



96 Awarded Degrees At Teachers College

Ninety-five girls and one man received degrees at the 75th annual commencement exercises of Potsdam State Teachers College held Monday morning in the college auditorium.

John P. Myers of Plattsburg, a member of the board of Regents of the State of New York, who delivered the main address, revealed that plans for some of the buildings for the new Potsdam State Teachers College plant to be built on a new site on Pierrepont Ave., are already on the drawing boards.

The opening prayer was delivered by Rev. Joseph L. Tierney, pastor of St. Mary's church and the benediction by Rev. J. Thurston Travis, rector of Trinity church. Music was furnished by the Potsdam State Symphony orchestra.

President Clarence O. Lehman conferred the degrees. Candidates for degrees of Bachelor of Education in the General Elementary Teachers-curriculum were presented by Dr. O. H. Voelker, director of training, to Dr. Lehman.

In his remarks President Lehman said in part: "Pearl Harbor came early during your Freshman year, and all its repercussions and implications made 'War' the major theme of your college life."

Prize Winners Dr. Voelker announced the winners of special prizes. Miss Carolyn Dobson of Richfield Springs, carried off two firsts. She received the Clarkson award for scholastic attainment and the Franklin H. Bishop Memorial prize given the student who has contributed the most to the instrumental music department.

Bachelors of Education The following were presented by Dr. Otto H. Voelker to Dr. Lehman for the degree of Bachelor of Education in the general elementary teachers curriculum: Fazio Abdallah (Khalil), Faust; Ruth

Day Randy, St. Regis Falls; Ruth E. Belgard, Ogdensburg; Jane Elizabeth Bent, Carthage; Kathleen M. Blonid, Norfolk; Gladys Boynton, Lake Placid; Katherine E. Burkart, Lowville; Jean Mary Burns, Lowville; Jane M. Carl, Fabius.

Also, Marian Elizabeth Carnell, Carthage, with honor; Rose E. Cawley, Gloversville; Eileen Calnon Cowan, Winthrop; H. Erminie Crump, Potsdam; Doris McDonald Czerkas, Lisbon; Dorothy Newton Doleh, Colton; Helen North Doyze, town; Mary Felton, Potsdam; Virginia Welch Flanders, Norfolk; Raphael S. Foley, Seaforth; Helen G. Gorke, Baldwinsville; Marion Thayer Hamlin, Nicholville; Ada Hutton Haven, Ogdensburg.

Also, Gladys M. McKee, Ogdensburg; Dora Longfritz Mehne, Gloversville; Martha M. Misica, Carthage; Malvina J. Mitchell, Elmira; Joyce R. Moore, Duane; Clara Geandrea Morrison, Genoa; Gwendolyn S. Mott, North Stockton; Eleanor King, Murtha, Potsdam; Geraldine A. O'Brien, Potsdam; Betty J. Pato, Canton; Harley E. Revett, Potsdam; Jane C. Reynolds, Coeymans; Rita M. Reynolds, Georgetown; Betsy A. Riley, Hudson; Marguerite L. Ripp, Port Leyden; Beatrice Bennett Rover, Conifer; Dinah F. Shulman, New Rochelle, with honor; Kathryn A. Smith, Carthage.

Also, Madelyn B. Stage, Clayton; Theresa M. Sullivan, Potsdam; Elizabeth A. Taylor, Constableville; Marjorie Manfred Walsh, Potsdam; Dorothy C. Ward, Hewlett; Ilah Riley Weeman, Lisbon; Frances O'Brien Williams, Potsdam; Phyllis A. Wright, Brushton, with honor, and Marian E. Zeh, Calverton.

Bachelors of Science The following were presented to Dr. Lehman by Miss Helen M. Hosmer for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education in the Music Supervisors curriculum: Mary Ellen Argersinger, Canastota; Dora Warner Arras, New Platz; Jeanne L. Ball, Leonardsville; Monica Barkto, Yonkers; Emma Lou Benedict, Pulaski, with honor; Alice E. Brown, Amsterdam; Patricia A. Chamberlain, Painted Post, with honor; Jane Natalie Clark, Potsdam; Erilda Di-Croce, Lawrence; Carolyn Dobson, Richfield Springs, with honor; Barbara J. Finch, Franklin; Elva Janet Gage, Pavilion; C. Barbara Geigmetter, Hempstead.

Also, Natalie I. Hayes, Utica; Maxine Killion, Delmar; Margaret M. Martin, Rochester; Marion A. Pierce, White Plains; Betty Lou Porto, Vestal; Anita B. Rogers, Babylon, with honor; Betsy Ross, Gouverneur; Mildred M. Seavey, Middleville; Rachel S. Shell, Schenectady; Shirley Luffman Snyder, Prattsburg; Virginia Bennett Waldron, Gloversville; Louis Keeney Whitmarsh, Cuyler, with honor, and Roberta A. Zoch, White Plains.

August Class Eighteen students, who will complete the prescribed work for a degree under the general elementary curriculum on August 24, 1945, were recognized at the commencement exercises since no formal ceremonies will be held for them in August. They are: Shirley Melrose Bartlett, Watertown; Betty J. Burnap, Great Bend; Genevieve M. Callahan, Burke; Rita A. Da'ey, Ardsley; Mary P. Demey, Felt Mills; Catherine A. Kelly, Tuckahoe; Lena Laverghetta, DeKalb Junction; Lea Maguire, Lake Placid; Norma McBeth, Lisbon; Helen M. Menard, Massena; Mary Meyers, Massena; Erna M. Monica, Nicholville; Gladys C. O'Neil, Long Lake; Carol R. Paul, Harrisville; Elizabeth L. Stubley, North Rose; Mary M. Vrooman, Deer River, and Anne Wilson, Bangor.

BELGIANS GRATEFUL FOR DELIVERANCE

American troops pulling out of Wildert, Belgium, after V-E day were honored by the residents of the community for having freed them from the tortures and other horrors of German rule.

In Seabees



S2 c RONALD DUNBAR

S2/c Ronald C. Dunbar of the Seabees, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunbar of Larned street, Potsdam, who is now serving somewhere in the Pacific.

Seaman Dunbar entered the Navy on Nov. 23, 1944 and after three weeks' training at Sampson, N. Y., was transferred to the Seabees and sent to Camp Endicot, Davisville, R. I., where he received his training in wharf and dock school.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar have received four letters since he left California, the last being received last week, which was written on May 18, and in this he stated he was still on the water, and no land in sight. He has with him a chum of his from Madrid, N. Y., Seaman 2/c Maynard Jenner. The two boys have gone through training together and are hoping they may remain together during their time in the Pacific.

Before entering the service Seaman Dunbar was employed for several months with the National Cellulose plant in Syracuse and for a short time at the Racquette river paper company in Potsdam.

George Sisson Heads Potsdam Boys' Club Inc.

Officers of the Potsdam Boy's Club, Inc., have been elected by the board of directors. George W. Sisson, 3rd, was elected president; William F. Anderson, first vice-president; Rev. Joseph L. Tierney, second vice-president; Howard R. Sanford, secretary; and Matthew Small, treasurer.

The officers were authorized to secure the services of a trained executive director as soon as possible through the facilities of Boys' Club of America, Inc., which is the central organization generally supervising and responsible for Boys' Club work throughout the country.

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A collection of five knives taken in Germany as souvenirs by Pfc. Floyd J. Bovay, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Bovay of 35 Elderkin street, Potsdam, is on display in a Courier window.

One is a saw-toothed bayonet which is just as vicious a weapon as it appears to be. Another is a silver-mounted dagger taken from one of the Elite or SS officers, leaders of the German terror. The other three are sharp knives for fighting in close quarters.

Heads Firemen



JAMES J. DOYLE, JR.

Chief James J. Doyle, Jr. of the Potsdam fire department, who was elected president of the Northern New York Volunteer Firemen's Association at its 49th annual convention held Friday and Saturday at Lowville.

Other officers elected were Chief Patrick H. McCarthy of the Tupper Lake fire department, first vice-president; and Howard Gruner, chief of the West Carthage fire department and mayor of that village, second vice-president.

The invitation of the Potsdam fire department to hold the 50th annual convention in Potsdam in June, 1946, was accepted by the association. The association is composed of volunteer fire departments and firemen in seven counties, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence.

The Potsdam firemen won the first prize for the best appearing company without a band on the parade at Lowville Saturday afternoon.

Pvt. Charles Hawer, son of Mrs. John E. Murphy, of Norfolk, is home on sick leave recovering from a machine gun bullet wound in his stomach suffered while fighting with the 10th army on Okinawa against the Japanese.

Pvt. Hawer, who is serving with the 27th Cavalry, RCM, mechanized troops, was wounded on the Okinawa front and received treatment in field hospitals overseas and is at present a patient at Woodrow Wilson Hospital, Staunton, Va.

After his leave he will return to the Staunton Hospital for further treatment.

47th Clarkson Commencement Set For Sunday

Plans have been completed for the 47th commencement of Clarkson College of Technology. A class of about 15 men will be graduated. This number, while small, is greater than classes being graduated at many other men's colleges in the East.

President John A. Ross, Jr., announced yesterday that all residents who wish to attend the commencement exercises at 2:30 p. m. Sunday in the main auditorium of the Civic Center will be welcome. No cards of admission will be necessary.

The commencement address will be delivered by Dean Louis Mitchell of the College of Applied Science of Syracuse University. Candidates for degrees will be presented to Dr. Ross by department heads. However, there will be no graduates in the business administration department this year and there will be no chemistry graduates. There will be chemical engineering graduates.

Rev. Joseph L. Tierney, pastor of St. Mary's church, will give the invocation and the benediction at the ceremonies. Musical selections will be played.

On Saturday morning there will be a meeting of the full board of trustees of the college in the offices of Bertrand H. Snell, president of the board.

KILBURN PROBES COAL SITUATION Washington—Increased deliveries of anthracite to the Northeast area must wait until the War Labor Board approves the union contract which ended the hard-coal strike, Representative Clarence E. Kilburn, Republican, of New York, said after seeing George W. Taylor, chairman of the WLB, and officials of the Solid Fuels Administration and the OPA.

Dealers in the Northeastern area particularly in Northern New York, have said that operators were withholding shipments until new and higher top-price rates were set by the OPA.

Mr. Kilburn, whose home is in Malone, declared that the coal scarcity in Northern New York had become critical because of increased demands on the lowered supply by a wet, cold spring.

Potsdam High Pupils Get Activity Awards

WEST PARISHVILLE FAMILY HAS REUNION Mrs. Carl Eddy held a family reunion on Sunday in honor of his aunt, Mrs. Allie Foss, and cousin, First Lieut. Clifford Foss of Lancaster, N. H. Twenty-eight relatives were present.

Lieut. Foss has been overseas three years and was a pilot on a troop transport carrying supplies to the front and bringing back wounded. He is on a 21 day furlough and expects to be sent to a southern base.



POTSDAM TRIO OVERSEAS

In the above picture are shown three Potsdam navy men who met at a base somewhere in the Pacific on May 20. Left to right are S1/c John Breckenridge, son of Mrs. Marjorie Breckenridge; S1/c Raymond J. McGee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond R. McGee and grand son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Sullivan, and Petty Officer James T. Duffy, son of Mrs. Helen Duffy. All the men are serving on different ships. Duffy is on a carrier and McGee and Breckenridge are on LST's.

SGT. MILES ON PLANE BRINGING GI'S HOME Mrs. John Regan of South Colton recently received a letter from her brother, Sgt. Dean Miles, saying he is now operating on a C-54 army transport plane, helping to bring the soldiers back from Europe.

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Florence LaPage, 89.79; Gertrude Adams, 89.60; Virginia McIntire, 89.43; Dorothy Adams, 89.21; Alma Lytle, 89.06. Mary Collins, 88.90; Mary Frances Smith, 88.71; Margaret Corey, 88.64; Henry Hodges, 88.63; Nancy Sullivan, 88.60; Sallie Macey, 88.43; Gloria Bennett, 88.41; Hazel Eilow, 88.18; Evelyn Thompson, 88.11; Lila Brown, 88.06; Barbara Dullea, 88.

David Fountain, 87.89; Raymond Volmer, 87.80; Nancy Hodges, 87.79; Jane Macomber, 87.75; Barbara Sullivan, 87.71; Patricia Measaw, 87.68; Rufus Brown, 87.54; Winford Burrell, 87.42; Lois Gilbert, 87.32; Polly Sisson, 87.20; Margaret Lavine, 87.04; Betty Sweet, 87.03; Leona Brown, 86.97; Beatrice Bryant, 86.95; Irene Miller, 86.89; Dana Farrissee, 86.88; Shirley Dibble, 86.85; Charles Widrick, 86.70; Richard Jeho, 86.72; Theresa Paquin, 86.68; Jean Dimple, 86.03; Violet O'Leary, 85.97.

Photo of Members of the Potsdam Fire Department Taken On Firemen's Day



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At a special Achievement Day program held at the High School on Monday afternoon awards were made to students who have shown special abilities, cooperation and proficiency in the various activities which the school curriculum affords. In the case of each award, certain requirements have been established and must be met before the award is granted.

Girls' cheerleading and athletic awards are earned by personal service and the accumulation of 500 points by activity in girls' athletic events. Recognition for ability in art work is made especially attractive by the generosity of the Twentieth Century Club's cash donation and by the gift of an anonymous donor. Three awards were granted to members of the Art Club.

Basketball letters are given on the basis of participation in two-thirds of the scheduled games. In track, points are necessary for a letter. A boy competing in one event must have secured eight points in that event, if in two events he must have secured six points.

The following students are members of the Honorary Society for the school year of 1944-45. Officers are: President, Mary Frances Smith; vice-president, Barbara Sullivan; secretary, Laura Hannabs; treasurer, Alina Lytle.

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The following awards were made for band: Percussion, Barbara Hayes, Lois Gilbert. Two Star Letters: Thomas Sallivan, Hazel Bostick, Conrad Elliott, Valda Hughto, Joseph Sisson, Mary Perreault, Virginia Bradley, Robert Washburn, Pearl Henderson, Nancy Hodge.

Four Star Letters: Barbara Dullea, Alice Mason, Mary F. Smith, Richard Sittler. The following boys received letters and certificates for Track team: Donald Grant, Carl Rowe, Frank Tenney, Carl Huff, Fred DeLisle, Daniel Solomon, Jack McCarthy, Jack Morgan, Leland Bouck, captain; John Parton, manager; William Hale, assistant manager; Roscoe Hale, assistant manager.

The following boys have been awarded certificates for varsity (Continued on page 2)