

June 17 is FATHER'S DAY



FOR HIS MAJESTY . . . of course, your Dad's a king in his own domain, and he'll love it when you remind him of it. He will feel and act the part, if you present him with something for his comfort, or for his adornment. Come in today. You'll find that we have everything to satisfy any one of "his majesty's" desires — Neckties, shirts, pajamas, leisure coats, handkerchiefs, belts, suspenders, billfolds, collar pins, tie pins, hose, hats and shoes. Remember to tell Dad that Kaplans always has a full line of suits and topcoats.

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SECOND SECTION

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IN DAYS OF YORE

Turning Back the Clock

25 Years Ago

Clarkson college conferred degrees on a class of 15 men. A post graduated degree in civil engineering was conferred on George D. Cowie of Washington, D. C.

Assistant District Attorney William Ingram led a raid on alleged bootlegger places on Water street, Potsdam. Several arrests were made as a result of complaints made by local residents after a convention.

The body of Pvt. Leon LaFave, son of Mrs. Harriet LaFave of Potsdam, was brought back from overseas for burial in St. Mary's cemetery. It was the first body of a local man who died while serving in the A. E. F. Pvt. LaFave died in a hospital in Totenham, England, November 9, 1918. He had been wounded in action by machinegun fire August 13, 1918.

W. J. Coleman was elected president of the St. Lawrence and Jefferson Volunteer Fireman's association during a convention held in Potsdam.

The prohibition amendment to The Constitution was held to be constitutional by the U. S. Supreme Court.

The prices of cheese dropped a cent and one-quarter to 24 1/2 cents a pound on the Gouverneur Dairy Board.

Jerome A. Crane, Potsdam native and a well known eastern advertising executive, died at his home in Brookline, Mass.

Scrap in paper drives were being made in every community; from 80 cents to \$1.50 a hundredweight was being paid.

The Potsdam Fortnightly Club gave a dinner in honor of Prof. E. W. Flagg and Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Bond. The Bonds were leaving to make their home near Syracuse.

A unit of the Lady Maccabees was organized at Nicholville.

A council of the Knights of Columbus was organized at Brasher Falls and plans made for installing officers.

50 Years Ago

Excavation was started on the site of Clarkson college in Potsdam. A five-column reproduction of the proposed main Clarkson building, in the form of an H was carried on the front page of the Courier. The sketch was drawn by F. K. Ward from the design by Architect Josselyn.

H. H. Brown of Stark was seriously injured in a log drive on the Raquette river when he got a pevey hook stuck in his right foot.

There were 50 boarders at the Childwold Park boarding house. The Childwold Park hotel was scheduled to open June 15.

The Allens Falls shingle mill in Parishville was running full time. A. E. Bloss was operating it.

The Potsdam Normal Athletic Association was planning its third annual field day. Bicycle races with entries from all parts of Northern New York were to be the highlight of the day.

The village of Potsdam rented a 30,000 pound steamroller for smoothing down the streets.

A Children's Day program was held in the Potsdam Universalist Church.

A committee of the St. Lawrence County board of supervisors started work on a project to divide the county into two assembly districts with the lines of division splitting the county into southern and northern parts.

The West Pierpont cheese factory went out of business.

A. P. Chittenden had several old, useless apple trees in his Stockholm orchard dynamited.

A production of Uncle Tom's Cabin was given by a group of traveling players in Norwood.

Bicycle riders were demanding that the law which made it mandatory for all highway overseers to have all loose stones in the highways removed at least once a month.

75 Years Ago

An article in The Courier, reprinted from Appleton's Journal, called the belief that early rising was a virtue a great popular delusion. The writer suggested that the sun should be allowed to rise first, instead of man, forced to dress by candle light in the cold, grey dawn.

The Egyptian Viceroy was preparing for a war with the Sultan of Turkey and had formed an alliance with the Czar of Russia. The Viceroy had 60,000 Remington rifles.

Fenians who took part in the

Two Area Men Fought 353 Days Against Nazis

6th Army Group, Germany — First 36th "Texas" Division troops on German soil were doughboys of the 141st Infantry Regiment who, in 10 days, battered the Wehrmacht from strong positions along the Moder River through the Siegfried Line.

Serving in this unit are two area men, Pfc. William D. Poppo, 26 Pine St., Potsdam, and Pfc. Russell V. Gilbo, 47 Lincoln St., Canton.

Engaged in bitter house-to-house fighting in the town city of Hagenu, these U. S. Seventh Army infantrymen broke out from a small bridgehead across the Moder, clashed with German rearguards and finally knocked out 35 pillboxes and forts in cutting through the Siegfried Line.

The doughboys, commanded by Col. Charles H. Owens of Wallace, Idaho, have left landmarks to a defeated Reich from Salerno, Italy, to the Rhine in Germany in 353 days of conflict with the enemy.

West Stockholm

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hoyt of Buckton were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Foster and Myron.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Morrison and son Frederick of Homer, spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sutherland.

Several of the High School Senior class attended the class picnic at Higley Falls, Saturday.

There was very good attendance at the Silver Tea, which was held at the home of Mrs. Levi Doud Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Armstrong's daughter Virginia and husband came last Monday to spend a short time with her parents.

Mrs. Leon L. Gibson who has been with her daughter Marian at Courland, and Mrs. Carlotta Wellington who has been with her sister, Mrs. Thayer in Auburn and her daughter, Mrs. Harold Smith of Rome during the winter, have both come to their homes here for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Newton received the news Thursday morning that their daughter, Mrs. Homer Rockwood, was in Potsdam Hospital having given birth to twins, a boy and a girl, that morning.

Several from here went to Parishville Sunday evening, to a special service at the Baptist church there.

Mrs. Harry Shampine spent Friday in Potsdam and visited her sister Mrs. Homer Rockwood at Potsdam Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams, Ronald and baby Carol went to Malone Sunday to visit his mother Mrs. Olga Capstraw and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shampine and son spent Sunday in Potsdam with their sister, Mrs. Mary Shampine.

An accident occurred on the Potsdam Winthrop Road near the bridge about 1 1/2 miles from Winthrop when a car owned and driven by Lisle R. Turner Jr. and a large tractor-trailer collided, overturning the car several times. With Mr. Turner were Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell LaBarge, Mr. Earl Page and Richard Gale, who were on their way to work at Massena. None of the occupants were seriously injured only badly shaken up and a few bruises.

abortive invasion of Canada were scattered from St. Albans in Vermont to Ogdensburg. Most of them were out of funds. Appeals to Gen. Grant for their relief were bluntly refused.

General Merritt of Potsdam was being put forward as a candidate for the job of collector of the Port of New York. President Grant was known to be favorably disposed toward him.

The weather in the Potsdam area was excessively warm and the water in the Raquette river was too low for floating down logs from the Adirondacks to local sawmills.

The Grasse River Cheese Factory near Buck's Bridge began to operations under the supervision of W. M. Olin.

The first issue of the Northern Monitor was published in Ogdensburg.

A terrible fire swept Constantino destroying thousands of houses, churches, mosques and shops. Many residents were killed by falling walls.

Pacific Vet



Pfc. Arnold Charlson

Pfc. Arnold Charlson of Fort Jackson, who joined the Army Medical Corps Sept. 29th, 1940, is still on duty somewhere on an island in the Southwest Pacific. He trained at Camp Robinson, Ark., and Fort Lawton, Seattle, Wash. From there he was sent to the Aleutian Islands, and took part in the fierce and bleak Aleutian campaign of 1943. He has earned several ribbons and medals, including a Bronze Star.

Music Seniors Give Recital

The annual recital by the members of the senior class of the Crane Department of Music of Potsdam State Teachers college was held at 8 p.m. Sunday in the college auditorium.

The program opened with an instrumental trio composed of Mary Ellen Angersinger, flute; Barbara Geigmetter, oboe; and Jane Natalie Clark, bassoon, with Monica Bartko, accompanists, playing Leclair's "Trio Sonata." Gollie Chapman played a bass trombone solo, "Fantasia" by Hartmann with Lillian Blanchard accompanist. Elva Gage accompanied by Barbara Finch, sang "Vissi d'arte" from Tosca by Puccini, and June Ebel played the cello solo, the first movement from Sonata in E Minor by Brahms, accompanied by Patricia Yeagy.

Lenore Mooney and Eridia Di-Croce sang a duet, "Flower Duet from Madame Butterfly," accompanied by Betty Lou Fortz; Martha Jane Hensby played a piano solo, "Praeludium from First Modern Suite" by MacDowell and the senior class chorus sang three numbers with Emma Lou Benedict conducting.

The second portion of the program opened with Jane Natalie Clark playing a piano solo, "Elegy" by Rachamaninoff. Betsy Ross, accompanied by Martha Jane Hensby, sang a Massenet selection, and a violin quintet with Jane Natalie Clark, played Brahms Waltzes.

Mary Altomare played a Debussy Prelude as a piano solo; Patricia Chamberlain, with Jane Natalie Clark as accompanist, sang a Mozart number. The recital closed with the senior class orchestra playing "Suite of Contredanses" by Beethoven.

North Lawrence

Mrs. Joseph Lockbaum and mother, Mrs. Rose Lashomb were called to Syracuse early in the week by the sudden death of Mrs. Lockbaum's sister, Mrs. Beatrice Niles.

Mrs. John Holland of Brushton was a guest of Mrs. H. E. Merrill on Wednesday and called on friends in town.

Mrs. Katherine Griffin O'Brian of Hartford, Conn., who purchased the C. F. Connolly home a year ago, arrived in town last week and expects to make her home here.

Rev. Ralph Hoffman of Ausable called on friends in town on Friday. Pathr Hoffman was the priest of this parish for 17 years before going to Ausable.

Miss Helen Crump has completed her first year at State Teachers College in Potsdam and is at her home in North Lawrence until July 1st when she expects to go to Loon Lake for the summer.

Mrs. Gertrude Walcott spent from Wednesday to Sunday at her home in town, returning to Malone on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. L. Crump attended a birthday party on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ida Folk, given in honor of Mrs. Folk's birthday by Past Matrons O. E. S. of 1944.

Nathan G. Buck Will Be 80 On Saturday

Nathan G. Buck, a native of Brasher Falls, but except for a year in California, an all time resident of Stockholm, will note his 80th birthday, Saturday, June 16. He has been such a loyal citizen, assisted so many people in want, carried on such an excellent farm, and through it all made a host of friends, it is difficult to know where to begin or end in a write up for him.

He was born, June 16, 1865, one of eight children of Dr. Cornelius H. and Mary Giffin Buck. His sisters, Mrs. Clayton (Agnes) Folsom, Mrs. Wesley (Pearl) Sweet, Miss Olive H. Buck and his brothers George, Leonard and Guy have passed away. A brother Cornelius, resides in Redwood City, Cal.

When he was yet very young, the family moved to a farm near Holmes Hill, a mile off the main highway to Potsdam. He attended the Cedar School near his home, and there are still several of his school mates living, to whom he is very loyal. In 1889, he started out on his own. He was one of 20 men employed by Holden and Tilden of Norwood, to start out with his horse and red cart as a "tin peddler," sometimes called a "rag peddler," as he gathered along his route, which he backed up his route, filled the top of his cart. He also bought eggs at 20 cents per dozen; hides for \$1.25; old iron, old rubbers, sheep skins, brass and copper, tallow and goose feathers. His longest trip consumed six weeks when he visited Potsdam, Norwood, Helena, Massena, Fort Covington, St. Regis, Dundee, Malone, Champlain, Lyon Mountain, Ellensburg, and all the smaller places nearer home. At one time when he reached Massena, his cart was so heavily loaded, he shipped 2800 pounds of rags and junk to Norwood by freight.

After a time, his brother Neil, invited Nathan to go to California, Neil remaining to date. Nathan was persuaded to stay for a year, when he headed for Stockholm. On April 10, 1895, his marriage to Miss Julia Davis of Brainardville occurred at her home. The ceremony solemnized by Rev. Harry E. Townsend, then of Winthrop, was the first one performed by the Reverend, who today is noted as "the marrying parson," having performed more than 1,600 marriages, in his 43 years in Westbrooke, Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck lived on the farm at Holmes Hill for nine years. One daughter, Opal, now Mrs. Albert J. Hibbert of Watertown, was born to them. In 1904, the family built a house in Winthrop and moved from the farm. Mrs. Buck passed away here, February 18, 1942, leaving her husband, her daughter, and seven grand children, Albert B. John A., William C., Nathan J., Marilyn, Barbara and Virginia Hibbert. Sgt. T-4 Albert B. Hibbert is in Germany. Pfc. Nathan James is also in Germany; Miss Marilyn has completed her freshman year at Russell Sage College and Miss Barbara her freshman year at Syracuse University; John A. is employed in a defense plant in Burlingame, Cal. and William is in a defense plant in Watertown after graduating from Clarkson College of Technology, while Miss Virginia is a Senior at Watertown High school. A group for any grandfather to be proud of, and Mr. Buck surely is.

Mr. Buck began setting out spruce and pine trees on his 125 acre Winthrop farm here, in 1917. He now has several groves consisting of a total of 20,000 trees. They are all visible from the village and are a thing of beauty.

Mr. Buck's farm has been noted for his pure bred Jersey herd, but being unable to get help, he now has one cow only, and a few young stock, which he cares for. He is a faithful member of the Congregational Church, of the Masonic Lodge, Worthy Patron of Laurentian Chapter, Order of Eastern Star and a director of the First National Bank of Winthrop. He was presented a Golden Sheaf Certificate from Winthrop range, for 50 years membership in March 1941.

In January and February this year, in the company of his son-in-law and grandson, Albert J. and John A. Hibbert, he made a three weeks trip to Texas and Mexico. Nothing escaped his eagle eye, and he wrote six, most interesting letters enroute, which were published in the Courier and Freeman and according to reports, these letters were eagerly read by his many

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