

## On-the-Farm Training Program Reaches 600,000 Veteran-Farmers

Ogdensburg — Results of six years of GI Bill institutional-on-farm training—a program combining classroom studies with actual farm experience for veterans—were announced today by the Veterans Administration following a compilation of state and community surveys of the program's achievements.

John Graham, in charge of the Ogdensburg VA office, said that two-thirds of America's 800,000 veteran-farmers have, at some time or other, been enrolled. According to the surveys, he said, the training has had a far-reaching impact on veterans in agriculture.

First, it furnished them with an impetus to buy, rent or lease their own farms. The VA official pointed out that on Sept. 1, 1950, 94 percent of the 314,500 farm trainees were in the owner and operator class.

In many areas, the veterans' institutional - on - farm training program has helped boost farm incomes and the net worth of farm trainees. Typical reports from Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Minnesota and Montana bear this out. Mr. Graham said, with Minnesota reporting on 81 veterans whose net worth when finishing training was \$5,220, compared with \$1,960 when they started.

Increased farm productivity also appears to be a result of this VA's training program for farmer-veterans, with one state showing trainees producing twice as much shelled corn per acre as the area average.

Mr. Graham said that much of the GI Bill program's emphasis has been on soil improvement and conservation, according to the state and local surveys. North Carolina veterans were cited as having constructed 15 million feet of terraces to conserve the soil, reforested 6000 acres of land and limed 105,000 and acres, all in a 12 month period.

Finally, the VA compilation of surveys reveals that in many areas across the country, a portion of the training has been devoted to showing the way to better living on the farm. Reports from several areas pointed out that wiring homes for electricity, painting dwellings, installing central heating, plumbing and telephones figured prominently among farm improvements which veterans in GI Bill institutional-on-farm training added to their farms.

## Supervisors' Head Names Committees

The list of standing committees for 1951 of the St. Lawrence County Board of Supervisors was announced last week by Chairman Ross Brown as follows:

Finance: Tiernan, Hosmer, Murphy, Livingston, Akins, Raven, Phippen, Smith, Brown.

Equalization: Hosmer, Fisher, Murphy, Raven, Brown.

Purchasing: Phippen, Raymo, Fox.

Good roads: Paddock, Murphy, Ellis, Ford, Griffin.

Audit: Crump, Leonard, Mayhew.

Agriculture: Livingston, Fisher, Paddock, Bell, Raven.

Judiciary: Clark, Howard, Newton, Mahoney, Fox.

Legislative: Howard, Akin, Mitchell, Mayhew, Paddock.

Public welfare: Holland, Fox, Martin, Conklin, Newton, Tiernan, Raymo.

Workmen's compensation: Conklin, Fox, Fisher, Bell, Kelley, Sheriff and jail: Peck, Paddock, Ford, Fisher, Martin.

Insurance: Mitchell, Homer, Clark, Tiernan, Sykes.

Public Health: Northrup, Raymo, Martin, Newton, Conklin, Peck, Mayhew.

Historical: Sykes, Northrup, Crump, Smith, Ellis.

Conservation: Waite, Hosmer, Selleck, Ford, Kelley.

Civil Service: Mahoney, Mayhew, VanBrooklin, Peck, Raymo.

Veterans' affairs: Akins, Howard, Raymo, Mitchell, Murphy.

County Clerk's Accounts: Selleck, Raven, Mayhew, Martin, Crump.

County Treasurer's accounts: Knapp, Martin, Waite, Leonard, Fox.

County highway accounts: Kelley, Bell, Ellis, Conklin, Mahoney.

Building and grounds: Bell, Martin, Mitchell, Newton, Mayhew.

### ENLISTS IN NAVY

Harry R. McKenna 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. McKenna, of 59 Pierrepont Ave., has enlisted at Albany in the U. S. Navy for four years in the rating of seaman recruit. After taking the oath of allegiance, McKenna was transferred to the Naval Training Center for nine weeks of recruit training. He applied for enlistment at the Navy Recruiting Station in Watertown.

## Noel Gliddens Note 53d Anniversary

North Stockholm—Mr. and Mrs. Noel E. Gliddens of Holmes Hill observed their 53d wedding anniversary at their farm home Friday, Jan. 19, with a dinner served to 12 friends and former schoolmates of Mrs. Gliddens. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tucker, Parishville; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sampson, Southville; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Shufelt and Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Thompson, Holmes Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Flint and Miss Mena Stearns of Winthrop.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Sampson were the schoolmates and Mr. Shufelt and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were neighbors when Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens moved to their farm 49 years ago.

Mrs. Gliddens gave a toast at dinner which recalled many happy memories to the guests, and a recitation was given by Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Sampson recited an original poem.

Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens were married Jan. 19, 1898 in a ceremony which was performed in the Methodist parsonage in Moira. The late Rev. Hubert F. Sanford performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Gliddens, the former Miss Jessie Elmira Steenberg, is the daughter of the late Artemus and Esther Marsh Steenberg of Holmes Hill. She was the youngest of four children. She and a sister, Mrs. Eva Briggs of Brasher Falls, are the only survivors. Mrs. Gliddens attended schools at Cedar School and Winthrop.

Noel Earl Gliddens is the youngest of three children born to the late George and Lucinda Griswold Gliddens, who resided at Beechertown. One brother is still living. Mr. Gliddens attended schools at Beechertown and Parishville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens moved 49 years ago to their present farm home which they purchased from the late O. P. Stearns of Winthrop, father of Miss Mena Stearns who was a guest Friday. The couple has lived there ever since.

The couple had one son who died in infancy. A nephew, Wade Reynolds, now of Malone, made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens until his marriage to the former Miss Margaret Wilkins four years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens are members of the Winthrop Congregational Church and have been members of the Winthrop Grange 538 for 41 years. Mr. Gliddens is a member of the Odd Fellows and has been an assessor for the Town of Stockholm for the past four years, a member of the Dairy-men's League for 35 years and in-

## Pickle St. 4-H'ers To Hold Card Party

North Stockholm—The Pickle St. 4-H Club will sponsor a card party at the Holmes Hill Hall Friday evening, Feb. 2; 500 and Pedro will be played. Everyone is invited to attend.

Robert and William Moulton, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Moulton, lost their pet Shetland pony, Queenie, Saturday. She died as the result of an injury received a couple days before.

Claude Moulton attended the 4-H meeting at Canton on Monday. Mr. Moulton is on the executive committee.

Mrs. Claude Moulton, matron of the Winthrop Juvenile Grange, has announced that there will be a card party at the Winthrop Grange Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 26, for the benefit of the Winthrop Juveniles. Everyone is invited to attend. Pedro and 500 will be played and refreshments of sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee will be served. Women are requested

insurance director for the Grange for 21 years. He has never missed an annual meeting of the directors. Mr. Gliddens also runs his farm.

The couple enjoys good health and takes active interest in community activities. Mrs. Gliddens has always taken great pride in her homemaking and the poultry she raises.

They have seen many changes in their community in the past 49 years. At the time they moved to their present home there was only a dirt road going past it, and there was no electricity and telephone. Now the state road, a part of route 11, goes past their door and, of course, they now have light and phone service. Holmes Hill has grown considerably with new homes, a grocery store, the town barn for the Town of Stockholm and the town hall.

When the Gliddens moved to their home, they set out an inch maple tree on their front lawn. It has grown to be a large tree, now although it was run over many years ago by teams of horses.

In honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 19, 1948 Mr. and Mrs. Gliddens were honored at a celebration at the Winthrop Grange Hall, over 200 persons attended. Among the gifts was a picture of their home, painted by Ralph Barr, who was at that time superintendent of the Massena Mica Plant. Mrs. Sampson also composed a poem which she read.

to please bring sandwiches or doughnuts.

William Cyrus came Saturday night to spend a few days with his wife in Potsdam and to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Cyrus. He called on his grandmother, Mrs. Zoe Cyrus, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Kingsley and June were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenkins and family in honor of Mrs. Kingsley's birthday.

Newton Polue and Miss Nettie Green were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Owney and Clyde and William Peet.

Due to the slippery roads Sunday morning there were no church services here.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Wells, and family of Potsdam were Friday night supper guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wells, Maureen and Glenn.

Friends and neighbors of Howard Taylor presented him with a sunshine basket over the weekend Mr. Taylor returned home from Potsdam Hospital a week ago, where he had been a patient for the past four weeks with pneumonia.

Mrs. Maynard Nichols is ill at her home with arthritis. Her sister, Mrs. Florabelle Senter of Brookdale is caring for her.

## Mark 2 Birthdays In White Hill Home

White Hill—The Nurney and Gushea families celebrated the birthdays of Ira Gushea and Louis Nurney Sunday with a birthday dinner at the Nurney home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Christy, William Nurney, Mrs. Weslie Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gushea have been ill. Mr. and Mrs. Gushea are out again.

Mrs. Alice Strader of Potsdam visited her daughter, Mrs. Ailton Bump, and family the past week.

Jean Bump and friend celebrated her 17th birthday with her mother and family.

Weslie Strader spent two weeks as a guest at the Jones home. Other recent guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cary.

Mrs. Besie Jones, Mrs. Stella Jones and Yvonne attended a brosh party at Dorothy Perry's home Friday. Mrs. Hale was the demonstrator.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gushea and Larry of Potsdam visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gushea on Monday.

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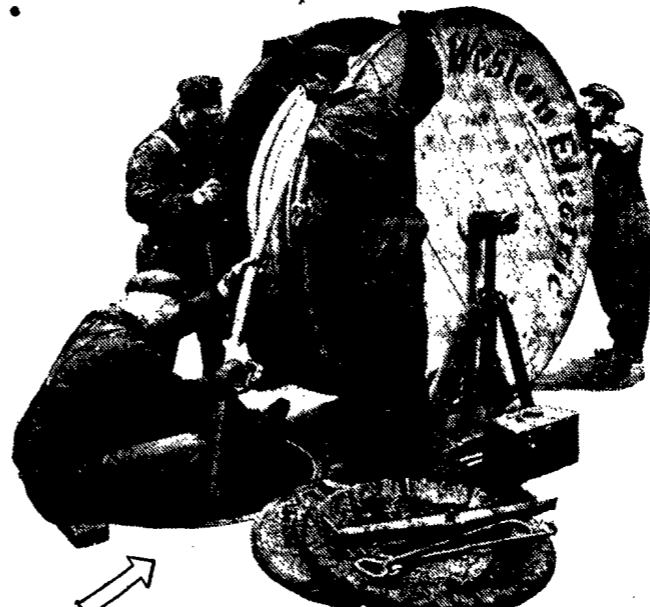
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## A REPORT ON FIVE YEARS THAT MADE TELEPHONE HISTORY

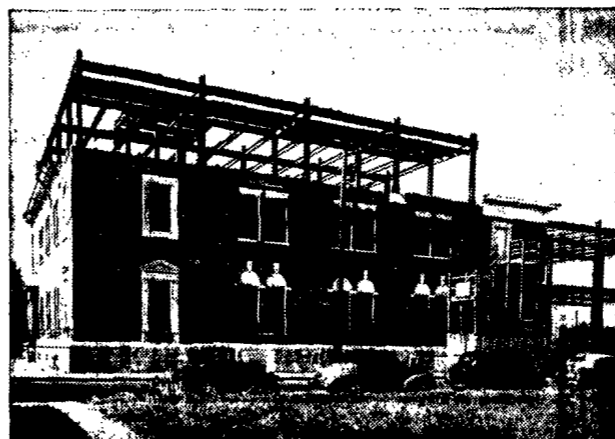
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② HOW THE SYSTEM GREW. In cities, towns and hamlets throughout the state telephone facilities were enlarged as fast as we could get new equipment and do the work. We put up 110 new buildings and made additions to 58 others; opened 155 new central offices; added more than 5 million miles of telephone lines.



③ WAITING LISTS SHORTENED. The demand for telephones never slackened, and construction went on at a record pace. Steadily the number of people waiting for service was whittled down. People must still wait for service in some places, but we are working hard to get to them in the shortest possible time. We're using every bit of materials and equipment we can get for the purpose.

④ SERVICE GREATLY IMPROVED. Great strides have also been made in improving the service. More than 1,700,000 dial telephones have been installed; many local calling areas were enlarged; rural service was greatly expanded. Nearly 24,000 men and women have been added to the telephone force. They help provide service that is not only fast and clear, but courteous and friendly as well.

Our big construction program has been good news for the people who got the 2,000,000 telephones. It is also an assurance to those who are waiting for service, for we expect to go right ahead with this job, using every bit of equipment and materials available to us. There is satisfaction in this: Already the program has provided a system that is stronger and more flexible than ever before—a fact that is vitally important in these critical times.



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