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Varied Program Arranged for Homecoming

Alumni Weekend Features Entertaining Educational Program

Don't make any plans for the weekend of November 2. There are many exciting events in the offing for that weekend, when Cortland State has its traditional Homecoming.

For the benefit of newcomers Homecoming is the time when all of the Cortland "grads" return to their Alma Mater and the present student body gets an opportunity to hear about C.S.T.C. as "it used to be", as well as offer their two cents about how "it is."

Just to make sure that no Cortlandite becomes dull because of too much work or too much play, the committee has planned to include not only entertainment but some professional features in the day's activities.

Registration begins at 9:00 Saturday morning, November 3. After everyone has registered, the program will begin.

From 9:30 to 10:45 a. m. there will be a round table discussion, "Your Health Education Program," led by Dr. Allen. From 11:00 to 11:45, Miss Donnelly will lead a discussion on "Your Teaching Problems." Luncheon will be served in the cafeteria at 12:30 and all of the sorority houses will be open for their alumni.

At 1:45, Miss Ball will suggest some "Practical Approaches in Modern Dance for Junior and Senior High Schools." Then at 3 o'clock there will either be an intramural football game or an invitation field hockey game.

The staff will be available during the entire day for conferences on any professional problems or to give help in any special field. This is an excellent opportunity to get some helpful information for both alumni and students.

Saturday the Dance Group and Junior Dancers are sponsoring a dance in the gym. Be sure not to miss it because they are having "Spigle."

Saroyan's Comedy Presented by Cornell University Players

A sizeable Cortland audience witnessed a delightful performance of William Saroyan's *The Beautiful People* on Saturday evening, October 20, in the Cortland college auditorium. Presented by the Cornell University Theater Players and directed by A. M. Drummond of that university, the play moved swiftly as a near-professional performance.

The story was woven around the Webster family—father, son and daughter. Living on a pension check of \$26.73 a month (which was intended for the former occupant of the home the Webster's occupied, but who had long since died) the Webster family pursued its own particular and peculiar type of existence.

Agnes, the seventeen year old daughter, was known as "Saint" for her devotion to all animals—particularly mice. Owen, the younger son, wrote monosyllabic books such as "Tree"—"just Tree—T-r-e-e." These two were guided into apparent vanities by their carefree, life-loving father Jonah Webster.

Wandering in and out of the lives of these three were: Harmony Blueblossom, a former sweetheart of Jonah; William Prim, a meek man whose great life experience was a trip to Mexico; Dan Hillboy, a lovable drinkhard Irishman; and Father

SOCIAL CALENDAR

- Saturday, October 27: School dance sponsored by the Juniors
Wednesday, October 31: Soccer game—here
Friday, November 2: Homecoming
Saturday, November 3: Homecoming dance
November 5-10: Midterms
Monday, November 12: Class meetings.
Friday, November 16: Masquer's presentation
Saturday, November 17: Interfraternity Ball
November 21 at noon to November 26 at 8 a. m.: Thanksgiving holiday.
November 30: Student Christian Fellowship conference
December 1: School—S.C.F. party



Members of the Health Education department at Cortland State Teachers college and their faculty. Left to right: Bottom row (sitting), Marjorie Deuel, Martha Benson, Madelene Morey. Second row, Gloria Batie, Jane Sackett, Dortha Wiggins, Rita Cronin (seated) Helen Middleton, Frances J. Moench, director of P. E. Third row: Donnal V. Smith, president of the college, Dr. Ross Allen, professor of Health Education and Geraldine Freutsch.

College Orchestra Begins Rehearsals

On the evening of Monday, October 15, tooting, blowing and beating filled the auditorium as the newly-organized college orchestra under the direction of Miss Pauline Meyer, began its season of rehearsals and performances. Rehearsals are scheduled regularly at 7:30 on Monday evenings. Public performances will follow as the orchestra builds its repertoire, and as opportunity arises.

While the membership is more or less tentative for the first two or three rehearsals, it is expected that the final instrumentation to be published on November first will not differ materially from the list given below.

Violins: Arlene Armbrust, Edith Bailey, Joyce Burke, Elsie Clark, Cleone Crossgrove, Dawn Darling, Beverly Diel, Marilyn Hiller, Jeanne Mills, Shirley Sheffield, Margaret Stafford, Norma Turnbull.

Viola: Norma Steve.

Cellos: Anne Hallock, Miriam Stryker.

Double Bass: Ethel Rands.

Flutes: Margaret Thomson, Nyla Wallace.

Clarinets: Marion Clapp, Ruth Solan, Marjorie H. Spencer, Jane Stanley.

Saxophone: Mary McMahon.

Bass Clarinet: Jane Haller.

Trumpets: Nancy Johnson, Betty J. Parker.

Mellophone: Patricia Drake.

Trombones: Miriam Finkelstein, Beverly Hakes.

Percussion: Gabrielle Blockley, Helen Dann, Mildred Sudman.

Piano: Nancy Stevens, Marleigh Keenan.

Lyceum Schedules Cossacks, Sculptor, Jose Limon Company

The Lyceum committee, headed by Lila Jane Smith and Nyla June Wallace, has drawn up its program for the school year.

The concert series opens with the Don Cossack chorus on December 11, 1945. The Cossacks were here in Cortland before and delighted the students so much that they are scheduled for a return engagement. The chorus is composed of thirty-two men who exhibit remarkable choral and dance technique.

Suzanne Silvercup—Sculptor

On March 7, 1946, Suzanne Silvercup, playwright, and author is scheduled for an appearance. Miss Silvercup shares with her audience, her skill in sculpture, her adventures, and her anecdotes about famous people, and her belief that only through beauty can one find happiness. While she talks, she demonstrates and models a portrait or action figure.

Jose Limon Company

The dance concert this year will be the Jose Limon company, with Mr. Limon, Beatrice Seckler, and Dorothy Bird, appearing at the college auditorium, April 4, 1946.

Lyceum Committee

The Lyceum committee, with members Shirley Wrathall, Dorothy Chauncey, Ruth Hallas, Roberta Gere, and Dorothy Kaulfuss, is appointed by the College Governing board. This group attempts to include in the program art, music, drama, and dance. These programs are made possible by the student fees and are not only for townspeople and faculty to enjoy, but for all students as well.

New Department to Help Fill Need for Health Teachers

Miss Dowd New Director of Women's Glee Club

For the season 1945-46 the Women's Glee club will be under the direction of Miss Ruth Dowd, assistant professor of music, instead of Miss Pauline Meyer as previously. The change is made to allow Miss Meyer time for the newly re-organized orchestra.

The Women's Glee club has been a continuously active organization since its beginning in September 1926, when it was organized with Miss Meyer as conductor and Miss Dowd as accompanist. Since that time Miss Dowd has assumed the responsibilities of the conductor whenever Miss Meyer has been on leave of absence.

Miss Dowd is exceptionally well qualified as a director of choral groups, and has won state-wide recognition in this field as well as in the field of solo concert work. She has acted as adjudicator for chorus, ensembles, and soloists for the contests sponsored by the New York State Music association at Iliou, Glens Falls, Mineola, Cuba, Amsterdam, Vestal and Elmira. In October 1943 she was the guest conductor for the State Festival chorus at Iliou, and in 1944 she performed in the same capacity at the State Music festival at Cortland. The glee club should have a very profitable year under her instruction.

News Briefs

There have already been results from the assembly, Monday October 15. As a result of a request from College Governing board the library will be kept open from 7 to 9, Tuesday and Thursday evenings beginning October 23. The library will be closed as usual from 5:45 to 7 o'clock, when it will re-open on those two evenings. Due to the new hours single copies and last copies may not be taken out Tuesday and Thursday until 8:45.

Here's your chance, kids; let's show that we really take advantage of our opportunities.

Lounge, Pool Open Friday Nites

On Friday nights the student lounge will be open for dancing and the college pool for recreational swimming. This is something you asked for in the "gripe session." Keep them open by your attendance.

A.C.E. Drive Underway

The Association of Childhood Education drive has been underway for the past week with every G. E. student being urged to join. The yearly dues are 50 cents and if you have not secured your membership yet, hurry up and do so.

Miss Talcott, the third grade teacher is the new A.C.E. group adviser. There will be a meeting on November 2. Watch the bulletin board for further details.

Interfrat Dance November 14

A special meeting of the Interfraternity council was held on Monday, October 15 for the planning of the annual Interfrat

The institution of a four-year curriculum to train health education teachers is an innovation in the State teachers colleges of New York. Such a program is now well under way at Cortland State Teachers college. (Some of the students already enrolled in this program are shown in the accompanying picture.)

"While the inauguration of a special curriculum to train health teachers and coordinators has just started at Cortland, the need for such a curriculum has been demonstrated over a period of years," Dr. Ross L. Allen, professor of health education, stated in a recent interview. He added, "For over 20 years health has been recognized as a paramount objective of education. The American Medical association, the American Public Health association, and the American association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation have urged and cooperated with national educational bodies in the promotion of the school health education movement."

Dr. Allen continued, "Health authorities realize that much of the future health progress in this country is dependent upon education. The medical, surgical, and sanitary sciences have made notable achievements resulting in the nation's reputation as one of the healthier in the world. It is a known fact, however, that the knowledge attained in these sciences must become a part of the habits, attitudes, and information possessed by all of our citizenry if we are to continue to reduce illness, injuries, and death in the United States. Much must still be done for the betterment of health in this state and every state. The need for a more intelligently-trained people in health is very apparent when one realizes that on any day during the winter months one in every twenty people in this country will be away from work or school on account of injury or illness; that 95,000 lives were lost unnecessarily in accidents in the United States during 1944, and 9,800,000 people were injured during the past year; that 40 per cent and more of our population are undernourished or malnourished."

Dr. Allen quoted these figures from the National Healthy Study and from the National Safety Council. He concluded, "It is obvious that we have a public responsibility to educate our people for health."

Recognizing the real need for health education, the Regents of the University of the State of New York approved in 1942 a regulation requiring that all high school graduates in June, 1947 and thereafter must have had one year in the teaching of health during their secondary school experience. In order to fulfill this regulation it is estimated that 1,500 health education teachers will be needed in New York State. Cortland State Teachers college, long noted for leadership in training physical education teachers, has set up a new department to help meet the needs for well qualified teachers in the field of health instruction.

Health Curriculum at Cortland

The four-year health curriculum at Cortland includes the professional courses in education which are required by the New York State department of Education for certification, and in addition, an adequate basis is provided in the health

Specialist on Latin-America Tours Colleges

Dr. A. C. Wilgus Sent by State Dept. as Consultant On Teacher Aids

The Inter-American Affairs committee of the Federal State department in Washington, D. C., is sending Dr. A. Curtis Wilgus to visit the campus groups of six teachers colleges in New York state. Included in Dr. Wilgus' tour of colleges are: Cortland State Teachers college, Oswego State Teachers college, Brockport Teachers college, Geneseo Teachers college and Fredonia State college.

Dr. Wilgus arrived in Cortland Monday, October 22 for consultations and conferences with the college students and faculty. He met with the Spanish language class to discuss the added need of this language in dealings with Latin neighbors, especially in the world today. He also conferred with the Hispanic history and other social studies faculty and students concerning aids in teaching Latin-American history.

Dr. Wilgus is a consultant on teacher aids on Latin-American civilization. Below is the plan for the forum which was held at 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday, October 23:

Dr. Charles Stube, presiding. Introductory remarks—by Dr. A. Curtis Wilgus.

Senior and Junior High School program—Mr. Mosher, Cortland High school. The Elementary School—Ella Moxie, Cortland schools.

Film Service—Dr. Melchoir and Dr. Fish. The Centralized School—Mrs. Ruth Rathbun.

Open discussion—Dr. Wilgus, presiding. Present at this forum were social studies teachers, supervisors and superintendents from the schools of Binghamton, Endicott, Johnson City, Ithaca, Syracuse, the Cortland public schools, the Cortland county schools and from the college.

Dr. Smith Stresses Church Attendance In Assembly Speech

In his address to the student assembly on October 17, Dr. Donnal V. Smith, recalled the story of the betrayer of Christ. He said, "The name of Judas Iscariot has been handed down as a symbol of betrayal."

Dr. Smith went on to say that there is no rationalizing with an ideal and that no one could escape payment for a betrayed ideal. He pointed out that universal church attendance has become an outer expression of man's efforts to attain the higher standards and higher ideals for which he has always strived.

Dr. Smith concluded, "Therefore let it be known that they, (the churches) stand for the good and the right in this socially troubled world." He then urged all students to attend the churches of their faith, especially on college Sunday of October 21.

Miss Mabel Henderson Discusses Reading Books

The sequence seminar class and the sophomore child and curriculum class were given a special treat Friday morning, October 19, 1945, when Miss Mable Henderson, a representative of the John C. Winston Publishing company, gave a lecture and demonstration of their primary reading set in the seminar library room.

Miss Henderson, who is the co-author of this series, has had much experience in teaching children and observing teachers in reading classes. She stressed the point that you must give leeway in instructing children to read and not push one group to keep the same record made by a previous class. Teachers fail to recognize that students differ in ability and intelligence and that the program must be set up for each group. She stated four points necessary to make children good readers. They should be given much reading readiness; the teacher must make the material interesting to the whole group; she must give her students enough time to acquaint themselves with their books; and the students must derive some pleasure and satisfaction from reading.

Everyone who heard Miss Henderson speak, spent an enjoyable and interesting hour.

THANKSGIVING

A special notice from the State department office announces that November 22 has been designated as Thanksgiving Day rather than November 29.