

Editorials

And the beat goes on

At the beginning of the school year, through an amendment proposal, the General Council screamed for more power by revoking that which the executive council now has. The

cry rang out "the General Council deserves more power, we can handle it."

Episodes which have taken place in the past month or so have substantially proven why the amendments presented earlier did not pass.

The executive council, upon revising the entire school constitution, was faced with the idea of holding annual student body elections in the spring of each year. After thoroughly looking into the possibilities—pros and cons of the proposal, it was decided that the idea was a good one and a representative was sent to the General Council to present the amendment. After studying the proposal in committee for two weeks, it failed in vote even after repeated efforts by the committee head and other students. And yet when discussion was called for, no arguments were brought up against the proposal.

By a rather slim margin, the proposal will be reconsidered, against the wishes of many members who say "it is a waste of time, we've got more important things to do." Such as???

It is realized that the General Council is undertaking some very interesting tasks this term, but one of the most important is the one they would rather ignore.



Importance of girls, cars revealed in survey

by Kathi Robinson

Four on the floor, 427, 550 horsepower, or, 36-24-36!! Which one plays a bigger part in a boy's life? Why do boys take better care of their cars than their girls? Do their cars have better builds or paint jobs? Or do they have more parts to tear apart, rebuild, or investigate?

A survey of 180 boys was taken to see just what part a girl and car played in a boy's life. "Do you spend more time working on your car or with a girl?" was the first question asked. 98 boys said they spend more time working on their cars and 90 boys said they spend more time with girls.

79 boys said they spend more money on cars, 79 boys said they spend more money on girls, and 22 boys said they spent the same amount, none.

The third question asked was, "Which is the hardest to get along with?" 94 boys said girls, 73 said cars, and 13 said, "They both give me trouble."

In comparing a girl to each part of a car engine, who do you think comes out on top? The girls, of course, they have more persuasive parts.

If you had a dead generator in your car you would probably have a turned off chick. If you had live spark plugs you would probably have a girl that just does not quit. If you had an overflowing radiator you would most likely have a very talkative girl on your hands.

If you had bad shocks you would

probably have a very nervous, jumpy girl. If you have a loud muffler you would probably have a very powerful girl. If your engine purred like a kitten you would probably have a very persuasive girl and if you had a dead battery you would probably have a very boring night.

Another question that was brought up was, "How can you afford to have a car, and did you buy it yourself?" 15.3% of

Town meeting held to acquaint any interested in various community, school problems, ideas

by Joyce DeMonnin

"Legislation 1969" was the topic of the recent Town Meeting which was open to all people who are interested in local, community, and state government.

"Legislation 1969" consisted of reports by the following: Dr. Laurence E. Winter, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Robert Elliot, State Representative; Mr. John C. Beatty; and Mrs. Marlene Stahl.

Dr. Winter spoke on the "Portland Legislative Story," which brought up such points as the House Joint Resolution 8 Bill. The 3 per cent sales tax was examined. It was noted that this tax exempts food and medicine, but these exemptions can be dropped as they have in other states. He also spoke on House Bill 1126 which encompasses the property tax relief.

According to Dr. Winter, work is being done on a bill that requires sex education to be taught with qualified teachers, and the history of the labor movement.

Representative Elliot brought up the Urban Correctional package for special problems. He feels that the places that need the most relief, the most highly populated, got the least relief.

A new Committee on Urban Affairs, which Representative Elliot heads, has been formed to



On The Shelf
by June Ammon

'Romeo and Juliet'



A MASKED ROMEO meets with a love-stricken Juliet at a ball given by Juliet's father. This is the first meeting of the two ill-fated lovers.

Outstanding costuming, excellent acting, and brilliant colors, are all a part of Franco Zeffirelli's film interpretation of "Romeo and Juliet," by William Shakespeare.

For the first time in a professional category, the stars are being portrayed by actors of nearly the same age as originally intended—Juliet by 15-year-old Olivia Hussey and Romeo by 17-year-old Leonard Whit-

ing. Olivia and Leonard depict a believable teen-age situation, since they act the same way off screen as on.

The English stars are given an Italian setting in the ancient towns of Pienza, Gubbio, and Tuscania, which are typical of the Italy of Shakespeare's time.

With much pageantry and feeling, Zeffirelli presents the story of the fateful rivalry between the house of Montague, headed by Romeo's father, and that of Capulate, headed by the father of Juliet.

Romeo and his friends are in attendance at a party given by the Lord of Capulate when he first sees Juliet, and they take part in a traditional Moresque dance before meeting behind a curtain to talk.

Later that night, Romeo returns, and finds Juliet mourning that he is from the house that is in rivalry with hers. The traditional balcony scene follows, with the result that Romeo vows to marry her the next day.

The crack of dawn finds Romeo searching for a friar to perform the ceremony, and, after his good intentions are established by Juliet's scatterbrained nurse, Romeo and Juliet are wed.

The tragedy begins when Tybalt, a Montague, is killed by Benzolio, Juliet's cousin, and Romeo takes Benzolio's life in revenge, and is banished by the prince in punishment.

By this time, Juliet's parents have decided that she should marry Mercutio, and, to escape from this, he receives a potion from the friar which will make her appear to be dead for 48 hours.

The movie reaches its climactic end when Romeo finds Juliet in a death-like sleep and drinks poison, and Juliet, waking up, sees him and stabs herself to death.

In all, this is a very moving film and should be rated "C," for "Cryable."

Generalities

Attention students and faculty: Any one ranging in age from 18-60 and in good health, your help is needed now for the treatment of hundreds of hospital patients who need someone else's blood to survive. You can help by donating only one pint of blood Wednesday from 2:30-7:30 p.m. in the Alameda cafeteria, 2732 N.E. Fremont.

Unmarried persons under 21 years of age must bring signed parental consent.

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