPPER—Grace Macrini leads Miss Hill's Eight "A" Social Studies class in map work.
LOWER—Miss Thomas conducts Typing I at the old school.



UPPER—An instrumental music class in the library of the new high school.
LOWER—Miss Hagerhorst gives grades to students in the Eight "B" Business Practice class.

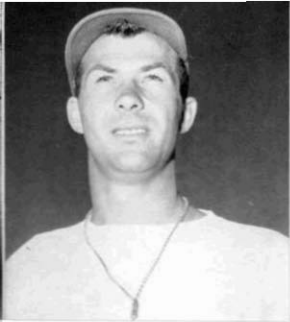


UPPER—Mrs. Waits' Spanish III class reads *La Barraca*, a Spanish novel.
LOWER—Surely not a class but the place where one goes when invited to leave a teachers' class.

Sports

THE swish of the basketball, the crack of the bat, the cheers of the crowds at the Lago High games are now memories to the Seniors of 1949. But they will always be able to recall the keen spirit that every student of Lago High displayed while attending or participating in these sports. Victories and defeats, cheers and sorrows, and bruises and scars are all part of athletics and serve to build and strengthen character. On the following pages, Lago points with pride to her sons who trained, practiced, and fought with enthusiasm and good sportsmanship for their Alma Mater.





JAMES DOWNEY, Coach

MR. JAMES DOWNEY has been a most welcome addition this year to the Lago School's faculty because the students have long awaited a director of physical training activities. A graduate of Ithaca College, Mr. Downey formerly served in the Pacific with the U. S. Marine Corps during the war. When discharged, he taught in Warsaw, New York, where he organized a youth center and supervised the recreation program.

This year he has most successfully organized teams of softball, golf, and basketball to engage in competition with other teams of Lago, St. Nicholas, and Oranjestad. For the basketball games, Coach Downey has also organized a girl's cheerleading group. Other sports which have been under his instruction have been track, bowling, football, tennis, and boxing. The weekly dance classes, offering instruction in square dancing and ballroom dancing, have also added greatly to the enjoyment of all students.

In addition to the coaching of these activities, Mr. Downey also supervised the noon-hour play-

COACH

ground program. Drills and exercises were excellent means for teaching group work. Intramurals of track and volleyball were also scheduled at this time. Track activities were climaxed by a track meet held in June which was viewed and enjoyed by a number of colony spectators.

Mr. Downey also introduced three new athletic awards to be made at the end of each year. The foremost of these is a gold trophy to be awarded each year to the boy who has proved to be the most outstanding athlete of the year. Milton Hatfield was awarded this highest honor in June. The two other awards were silver medals, one for sportsmanship and one for athletic ability. These went to Dick Rosborough and Warren Carroll, respectively. Awards for outstanding ability in individual sports were also presented by Mr. Downey at this time.

The Lago School is most grateful to Coach Downey for his organization of sport activities as well as his inspiration and encouragement in good sportsmanship.

COACH DOWNEY gives instructions in track



FOOTBALL



Coch Downey began this year's athletic program with a month of football. All the players were asked to obtain sweat shirts as substitute for uniforms, although they did not offer much protection against the hard, oiled caliche of the Jr. Esso Club ball field.

Coch Downey first attempted to convert his teams into the muscular hulks of football men by plenty of calisthenics and drill.

The big day finally arrived—the time for Lago's first football game. Lago's future gridiron kings turned out in bare heads, sweat shirts, dungarees, and tennis shoes. A few drops of rain fell, but they were soon dried up by an exceptionally hot sun. Coach Downey blew his whistle, and the

two teams tore into each other. After an hour of bloody combat, Coach Downey blew his whistle again, and the mauling stopped. The "High Octanes", under Dick Rosborough, had won. A second game was played on the following weekend. This time the "Crude Oilers," led by Milton Hatfield, were the victors. A deciding game for the championship was never played. At the end of the season, a test was given covering the essentials of football. Milton Hatfield had the highest grade, 99.

Two J. V. football squads were also organized. The squads showed Coach Downey that he had up and coming possibilities in these scrappy underclassmen.

CRUDE OILERS

LINE—Left to right: Jimmy Baggeler, John O'Brien, Dick Greene, Lenny Teagle, Bob Dew, Sonny Nelson, Bill Meyer. BACKFIELD—left to right: Murry Jennings, Joe Carroll, Milton Hatfield, Warren Carroll.



HIGH OCTANES

LINE—Left to right: Bob Tricaccio, Ronald Turner, Ralph Sabin, Kenneth Repath, Gleb Aulow, Jimmy Smith, Larry Morris. BACKFIELD—left to right: Jay Cahill, Bill Margus, Bob Katoski, Dick Rosborough.



BASKETBALL

Basketball began the second week of February, immediately following football. The boys dragged themselves from the gridiron and staggered to the basketball court for practice on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The girls came out on Tuesday and Thursday. After several weeks of shooting baskets and learning plays, Coach Downey selected a varsity, a junior varsity, and a girls' squad. The uniforms were blue and white for the Varsity and yellow and white for the J. V.'s.

In co-ordination with basketball, a cheerleading group was formed to lend moral support to the team. Evidently this wasn't enough, for the Varsity lost all but one game. The main reason for this was the lack of experience, for 1949 was the first year of organized basketball in the school.

At the end of the season, a foul-shot tournament was held which was won by Dick Rosborough who made 14 baskets out of 25. An intramural tournament was also played. The Juniors won in a closely contested play-off with the Seniors.

Basketball closed officially with a triple-header at the Caribe Club with all teams participating. The Varsity tied their game, but the J. V.'s and Girls' Squad lost. After the games, an informal dance was held at the Caribe Clubhouse.



MILTON HATFIELD fights Caribe for possession of the ball.

VARSITY SQUAD

Left to right: Murry Jennings, Dick Rosborough, Jim Bagzley, Warren Carroll, Milton Hatfield, John O'Brien, Sonny Nelson, Bill Morgan.



V A R S I T Y

BASKETS SCORED

Carroll	66
Hatfield	40
Baggaley	27
Nelson	19
Jennings	16
Rosborough	15
O'Brien	10
Morgan	10



WARREN CARROLL
Center



JIM BAGGALEY
Forward



MILTON HATFIELD
Guard



SONNY NELSON
Forward



DICK ROSBOROUGH
Guard



TEAMS PLAYED

Lago High	25	Caribe All Stars	37
Lago High	22	Caribe All Stars	25
Lago High	28	Jr. Engineers	37
Lago High	22	Jr. Engineers	53
Lago High	47	Chinese Club	26
Lago High	26	Falcons	29
Lago High	23	R. C. A.	31
Lago High	15	Caribe All Stars	15

LOWER RIGHT: MURRY JENNINGS, JOHN O'BRIEN, and BILL MORGAN warm up.

J U N I O R



V A R S I T Y

FIRST ROW—left to right: Ralph Stearns, Bill Meyer, Jim Smith, Jack Piskowski.
SECOND ROW—left to right: Ted Palant, Glen Aulow, Lenny Teagle, Larry Morris, Jay Cahill Kenneth Repach.
NOT PICTURED: Donald MacEachren, Chuck Wilson.

J. V. AND GIRLS' SQUAD IN ACTION



DON MACEACHREN STEALS while KEN REPACH recovers the ball in a Junior Varsity vs. Carle game played at the Carle Club.

LOWER RIGHT: ANN JAMMISON, ROSE ANN MEYER, MARY LOU MORAN, and GLORIA MORAN rush to the aid of NETTIE GRADGEMAN during the game which the Lago Girls' Squad played with the Carle Girls.



BOWLING



Girl's High Average
BABS STIEHL



PANTHERS—1949 CHAMPIONS
SEATED—left to right: Kieth Work, Birgitta Gregersen, Gleb Aulow. STANDING—left to right: Lenny Teagle, Sonny Nelson.



Boy's High Average
LARRY MORRIS

1949 Team Standings

PANTHERS	Won 16 — Lost 17	KEGLARS	Won 16 — Lost 17
FIREBALLS	Won 22 — Lost 11	LUCKY STRIKERS	Won 15 — Lost 16
GUTTER RATS	Won 20 — Lost 13		

Raucous voices, loud bets, and general turmoil predominated Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at the bowling alleys. Such mass confusion might be expected when the Panthers, Gutter Rats, Keg-lars, Lucky Strikers, and Fireballs got together—and happen it did. The Panthers prevailed, however, and won in a closely contested finish with the Fireballs.

A synopsis of the season by the secretary, Ken Repath, showed that Babs Stiehl and Larry Morris

possessed the highest averages in the League, but were tied with Bobby Pfaff and Teddy Gibbons for the most high games. Boy's high score went to Gleb Aulow for a score of 236 and the girl's high of 189 was bowled by Bobby Pfaff. The best "Three Game High" was bowled by the Gutter Rats who won with a score of 2832.

During the eleven weeks of the bowling season, a total of thirty-three games was bowled with the final standings as indicated above.

GOLF



MILTON HATFIELD, High School Golf Champion

"Fore!" became a permanent addition to the ever-increasing vocabularies of Lago High eds and coeds as Aruba's grassy links became popular among many of the students this year.

After preliminary training in golf etiquette, rules, and handling of clubs given by Coach Downey at the Jr. Esso Club, the Golf Class at last ventured out to the Golf Club to practice. A bus took the future Byron Nelsons and Patty Bergs out every Friday morning for several weeks. Instructions were given in the use of the various clubs from the driver to the putter.

After the instructions in golf came to an end, an intramural tournament was held for all the students who were interested in competing. Milton Hatfield defeated Teddy Gibbons in the finals and thus established himself as golf champion of Lago High.

GOLF CLASS

FIRST ROW—left to right: Milton Hatfield, Bob Rafloski, Jack Pakard, Ann Wertheber, Bill Morgan, Babs Stiehl, Grah Aulow, Ralph Stahou, Lenay Teagle, Sherell Fletcher, Bill Moyer, Coach Downey, Bob Tricarico. SECOND ROW—left to right: Bob Norcom, Murry Jennings, Joe Carroll, John O'Brien, Jimmy Baggaley, Teddy Gibbons, Dick Robinson, Bill Burbage, Kenneth Repath, Dominic Macrisi, Bob Drew, Ronald Turner, Bob Burbage.



GOLF

TEAM



KNEELING—left to right: Bill Burbage, Jack Pakozdi, Bob Tricarico. STANDING—left to right: Milton Hatfield, Teddy Gibbons, Kenneth Repath.

Shortly after golf instructions came to a close, an elimination tournament was held to determine the six golfers that were to represent Lago High in the Aruba Golf Club's team play. Bob Burbage, Teddy Gibbons, Milton Hatfield, Jack Pakozdi, Kenneth Repath, and Bob Tricarico turned in the best scores and thus were the six chosen to comprise the team. The team showed good spirit and battled its way to the finals, only to lose by a small margin.

In addition to the Golf Club team play, a number of students took part in Golf Club sponsored tournaments for the first time. Although they were playing against older and more experienced golfers, three boys, Milton Hatfield, Bill Burbage, and Bob Burbage, respectively proved themselves to be tough competition by winning the low net in the Aruba Open, the Vienna Handicap, and tying for first place in the American La France.



The Golf Class tea off.

LOWER LEFT: BASS STRAIN lines up for a drive while Sherell Fletcher and Ann Wehberber look on.



FOREGROUND—Terry Richey, mason; Neil Carroll, hat-boy. KNEELING—left to right: Bob Burbage, Bob Tricaron, Ronald Turner, Bill Morgan, Glib Aulow, Bill Burbage, Jim Smith. STANDING—left to right: Tom Tucker, Bob Norcom, John O'Brien, Dick Rimbrough, Larry Morris, Warren Carroll, Milton Hatfield, Jim Biggaley, Coach Downey.

SOFTBALL

During the past few years, Lago High softball teams have displayed much vim and vigor but have failed to produce that extra something which makes a winner. This year, however, fully organized under Coach Downey's supervision, Lago High's team became real competition for the various other teams in the Lago Colony Softball League.

In their first game, Lago High clad in new uniforms of purple pants, red and white jerseys, and black caps, surprised the spectators by achieving a victory. They then proceeded to rack up four more successive victories; however, the three remaining games of the first half of the season were lost, and Lago High came out tied for second place.

When the second half of the season started, Lago High went on the field holding rather optimistic views for the future. Unfortunately they suffered a number of defeats, so their hopes were not realized. Nevertheless, the improvement which this year's team showed over previous teams representing the school must be recognized. This can be attributed to the regular coaching which the team was getting for the first time. Therefore, with continued coaching in the coming years, the Lago High School can look forward with confidence to victorious softball teams to represent her.



COACH DOWNEY and DICK RIMBROUGH predict the outcome of a game.

ORIGINAL WORKING GIRLS' TEAM



FIRST ROW—left to right: Wilhelmina Hill, Bertha Mungoon, Mary Roeick, Lucille Hering, Martha Oliver.
SECOND ROW—left to right: Peggy Sipos, Adriana Pannevis, Dorothy Stuart, Ruth Ann Seymour, Virginia Thompson, Mary Louise Hershberger, Mary Alice Schmidt.

ORIGINAL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' TEAM



FIRST ROW—left to right: Gloria Moeris, Babs Stahl, Mary Lou Moeris, Sally Armstrong. SECOND ROW—left to right: Janet Hoffman, Betty Orr, Kathleen Spitz, Sherrill Fletcher, Pat Scott, Susie Schmitt.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

Along with the boys, the more athletically inclined of the opposite sex went out for their weekly practice on the boys' off days. Boys from the Varsity took turns helping Coach Downey instruct the girls.

A game was arranged with a team made up of residents of the women's dormitory versus the high school girls. Later regular games were scheduled between Lago High girls and the ladies of the colony, the ladies taking the major number of victories.



HIGH SCHOOL WARM-UP



THE ROOTING SECTION

TRACK

More significant, perhaps, in aches and bruises, than in records established, Lago High's first track meet in recent years was, nevertheless, a success.

"Athlete of the Meet," the coveted title, went to Warren Carroll, who performed outstandingly by winning top honors in the high jump, discus throw, and running broad jump. Another Junior, Milton Hatfield, came in second. For third place in the track meet, there was a three way tie between Murry Jennings, Kenneth Repath, and Bill Morgan.

There were ten events, and each participant could compete in not more than four. Points were given to the winners and runners-up: five for first place, three for second place, and one for third place. These points determined the individual's position in the meet.

With limited preparation, the track candidates showed that they had much to offer potentially.



TOP—WARREN CARROLL establishes record high jump of 5' 1".

SECOND—JOHN O'BRIEN breaks tape in the mile.

THIRD—WARREN CARROLL, "Athlete of the Meet," clears 4' 4" in the running broad jump.

BOTTOM—JIM SMITH heaves shot put 27' 1 1/2".

100 YARD DASH

Event	Record
First: Kenneth Repath	11.35
Second: Bob Burbage	11.90
Third: Bill Morgan	12.00

880 YARD RUN

First: Bill Morgan	2' 30.9"
Second: Murry Jennings	No Record
Third: Bob Burbage	No Record

100 YARD WALK

First: Jack Pakodi	20.9
Second: Kenneth Repath	No Record
Third: Sam Evans	No Record

STANDING BROAD JUMP

First: Milton Hatfield	8' 3"
Second: Bill Morgan	8' 2"
Third: Kenneth Repath	7' 10.5"

DISCUS

First: Warren Carroll	90' 5.5"
Second: Dick Rosborough	78' 10.5"
Third: Sonny Nelson	78' 5"

220 YARD DASH

First: Murry Jennings	26.8
Second: Milton Hatfield	26.9
Third: John O'Brien	27.0

MILE

First: John O'Brien	No Record
Second: Warren Carroll	No Record
Third: Sonny Nelson	No Record

RUNNING BROAD JUMP

First: Warren Carroll	16' 4"
Second: Dick Rosborough	16' 1.5"
Third: Bob Burbage	15' 10"

SHOT PUT

First: Milton Hatfield	28' 9"
Second: Jim Smith	27' 5.5"
Third: Bob Burbage	26' 8"

HIGH JUMP

First: Warren Carroll	5' 5"
Second: Larry Morris	4' 10"
Third: Murry Jennings	4' 7"



THREE TWINKY TWINKERS



SWEETLY SAILING, SUN-FANNING, SNEE-BOATERS



LOVELY, SPOONHAPPY SWIMS



RAVING, RAMPAGE, RAMPAGERS



TEEN-AGE PANGOL JACKED TWO TONS



SIXTH SWANS



LADY'S LAGOONETES



FINDING FISH FOR FRIDAY



REHABILITATED BEACH-BATHERS BAKING BREADFULLY



SUNNY SUNDAY SAILS



LAGOON LOVING LADS AND LADIES



STRAINED SWIMS

DOWN BY THE SEASIDE

The most natural sports of Aruba are, most appropriately, those affiliated with the sea. Swimming is the most perfected sport in the Colony since most of the students started at a very early age. The T-dock and big lagoon offer a place for diving, swimming, and boating of all kinds. The little lagoon is an excellent place for wonderful sunbathing, picnics, and swimming. Many of the students have taken advantage of the Yacht

Club and have had the opportunity to own snipes and sail them in the races sponsored by the Yacht Club on Sunday afternoons.

One pastime enjoyed by many is goggle-fishing; however, deep sea fishing is almost as popular. Both require skill and are rewarded by the abundance of fish in the tropical waters of Aruba.

Several water shows have been held which have demonstrated Lago's aquatic prowess.

SKEET

SKEET, which is a Sunday sport in Aruba, is enjoyed by only a few boys from Lago High. For the past few years, the Skeet Range has been located at the southern end of the Aruba Flying Club Field. Jim Smith and Tubby Schmitt are probably the two who take the most interest in this sport. Jim has an average of twenty with a high score of twenty-four, while Tubby has a fifteen average with an eighteen as a high score. Milton Hatfield, also a "Deadeye Dick", has an average of nineteen and a high score of twenty-four. Richard Faunce, who sets the traps in the bird house, also does very well.



TENNIS

TENNIS flared into the foreground as a major sport this year. Under the direction of the Esso Tennis Club, instructors were provided and lessons offered to the student body. With the lure of a suntan without burn, exercise and thus reducing, a large number of boys and girls turned out.

At the close of the lessons the boys were

divided into two groups according to their abilities, and a tournament was played.

The finalists match between Murry Jennings and Paul De Vuijst, was won by Murry, 6-3, 6-1, and he became tennis champion.

With an open season, tennis will continue to occupy an important position on the Lago High evening calendar.



FLYING

FLYING, like skeet, does not as yet include many high school students. Thus far, Babs Stiehl and Milton Hatfield are the only representatives of Lago High who are members of the Aruba Flying Club. Babs has already soloed; however, Milton must wait until he is eighteen before Dutch law allows him to solo. In the future, some of Lago High's younger students who, at present, are enthusiastic model airplane builders will probably be among the members of the Flying Club.



Sports



Varieties















Activities

NO school is complete without some form of extracurricular activities. Lago High has as many functions as any school of its size. From the planning of the monthly school dances to the publication of the *Pan-O-Ram Annual*, some sort of activity was enjoyed by every student throughout the year. Converting spare time into constructive time, the next few pages will show the results of these extracurricular activities.



The 1948-1949 LAGO HIGH CALENDAR

	<p>Oct. 1 School Opens</p>	
	<p>Oct. 27 Mr. Downey Arrives— Coke Machine Added</p> <p>Oct. 28 Student Council Elected</p>	<p>Oct. 25 Sophomores Assembly</p> <p>Oct. 25-29 Frosh Initiation</p> 
	<p>Nov. 5 Canteen Opens</p>	<p>Oct. 30 Halloween Dance</p> 
	<p>Nov. 9 Annual Staff Elected</p>	<p>Nov. 6 Senior Picnic</p> 
	<p>Nov. 15 Report Cards</p> <p>Nov. 20 Junior Class Dance</p>	<p>Nov. 13 Sadie Hawkins' Dance</p> 
	<p>Nov. 27 Football—Crude Oilers defeat High Octanes</p> <p>Dec. 13 7th Grade Assembly</p>	<p>Nov. 20 Football—High Octanes defeat Crude Oilers</p> <p>Dec. 4-12 Eso Club Fair</p> <p>Dec. 14 Glass blowing Exhibition</p> 



Dec. 15
Students Defeat
Faculty at Bowling

Dec. 16
Dancing Lessons
Begins



Jan. 10
Basketball—H. S.
vs. Caribe

Jan. 15
Boxing Lessons



Jan 22
Student Council
Dance

Feb. 2
Basketball—H. S.
vs. Caribe



Feb. 11
Freshmen's
Valentine Dance



Feb. 16
Report Cards



Feb. 17
Senior Rings and
Pins Arrive

Dec. 23
Xmas Operetta

Dec. 24-Jan. 3
Xmas Vacation

Jan. 6
Report Cards,
Golf Lessons
Begin

Jan. 27
Jr. Assembly.
Panthers Win
Bowling League

Feb. 5
Canteen Formal

Feb. 10
Basketball—H. S.
vs
Jr. Engineers

Feb. 14
8th Grade
Valentine Assembly

Feb. 23
Basketball—H. S.
vs. Jr. Engineers

MERRY XMAS





Feb. 26
Senior Picnic

Feb. 25
Basketball—H. S.
vs. R.C.A.



March 11-12
Annual H. S. Play

March 25
Juniors Win H. S.
Basketball
Championship

March 18
Basketball Ends
H. S. vs. Caribe



April 1
April Fools' Dance

March 27
Moving Day



April 9
College Boards

April 12
Open House at
New School



April 14
Pan American Day

April 16
Jr. Bake Sale

April 22
First Amateur
Show



April 30
Queen's Birthday
Ball

April 27
Tennis Lessons



May 3
UNESCO Lecture

May 5
Liberation Day—
Holiday



May 10
New Legislature
Opens in Curacao
—Holiday

May 12-13
Dramatic Program





May 16
Softball Season
Opens

May 17
Achievement
Tests

May 26
Ascension Day—
Holiday



June 4
Junior Prom

June 6
Whitmonday



June 15
Track Meet

June 24
Commencement



June 27
Report Cards



May 16
Report Cards

May 23
Track Opens

May 27-28
Music Festival



June 10
Senior Banquet

June 19
Baccalaureate

June 21-22
Final Exams



June 27
School Closes



SENIORS' FAREWELL TO LAGO HIGH

Now our High School days
Are over and past.
The world is before us,
Awesome and vast,
Everyone says that we'll
Miss Lago fun.
But we're looking forward.
Life's just begun!



The 1949



LENNY TEAGLE, *Editor-in-Chief*

Even before the 1948 *Pan-O-Ram Annual* was completed, the possibility of publishing the 1949 *Pan-O-Ram* in the States was discussed. No one at the time had any conception of the amount of editing knowledge that would be required in planning a book of this kind; the hours of hard work that would

be involved in the photography, preparing the copy, the making of a dummy; and least of all the expenses that would be involved.

In early November of this past school year, Miss Varney, who was once again to be editorial advisor, made plans for the election of the 1949 *Pan-O-Ram* Annual staff. During this period, enthusiasm for positions on the staff ran high; however, so much of this overwhelming enthusiasm completely died after the elections that the progress of the *Pan-O-Ram* was very much handicapped throughout the year.

As soon as the elections were at an end, Lenny Teagle, the new editor, and his editorial and business staffs went to work. Ideas for the make-up had to be considered, and dozens of letters requesting information about publishers had to be sent to Chambers of Commerce in cities all over the United States.

When Bob Rafloski, the *Pan-O-Ram's* Business manager, began receiving quotations on publishing costs, it became apparent that in order to produce an annual that would be a worthy tribute to the Lago Community School's twentieth anniversary, a considerable sum would be needed. Raising sufficient funds was a long and difficult project, and for the assistance given by a number of people, the *Pan-O-Ram* is truly grateful.

SEATED—Lenny Teagle, FIRST ROW—left to right; Larry Martin, John O'Brien, Mary Frances Burns, Dick Roshnough, Birgitte Gregerson, Bob Rafloski, Murray Jennings, Bobby Pliff, Kenneth Reppath, Miss Tylda Varney, SECOND ROW—left to right, Bill Meyer, Warren Carroll.



PAN-O-RAM

After the first of the year, Mrs. F. B. Roebuck was engaged to handle the portrait photography. A short time later, Charles Koirer filled the position of staff photographer. Thanks go to Mrs. Roebuck and Charles Koirer for being more than helpful in their part of the work.

As the year progressed, many obstacles had to be surmounted; consequently, it was May before conditions could permit the signing of a contract.

By the end of June, there was still much to be done on the *Pan-O-Ram*. But with the closing of school, Miss Varney's plans necessitated her departure from Aruba; however, Miss Adriana Pannevis kindly came to the *Pan-O-Ram's* assistance, and much was accomplished during the few days she remained in Aruba.

Nevertheless, work extended far into the summer months, and to the *Pan-O-Ram's* publishers, the Claud Cross Printing Company of Fort Worth, Texas, the editor wishes to express his sincerest gratitude for the cooperation and great patience which has been

MISS ADRIANA PANNEVIS
Assistant Editorial Advisor

BORIGTE GREGERSEN, BOB RAJLOSKI, JAY CASILL
Business Managers

DICK ROSEBOROUGH
Managing Editor



MISS LYDIA VARNEY, *Editorial Advisor*

given to the *Pan-O-Ram* in spite of the many delays in supplying the material.

In concluding this review of the 1949 *Pan-O-Ram Annual*, the staff salutes the eds and coeds of Lago High, for without them this twentieth anniversary issue would not be possible.

Hope you like it!



The Evolution Of An Annual

The history of publications in the Lago Community School dates back nearly sixteen years. In December, 1933, the students of the Pan-Am High School, under the supervision of Miss Jenny Thorpe, decided to issue a school paper. The paper was known as the *Pan-Am Pep*, and its staff was headed by Winnifred Smith. Assisting her were Lyle McGrew, assistant editor; Mary Corporan, society editor; Ronald Smith, joke editor; Clarence Harris, cartoonist; Henry Hughes and Tivy Harrod, reporters. Contributions were made by the high school students and the columns included school news, editorials, and other items of general interest to the students. For one reason or another, the *Pan-Am Pep* passed from existence after three issues.

Shortly after school opened in the fall of 1934, all aspiring journalists assembled at a meeting on September 14, for the purpose of forming another school paper. The first act of this assemblage was to elect John Parker, editor, and Lyle McGrew, assistant editor. These two went into a huddle and came out pointing fingers at Winnifred Smith, Henry Hughes, and James Crosbie, whom they designated as society, sports, and general news editors. Grace Imler became distributing editor, Horace Semmens, the cartoonist, and acting as

reporters were Bob Baggaley, Maybelle Brown, Vida Hughes, Marion Baxter, Ronald Smith, Mary Corporan, and Tivy Harrod. The sponsors were Miss Fassler, editorial advisor; Miss Thomas, publications advisor; and Mr. Ross, general advisor. In the first issue, which came out bearing the title *Pan-Or-Am*, John Parker announced that it would be the policy of the staff to put out the best high school paper ever published. It was planned that the *Pan-Or-Am* should be published monthly, and its purpose was to interest pupils in writing articles that would be read by the public. In this way the *Pan-Or-Am* could inform people what the students of the Pan-Am High School were doing and prove to them that they could do things in spite of many handicaps.

1935 was to be the first year that the Pan-Am High School would have a graduating class; therefore, it is interesting to note the following article which appeared in the February issue of the *Pan-Or-Am*: "On January 26, the editorial staff of *Pan-Or-Am* met with Miss Fassler and Mr. Ross, to discuss plans for a printed yearbook. The group decided on a twenty-page book which would be filled with pictures and stories of the year's activities." Somewhere, somehow, these plans fell through, for no trace of such a book can be found.

SEATED—See Minges. Left to right: Polly Minges, Kenneth Rapah, Diane Clippendale, Joe Waldhold, Pat Scott, Bob Norcom, Mary R. Spitzer.



The 1935 Commencement issue bears the name of *Pan-O-Ram*, which for reasons unknown replaced the title *Pan-Or-Am* appearing on the previous issues of the year. Instead of having photographs of the eight Seniors, full-page sketches were drawn by Winnifred Smith, who also handled the notorious dirt column of the day, then called "Rambling Rumors". Other material included a review of school activities and sports, individual write-ups for the Seniors, and class histories. The cover, made of black construction paper bearing the title and the school "A" in silver ink, was printed from a linoleum block. With this issue, the first year's work on the *Pan-O-Ram* came to an end.

Even from the start in 1934, it proved impossible to issue a paper every month. Consequently, in the next few years, the *Pan-O-Ram* came out about every two months during the school term. Then at the end of the school year, a special Commencement edition was printed. In reviewing these issues a few interesting facts can be found.

In the fall of 1935, a journalism class was formed. The idea was to acquaint the students with a few of the important principles of newspaper and magazine writing. Soon a bi-weekly paper known as the *Pan-O-Rambler* was started. This was largely through the efforts of Lyle McGrew. In addition Lyle served as editor of the *Pan-O-Ram* during 1935-1936. Heavy construction paper was used for both covers and pages of the 1936 Commencement issue. Two engraved pages with pictures of the six graduates and hand painted title pages were among the other features which showed that the *Pan-O-Ram* was making progress.

September, 1936, found Bob Hammond behind the editor's desk and Miss Helen Harding as the new editorial advisor. In an editorial appearing in one of the first issues, Bob Hammond mentions that the *Pan-O-Rambler* has passed out of existence due to the lack of interest on the part of the students. For this reason, he urged that whole-hearted support be given to the *Pan-O-Ram*. The high school students reacted accordingly, and the *Pan-O-Ram* continued successfully throughout the year.

The school years 1937-1938 and 1938-1939 saw no particular changes, but in 1940 several major improvements were made in the Commencement issue. The staff, headed by Helen Polick and Stewart Harrison, produced a *Pan-O-Ram* with leatherette covers ordered from the States, and for the first time, a number of photostats were used. This issue was dedicated to Miss Harding and Mr. Marks whose efforts had made it possible.

1940-1941 found Lyn Colby as editor, with Lois Reppth assisting as associate editor. There were four issues including a special Commencement issue similar to that of the preceding year.

As Miss Harding was no longer in Aruba, Miss Marion Scott handled the job of editorial advisor.

With 1941-1942 came the beginning of the war, and as with everything else, the *Pan-O-Ram* suffered to a certain extent. There were only three issues. The Commencement issue once more was using paper covers. It contained only thirty-five pages and included only two pages of photostats. The cover had a large map of Aruba, and the theme was patriotism. Whitney Colby and Joanne Mechling topped the staff, Miss Martha Jacobs was editorial advisor, and as in the past several years, Miss Bligh Des Brisay was art advisor.

As the war caused both a decrease in the enrollment at the Lago High School and a severe paper shortage, starting with 1943 the *Pan-O-Ram* became strictly an annual which was distributed at the end of each year. It was in this year that Miss Willena Murphy became the *Pan-O-Ram's* advisor, and for the next five years, she supervised the editing of a number of successful annuals. In 1943 no pictures were available, and by the end of 1944 the staff felt fortunate when they were able to obtain a few pages of blue photostats. Things looked up in 1945, and worthy of mention in the 1945 *Annual* are the introductory pages which were painstakingly produced on the antiquated Lago High School printing press. Regular photostats were available again, and the use of some attractive art work in grouping the pictures made a decided improvement.

1946 and 1947 saw issues much the same as the one published in 1945.

With 1948 came the first big advancement in the *Pan-O-Ram's* history. Miss Thomas, the *Pan-O-Ram's* indispensable publications advisor since its establishment in 1934, ordered attractive leatherette covers from the States. This started things rolling, and under Miss Lyda Varney's supervision, Dick Rosborough, the editor-in-chief, and Roy Burbage, the managing editor, began making plans to have the *Pan-O-Ram* published in Curacao. As in the past few years, Mr. Schlageter kindly made all the necessary arrangements for the group pictures. The Technical Service Department supplied the staff with the largest number of photostats ever used in any *Pan-O-Ram*.

With the successful publication of the 1948 *Pan-O-Ram*, only this year's *Annual* is yet to be mentioned. Owing to the fact that much has already been said of the 1949 *Annual*, it is only fitting that this history should come to an end at this time; however, before closing, the staff takes this opportunity to express its wishes for many more successful *Pan-O-Ram Annuals* in the future.

The
PAN-O-RAM
WEEKLY



KENNETH REPATH, Editor

Every Friday afternoon at 3:55, all faces, students and faculty alike, bear hopeful eager expressions. It is not merely the closing of school for another week which brings about this anticipation. It is the delivery time for the *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*. This weekly school publication is a fairly recent addition to Lago High, but in the three years that it has been published, it has become a favorite with all.

In reading the history of the *Pan-O-Ram*, it will be noticed that in 1935 a biweekly paper known as the *Pan-O-Rambler* was started; however, it passed out of existence at the end of the year due to lack of support given to it by the majority of the high school students. Then in 1946, Claire Wilken, a senior at Lago High, saw the need of a weekly paper following along journalistic lines. As a result, Claire started the present *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*. This was strictly a one girl affair, and Mr. Spitzer was the sponsor of the activity. The paper proved so popular that some of the other students volunteered their assistance. A regular staff was formed with Miss Wilken at the helm of the new project.

In the fall of 1947, a new staff was elected with Mr. Zaner as sponsor. Heading the staff as editor was Betty Ann Binnion, and assisting her as managing editor was Roy Burbage. Acting as reporters were Mona Smith, Bob Moore, and Babs

Stiehl. During this year, the *Weekly* was increased to a regular two-page issue. With the addition of double columns and cartoon illustrations, it began to bear the semblances of an up-and-coming paper.

The newly elected staff of October, 1948, under the direction of Miss Patricia Keenan, included Kenneth Repath, editor; Bob Raffloski, managing editor; Roberta Pfaff, society editor; Patricia Scott and Sue Mingus, roving reporters; Jay Cahill and Bill Morgan, sports editors; Murry Jennings and Dick Rosborough, "scandal" editors; and Myry Barnes, Warren Carroll, Lenny Teagle, and Jack Pakouzi, reporters.

This year it has been Miss Keenan's aim to bring out a *Pan-O-Ram Weekly* that followed journalistic styles more strictly. Throughout the year, the *Weekly* has come out as a three or four-page issue, and some of the features which have made it most popular are: "The Beachcomber", "The Sports Page", the up-to-the-minute news coverage of social affairs as well as actual school data, and, of course, "The Dirt, The Whole Dirt, and Nothing But The Dirt" column!

As one of its last gatherings this year, the *Weekly* staff met at Miss Keenan's home where they were treated to a delicious dinner. Afterwards, they went to a movie at De Veer's. To add that extra touch for the makings of a grand



SEATED—Miss Patricia Keenan. *Left to right:* Lenny Teagle, Mary Frances Barnes, Bill Morgan, Jay Cahill, Bob Raflovski, Warren Carroll, Kenneth Repath, Murry Jennings, Bobby Pfaff, Dick Robinson, NOT PICTURED: Pat Scott, Sue Mingu, Jack Pakardi.

evening, the movie was followed by coffee and apple pie à la mode back at Miss Keenan's.

The staff wishes to express its appreciation to Miss Keenan for all her kindnesses and many efforts given to the publication of the *Pan-O-Ram Weekly* throughout this year.

This school publication provides the older students with a chance for informal literary expression and training in the actual work of producing a newspaper. For the underclassmen, it provides an enjoyable ending to every Friday afternoon!



BOB RAFLOVSKI, *Managing Editor*



MISS PATRICIA KEENAN, *Editorial Advisor*

On Wednesday night at 7:30 the Andies (?) from the dormitory won a very close and surprising victory over the girls of the high school. Pat Scott was the girls pitcher and showed a rare form. The tactics of the...

FRAN-O-RAM

OCT. 29, 1956

FRESH FROSH FIXED

LARGEST FROSH CLASS INITIATED

STUDENT COUNCIL ORGANIZES

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 "HOLY ROLLERS" ROLL IN OCTOBER

The male faculty went down to a flushing defeat when the "Refty Beavers" students' team, defeated them, the "Holy Rollers."

to move to a new school?
 DENNIS HYND--Dec. 28 at 9:30 when I kissed Yvonne Hagendorn!
 GRENDA SANBERG--Then I won a camera at

Garry Morris	194	116
Ted Gibbons	209	158
Gleb Julow	134	147
Jie Smith	200	137
John Stuart	145	107

The "Holy Rollers" were unable to break the 500 mark, bowling a 499 and 495. The "old man" scores were:

Mr. Zoner	60	68
Mr. Krebs	135	118
Mr. Hoffman	70	63
Mr. Leary	124	121
Mr. Wachter	109	105

Birgitte Gregerson needs a course in...
 Morgan is suffering from the foot-...
 And Ray Be... THE DIRT PILE (We pile it up!!!!!!)
 Sae's name... CALLING ALL CARS---Calling all cars...
 Big robbery, "Snowbound" Pfaff and "Fuddle" Smith involved. Pfaff's robbing the cradle, and Smith's robbing the grave---THAT IS ALL.

- ARE YOU AWARE
- That Perry (Stu) what's heeplee
 - That Bob (Dumb) wouldn't give Perry (Richy)
 - That "Zeele's" "Birt" ask
- Janet Hoffman
 - Muriel Helness
 - Nancy Morris
 - Babs Stiehl
 - Babs Stiehl
 - Sue "Angus"
 - Sally Armstrong
 - Nancy Morris
 - Babs Stiehl
 - Bobby Pfaff
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 - Bobby Pfaff
 - Birgitte Gregerson
 - Sally Pfaff
 - Mary E. Spitzer
 - Elizabeth Deke
 - Bobby Pfaff
 - Ann Wetherlce
 - Penny Richoy
 - Bobby Pfaff
 - Sue "Angus"
 - Sally Armst
 - Sue "Angus"
 - Scotty Leary

AT THE TOURIST TRADE! THE TOURIST TRADE!!

Are you aware that Aruba will eventually be a tourist paradise on a grandiose scale? No! Well, read this. Plans have been formulated to have a swank hotel and casino constructed at Palm Beach, which along with the new airport will make this a hemispherical hub.

In accordance with this future, a color folder featuring tourist attract is now being prepared. This will be disseminated throughout the globe to spark this coming phase of Aruban ind. What has this to do with High St... Nothing, except that what at will be the models for this photo... assemble--the color folder!

STUDENT COUNCIL OPERATORS

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Dick Rosborough
Warren Carroll
Jay Cahill
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Murry Jennings
Bill Burbage
Bill Moran
Lenny Teagle
Bill Moran

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and we've had
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BEACHCOMBER

At the school and or
back school)

BIG WHEELS SPIN BIG BUSINESS

Four of Lago High's "big wheels" --
Miss Varney, Lenny Teagle, Dick Ros-
borough, and Bob Refloski, who are
continually working to present you with
the biggest and "bestest" Annual ever--
took time off Friday morning to execute
one of the pleasantest sides of their jobs.
They visited His Excellency, Lt. Governor
Kearny, to obtain permission for the

the pitcher?
--Devil: What do ya mean?
--Paff: Well, it seems she's roing
around with Adam now that he's left
Eve, she just had to have the oldest
man.

THE DOITY DIRT is brought to you
through the courtesy of C.B.S.-Colony
Pull System, and N.B.C.-Naughty Broad-
castin Company-News Commentator, Kitty
Kat (m-e-c-c-o-o-w)

Roberts isn't really fat, she's jus
growing ----- sideways.

A comment by a frustrated English
student-"A Rose by any other name would
be confusing!"

The seniors went pic-necking last
Saturday and had a howl of a time. The
only casualties were the people who didn't
go and starved stories about it.

The big menace to Lago pedestrians
is hic, hike, and hug.

Jack Padardi eats, drinks, and
sleeps Bobbie Helwig these days.

The ratio of the Lago Hi Varsity
has sure changed-two-fifths engineers
and three-fifths Lago Hi.

Muriel is thinking of playing the
the harp - you know what that is, it's
rianna in the nude.

and his trumpet. He's mak
down here. We've

Scott - I have no comment to make
Holiness(Moo Moo) - Well, I'm not
sure of winning, I couldn't get quite as
the Pan-Arubans I wanted.
Miss Varney (Babbler)

"Grandma, I'm engaged to a man who
simply can't bear children."
"Well, my dear, you mustn't expect
too much of a husband."

ANNUAL CONTRACT SIGNED

CONTRACT SIGNED

With a lack of popping flash bulbs
local dignitaries, and the use of several
pens to be presented to the participants
Mr. Hoffman affixed his signature to the
renowned annual contract. Present at the
ceremony held Monday afternoon were Mr.
Hoffman and Lenny Teagle, Editor-in-chief
The contract was prepared by CLAUD
GROSS & CO. of Fort Worth, Texas, and it
is they who are entrusted with the publi-
ing of the '49 "29th anniversary" Pan-d-

Let's face it, we have hidden talent
among us, (too bad we can't keep it
hidden). Have you noticed that Bogart
technique of Larry's, and that Recall

Miss Stuart: Who Me?---"Well, I'll tell
you! I liked the Fast Dances
best of all; they were so en-
joyable and the orchestra was
an added attraction."

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Thanks to somebody who wrote it for Miss
searhorst).

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sils at nothing: Freezes at least provo-
ation: Melts when properly treated.

Occurance: Found wherever man
exists: Chemical properties: Possesses
rust affinity for gold, silver, platinum,
and all precious stones; Violent reaction
if left alone; capable of absorbin more
than own weight in food; turns green when
placed near a better lookin specimen.

STUDENT COUNCIL



AROUND TABLE—left to right: Birgitte Gregerson, secretary; Jim Roborough, Dick Grasso, Dick Roborough, president; Lad Mingo, Larry Morris, NOT PICTURED; Mr. R. M. Zano, faculty supervisor; Nancy MacEachern.

During the school year of 1937-1938, Mr. Ross, the supervising principal, formed the first student Council with Cozette Millerman as chairman, and Ernest Musslewhite, secretary. The original purpose of the Student Council was to act as a medium between the students and the faculty. At a later date, the Student Council was also given the responsibility of running the point system. Started in 1934 by Mr. Ross, the point system was previously controlled by what was known as the Point Committee. They assigned point values to various school activities, and every student who attained a required number of points at the year's end received a service award.

As the initial plan of the Student Council was to act as a medium, it was the responsibility of the Council members to make up the agenda for the meetings. At these meetings, the class representatives discussed with the faculty suggestions and problems brought forth by various students. Ultimately, the student body came to feel more keenly its responsibilities to the school, for pride was taken in the fact that each student shared in the administration of his school. Thus, the original idea for the formation of the Student Council was excellent; however, it has gradually

lost most of its usefulness and function through various administrative changes. Today the Student Council functions solely as the organizers of the social calendar and tabulators of the point system.

In the 1947-1948 school year, the point system was revised by the Student Council in order to meet new developments in school activities. Since the Junior High School was not included in the point system, it was decided that two silver pins and two gold pins should be awarded in the seventh and eighth grades, respectively. The high school awards remained as follows: first year award, chemile letter "A"; second year award, gold pin or pendant; third year award, gold cup; and fourth year, special award.

Throughout the years that the Student Council has been in existence, the number of members representing each class and the various offices within the Council have varied. At present the Student Council is composed of a representative and one or two alternates from each class. All are elected by the members of their respective classes. There is no set rule, but it has become customary for the senior representative to preside as president. Supervising the Council is a representative of the faculty.

SAFETY PATROL



FIRST ROW—left to right: Dick Roshorough, Bob Tricario, Kieth Work, John Stuart, Murry Jennings. SECOND ROW—left to right: Nancy Morris, Jay Cahill, Bill Morgan, Joe Carroll, Warren Carroll, Johnny Hagendoorn, Kathleen Spitz. NOT PICTURED: Mr. Joseph Leary, faculty supervisor.

In December, 1940, Mr. G. B. Brook held a meeting for the boys from grades eight through twelve and gave a speech on the need for and the function of a safety patrol. At this same meeting, Mr. Marks, the supervising principal, called a meeting of class presidents for the formation of the Safety Patrol.

The class presidents decided there should be a central board of four boys elected from the group and several patrols of four boys and an elected captain. Each patrol was set on duty for one week. These boys were furnished with white helmets, Sam Browne belts, and whistles by the Company. The first board consisted of Lyn Colby, Frank Ushler, Bill Ziemann, and Bud Leister.

The Patrol has changed considerably since then. The board has been dropped, and there are no longer the ranks of captain and lieutenant. Instead, the rank of a patrol member is determined by the job he does. For instance, a new member of the patrol is put on a street corner and must work up to the position of a bus patrolman.

The corner patrolmen's job is to protect the students at crossings. They are not traffic regula-

tors but pedestrian regulators. They are on their job fifteen minutes before school begins and fifteen minutes after school has been dismissed.

The bus patrolmen have their assigned bus routes. Their duty is to keep order among the students and see that safe conditions are maintained on the buses to and from school.

In the past, the members of the Safety Patrol have received movie passes for their services. Since some students wished to work for their school service awards, Mr. Zaner, who supervised the Safety Patrol last year, arranged that patrolmen could be given a choice between points toward a service award or movie passes.

This year Chief Brook gave a series of talks to the Safety Patrolmen and assisted Mr. Leary, the faculty supervisor of the Patrol, in reorganizing the Patrol.

The efforts of Chief Brook, Mr. Leary, and the members of the Patrol resulted in the maintenance of an excellent record of safety throughout the year.

MODEL CLUBS



FIRST ROW—left to right: Ronald Turner, Bob Drew, Joe Carrull, Stuart Hayes, SECOND ROW—left to right: Sam Evans, Jimmy Baggsley, Neil Carrull, NOT PICTURED; Mr. C. G. Wilson, founder.

In 1947, Mr. C. G. Wilson, better known to the boys as "Pop", started the first model airplane club in Aruba. The club was made up of several model airplane enthusiasts from Lago High. The members of this pioneering club were Jim Baggsley, president; Bob Drew, vice-president; Ronald Turner, secretary-treasurer; and Joe Carrull, Neil Carrull, and the founder, "Pop" Wilson. The club adopted the name of "The Tradewinds Model Racing Club". Their clubhouse and meeting place was located near the big lagoon.

This first club interested some of the other boys of Lago and they formed the "Aerocykes". The members of this club are Boris Broz, president; Donald Cahill, vice-president; Sam Evans, secretary-treasurer; Dick Greene, Dave Barnes and Stuart Hayes.

The practice fields are at the Training Field and the field at Lone Palm Stadium.

Because all planes and equipment have to be ordered from the States, the boys are often limited in their progress. Another drawback is the wind, for the modelers have to wait for a comparatively calm day before they can do any flying. The winds in Aruba are often blowing at "gale rate"; too strong for the small planes.

At this time, the clubs have not had any meets; however, when they have more equipment, keen competition between the clubs may be developed.

In addition to the construction of model planes, this club also sponsors the building of model cars and boats. It offers the boys a worthwhile recreation as well as an educational opportunity to study practical mechanics.

LIBRARY COUNCIL



The Library Council is a new organization in Lago High this year. This Council, under the direction of Miss Panneris, has many functions. The duties of the members include library filing, cataloging, stamping and checking magazines, checking in and out books, shelving books, and repairing and rebinding books. Before the high school moved to the new school, another of the girls' duties was that of telling stories to the grade school children.

All members of the Council are volunteer help and anyone interested is welcome. Girls who have served in the library this year include Susie Schmitt, Gloria Morris, Sherell Fletcher, Penny Richey, Ann Wetherbee, Barbara Hellwig, Dorothy Fulton, Mary Barnes, Muriel Holmes, Birgitte Gregersen, Nancy Morris, Pat Scott, Sue Mings, and Kathleen Spitz. This work has entitled them to service points for the year.

The Astronomers' Club of Aruba was officially begun January, 1948, and has been accepted as a branch of the Astronomical League in the United States.

Meetings are held once a month, usually at the home of a member who has a telescope. There are now six telescopes in operation in the colony and more are being completed. Membership dues

are paid yearly and membership is open to all colony residents of all ages.

Talks are given by members who volunteer. The meetings are informal and there is usually a discussion following each talk. At present there are seventeen members, including Mary Barnes, Marion Fernando, Dorothy Fulton, Dirk van der Linden, and Jack Wiley, of Lago High.



ASTRONOMERS CLUB

Y O U T H



KENNETH WORK
President of the Canteen Council



BOB RAFLOSKI
Canteen Co-ordinator

C A N T E E N

Feeling the strong and urgent need for a proper teen-age recreation center, several senior students, under the guidance of Mr. Cliff Monroe, formulated plans for this project. These plans were discussed by the various community organizations of the colony as a group. This included representatives from the Community Council, the Parents' Association, the Lago Community Church, the Sunday School, and the Lago Community School. After several suggestions, it was decided that the youth group Canteen would be held at the church patio.

The Parents' Association agreed to act as sponsors of the project and volunteered to provide chaperones from the colony for every Canteen affair.

The Canteen Council was comprised of all the Senior Class members, two representatives from grades seven through eleven, and representatives from the Parents' Association.

Funds were needed in order to provide equipment for the Canteen. These needs were met by the sale of popcorn, balloons, and raffle tickets at the Esso Club Fair which netted five hundred guilders for the Canteen.

The first social function sponsored by the Canteen was a dance on the evening of November 5, 1948. All classes from seven through twelve were invited to attend.

December 5th saw a roller skating party with dancing for those who did not care for skating. At this time a ping-pong ladder was started.

On New Year's Eve the Canteen gave a formal dance at the upper church patio. The Falcon Girls were on hand to play a few numbers and later were replaced by "canned" music which was supplemented intermittently by barrages of firecrackers. With the arrival of the New Year, customary greetings were exchanged amidst the din of scores of noisemakers and still more firecrackers. With a feeling that the New Year had been ushered in, in proper style, everyone went their separate ways shortly after one o'clock.

A formal dance was held February 5, at the high school auditorium. During intermission, a stage show which featured a "magician", Dick Ros-

borough, and a skit were presented. Several dance numbers were played by "Spine's Jervens".

On March 18, a beach party at the Picnic Grounds was sponsored by the Canteen. A picnic supper, swimming, and square as well as regular dancing were features of the evening. A huge bonfire added to the enjoyment of the party.

The Seventh Grade, under Miss Keenan's supervision, sponsored an Easter Dance. A very unusual "Hat Parade" was featured. A prize for the most originally created chapeau was awarded. Another highlight of the evening was the Grand March.

During the month of April membership cards were issued to Canteen members for one guilder. These cards were good for a period of three months.

Queen Juliana's birthday, celebrated on April 30, was recognized by the Canteen in a cable congratulating her. A formal dance at the home of Ted Gibbons was held in honor of the occasion.

A roller skating party was held at the church patio on May 25, the eve of Ascension Day. This party was greatly enjoyed especially as the following day was a school holiday.

The last Canteen affair of the year was a formal dance at the Golf Club in honor of the Senior Class.

During the summer months, the Youth Canteen used the Junior Esso Club for its headquarters and worked in conjunction with the Summer Recreation Program.

Elected members of the Canteen Council in January, 1949, were Mary Barnes, Milton Hatfield, Bob Norcom, Doty Learned, Tubby Schmitt, Yvonne Hagendorn, Marion Fernando, and Bill Moore with Bob Rafloski, co-ordinator; Kenneth Work, president of the Canteen Council; Jay Cahill, treasurer; and Nancy Morris, secretary. Later it was decided that a Canteen reporter for the *Pan Aruban* was needed, and Murry Jennings was elected to the position.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rogers, Mrs. Malloy, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hellwig were most gracious in their assistance with the Canteen this year, and their work was very much appreciated by the entire group.



Canteen Activities



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FAIR



Muriel Holness

ESSO CLUB FAIR

Even as early as November, Lagaters knew something was coming. This "something" proved to be the Esso Club Fair. Throughout the month, extensive preparations were made for the grand opening on December 4th.

December the fourth came and promptly at four o'clock the doors were thrown open. The Fair was on! Addresses were made by Lt. Governor Kwartz and Mr. Horigan. Reverend Evans gave the invocation. Then came a dash on the part of the kids of Lago for the merry-go-round and the flying swings, the Catholic Youth Organization's archery booth, and the donkey rides. The automobile dealers displayed their latest models in "Automobile Row". K.L.M. had models and a cut-away aircraft engine. In the Blue Room the Silver Rhythm Orchestra played dance music every evening. Lago High students were forcibly removed from the Blue Room each night at seven o'clock but returned later under the camouflage of smoke and dim lights.

During Fair Week, a Flying Club plane flew over the colony and dropped hundreds of "flying saucers". These were circles of cardboard, some of which had fair tickets attached. Popcorn was on sale by the Youth Center, and the betting companies gave away free drinks through the hands of several of Lago Lovelies—Babs Stiehl, Evelyn Wade, Pat Scott, Bobby Pfaff, and Birgitte Gergerson. The Boy Scouts had a B-B gun range and the Model Club had a display and demonstration of models.

In the theater area there were hot dogs for sale by the Girl Scouts, a champagne pavilion, raffles, various games of chance, exhibits by the Instrument Society, a casino, booths representing a number of stores in San Nicholas and Oranjestad, and still many more things of interest, including Dick Rooborough and Kenneth Reppich's snipe which adorned the stage as the Yacht Club exhibit.

The highlight of the Fair, as far as the coeds were concerned, was the election of Miss Esso Fair. The three finalists, Miss Lyda Varnier, Pat Scott, and Muriel Holmes, were all representatives of the High School. After the balloting was completed, Muriel reigned as Miss Esso Fair and received from the Leo Berlinskis a gorgeous strand of pearls and an equally lovely watch.

As the teachers graciously cut down the homework, the students, along with the rest of the colony, had the time of their lives at the Esso Club Fair!





PAN-AMERICAN DAY

Pan-American Day is observed annually throughout all the Americas on April 14, since it was on that day in the year 1890 that the first International Conference of the American States was held in Washington, D. C. A resolution adopted that day in the Conference resulted in what is known today as the Pan-American Union. This day for celebration has grown more significant within the last decade under the "Good Neighbor" policy and continuous efforts for an economically and politically secure continent.

Lago High's first Pan-American Day celebration was held in the spring of 1948 under the direction of Miss Helen Harding. Initially, it began as an assembly program for the high school, but grew so enthusiastically that it was presented for the colony.

This year the program, entitled "La Fiesta", was also produced for colony entertainment as well as a school assembly. It was produced by

the third through sixth grades, under the direction of Miss M. L. Hershberger, and the high school, under the direction of Mrs. H. Waits, with Kenneth Repath and Roberta Pfaff assisting.

The grade school division presented a scene from a grocery store, several songs and dances, a typical Spanish class, and a series of little plays in Spanish. These proved to be so popular and amusing, including "Little Red Riding Hood", "Goldilocks" and the "Three Bears," and a novelty entitled "Eso si que es!".

The high school students presented "Quien No Juega", a play in one act. Also featured were songs and dances of Latin America and the presentation of a bullfight.

This program in celebration of Pan-American Day has been heartily endorsed since it provides a chance for practical application of the Spanish learned and a knowledge of Latin American culture.



Left to right: Bob Rafloski, Polly Mingus, Bill Morgan, Jean Wubbold, Murry Jennings, Gloria Morris, Miss Wilhelmina Hill, director; Dick Rosborough, Pat Scott, Dorothy Learned, Jay Cahill, Johnny Hagendoorn, Sarah Ann Smith, Chuck Wilson.

ANNUAL PLAY

Out of the Frying Pan

THE CAST

George Bodell	Murry Jennings	Marge Benson	Pat Scott
Norman Reese	Dick Rosborough	Dottie Coburn	Gloria Morris
Mrs. Garnet	Sarah Ann Smith	Mr. Coburn	Bob Rafloski
Tony Dennison	Jay Cahill	Mr. Kenny	Bill Morgan
Muriel Foster	Polly Mingus	First Policeman	Charles Wilson
Kate Ault	Jean Wubbold	Second Policeman	John Hagendoorn

Out of the Frying Pan, 1949's Annual Play, was presented on the evenings of March 11th and 12th. A matinee for the student body was held on the preceding Thursday afternoon.

The cast, under the direction of Miss Wilhelmina Hill, was in rehearsal for two months prior to the gala premiere. Gloria Morris, Dick Rosborough, Jean Wubbold, Murry Jennings, Pat Scott, and Jay Cahill portrayed a group of enterprising young actors, who were living together for economy's sake. Polly Mingus played a prudish young woman who visited them and was victimized by some of their wild antics. Sarah Ann Smith, as the landlady; Bob Rafloski, as the dignified father of one of the girls; and Bill Morgan, as a famous Broadway producer, were excellent in their mature roles. Johnny Hagendoorn and Chuck Wilson portrayed two New York City policemen. The plot of the play concerned the attempts of the struggling young actors to persuade a producer to cast them in a new play. This situation resulted in an infinite number of uproarious but quite understandable human situations.

Mr. Joseph Leary and his shop classes, especially Stuart Hayes, Dick Greene, and Boris Broz, did splendid work with the setting for the play. The careful attention given to detail in the construction and furnishing of the set gave the play an exceptional touch of realism.

Dorothy Fulton supervised the make-up, and Barbara Hellwig acted as prompter and assistant to Miss Hill.

Gloria Morris and Murry Jennings each received an award of twenty-five guilders for the most natural acting. The presentation was made on behalf of the school by Mr. H. J. Mills. After the curtain call on closing night, the cast presented Miss Hill with flowers and a gift in appreciation of her capable direction and untiring efforts in making *Out of the Frying Pan* a great success. At the same time, the cast thanked Mr. Leary with a gift for his efforts in constructing the set and for his assistance in directing the play.





"NOT QUITE SUCH A GOOSE"

Left to right: Mary B. Spitzer, Bob Tricarico, Bob Norcom, Janet Hoffman, Polly Mingus.



"THE CRAFTSMAN"

Left to right: Miss Adriana Pannevis, director; Dorothy Learned, Stuart Hayes, Donald Cahill, Joe Wubbold, Diane Chippendale.

DRAMATIC VARIETY SHOW

presented by the

FRESHMEN-EIGHTH-SEVENTH

For the first time, a dramatic program which featured the students of the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grades was held on the evening of May 13th, under the direction of Miss Adriana Pannevis. This program was also presented as a matinee for the students on the afternoon of May 12th.

Created as a means for training and developing dramatic ability, the program consisted of two one-act plays, three monologues, a pantomime, and a one-act skit.

Both one-act plays were comedies representing the "trials" of teen-agers. "The Craftsman" concerned Joey and his products of woodcraft. The roles were played by Dorothy Learned, Diane Chippendale, Donald Cahill, Joe Wubbold, and Stuart Hayes. "Not Quite Such a Goose" showed the change a new girl in town can make in a baseball-minded boy. Participating in this play were Polly Mingus, Bob Tricarico, Janet Hoffman, Bob Norcom, and Mary B. Spitzer.

The three monologues were well received. "Boy Crazy" was given by Jean Wubbold, "Mike" by

Jack Wiley, and "Mother's Angel Child Dines Out" by Sarah Ann Smith.

A pantomime, "The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter", was a farcial melodrama. Jack Pakozdi was the reader, and the actors were Douglas Scott, Lester Nelson, Susie Schmitt, Elizabeth DeWeese, Bill Mello, and Boris Broz.

"The Little Red School House", a skit based on the antics of a group of children in a country school house, featured Marion Fernando as the country "school marm". Other characters were played by Kieth Work, Buddy Berrisford, Dennis Hynd, Russell Brook, Richard Featherstone, Robert Featherstone, Beth Evans, Yvonne Hagendoorn, Nancy Chippendale, Annette Gregersen, Dewey Johnson, Rose Ann Moyer, and Elna Harris.

At the evening performance, the students participating in the program presented Miss Pannevis with a beautiful basket of flowers as a symbol of their gratitude for her efforts in making this dramatic program so enjoyable.



THE GIRLS' SEXTET



THE EIGHTH GRADE ENSEMBLE

ANNUAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

The custom of the Annual Music Festival was started in 1947 under the direction of Miss Wanda Perkonik.

Both in 1948 and this year, Miss Betty Barclay, the school music director, has taken charge of the Music Festival. Owing to the fact that the stage decorations have always followed a spring motif, the Music Festival is often spoken of as the Spring Concert.

This year's Festival, held on May 27th and 28th, featured both group and solo work and was highlighted by the "Musical Adventures of Jack and Jill". This selection was the old and well-favored nursery rhyme sung in seven various styles and interpretations, ranging from the orat io version to the jazz version.

The instrumentalists of the Festival were Bill Morgan, trumpet and clarinet; Dick Greene, cornet; Stuart Hayes, trombone; and Jimmy Baggaley, clarinet. The growing school band, composed of Jimmy Baggaley, Stuart Hayes, Sam Evans, Murry Jennings, Dick Greene, Bill Morgan,

Donald Greene and Joseph Schmitt, also provided musical entertainment.

Louise O'Brien, Dean Work, and Nancy Morris rendered vocal solos. The other vocal groups—the Girls' Sextet, the Girls' Glee Club, an Eighth Grade Ensemble, and the Mixed Chorus—sang several favorite pieces.

The Grade School Chorus and Tomette Band also added greatly to the enjoyment of a musical evening.

As a sign of their appreciation, the high school music classes presented Miss Barclay with an orchid corsage on the closing evening of the Music Festival.

This year awards in music were given for the first time at Lago. Receiving awards were Muriel Holness, who proved herself a capable piano accompanist at many a school program; Bill Morgan, who has been making great strides during the past year with the trumpet and clarinet; and Lenny Teagle, another Lago High pianist and the composer of the music to "Lago Ever Onward", the Senior Class song.

THE MIXED CHORUS SINGS "THE JACK AND JILL BLUES"

ORCHIDS TO MISS BARCLAY



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Pat Scott

DANCES

Of all the social events at Lago High, the school dances are the most eagerly awaited. During the past year, in addition to the numerous Canteen dances, there were seven dances open to all students. Each dance claimed popularity by varied programs and all were thoroughly enjoyed. The following accounts will serve to perpetuate the memories of these evenings.

It was a cold, dark night, and the banshee was howling through the trees. Suddenly, there was a shriek followed by a shot; the Halloween Dance, given by the Sullen Sophomores with aid from the Agitated Eighth Graders, was off with a bang. Nancy Morris, John O'Brien, Shirley Gladman and the rest of the Sophomore Class sponsored the dancing and all the activities in the auditorium, while the Eighth Graders operated the game rooms downstairs. Anytime some innocent, unsuspecting upperclassman wandered downstairs for a drink of water, he was immediately snatched into the "dark room", where "spotlight" and similar diversions were offered. The bingo game, with Dean Work yelling for everyone to be quiet (imagine Dean wanting quiet), was very popular with the lucky few who managed to dash safely past the "dark room". The dance music, which was furnished by the juke box with the aid of Lenny Teagle's new records, was excellent, as were the refreshments. The entertainment, which was produced, written and directed by the Sophisticated Sophomores, never would have aroused jealousy in any Broadway producer. Perhaps Bobby Pfaff's very excellent imitation of a tree, in the charade of "A Tree in the Meadow", might be excepted.

The second dance of the year, the Thanksgiving Dance, was given by the Jolly Juniors. The music was furnished by Willie Wurlitzer. During the intermission, a few numbers were rendered by

a band consisting of Bill Morgan, Lenny Teagle, Murry Jennings, and Kenneth Repath. The refreshments were plentiful and tasty, except for the fact that all sardine sandwiches should have been returned to where they originated—the sea. The cats in the neighborhood who liked sardine sandwiches certainly must have had a picnic that night, for those edibles were seen dropping from every window. All the other features of the dance were wonderful, and everybody had a good time.

The time was 7:30. The place was the school auditorium. The event was the Student Council Dance. "Spine's Jeevers" entertained with their smooth rhythm. Dominic Macrini and Susie Schmitt won the elimination dance and were awarded one whole piece of Dentyne Chewing Gum. Cut dances were another feature which proved popular with the boys. The clock struck eleven and the happy couples departed for their homes.

The Freshmen put on one of the best parties of the year, the Valentine Dance. A new innovation was the table reservations system which proved efficient. As is the custom, the King and Queen of Hearts were elected by popular vote, and Bill Morgan and Pat Scott were the lucky winners. Penny Richey and Dick Rosborough were the runners-up. In one of the specialty dances, Sally Armstrong and John Stuart won the cash prize which was kidnapped from the Frosh treasury. Eleven o'clock was the curfew hour, and peace once more settled over Lago.

The April Fools' Dance, sponsored by the Seniors, was to say the least, rough and loud. According to custom, the King and Queen of Fools were elected, and Sonny Nelson and Birgitte

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It's A Bird—It's A Plane—No

Fun



Senior Bull Session Between Dancers

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Dreamboats At Junior Prom



Crow Time



Laughing At 1945



IT'S BALLING TILL Q' WATER!



THE JUNE PROMENADE

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"Someday In Love"

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DINING ROOMS DANCING

Frolicking



THE FAIRY DANCE



THE PARTY ON LAUREL



WELCOME PRINCE TO JUNE PROM

And Still More Dances . . .

Gregersen were chosen the lucky fools. They promptly paid for this honor with wet clothes and dousings of flour. John O'Brien while dancing with Penny Richey in a square dance, fell on the super-slick floor and sustained grievous injuries. The floor's super-slipperiness was due to a mixture of flour, water, and dance wax. Dick Rosborough, who wore the monkey-faced mask (which fitted quite well), was seen dancing with Janet Hoffman, who had no idea who her partner was. Johnny Hagendoorn took a quick trip downstairs via the fire-escape, followed by gallons of water. For the first time at Lago High, square dancing was featured. The decorations were something special, consisting of drawings of Messieurs Bugs Bunny, Andy Panda, Porky Pig, and other well-known characters of the Comic Strip World. The dance broke up early due to some inexplicable circumstances, but everyone had a good, wet time!

The Golf Club, where many of Lago's most elite dances are held, was the scene of the 1949 Junior Promenade. The Junior's decorating committee made a perfect setting with pine boughs and crepe paper, and Speen, the High School's favorite orchestra, was there to furnish the music. The refreshment committee started on the food at seven that morning, and it was delicious and plentiful. Soft drinks could be purchased, but most of the guests indulged in the fruit punch. Speen was at his best and the floor was always crowded. After the Prom many of the guests departed for still further festivities in the form of beach parties and early breakfasts. Thanks go to the Juniors and Miss Keenan for putting on a swell Prom.

Hollywood and its producers were amazed, shocked, and a little angry that they had not been

awarded the contract for the production of the huge, expensive extravaganza, "The Perils of Lago Lou". It was fitting that the world premier be held in the place where the picture was filmed, Aruba. After negotiating with the producer, Dr. Robert Turfboer, the *Pan-O-Ram* staff obtained permission to sponsor the premier for the benefit of the *Annual*.

June 18, at 7:00 p. m. the movie was held in the Esso Club theater. Elaine Reed played the part of Lou, and Ken Cutting was the villainous pirate. Because the picture did not have the Hollywood touch, everyone enjoyed it greatly. After the show, "Johnny Juke Box" gave out music for the dance. By 9:30 everyone felt he had his guild's worth of evening's entertainment. This student showing and dance was followed by a like program from ten until two o'clock for the adult members of the colony. In conjunction with the adult program, a raffle was held to raise additional funds for the *Pan-O-Ram*.

A resume of the school dances would not be complete without mentioning Mr. Downey's high school dancing class. The first lesson was held in the school auditorium on the evening of December 16th. Waltzing and square dancing were featured that evening. At the lessons that followed during the next few months, in addition to more waltzing and numerous square dances, the polka, the fox trot, jitterbugging, and the grand march were taught. The students eagerly attended the weekly classes and by improving old dance steps and also learning some new ones, the school dances were enjoyed so much the better by many a Lago High ed and coed.

AMATEUR SHOWS



MURRY JENNINGS, Master of Ceremonies, conducts "Darktown Strutter's Ball".



SPINE'S JEEVERS
Lenny Teagle, piano; Dotty Learned, accordion; Bill Morgan, trumpet;
Murry Jennings, drums.



SHERELL FLETCHER
gives out with "Count Your Blessings".

To permit colony youngsters to demonstrate their talents, Mr. Downey inaugurated the weekly amateur show. It also gave the colony an opportunity to become better acquainted with the talent of the local youth. Everyone and anyone who had aspirations for a stage career participated in these brisk entertaining functions before the movies. For fifteen minutes before the movies every Friday evening, the audiences were amused with songs, dances, instrumental groups, and jokes by Murry Jennings, who acted as Master of ceremonies.

The first program, April 22, featured square dancers, a tap dance routine, and an accordion, violin, and trumpet solo. This illustrates the diversity of a typical program, similar to those which lasted until the middle of June.

Song birds who were well received were Nancy Morris, Sherell Fletcher, Patsy Faunce, and Dotty Learned. Their choices ranged from Sherell's hill-billy rendition of "Count Your Blessings" to medleys of popular tunes and a group of old Irish favorites.

Group dances were presented by the grade school and representatives from Mr. Downey's high school dancing class. Among the dancing which was featured were numerous folk dances and a set of waltzers who spun around the Esso Club stage to the "Missouri Waltz".

Tap dancing routines were performed by Mr. Downey's grade school tap dancing class and the Featherstone twins. The masonite floor was a terrible handicap, but the kids turned out admirable performances.

Along the instrumental line, quite a variety was offered. Violins, trumpets, accordions, the drums, and the piano were all represented, and, of course, "Spine's Jeevers". In this quartet, Lenny Teagle, Murry Jennings, Bill Morgan, and Dotty Learned beat out popular tunes with a steady rhythm.

Although they may be amateurs always, these individuals had the opportunity to prove their talents and perhaps prepare for future fun on the stage.

As Time Goes By

AS time goes by, it grows more apparent at Lago that the students who in the past entered Lago, studied in its classrooms, and took part in its numerous extra-curricular activities, and then finally were graduated, are the ones who made the school what it is today. In commemorating Lago's Twentieth Anniversary, the *Pan-O-Ram* pays tribute to the alumni of Lago High.



The Alumni of Lago High

INTRODUCTION

When Miss Florey, the Pan-Am School's first teacher, began school in 1929, there were only fifteen pupils and one room. But with the news of a school in Aruba, the number quickly rose to somewhere in the forties. This soon made things difficult for Miss Florey to handle alone, so Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Constance, two residents of the colony, were called upon for assistance.

During the years that followed, an ever increasing enrollment deemed it necessary to enlarge the faculty and also build several new buildings. In fact, the Pan-Am School grew so rapidly that by the fall of 1934, it had become a twelve-year school including a regular four high school course. Therefore, by the spring of 1935, the Pan-Am High School¹ was prepared to graduate its first Senior Class. It is at this point that the alumni history begins.

CLASS of 1935

These first graduates were responsible for the class rings and pins which are the same as those used by all the graduating classes that have followed. Mr. C. E. Bert gave a helping hand in choosing a design and ordering them. It was also through this class that school colors were chosen. To symbolize the brilliant blue of sky and water and the sparkling white of spray and sands, royal blue and white were chosen as the official school colors.

MARION BAXTER became Mrs. Yates and was a resident of Lago Colony for some time. However, she is now living in the United States.

MARYBELLE BROWN, now Mrs. Robert Campbell, lived here in Aruba for a while before moving to Las Piedras, Venezuela. Marybelle has three children: Bob, Jr., Sherry Lynn, and Mary Diane.

FRED CORPORAN, nicknamed "Bud", is also married. He is an Army Engineer.

¹Back in 1935, the first graduating class referred to the high school as the Pan-Am High School. Nevertheless, all rings and pins were inscribed Aruba High School. As the years went by, more and more people began calling the high school the Lago Community High School. However, the students today have more or less adopted the name of Lago High.

HENRY HUGHES attended the State University of Iowa after graduation from Lago. This is all the information concerning him that could be found. VIDA HUGHES studied at Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa. She is married; but nothing further is known.

GRACE IMLER married Charlie Schwartz of Aruba. They have been living here for some time and plan to be here quite a few more years. The Schwartzs have three children.

JOHN PARKER, the first editor of the *Pan-O-Ram*, went to Rutgers University in New Jersey, but his activities and whereabouts since that time have been unobtainable.

DORIS SEMMENS was called "Tiny" in high school, but her name now is Mrs. Jess Norris. She has one child and is living in Adrian, Oregon.

CLASS of 1936

GERALDINE BAXTER and KENNETH CROSBIE both worked in Aruba for a while after graduation. However, they have now been in the States for a number of years and no further trace of them was found.

LYLE MCGREW, known as "Pinky", attended the University of Colorado. Pinky is married and has two children. He is working in the Instrument Department in Aruba.

DONALD RUSSELL went to Bordentown Military Institute, but since then no word of his activities has been heard.

JOSEPH SEELEY, of whom no recent information was found, was last known to be working in Texas.

CLASS of 1937

BETTY COLBY graduated from high school in the States, but she returned to Aruba and did post graduate work with the Class of 1937. Betty attended Wellesley College. She is married now and lives in New York.

MARY CORPORAN married Lou MacNUTT. After a stay in Venezuela, they settled here in Aruba. Mary has three children.

LOUONA DUNCAN, who is living in Panama, married Red McGrew. Lyle's brother, shortly after her graduation from high school.



Do You Remember?

Air Raid Shelters Built During the War Years

ROBERT HAMMOND was not located, but it is known that he entered the University after he graduated from Lago.

TRY HARROD went to V. M. I. for three years but received his degree from the Bobson School of Business Administration. He was an Army engineer for four years. He also studied at the Sorbonne in Paris. Try is married and is now working for an export service in Chicago.

JAMES MILLER, who attended Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina, could not be located.

MILICENT REED is married to Lou Crippen. The Crippens and their children live in Aruba, where Lou is an employe of Lago.

PAUL RISHELL was located, but school records indicate that following his graduation, he was enrolled at Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pennsylvania.

CLASS of 1938

ROBERT BAGGALEY married a Lagoite, Doris Rustad. Bob went to Texas A & M. He worked here for several years after he graduated from college but is now living in the States.

DOROTHY BARNES graduated from high school in Kansas City; however, since she attended Lago during most of her Senior year, she received a Lago diploma. Dot attended Texas State College for Women in Denton, Texas. She is married to Hugh Bennet and has an eight year old daughter. They live in Las Piedras, Venezuela.

ELIZABETH BROWN became Mrs. G. S. Cunningham and is a resident of Westfield, New Jersey.

FRANK CAMPBELL, called "Pete," studied at Texas A & M and at the University of Kansas. During the War, Pete was in the Navy. He is married, but his whereabouts are unknown.

DEXTER CRIPPEN was here for a while following the War. Dexter attended trade school in the Army. He is an electrician for Sunbeam Corporation in Chicago.

BETTY LOU DONOVAN is among the unknowns except for the fact that she attended Texas State College for Women.

COZETTE MILLERMAN also attended Texas State College for Women. She lived in Aruba for some time after her college years, but since her departure from Aruba, the Pan-O-Ram has lost track of her.

AUDREY MILBANKE worked in Aruba for some time following her graduation. Since her return to England a number of years ago, no information concerning her seemed to be available.

ERNEST MUSSELWHITE, another Pan-O-Ram editor of the past, studied at Rice Institute, Houston Texas. His activities since then are not known.

HORACE SEMMENS, "Shep", was in the Navy. He works in the Gas Plant here and is married to Phyllis Griffith, Class of 1941. They have a girl and a boy.

CLASS of 1939

JIMMY BLUEJACKET worked in Aruba for a while after his graduation. Now he is married and lives in California.

BARRY COLBY studied at the University of North Carolina. This was the only available information.

FAY CROSS, Mrs. L. Keene, has both a small son and a daughter. She and her husband are in Lorenzo, Texas.

MARY DOUGLAS worked in Aruba for a while but returned to the States a number of years ago.

ELAINE FARRIN, nicknamed "Dutchy," is Mrs. Chester Reed of the Lago Colony. The Reeds have two children, a son and a daughter.

Do You Remember?

K. L. M.'s Old Ship





Celebrating the Birth of the Princess Irene in 1955



Main Street of St. Nicolas during Refinery's Earliest Days



Baseball Game with Sailors of the U.S.S. Omaha in 1937



Colony Residents View the U.S.S. Omaha



The Colony Commissary in 1938

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The Old Esso Club—Destroyed by Fire in June, 1942

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Swimming and Sailing at the Big Lagoon

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Past?

Aruba's

... and Colony in 1935



Colorado Point Apartments in Use Due to the Housing Shortage



Church Area in 1935



Church Area in 1947



The Lago School in 1955



Overlooking the "Temporary" Esso Club of Recent Years

ELMO HANCOCK could not be located.

CURTIS LEONARD graduated from Texas A & M. During the War, Curt was in the Navy. He is married and has a daughter. Curt is an operator in the refinery here in Aruba.

ESTA LEONARD is a graduate of Women's College, Greensboro, North Carolina. She is married to Bob Draper who was stationed with the Navy in Aruba during the War. The Drapers live in Toledo, Ohio.

BOB MUNDINGER studied at Princeton following his graduation from Lago. He was an Army officer during the war years. Bob is married now, and he, his wife, and their little girl live in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

BETTY RICHARDS worked for a while in Colony Service and then in the Marine Department. After she became Mrs. A. Lynas, she and her husband went to Cardiff, South Wales, where their son was born.

CLASS of 1940

Of this class of ten, little could be found concerning many of them except for their activities immediately following graduation.

THOMAS ASH went to the University of Tennessee.

CLAUDE DIXON worked for Lago as a welder following his graduation; however, he went to the States after a while.

MAURICE FEATHERSTONE was in the Army Air Corps during the War. Afterwards he attended Tulsa University. Upon graduating, he received a six weeks scholarship with the Boston Symphony Summer School of Music. Maurice is married and has a small daughter. He plans to take his Masters at T. U. and then teach in Tulsa High School.

RODERICK GRANADIA studied both at Rutgers University and Columbia University.

STEWART HARRISON attended Stanford University. He was in a medical training school while in the Army. He is practicing law at present in San Francisco, California.

VIVIAN HOLTANE attended Immaculate Heart College. She has one child. Her husband died in an accident, February, 1949. This year she was in Aruba visiting her parents.

HELEN POLICK, who attended U. C. L. A., is now Mrs. Howell of Fullerton, California.

MARILEYN REGAN was not located.

NED SMITH studied at Rensselaer and Colgate. He is married now and has been flying for the Berlin air lift.

VIRGINIA WORK studied at Purdue University and Virginia Intermont College. Virginia is married to Phillip Eastman, Jr. The Eastmans and their young daughter live in Dayton, Ohio.

CLASS of 1941

This is the first of two classes at Lago that had eighteen graduates, the largest classes ever to receive diplomas from this school.

KINTA ABADIE, now Mrs. James Osborn, resides in Lago Colony. She attended Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Missouri and was employed as secretary of Lago Community School for a short time. Kinta and Jimmy have one daughter.

GILBERT BROOK, JR. "Gil," is also married and has two children. He was in the Air Corps and has flown over as many as forty-six states. He has attended Louisiana Polytechnic Institute and is now going to the University of Tennessee.

MARTHA LEE BROWN, called "Marty" by all, worked as a stenographer for the Government Office of Internal Revenue for four years. She married LeRoy Ebrecht and they have a son.

IGOR BROZ attended Rice Institute in Houston, Texas. He has been employed in the T. S. D. Department in Lago for the past few years.

LYN COLBY graduated from the University of Michigan. He works for a manufacturing company, but where he is, the staff was not able to find out before the Annual went to press.

PAULINE GARDERE, Mrs. Robert Ayer, went to Texas University. Polly has two children now and is living in Lubbock, Texas.

JANET GRAY graduated from Michigan University. She married Jack White and they live in Brooklyn, New York. Janet is an auditor for Price Waterhouse & Company.

PIVELLEN GRIFFITH settled down here in Aruba after she graduated from high school. She is married to Horace Semmens, Class of 1938. They have two children, a boy and a girl.

MARY LOU HASSE, upon graduating from Lago, went to Stephens College in Missouri. She married William Flippen and lives in Virginia. They have one daughter, Kathy.

BOB HARROD went to an aeronautical school in San Francisco, California. He flew for the Air Transport Command. Bob is married and has a little girl. Now he works for the Navy at a Navy Base in San Francisco.

FORRESTINE HUGHES attended Graceland College in Iowa. Aside from this no other information was available.

NORMAN INKSTER worked in Aruba for a while after graduating. Later he returned to England where he joined the R.A.F. From there the Pan-O-Ram was unable to trace him.

MELVIN LEISTER, best known as "Bud" married Sylvia Lee, an alumna of Lago High, Class of 1944. They now have a little girl. During the War, he served in the Infantry at Little Rock,

Arkansas. At present he works as credit manager for the William-Sherman Company in Casper, Wyoming.

HARRY MCCORD owns a self-service store in Neodesha, Kansas. He is married and has one child. "Hilly" was in the Navy during the War.

LOIS JANE REPASH graduated from the University of California at Berkeley and worked as a statistician for the Oakland Public Health Department for several years. In February, 1944, she married W. T. Carson, Jr. of San Francisco.

DORIS RUYLAD married a graduate of Lago High, Bob Baggley. They lived for a while in Aruba, but are now residing in the States.

LEE STANLEY attended Georgia Tech before the War. During the war years he served in the Infantry. When he got out of the service, he returned to college. At present he is living in Aruba where he is employed by the T. S. D.

FRANK UHLEIN, or rather "Pancho", is a drama major at the University of Washington. He was in the Army Air Corps, Albrook Field, Canal Zone, as a staff sergeant. After he was discharged, he was in the Canal Zone Junior College in Balboa, C. Z.

CLASS of 1942

This was a small class with only four girls and three boys.

CARL CAMPBELL, called "Big Scoop", is now attending Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia. In September, 1943, he joined the Navy. He spent some time at the Bainbridge Naval Training Center, and then aboard the U. S. Oager for a number of months. Carl graduated in June, 1945, and planned to be married the same month.

BOB HARMAN went to Brentwood College. During the War, he was in the Infantry and Air Corps. He is an X-Ray technician now and is married. The Harman and their one child live in Oakland, California.

ARTHUR HEARD, as far as the alumni has been able to uncover, was killed in action overseas in the Seabees during the War.

MARILYN HOLTANE, or rather "Prunty" as she was called, married Chester Rogers soon after she graduated. They live in Aruba with their son and daughter.

JOANNE MITCHELL graduated from Washington University in St. Louis and is at the present time working at Lohigh University.

JOANNE RAE worked in the Lago Marine Department for some time after her graduation from Lindenwood College in Missouri. She is now married to Peter Storey of the Marine Department, and they are the proud parents of a baby girl.

JOHANNA SCHOEN is the only member of this class from which there is no word at all.

CLASS of 1943

MAY

This the first of the two classes with only two students.

STANLEY MITCHELL attended Washington University and is now working in Hechits Department Store in Washington, D. C.

DEWEERTJE MITCHELUS, called "Dive," lives in Holland. She married a soldier in the Dutch Army stationed here and they have a little boy.

AUGUST

The only summer graduating class had but four members.

GENE CAMPBELL was in the Merchant Marine during the War. He graduated from Kansas State University in June, 1949. Gene is planning to go on and study law after his graduation.

FRANCES MINGUS, called "Ten" by all her friends, went to the University of Texas at Austin. She is married to Dr. Theodore Kretschmer who is a member of the Lago Medical staff in Aruba.

GERRY SMITH was in the Navy for a while. Now he is in St. Louis, Missouri, at Washington University. Gerry is majoring in medicine.

JANE WILKEN, now married to Donald Kurtz, attended Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri. During the War, Jane worked as a civilian employe for the Army in Aruba. Now, in addition to housekeeping, she is secretary to the pastor of the Lago Community Church.

CLASS of 1944

GLORIA CALVANO went to the University of Pennsylvania and then to the University of South Carolina. Gloria married R. D. Kidding and they have one child.

JOAN CLOWER, graduated from Mississippi State College for Women and then returned to Aruba. After the unfortunate death of Mr. Clower, Joan and her mother left for Houston, Texas, where they are now residing.

CLEMENT HAGENDORN, "Hoot," married Joan Polick, who also attended Lago High. Clement and Joan have a little girl. They are living in Linden, New Jersey. Clement works for Bayway Refinery as a laboratory technician.

SYLVIA LIH married a former Lapoite, Bud Leiter, Class of 1941, shortly following her graduation. They have one daughter.

BOB TUCKER went to Georgia Tech and spent some time in the Army Air Corps. Bob was last known to be in Boston.



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Trips on the Esso Aruba

VINCENT WALKER is studying chemical engineering at Cornell University. For a while, Vince was in the Army Medical Corps in Seattle, Washington. After his discharge, he returned to Cornell.

CLASS of 1945

This class was one of the large classes. It had eighteen members, many of whom are still attending colleges.

LEVERTA ABADIE attended college for a while and then married Jerry Keenan of New Orleans. The Keenans and their baby boy live in New Orleans, where Jerry has been attending Loyola University.

ELIZABETH BROOK, now visiting her parents here, is studying to be a nurse at St. Luke's in New York. "Liz" has not far to go before joining the ranks of the "angels of mercy".

HUGH CHANDLER worked in No. 3 Lab before going to Louisiana State University. He is majoring in chemical engineering.

BILL FLAHERTY joined the Marines soon after his graduation from high school. He was first stationed at Parris Island, S. C. and is now in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FORREST FORBES was in the Army Signal Corps, Task Force "Frost" (winter test operations) at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, following his graduation. Forrest is at present a junior at Iowa University. He is studying chemical engineering.

NATASHA HAWTHORNE was not located, but it is believed that she is in the ranks of the University of California.

JOY HUDSON, who was at one time art editor for the *Pan-O-Ram*, lives in Dallas, Texas. Joy works as a stenographer for Giffard-Hill & Company, Inc., a construction company, and is married to A. A. Hall.

EUGENE KILMER, called "Gene" by all, will be remembered as Aruba's first Eagle Scout. For some time, he served in Japan in the Army General Headquarters. He has attended four different col-



Do You Remember?
Queen Wilhelmina's Birthday Parades

leges at last count, which are Cornell University, Oklahoma A & M, Oklahoma University, and Tokyo A. E. P. school. He is now living in Oklahoma.

JAMES McNAB left here for Scotland shortly after graduation. He is studying to be a doctor at Gordon's College in Aberdeen, Scotland.

JEANNE MINGUS, now Mrs. P. H. Byrd, lives in Austin, Texas. Jeanne went to Sarah Lawrence in Bronxville, New York, and also to the University of Texas in Austin.

PAULA MOYER won the Teagle Scholarship to Cornell University where she is at present. Paula is a very active and popular figure there. She is engaged to Peter Jung, also a student at Cornell.

FREDA PENNY attended Wheelock in Boston for a year. Then Freda worked in the Service Division of the Accounting Department here. She is engaged to be married to Bill Hannig, an employee of Lago.

EDMUND POLICK, known as "Ed", lives with his wife in Johnsville, California.

GORDON PORTER is believed to be somewhere in Canada.

BILL RAFLOSKI, joined the Navy after graduation where, he claims, he served three years, two months, three days, and twenty-three hours. After his discharge, Bill vacationed here in Aruba before going to San Jose State College in California.

WARREN LEE STIEHL, better known as "Soxo," is among Lago's many Texans. Soxo has been at John Tarleton College in Stephenville but is transferring to the University of Texas. Soxo was stationed in Panama in the U. S. Marines for a few months.

JOHN TEAGLE spent a year at Dartmouth before shipping on the "Esso Reading" for a few months. Then John transferred to Louisiana State University, where other Lagoites are located.

ROBERT TURNER writes that he is a sophomore at Iowa State College. He also spent some time at Graceland College.

CLASS of 1946

This class had the distinction of being the second class with only two graduates, both girls.

VIRGINIA MOORE, or "Ginny" as she was more frequently called, hails from Oklahoma. At present she is studying at Oklahoma A & M. Ginny is a junior now and is majoring in advertising.

HEATHER WALTERS is the other member of this class. After a short vacation in England following her graduation, Heather took a job here in Aruba in the Personnel Department.

CLASS of 1947

WALTER BUCHHOLTZ is taking a liberal arts course at the University of Kansas.

RONALD KENNERTY worked down here in one of Lago's labs before going to Lamar College in Beaumont, Texas.

ELAINE KIMLER occupied a place in the ranks at Oklahoma A & M. She is now married and is living in Oklahoma.

PAULINE MORGAN worked in the Personnel Department for a year after graduating from Lago. This year she attended a business school in Austin. In the fall of 1949, Pauline plans to enroll in Texas University, where she will be joining a number of other Lagoites.

TOM TUCKER is at Tulane University. He is in pre-medical training and has been chosen for the Dean's list this year.

WILLIAM WADE, who is known as "Sonny", is a sophomore at Louisiana State University.

CLAIRE WILKEN, who founded the *Pan-O-Ram Weekly*, has been attending Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri, for the past two years. She is majoring in commercial teaching.

CLASS of 1948

This was the last graduating class in the old school. There were thirteen members and all are accounted for.

MARIANNE AULOW heads the list. She is now studying music at Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas.

BETTY ANN BINNION is one of the most popular of Lago's graduates. The fall of 1948 found her enrolled at Duke University in North Carolina. She married Bob Burkholder, a Lago employee, in September, 1949.

CHRISTINE BUCHHOLTZ goes to the University of Kansas which she enjoys very much.

ROY BURRAGE and BOB MOORE both settled for Texas A & I in Kingsville, Texas. However, Bob, transferred to Texas A & M in September, 1949.

FRANCIS FLAHERTY joined the Marine Corps and when last heard from was not sure whether he was going to remain in the service for some time or enter college.

ROBERT LEARNED and MERLENE MORRIS were married shortly following graduation and are the proud parents of a baby boy. Bob is going to Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado.

BRYAN MCCALL worked in No. 3 Lab here in Aruba for a year after he graduated. He then returned to England where he joined the R.A.F.

MARY MACRINI is now part of the student body at Virginia Intermont College.

DICK RAFLOSKI, nicknamed "Yulie", enrolled in San Jose State College in September, 1948. September, 1949 will find all three Rafloski boys there.

MONA LEE SMITH is learning to speak "Alabama style" at the University of Alabama.

DOROTHY STUART, "Dotty", vacationed in Britain for several months after graduation. Dotty is the school secretary now.

And so ends the alumni history of Lago High. The *Pan-O-Ram* staff believes that the alumni should be proud of the progress that has been made in their school. It is hoped that both the students of Lago High today and those of the future will feel, when they also are alumni, that they have done their best to uphold the high standards set by their predecessors.

Do You Remember?

Area Surrounding No. 1 Powerhouse during Day and Night in 1935



C A R A I B I S C H



The History of Aruba

Though small in area and population, Aruba has played a very important part in history, helping with the other islands to form a natural gateway between the old and new worlds. The great powers for centuries fought to obtain and hold control of these islands so we find a great variety and mixture of languages and customs. The chaos of early years adds confusion in the chronicling of historical events so that the compilation of an absolutely authentic history is considered improbable, almost impossible.

Without doubt Aruba came into existence as a result of volcanic activity, but it is not believed that Aruba was ever a volcano itself. The formation of the island is connected with the period in geological history when the Rocky and Andes Mountains were uplifted, folded and faulted; and with the great depression of the earth's crust, the Caribbean and other seas were formed. It is believed that at one time Aruba was connected with Venezuela because of the peculiar variety of rattlesnakes found on the island. This species of snake is found only on Aruba now, and nowhere else in the world; however, they were once found in Venezuela also. These snakes have been sent to museums in Holland and in the United States because they are so unusual and rare.

The island is formed principally of several varieties of white coral, granite and prehistoric volcanic lava. The highest point on the island is Yamanota, five hundred and sixty feet above sea level. The coast along the south and southwest is very low, and due to minor movements of the earth later, Aruba has appeared to rise out of the sea at three times as shown by the shore lines conspicuous in the northern and eastern sections. Aruba with an area of sixty-nine square miles, is the smallest, driest, flattest and has the least vegetation of the ABC Islands, Aruba, Curacao, and Bonaire.

With the formation of Aruba, her history begins. The earliest known inhabitants were the Arawak Indians, who originated in South America. They were agriculturalists, and the name is said to mean "meal eaters," as cassava was their staple food. They did not possess a high degree of civilization. The Arawaks had no architecture, little art, and the most primitive forms of music; they lived in bushes and caves and wore very few clothes. The only tangible relics found are the vessels in which they buried their dead. These were earthen vase-like vessels in which the bodies were packed and baked in a sitting position. Some of them have been sent to the Indies Museum in Holland.

The Carib Indians, cave and cliff dwellers from the interior of Brazil, made war on the peace-

loving Arawaks, carrying their women off into their tribes. They eventually exterminated the Arawaks, and it is felt they were cave dwellers as evidenced by the hieroglyphics found on the walls and ceiling of caves in Aruba which are located in the Ayo and Piedra Plata districts. The Carib Indians had many superstitions and practiced voodooism and tribal rites that were cruel and war-like. To test the stamina and fortitude of the young boys before they were allowed to become members of the tribe, they allowed large ants to sting them and then they would cut gashes into their chests and arms into which they rubbed the acrid juices of plants. Another test was to pass a long, fine tube greased with the fat of palm caterpillars (the tube being narrow at one end and more than a quarter of an inch in diameter at the other end) through the young boys' nostrils and out of the mouth.

Credit for the discovery of Aruba, Curacao, and Bonaire is given to a Spaniard named Alonso Ojeda, who sailed with a small fleet from Spain in May, 1499, landing on these islands in the same year. Ojeda, noting the tremendous size of the Indians, named the place "The Land of the Giants". In 1493, from pressure brought upon the Pope, the first of several Papal Bulls had been issued recognizing Spain's exclusive right to all lands discovered in the Western Hemisphere; as a result, with the help of Ojeda, Aruba was colonized by the Spaniards in 1527 and was placed with Curacao and Bonaire under the Governor of Venezuela. For the greater part of the first century after discovery, Spain maintained absolute power over these provinces. Great numbers of the Indians were sold into slavery and others were forced to do strenuous labor from which they died. Others committed suicide, and an epidemic of measles and smallpox, against which the native population had no resistance, destroyed more than half the inhabitants of many villages.

In the year 1597 and during the eighty year war between Spain and Holland, organizations were formed in Rotterdam for the purpose of plundering Spanish ships on the sea. This commerce, known as Legal Piracy, proved so profitable that in June, 1621, the Dutch West India Company was formed in Rotterdam by the Government of Holland, which was given a commercial monopoly over the islands of Aruba, Bonaire, Curacao and the other islands of the West Indies. Holland and Spain were at war and only ships of the West India Company were permitted to trade in these parts. When any vessel of another enterprise was found it was attacked, plundered and sunk. The company derived the majority of its revenue from the trade of slaves, who were brought from Africa and



A Typical Landscape of Aruba

sold in Curacao. The company fleet sailed against Curacao in 1634, conquering it, and also driving the Spaniards from the other islands. The Dutch, after making this conquest, realized the excellent harbors of Curacao, and it became the transshipment port for great quantities of sugar, indigo, cocoa, and tobacco. The island was chiefly supported by trade, but there were sugar, tobacco, and cotton plantations, oranges and indigo. Much of the early prosperity of Curacao was due to the Portuguese Jews, experienced agriculturists from Brazil, who were permitted to immigrate on the condition that they continue to engage in agriculture. The Jewish congregation was founded in 1656, and their cemetery still stands outside of Willemstad. Gradually, however, the Jews founded trading companies which have been perpetuated until the present time; on the island of Aruba, Moses Van Salomon Levi Madaro was the first foreigner permitted to settle, after taking an oath of allegiance to Holland, and the family is still here today.

Aruba was more or less dependent on Curacao, and after the conquest of Curacao by the Dutch, it was left rather to its own fate due to the extreme difficulty of maintaining regular communications between the two islands; consequently, Aruba was an island with a rural population engaged in small agricultural pursuits, cattle raising and later the panning of gold. The management of the West India Company was made up of representatives of five principal cities of Holland, and its directors were empowered to enter into treaties with foreign empires, form armies and navies, and establish fortresses, the company being responsible only to the Seven United Netherlands Provinces.

In 1672 the Dutch government declared war on France and England. Soon thereafter a treaty was

signed with England, but a state of war existed until the year 1678, causing great upheaval in Holland; piracy was such a well-organized business that ships were constantly being attacked laden with cargoes of slaves and valuable commodities, by French as well as Dutch pirates.

Life in the Netherlands had become intolerable to many free-thinking Dutchmen, under the reigns of William III and IV, and they fled to France where they conspired against the hereditary stadholder, the Prince of Orange, William V. The French army helped the Dutch overthrow the government and invade the Netherlands in 1795, forcing William to flee to England; hence, the Batavian Republic was proclaimed. When this Republic was formed, the charter under which the West India Company operated ceased to exist and the company was dissolved. The notorious pirates were captured and executed and Aruba and Curacao settled down to more peaceful activities. Since both official and commercial interests were centered in Curacao, very little attention was given to conditions on Aruba. The possessions, by decree of the Batavian Republic, were declared Crown Colonies.

This Republic existed until 1802 when the Treaty of Amiens restored all the possessions of the Batavian Republic to the Netherlands. The islands were peaceful once more, when in 1804 and 1805, the English made numerous attacks on the ABC islands, but were repelled. At midnight on New Year's Eve, 1806, the English Fleet sailed up the harbor of Curacao, capturing warships and with little fighting Willemstad. Therefore, the islands came under the jurisdiction of England for a brief period; however, 1805 also saw the beginning of the Napoleonic Wars and the Dutch Netherlands became part of France in 1810, being

as wide a division as possible between himself and his slaves, but the promiscuity of the Spaniard created new racial groups which were accepted as part of the social order. The final disappearance of the Indian population was due to absorption when the Dutch mixed with the Negro and Indian.

As a result the influx of different races into the ABC islands, Papiamentu, the language, is a blending of Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, Indian, African, French, and English. Some historians believe the name "Aruba" comes from the Indian word "Orosbai" meaning "Guide."

The islands settled down under Dutch control in 1814, and have remained under this control to the present time. Little can be found concerning the islands until 1914 when the oil industry made its entrance into the ABC islands. Since the first refinery in Curacao, which started operations in 1918, the islands of Aruba and Curacao have become two of the most important islands of the Caribbean.

In 1922 the Netherlands Constitution and Colonial Law were revised and the status of the colonies was formally changed to that of Territories, anyone being entitled to freedom of person, freedom of union and meeting, freedom of petition and press. Each territory was given a Governor appointed by and responsible to the Crown; consequently, there is the Governor of the "Netherlands Antilles" in Willemstad, Curacao; Aruba and Bonaire have LL. Governors who report to him. Some of the land today is government-owned and is leased to landholders and a portion of it is privately owned. With the advent of the oil industry, industrialization, and the rapid increase in population of Aruba, a demand has risen for



A Fisherman Holds a Struggling Iguana by the Tail for the *Pan-O-Ram's* Photographer

increased representation in the Government of Curacao and the Netherlands Council.

In the period during which Curacao was engaged in much commerce and transshipment of goods through its ports, the inhabitants of Aruba followed simple agricultural pursuits, together with certain industries.

Gold was discovered on Aruba on June, 1824, and as a result military forces were stationed here, bringing the island temporarily into the limelight. The first ore was alluvial gold washed from the sand beds of the water courses along the West Coast; later, primary gold was found in quartz galleries. The gold was so finely mixed in the quartz, however, its existence could only be established by smelting. The Dutch Government maintained control of the gold industry in Aruba until 1832, during which time several hundred pounds of pure gold had been extracted and shipped to Holland. During that year the Dutch government decreed that gold mining was lawful for the inhabitants of the island; however, the industry was never very successful. Concessions were granted from time to time, and in 1908 a new company was formed called the "Aruban Goud Maatschappij," which made a success of mining for a time by means of the "Tributers System". The actual mining was left to the landholders who brought their quartz to the smelting plant and when a paying quantity of gold was found in the quartz, the miner was compensated accordingly. The people working in the smelters were paid seventy-five cents for nine hours of work daily, and the fact that there were no roads or means

Colony's Upper Shore Line of the Big Lagoon





Remains of an Old Gold Smelter at Balashi



All Aruba Is Visible from the Air on a Clear Day



A Caribbean Schooner



Old Dutch Architecture



Century Plants and Mt. Hooiberg



Schooners at the Wharf in Oranjestad

Aruba



The Cemetery Adjoining the Catholic Church at Noorl



Catholic Church in Oranjestad



Extracting Juice from Aloe



Brightly Lighted Buildings at Night



A Captured Iguana



An Unusual Sight of a Goat on a Divi-Divi Tree



Limestone Caves in the Lago Galney

er Varieties



A Spheroid in Lago's Tank Farm



Fort Zouman Tower in Oranjestad



The Natural Bridge at Colorado Point



An Arabian Home with a Wind-Swept Divi-Divi Tree in the Foreground

of transportation except donkeys made the mining project very difficult. By 1911 most of the people who had panned for gold reverted to agriculture, and with the coming of the oil industry and the establishment of a daily wage scale of labor, the gold industry definitely dissolved. The ruins of the old gold smelting plants are still to be seen at Balashi, midway between San Nicholas and Oranjestad and at Bushiribana on the northwest coast where the stone walls resemble prehistoric monuments. Some historians believe the name "Aruba" came from the word "Oruba" which was derived from the Spanish, "Oro Habo", meaning "There was gold".

Phosphate was discovered on Aruba about fifty years after gold, and from the year 1881 in which the mines began to operate until their closing in 1909, more than 750,000 tons of phosphate were shipped containing ninety percent to ninety-eight percent pure phosphoric acid. As with gold, however, the oil refineries made phosphate mining unprofitable and at the present time only caves remain to indicate where the excavations were made.

Beading was a home industry during that period. The people gathered shells, pieces of coral and quartz crystals, stringing them into beads which they sold to sailors and tourists coming to Curacao. However, this industry, too, has largely disappeared.

The natives also made Alpagatas for sale to outsiders coming into ports of Curacao and Aruba. One can still get these shoes in the village of San Nicholas.

Cabinet making was done with the wood from the divi-divi trees, which, is similar to teakwood in its hardness, having a beautiful finish. But this art, as the rest, died with the advent of oil.

Another local home industry that thrived and then faded into oblivion was straw hat making. By properly curing and dyeing the stocks of the tough straw-like grass grown in Aruba called "latu", the natives were able to weave small straw hats for home consumption. With other heavy leaves brought from South America, they wove large sombreros and decorated them in bright colors for export. They also made the finest Panama hats that could be obtained. It took the women one and a half months to make these hats out of fiber called "hipisapa" and they received only twenty-five Dutch cents for each one. One can easily see why this industry died with the introduction of the oil industry and a definite wage scale.

The most important industry was the raising and marketing of aloes. The history of the aloe stretches from the period of Alexander the Great in 333 B. C. to modern medical practice, and for more than one hundred years the most important part in

that history has been played by Aruba, which exports approximately seventy-eight percent of the total world's supply of aloes. With the exception of several parts of Western Africa, Venezuela and the islands of Curacao and Bonaire, aloes are grown commercially nowhere else in the world. Aloes were first brought to Aruba from the island of Socotora near the West African coast in the nineteenth century by the Dutch West Indies colonists, and it was soon discovered that the plants multiplied very quickly here because of the ideal climate. The gum is extracted from the aloe plant, and its refined derivative is called "Aloin", used principally for cathartics. The price for this product has varied, and in 1943 it was quoted as one dollar per pound. Extraction of the juice from the leaves of the plant and its preparation for export has been and still is one of the major sources of many Arubans' income, many averaging from seven dollars to nine dollars a day during harvesting season, which extends from early March to late in October. The leaves are cut off, placed out-end down in long wooden troughs, and the heat from the sun causes the leaves to exude their thick, heavy juice which is dripped from the lower end of the trough into a receptacle. Boys riding donkeys collect the juice from the fields, carrying it to sheds where it is stored in large vats. After a sufficient amount has been collected and allowed to settle out bits of leaves, soil and other foreign matter, the transparent liquid is poured into a copper cauldron with a capacity of forty to fifty gallons, under which is built a wood fire. After twelve to fourteen hours of continuous boiling, all of which time it is stirred with a long-handled ladle to prevent its boiling over, the liquid becomes pitch black and completely opaque. It is then ladled into paper-lined boxes of a uniform size and cooled to the heavy consistency of warm asphalt. After being wrapped in burlap the one hundred twenty-five pound boxes are crated at one of the several dealers' warehouses in Oranjestad where the season's yield is stored ready for export by freighter.

The history of modern Aruba actually starts with the refining of the first barrel of oil back in January, 1929. In the twenty years that have followed, the refinery has grown steadily. At present, with regular daily crude runs of over 380,000 barrels a day, Lago is among the largest refineries in the world. However, growth has not been limited to the refinery alone. Today, with a population of over 48,000, Aruba displays all evidences of a thriving and progressive island; and with extensive plans under way for making her bid in the tourist trade, Aruba has the just right of looking optimistically forward to a bright and prosperous future.



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On the island of Aruba,
By the tropic breezes swept,
Stands our Lago Alma Mater,
Where traditions kept.

II

Loyalty and pride and honor
Will ever be our guide,
Remembering lessons taught us,
Thoughts and deeds allied.

Chorus

- L** for leaders
- A** for able,
- G** for goals to share,
- O** for onward ever striving,
Our Alma Mater fair.





