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Kennedy selected in Central poll

CENTRAL HIGH—Eight hundred students at Central High School participated in a political poll last Friday. The poll was conducted by three English 10 classes as part of a parliamentary procedure project.

Three ballots were cast by each student, one for choice of Democratic nominee, one for choice of a Republican nominee, and the third for choice of President.

The results were as follows: Democratic nominees—Kennedy 415, Humphrey 206, and McCarthy 186.

For Republican nominees, the results were: Nixon 267, Rockefeller 235, and Reagan 201.

The vote for President was: Kennedy 339, Humphrey 142, Nixon 109, McCarthy 92, Rockefeller 52, Wallace 33.

Richard Walker, chairman of the poll committee, commented that the student body seems very well informed on the present political questions.

The fact that Kennedy won by a landslide indicates his influence on the younger generation of the country.

In addition to the student poll, a petition was sent to all home rooms for signatures requesting that a longer period of time be allotted between bells. Chairman David DeForrest reported that 376 signatures were obtained and that the petitions were submitted to principal Millard Harter.

Mr. Harter said that he was in favor of the petition, but a change in schedule of the bells would have to go through the proper channels.

Pupils attend drama festival at Cortland

By PEGGY TENNANT
CENTRAL HIGH—Selected students from Central, East, and West High Schools attended the 24th Annual Drama Festival Friday, May 3, at Cortland State College.

The day began with a welcome by the mayor of Cortland, Mr. Morris Voss and by the president of Cortland College, Mr. Kenneth Young. Following the welcome was the presentation of six one-act plays by visiting high schools.

The six plays and the schools presenting them were: "The Letter" by Stockbridge Valley Central School; "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" by Bradford Central School; "Antic Spring" by Norwick Junior High School; Baldwinville Academy and Central School; "The Wizard of Oz" by Horseheads Senior High School.

After each play Dr. Charles Scott, president of the New York State Theater Festival Association, gave a critique of the play. He discussed the artistic aspects as well as the quality of production. At the end of the plays he presented three awards.

The award for best supporting actor went to Melvin Kiklowicz who portrayed Snoopy in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown."

The best actor award went to Annette Monaco who portrayed Lily in "Carnival." The last award was for the best production and its winner was "Carnival."

Interspersed between the plays were workshops. The various workshops dealt with stage make-up, speech, movement, and craft and lighting.

Recreation was next on the agenda. The two main events were a splash party and a jam session.

Evening brought a play presented by the Hilltop Masquers Guild from Cortland. The play was "The Strangers of Paris" written by Mr. David Belasco. It was a highly stylized 19th Century melodrama.

The day in Cortland was certainly rewarding. This was the first time that any Auburn schools had attended the drama festival.

The students extend their thanks to the Board of Education for making this trip possible. They also thank their advisers, Mr. Glenn Schuckers, Miss Carolyn Catto and Mr. William Kane.



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS—Newly elected officers of the Mount Carmel High School Student Council are, from the left, Mike Greene, treasurer; Debbie Canale, secretary; Esther Orioli, vice president, and Tom Kirwin, president. The new officers were installed during an activity period Monday at the school.

Tom Kirwin elected president of Carmel Student Council

MOUNT CARMEL—The students of Mount Carmel held the primary ballot for the officers of Student Council for the upcoming year.

In order to be eligible for the primary, the signature of 25 pupils other than seniors were required. These petitions were submitted to the faculty for acceptance and presented to the students for elimination.

On May 1, the outcome of the ballot was announced. Voting for the office of Secretary are Debbie Canale and Nancy Kingwood; Treasurer, Bill Forbes and Michael Greene; vice-president, Barb Mirvot and Esther Orioli; President, Thomas Fitzak and Thomas Kirwin.

Campaigning began on May 2nd and continued through the following Thursday. After a complete week of making posters, wearing buttons and announcing platforms, the speeches were delivered on May 3. Assembled before the student body, each candidate offered a program or their points of view for the Student Council.

This played an important role in acquainting the students with the candidates and allowing them to choose from the ideas presented. The elections were carried on during each study hall.

The results were: Secretary, Debbie Canale; treasurer, Mike Greene; vice-president, Esther Orioli; and president, Tom Kirwin. The two senior representatives were Barb Mirvot and Tom Fitzak.

The student body assembled in the gym during activity period Monday. Joe Shaw opened the meeting and introduced Mary Ann Minuto, present secretary, who swore in Debbie Canale, Tom Dido gave the oath of office of treasurer to Mike Greene, who gave his speech of acceptance with thanks to Rick Nenzia, his campaign manager.

Marty Kroter swore in Esther Orioli as vice-president, who expressed her thanks to Ellen Tracy, manager, and the student body. Joe Shaw gave the oath to Tom Kirwin.

Tom Kirwin said that he hoped that he could fill the responsibility of his office, as well as Joe has in the past school year. The students responded in a standing ovation.

Near the close of the assembly, all of the new officers received a pledge of obligation to the school. The rally ended at 2:55 with a prayer and Carmel now had a new group of responsible leaders.

'Birdie' impresses reviewer

(Editor's Note—The following review of the Weedsport Central School production of "Bye, Bye Birdie" was prepared by Miss Lois A. Lamphere, school correspondent.)

"It doesn't seem like Weedsport!"

This was the comment of a student in the audience at Weedsport Central School's production of "Bye, Bye Birdie" Friday night. An usherette was heard to exclaim, "I can hardly wait until tomorrow night to see this again."

Both comments reflected the general surprise and excitement of Friday's opening night audience. The excitement was generated by delight in the unexpected wonder communicated in the phrase "It doesn't seem like Weedsport."

Adults were more articulate. "The first act was just like a Broadway production." "They are marvelous." "It's very smooth, they must have worked hard on this show." "The casting was perfect." "I hope this starts a trend for Weedsport; I hope we'll see more of them."

They never thought they could do anything like this.

The musical played to a full house Friday night—an audience that was quick to respond and applaud. On Saturday night the auditorium was two-thirds full and the audience was equally appreciative, equally responsive, but at a slightly lower pitch, catching some lines that went by on Friday night.

Yet the high point in the performance was reached in the professional showmanship of the first act Friday night, when the delight of the audience communicated itself to the performers on stage, and they proceeded to play with the audience rather than just to them.

The second act lost some of its ease when the strong rapport between actors and audience failed to regenerate following intermission. The communication became more tentative, the timing less sure. The magic had lost some of its lustre.

Saturday night's production was more even, equally polished, and conveyed some of the same magic, yet never attained the excitement that gripped the audience in Friday night's first act.

A home talent show always has an extra bit of theatricality going for it. The audience knows the actors and the chameleonic fascination of the familiar becoming another character can be exercised only under conditions where the actors and actresses are known, or where an actor possesses that unique ability of personality projection that conveys both himself and the viewpoint of the character he plays.

The excitement arises when the transformation is so skillfully executed that the audience surprises itself in an awareness that it was convinced by the portrayal.

It was this type of anticipation that drew many of the WCS students from Friday night's audience back again on Saturday. They experienced two of the strongest elements of theater through two productions of the same show: surprise in the first act and anticipation in the second.

The choice was an excellent choice and highly adaptable for a high school's first musical. What the cast proceeded to do with the manufactured story and typed characters it provided, was more than admirable.

The casting was perfect from chorus to Chris Pine. There were no bit parts in this production. The Mayor's wife, Mrs. Merkle, Harvey Johnson, and his father, Mr. Johnson were superbly portrayed as was Conrad's obnoxious vulgar, and the Mayor's pomposity. Yet even these roles had more than one facet to the character.

Every characterization detail spoke for itself from the stagehand's nosebleeding in the T.V. manager's dilemma in the face of Mrs. MacAfee's egomania. A professional would find it difficult to match the vigorous performance and interpretation given by Chris Pine in his portrayal of Mr. MacAfee.

Small wonder that the cast enthusiastically subscribe to the remark of one chorus member, "I hope we do another production real soon."

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Mynderse stages 'Our Town' at East High, Wilder play

By DAVE SARGENT
CENTRAL HIGH—"Our Town," by Thornton Wilder, could be any town in the vast United States, and the students of Auburn who attended the production of "Our Town" at East High School, Friday, May 9, got a better understanding of the philosophy of Thornton Wilder on life in any town.

The play, which was put on by the Senior Class of Mynderse Academy, showed clearly how Mr. Wilder feels that life should be lived to the fullest extent.

Although the play occasionally dragged the story line of "Our Town" was not harmed in the least. Voices could not be heard at times from the stage, but then Emerson Auditorium does not have the best acoustics in the world.

Some fine performances were put on, especially the portrayals of Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Gibbs and Emily.

As some may know, "Our Town" has no scenery and the properties consist of two tables, two ladders, planks, chairs and umbrellas. This is so that the viewer will not be distracted by gaudy scenery and costumes and so that he will be able to think

clearly about what the play is trying to say.

The play is narrated by a Stage Manager who informs the audience about life in Grover's Corners, the town in the play. The actors use pantomime and gestures to put actions across, such as opening imaginary doors.

The story of the play jumps from time period to time period, with the Stage Manager controlling time. This is done to give more effect to the play and to hold the viewer's attention. George and Emily, the two lovers, are shown in their ages of development until their marriage.

Because the play deals with the basic elements of life Act I is entitled "Daily Life." Act II is called "Love and Marriage." Act III is called "Death."

Mr. Wilder uses such similitudes of life as a child asking for more allowance, nagging mothers, fighting children, but most of all, love of family, friends and of God.

The Auburn schools are indebted to the senior class of Mynderse Academy for bringing the production of this great play dealing with life in "Our Town."

Volleyball winners
MOUNT CARMEL—Another first came to a close this week at Mt. Carmel under the direction of Carmel's physical education teacher, Mr. Bill Gaffey.

Two teams competed in a single elimination volleyball tournament. In the championship game of a proposed three game series the Club Brocard went to an overwhelming victory. Members of the winning team were Jeff Farr, Ed Fitzgerald, Carm Fiduicia, Mike Hartnett, John Cadwallader, Jerry Dalioia and Ted Freeman.

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Pupils use library in Steinbeck study

WEST HIGH—Mr. Louis Nocilly's 9th grade English classes are studying John Steinbeck and his novel, "The Pearl."

They are investigating in the library background information about John Steinbeck and finding the meanings of unusual terms that are involved in the study.

The classes have spent several periods doing the research in the library.



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