

NEWS OF NEW CANAAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CENTER SCHOOL

Graders Their Garden

ergarten Children Miss Macdonald's In Main Street

Luke's morning and garden classes re-visit to the Main Street garden that Miss-Catharine Macdonald's first grade, Darcy Fisher Buckley acted as guides children who observed the garden to the ones they planted in flats in a few months

then visited the classroom where they garden which Bill Call when that the tadpoles

also showed their garden on Mexico. were served to the Miss Macdonald's supervision of Terry Donald Ballou.

Miss Macdonald's garden the flower garden in the South Main Street children planned it so will be all in bloom. They plan to use their study of flower

school custodian, pupils in preparing fertilizer, which were started

SOUTH SCHOOL

Third Grade Acts

ly 4 Play

Program Shows Of Today Are Greed, Whining

Adkins' fourth grade assembly program re-entitled "Independence" characters were as

played the part of the children were: John as Bill, Deborah as Betty, and Gail

children were and as Fred, John Cal- and Richard Stewart

actors were: Peter edy, Helen Risom as zabeth Holloway as of the children were: arnazo, Mary Offen- Kelsey, Virginia Klausner, John Dick- Bell, Patricia Calla- hantz, Blair Leighton, k, Anthony Collins, Albert King, Wil- yenden and Raymond ven Zimmerman were Curtains and lights of Antone Adesso

the play showed a three children dis- pians for the Fourth children were eager on with firecrackers. shed to have the chil- ed the real meaning of Day One of the chil- at that independence and of her enemies and

of the children and ent to a party given through a play of her real enemies today and whining. The with the singing of two

Program Among Garden Activities

May 29, a May program by Miss Mary Birge's Lynn Thompson's kin- in the South School program consisted of numbers by all the May pole dance by Miss folk dance by Miss oup; solo dances by Molly Ackery, Sus- au and Darciee ng songs were sung ups. The program was the parents of the chil-

the first grades. Miss Birge's kin- oyed observing the out of doors brought in some tad- already grown their has been very inter- them in the square- dren have also enjoyed brought in by Pepper

anne, in Miss Thomp- son class, was honored "Bon Voyage" party afternoon. He sailed for Wednesday.

ON MEXICO Fisher recently gave talk to the children in Henrietta's class. She ex- beautiful pieces of which she had brought Mexico. The children and embroidered wool has been studying of many lands dur- year, and Mrs. Fish- ed greatly to the in- dered on "Children World"

Store Business Flourishes As Pupils Run Affairs

To carry on store business in the three stores set up in Miss Dorothy Fish's fifth grade classroom, the children brought in cartons, cans and packages, listed prices, and sup- in New Canaan's stores, a telephone- books. The stores are open for busi- ness each day with department all re- and accounting the correct handling of the actual money, while the rest of the class checks the accuracy of the bills presented to customers

Six groups were responsible for bulletin displays illustrating the practical use of common weights and measures: one in sewing, one in farming, one in buying food, one in building, one in cooking and one for other uses.

Newspapers, Play Castles, Wiring—Done In Grade 6

Two newspapers will soon be coming off the press in William Wright's sixth grade room. However, due to the secrecy which eliminates com- munication between the staff of each

and the outside world, it is difficult to furnish such information concerning these newspapers. All of the writing, typing, drawing, is being done by the children.

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First Grade Pupils Pay Visit To Local Library

The pupils in Miss Helen Macgregor's first grade visited the New Canaan Library recently. Miss Helen Macgregor, assistant librarian acted as hostess and guide to the group.

The youngsters learned that there are about 20,000 books in the library, 5,000 of which are for children. During their stay, they visited the magazine and newspaper rooms and later the stacks where the adult books are stored.

The first grades were told that they could not get their own library cards until they became third graders but that their parents could take out books for them.

VISIT HOYT'S NURSERIES The children in Miss Gloria Lawson's third grade recently made a field trip to Hoyt's Greenhouse on Main Street. The class had just completed a study of general plant growth and care, and were given the opportunity of seeing many of their studies in practice. After the tour, Mr. Hoyt answered many of the children's questions relating to gardening.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR James Kip Finch, dean emeritus of the School of Engineering, Columbia University, visited Miss Margaret Griffin's second grade class last week. Dean Finch, also the consulting engineer on the new Connecticut highway, demonstrated simple arithmetic tricks to the class and had the children working with the magic of numbers.

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Two small groups are also busily engaged in the rewiring of two large electrical boards. One of these is used to show a simple circuit and includes a fuse, bell, knife switch and lamps, while the other is an electrical question and answer board.

RETURNERS FROM MIAMI Janet Hosale has just returned to her class after having spent six months in Miami, Fla. with her parents. Mrs. Ruth Kelley's second grade pupils are glad to have Janet back in the class.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grade pupils of the South School were presented in a spring music program on May 6. Musical numbers were sung by choruses from each of the three grades, and the orchestra played a group of selections. A special feature of the program was a group of square dances from each of the grades.

The upper grade teachers worked out special projects with pupils of their own room, which were displayed while the choruses sang the songs. Mrs. Frederick Godley played the accompaniments for the choruses and Dr. Halmer Wall, music director, was the conductor of the orchestra and choruses.

Below are listed the program and names of the pupils taking part. The program.

1. The South School Orchestra—"Little Star," March, "Old Black Joe," Foster, "Daisy Bell," Daerc; "All Through the Night," Walsh; "Crusaders Hymn," 12th Century, "Merrily," March.

2. Fourth Grade Chorus—"Br'er Come and Dance," from "Hansel and Gretel," dancers from Mrs. Newton's class, "Arkansas Traveler," American, "Polk Tune, dancers from Mrs. Adkin's class, "Down the Road," Miwok Indians; "Come, Thou Almighty King," Glandin; "Lovely Evening," round; "Frog Went a-Courtin'," Mississippi version, actors from Miss Hardt's class.

3. Fifth Grade Chorus—"The Bell," Puerto Rican; "I'm Goin' to Leave Old Texas," cowboy song; Jacob's Ladder," spiritual; "Eating Goober Pudding," P Nutt, actors from Miss Fish's class, "Kookburat," Aus- talian; "Tootin' Turk," Berg, actors from Mrs. Fenwick's class; "Music from the River," Sweezy; "Marine's Hymn," actors from Mr. Rice's class.

4. Dances (directed by Albert Scribner)—Sixth grade group, "Heads and Sides," "Life on the Ocean Wave"; fourth grade group, "Forward and Back," "Walk the Tracks"; fifth grade group, "Add Two More," "Indian Style."

5. Sixth Grade Chorus—"Timid Maiden," Czech; "Great Grand Dad," American, actors from Mr. Wright's class; "Reuben and Rachel," traditional; "Orchestra Song," German; "Are You Sleeping," and "Three Blind Mice," "The Little Church," Greek; "Calsson Song," U.S. Army; "Battle Hymn of the Republic," Steffe, narration by Miss Eddy's class.

Incidental music by members of the Music Performance Club; chorus accompanist, Mrs. Frederick Godley; accompanist for solos, Mrs. Gilbert Stanley; music director, Dr. Halmer Wall.

Fourth Grade Chorus Mrs. Adkins: Debbie Witherspoon, Gail Fraser, Helen Risom, Blair Leighton, Libby Holloway, Joan Gray, Harry Marshall, Sandy Herina, John O'Shaughnessy, Mimi Offenhausser, Florence Klausner, John Calhoun, Virginia Smith.

Miss Hardt: James Foster, Peggy Price, Linda Johnston, Donna Beck- er, Jimmy Bloom, Sharon Grallo, Carolyn Reynolds, Faith Howland, Dicky Bozving, Marilyn Coleman, Steve Scheer, Susan Carpenter, Sandra Morrow.

Mrs. Newton: Susan Elders, Alex Reid, Louella Grallo, Nancy Blossom, Janet Fox, Anne Root, Fran Campello, Arla Jelliff, Anna Gardner, Lar- oline Kobbe, Jeff Gratiwick, Dale Tot- ten, Peter DiVenere, Barbara Mars- den, Glenn Mason, Bobby Stewart.

Fifth Grade Chorus Mrs. Kenwick: (sopranos) Susan Greene, Mary Naylor, Suzanne Quintard, Judy Dunn, Suzanne Hol-

liday, John Morrow; (altos) Lynne Knoble, Marie Schettino, Edward Janis, Lee Vanderheyde, Bill Arnold, Herbert Smith.

Miss Fish: (sopranos) Albert Hol- ly, Jane Turner, Shirley Westerhoff, Diana Rantoul, Gloria Schreyer, Jo- anne Johnson; (altos) Beverly Byrne, Linda Peterson, Rusty Wor- den, Peter Kelley, David Kelsey, Bruce Nickerson, Kent Barker, George Thompson.

Mr. Rice: (sopranos) Arthur Chiv- vis, Bruce Taylor, Bruce Wright, Mike Tobler, Floyd Naylor, Bar- bara Rollins, Tom Oliver; (altos) Louise Hibbert, Lola Pis, Kathryn Kapteina, Susan Munger, Nancy Voorhees, Gordon Brown.

Sixth Grade Chorus Miss Eddy: (sopranos) Betsy Ross, Robin Phillips, Wyman Rousseau, Elaine Johnson, Victor Schmalzer, Evan Totten, Midge Oberhelm, Dan- ny Boyko, Jane Barker, Bruce Lamb, Robert Davis; (altos) Susan Rein- hold, Marlene Chipello, Sue White, John Pickering, Richard Gilbert, Jacques Lebel, Ted Thompson, Peter Gopcevic, Steven Graveraux.

Mr. Wright: (sopranos) Sheila Blanc Beverly Crowe, Malcolm Chap- pin, Ann Beckman, Dickon David- son, Sherry Weymouth, Kenneth Hannon; (altos) Ronnie Karl, Peggy Spencer, Jane Van Steeden, Deane Lawrence, Joei Gratiwick, Joe Fasano, Joe Rucci, David Elders.

Orchestra Deane Lawrence, Victor Schmalz- er, Ronald Karl, Jeff Gratiwick, Bruce Nickerson, Bill Arnold, Kenneth Hannon, Bob Davis, Richard Gilbert, David Elders, Mary Naylor, Lynne Knoble, John Pickering, Sandy Hermes, Chris Noble, Jacques Lebel, Ted Thompson, Mickey del Rio, Peg- gy Spencer, Jane Van Steeden.

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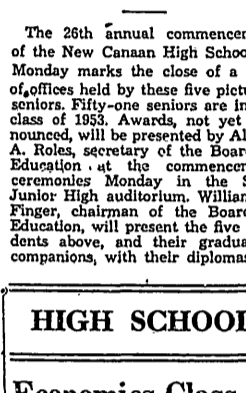
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HIGH SCHOOL

Economics Class Does Town Report

Complete Study Of Local Facilities Are In Booklet, Including Zoning Map

The class in economics has completed its town report which was instituted as a part of the Citizenship Education Project of Columbia University. Students in the class have interviewed a number of towns- people to put together a booklet with the following divisions: Robert Ingraham, history of New Canaan; Louis Rainone, town offices; Walter Spence, New Canaan statistics; Allison Hill, health and sanitation; Beatrice Fairbank, religious establish- ments; Brian Kelley, recreation; Donald Edwards, public schools; Al- bertina Lara, Allison Hill and Louis Rainone, commercial establishments; Robert Glen, zoning.

James Fuster has done the zoning map on the back cover. The map was

reproduced with the permission of Walter K. Goodhue. Teachers College of New Britain is the parent organization in Connecti- cut through which the Citizenship Education Project is administered.

Office Practice Seniors All Find Employment

All members of the Senior Office Practice class have been placed in local and nearby business establish- ments for secretarial duties. Anne Corr, Jeannette Nicholson, Anna Reinhold and Patricia Creagh, will work at Katzenbach and Warren.

Theresa Dubay and Audrey Gene- vese will go to Pitney Bowes in Stamford, while the First National Bank of New Canaan will add Jacqueline Vallender to its staff. Marry Socci will work in the G. C. Murphy Company office.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Eighth Grade Art Work Outstanding

Reports And Booklets Done As Projects Inspire Further Student Studies

During this semester the eighth grade art classes have been having a unit in the appreciation of painting. In addition to class discussion and the study of famous pictures of representative artists through the ages, each student has done a research project on an artist and collected material for a report. The reports done by this eighth grade are far superior to any done by a group of eighth graders in the past, it is reported.

Particularly outstanding booklets were done by: Judy Austin, Richard Bauer, Judy Bickford, Leonie Brad- ley, James Bucciarrelli, Bukk Cor- nwall, Carolyn Cooper, Debby Cor- well, James DeCost, Barbara Eber- man, Daryl Evans, Jane Fant, Jo- anne Ferrara, Betsy Glassmeyer, Skip Glendinning, Joyce Grallo, Sue Hall, Diane Harry, Dottie Hayes.

Also, Sally Henson, Françoise Johnson, Dick Keller, Marguerite Kelly, Gail Kenny, Caroline Law, Marion Lesh, Debby McCormick, Talbot Mack, Sally Mathers, Tili Nauts, True Nichols, Ellen Rainbolt, Dorothea Pitt, Pat Russo, Wendy Shepard, Mary Shepherdson, Curtis Smith, Earl Smith, Jean Strauss, William Tingle, Nancy Tuttle, Julie Van Steeden, Eileen Ward, Barbara Warfield, Paddy Warfield and Beverly Wood.

As a result of this unit, many of the pupils are interested in starting a fund with which large reproductions of famous paintings may be purchased to be hung in the corridors.

Seventh Grade Assembly To Entertain Sixth Graders

The members of the sixth grades at Center and South schools will be entertained by the seventh grade classes next Tuesday, in the Junior High School.

The group will attend an assembly at which they will be welcomed by Frank E. Strong, the principal, and by Tony Thompson, the school president. The assembly program to be put on it the one that was given by Miss Quinn's seventh grade class in April. This was chosen as the best assembly of the year.

After the assembly, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria. Later the visitors will be shown around the school and will have a chance to meet their future teachers.

Inviting the sixth graders to visit is part of an orientation program carried on by the Junior High.

First Field Day By Junior High A Success

Saxe Junior High School held its first field day on Wednesday, May 27. Both the girls and boys partici- pated. It was sponsored by the Student Council and the chairman was Anthony Malizia. Some of the events were as follows: (girls) 50-yard dash, eight girl relay, potato race, wheelbarrow race; (boys) 75-yard dash, high jump, broad jump, eight- man relay.

The teachers in charge were Miss Elizabeth Quinn and Charles Col- lins. The judges for the boys were Oliver Kinney, Paul Olson and Douglas Crowne.

The judges for the girls were Miss Catherine Cody, Miss Frances Mac- Intire and Miss Jacqueline Pike. The starters were Miss Jane Carrick and Thomas Cronin. The scorers were Miss Alice Nelson and Harry Peltier.

Although part of the events were rained out, the field day was suc- cessful and the student council is planning on having it an annual affair.

Clothing Class Learns About Costs Of Garments

The girls in the clothing classes in the Junior and Senior High schools have compiled statistics on their accomplishments this year. A total of \$738.91 has been spent to make 195 garments. The list includes 39 cotton blouses at an average cost of \$1.62; 63 cotton skirts at an average of \$3.03, and 39 dresses at an average of \$5.01.

Other garments made were six pairs shorts, four "date" dresses, two dusters, two nightgowns, one ballet tunic, one bathing suit, one crinoline, seven jumpers, three pajamas, two pedal pushers, six corduroy weskits, six corduroy skirts, one beach robe, one wool blouse, two wool skirts, one evening jacket, four suits, three graduation dresses and one evening dress.

Annual School Fair Held With Many Fun Features

The annual school fair of the Saxe Junior High School was held in the school auditorium on Tuesday, May 26, from 2:30 until 5 p.m. Peter Quintance of the ninth grade was general chairman.

Each home room was responsible for at least one activity, some of which were: Penny arcade, hit-the- clown, breaking balloons with darts, throwing balls into a moving basket, movies, photographs and a cake sale.

Proceeds from the fair were added to the Student Activities Fund.

The door prize was won by Frieda Voorhees, an eighth grade student.

GRADE EIGHT CHEERLEADERS All girls of grade eight, Saxe Junior High School, interested in joining the cheerleader squad of 1953-54 participated in try-outs on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Instruction was given these candidates by the ninth graders who were cheer- leaders this year. The following were chosen for next year's squad: Gail Kenny, Sue Sprague, Mary Shepherdson, Debbie McCormick, Eleanor Cunliffe, Joyce Grallo, Beverly Batterson and Beverly Wood. Alternates: Dottie Hayes and Wendy Shepard. These girls will lead the loyal supporters of the Saxe base- ball team at all games during the next school year.

Last Student Council Dance Of Season Held

The last Student Council dance of the Junior High School was held in the Saxe auditorium on May 22. The "Melodiers" of the High School fur- nished the music, and George Nash and Peter Searls supplied the en- tertainment.

This dance was planned by the social committee, Lee Wood, chair- man; assisted by Ronnie Pratt, Robin Wickart, Mike Saaf, Charles Salemi- ler, Effie Wilson, Wendy Shepard, Joyce Grallo, Leonie Bradley, Marge Kelly, Mark Kelley, Loretta You- mans, Larry Rosen, Hatchie How- ard and Carolyn DiVenere. Refresh- ments were served later in the evening.

SOFTBALL GAME The girls of grades eight and nine of Saxe Junior High School played a softball game with the eighth grade girls of New Canaan Country School. The Saxe team was made up of vol- unteers from the group that has been participating in the extra-curricular sports program on Monday and Wed- nesday afternoons. The girls of Saxe lost the game 21-9 in spite of the pitching efforts of Sue Sprague, De-bbie McCormick and Mary Shepher- son. Following the game, refresh- ments were served by the hostess team, Country School.

SEE 'EM AND SAVE 'EM! Police believe the hit-skip driver, who ran down an elderly pedestrian, dressed in black possibly did not see his victim. Police can't make pedes- trians more careful, but adequate street lighting can make them visible. The National Street and Traffic Safety. Lighting Bureau points out.

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Scene From Spring Music Program



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