

# Airport slates Fourth Annual Fly-In Breakfast



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## Exhibits, Rides Free Movies

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The fourth annual Fly In Breakfast sponsored by the Potsdam Airport will be held this Sunday, Aug. 14, with the rain date set for Aug. 21, according to officials who promise all the usual attractions plus some new features this year.

Dr. John Maxcy will do the announcing honors as in former years, in his own inimitable style and with his own unpredictable comments to liven the program.

Various airplane companies will have new planes on display; and there will be available airplane and helicopter rides over Potsdam throughout the day.

One of the new innovations which the Airport group expects to add color to the day is a planned remote Broadcast over WPDM from the airport; and a plane to ground and ground to plane conversation over the radio and the PA system.

There is no admission, the public is specially invited to attend for any part of the day and there is plenty of free parking. All day long there will be free color movies in one of the hangars about Airports and airplanes, narrated by Arthur Godfrey.

Breakfast, with a menu to suit every taste, will be served in the hangar from 7 a. m. until 12 noon. The snack bar will be open from 12 noon on. The Airport has been called Potsdam's passport to the future, and the sponsoring group has urged all area residents to support their efforts by bringing the family to their annual Fly In Breakfast Sunday.

## Weighted Balloting Plan gives Potsdam 40 Votes

An historic reapportionment plan, described by St. Lawrence County Attorney William Crasper as the "most legal thing any of us can conceive that you can do" was passed by members of the St. Lawrence County Board of Supervisors Monday morning. The plan calls for weighted voting.

The board had been given until Aug. 1 to come up with a plan for reapportionment by Justice John O'Brien who presided over the hearing of a lawsuit in which a Massena couple charged that as resi-

dents of Massena, they were not justly represented on the Board of Supervisors.

The board faced the problem of reapportioning in a manner that had some degree of acceptability to the majority of the members of the board and at the same time met legal standards, some of which are still in the process of definition.

### TIME ELEMENT

A question arose at the Board meeting Monday as to the time whereby the new apportionment, if passed by the voters in November, would be

effective. The judge had originally ruled that January of 1967 would be the date when the plan chosen by the Board would become effective.

Subsequent to meetings held with the judge by the attorneys involved in the lawsuit, the time was changed to January, 1968.

"There wouldn't be any reason why we could not make the earlier date apply?" asked John B. Leonard, Ogdensburg Supervisor.

"I suppose not," replied William Crasper, Massena,

County Attorney, who also explained that the later date had been agreed upon because of the possibilities of problems in implementing a plan not yet chosen.

Another Ogdensburg Supervisor, Joseph Sovie, also told board members he favored the 1967 date.

In order to accomplish this, it would have been necessary to table the motion, hold a second public hearing, then re-vote on the changed resolution.

At the same time, the Board is faced with meeting the mandate for action set by Justice O'Brien.

In a role call vote of tabling of the issue, the Board decision was negative. Voting in support of the tabling were all of Ogdensburg's supervisors, (See Balloting, page 12)



Richard D. Hickox, General Manager of the Northern Area of the New York Telephone Company, in his office at 1750 Genesee St., Utica, received the first official Direct Distance call from Mayor of Potsdam Ted Anderson. John J. Hayes, Manager, is observing the mayor making this first historic call.

## Citizens Committee opens Fight; Seek Support to limit Medicaid

"The passage and implementation of Medicaid in New York State is clear evidence of the contempt and callous disregard with which the officials of this state regard the very voters whom they are elected to serve. Adding insult to injury, our 'leaders' closed the legislative session by ramming through the largest budget on record, including a 50 percent raise of their own salaries, and dismissed widespread protest on both issues as meaningless cries from malcontents, hysteria which will disappear in the summer heat, ravings from the far right, and Upstate provincialism in action.

When they called Medicaid the greatest piece of social legislation ever enacted," Governor Rockefeller and Mr. Travia reminded me of General Bullmoose whose political philosophy is simply "What's good for Bullmoose is good for the country."

Medicaid is, in fact, the greatest piece of political demagoguery and fiscal irresponsibility ever enacted. The Citizens Committee for Responsible Government pledges its full resources to fight this legislative and administrative mockery of representative government. We are actively

soliciting the support of our fellow citizens in this fight."

With this statement, the Chairman of the recently chartered Citizens Committee for Responsible Government announced stepped-up activity against the controversial Medicaid act at a Syracuse press conference July 22. When asked if his group was seeking outright repeal of the new law, John J. Robinson, Jr. of Camillus stated: "Please, let's get one thing straight — we are not seeking to deny medical assistance to any truly needy person — we favor such assistance — but we are seeking to prevent the financial and moral bankruptcy of the State of New York and its citizens."

Leslie Cohen, a Syracuse attorney and charter member of the Committee, explained that the group had initiated legal action and planned to present its case in Supreme Court on Aug. 12. "We will prove that the State Board and Department of Social Welfare have not adhered to explicit guidelines handed down by the legislature.

"Instead of creating a program of medical assistance to the needy, these agencies took it upon themselves to establish a complete health plan based upon the substitution of

County, State, and Federal financial resources to pay all of the medical and dental bills incurred by a given segment of our population. We will ask the Court to set aside this law until such time as it is redrafted, fully discussed and understood by the public, and in full consonance with the intent of Title 19."

Robinson, however, was quick to point out that legal action alone is not the solution. "This must be a popular fight supported by all citizens which will go into and beyond the courts, the full political campaign, and the legislative session in January. Federal law mandates a bill of medical assistance for the needy — our goal is to bring this bill within the confines and intent of Title 19 of the Federal Social Security Act."

Donald Newton, a well-known Syracuse civic leader, denied that the activities of the Citizens Committee are being underwritten by vested interest groups. "We are accepting contributions from any citizen who wants to help us underwrite the tremendous expenses involved in getting the facts to the public and our case through the courts," he said. "Our success and very existence depend upon the response of the public at large.

"We have, in fact, turned down large contributions from groups who approach Medicaid with special interests in mind. We are a chartered group of ordinary and non-partisan men and women who firmly believe that an aroused public is the only answer to the current trend toward absolute dollar dictatorship in the political life of the state."

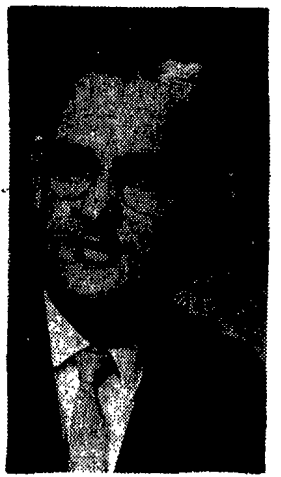
John Southworth, Jr., a resident of Manlius and Secretary/Treasurer of the organization, stressed that the group includes members of all political parties. "In the past, grass roots protests such as that against the sales tax died out because they were individual efforts. Today, citizens across the state have central direction and are acting against Medicaid regardless of party affiliation. We are sick and tired of being trod upon by our own state government. This issue will not die as some political hopefuls expect."

Thomas Law of Syracuse, who appeared as a witness before the Joint Legislative Committee hearing on Medicaid, elaborated by saying: "We are rebelling in the tradition of our forefathers who had the courage to stand up and be counted when they raised the flag that said 'Don't tread on me.' It is high time for all of us to stop hoping that somebody else will fight our battles and support this fight against high-handed government."

The group's main objections against Medicaid were described as follows:

- The legislature and the public were not made fully aware of the provisions, social implications, and costs of Medicaid prior to its enactment.
- The political leadership of

## Emmanuel Church Pastor resigns; transfers to Mission in Brushton



REV. NORMAN BELL

### Penrose heads Local Democrats

Charles Penrose will head The Potsdam Town Democratic committee for the coming two years, recent election tallies show. Other officers elected are: Frances McKenna, Vice-Chairman; Genevieve Hafer, Secretary; R. Gerald Bradshaw, Treasurer.

Under their leadership, a general meeting tentatively scheduled for early September will bring together all interested Democrats. A Harvest Ball, to be held Oct. 1 at Fiocco's Restaurant from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., is also in the planning stages.

Committee members for Potsdam election districts are: District 1, George Donovan and Alan Reasoner; District 2, Charles Penrose and Eugene McCarthy; District 3, Lyle Wolstenholme and Pierre Tessier; District 4, Francis Healey and William White; District 5, Kathleen Murphy and R. Gerald Bradshaw; District 6, Genevieve Hafer and Harold Kribs; District 7, Frances McKenna and Donald Jones; District 8, John McLaughlin and Vincent Murphy; District 9, Howard Todd and Timothy Donahue.

Committee members for the newly created District 10 will be named by the County Executive Committee after recommendation by the town committee.

the state steadfastly refused to heed the protests of concerned citizens.

- The legislature has, in effect, delegated the power of taxation to the Board and Department of Social Welfare in violation of the state constitution.
- The present eligibility criteria discourage self-reliance and individual responsibility, investment and

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Five years of service in Potsdam for the minister who converted a small country schoolhouse into a major religious organization will end this Sunday as the Rev. Norman Bell, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church leaves to assume duties as pastor of the First Christian Church in Brushton.

The North Carolina native arrived in the North County late in June of 1961 to serve as minister of Potsdam's Southern Baptist Church, a congregation of eight persons worshipping in an old school house on the Potsdam-Hopkinton road. During his five years, the Rev. Bell has drawn 169 people to membership in the Emmanuel Baptist Church, 21 of whom have been lettered out to other churches. A modern church and new parsonage, part of a master plan which will eventually accommodate 500 persons in its educational facility and 500 in the auditorium have taken the place of the converted schoolhouse.

Back in 1962 the Rev. Bell emphasized a need for Sunday

### Museum hosts Photo-Identity Open House

A "Photo-Identification Open House" will be held at the Potsdam Museum, corner Park and Elm Streets, this afternoon from 1 to 5 p.m.

Long-time residents of Potsdam and all others interested are cordially invited to attend. The current special exhibit "Pictures of the Past" includes many unidentified photographs and it is hoped that those attending the affair this afternoon will be able to recognize some of the people in the pictures.

Punch will be served by Miss Linda Beeler and Miss Deborah Fadden, who will be modeling.

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## Junior-Senior Lifesavers finish Red Cross Course at Postwood

News from Postwood Park lists 17 area young people as new American Red Cross Lifesavers having successfully completed the Lifesaving Course ending July 29 at the local park.

Junior Lifesavers include: Mary Casey, Pine Street; Mary Gilson, RFD #1; Patty Hayes, Honeoye Falls; Mary Hennessey, 128 Main Street; Doreen Mady RFD #1; Sue McKee, 24 Pierrepont Ave.; Cindy Perault, 3 Madrid St.; Mark Snyder, Hannawa Falls; Laura Weeks RFD #1; and

School facilities, listing accommodations for 500 as a prime necessity in establishing his church, in his five years, the church's vacation Bible schools as well as regular Sunday school sessions have become one of the most active in the area.

Building congregations and new churches have not consumed all the minister's time: during off-hours this vibrant man has served as brotherhood president and chairman of Evangelism for central New York State as well as welfare secretary of the Salvation Army Committee of the Potsdam area. And still there were hours to fill as a member of the State Mission Board of the Maryland Convention of Baptists, an area including nine states in the northeast.

Born June 11, 1923 in Newport, N.C., Rev. Bell completed high school just in time for World War II. Serving with the 11th Airborne Division, he returned to civilian life and in 1945 married Lena Leonard from a neighboring town, Lewisburg. The couple have three children: Harry, 1966 graduate of Potsdam Central; Norman, 17; and Patricia, 12.

At the age of 30 he converted and a year later first felt a call to the ministry. Graduating from the Fruitland Bible Institute in 1957, he continued his studies at North Greenfield and during his "student years" had full charge of several churches.

His arrival in Potsdam in 1961 heralded, "the first time he would just preach."

"Just preaching" paid off for the little congregation growing from a Baptist mission originally located in Massena to the first congregation in Potsdam. The Massena location was founded in New York state in 1954, a year of decision for Rev. Bell; the year he decided upon the ministry.

Upon leaving Potsdam, the minister will serve full-time

(which for this enthusiastic man must be time-and-a-half at least) at the First Christian Church of Brushton, affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention as a Mission of the Emmanuel Baptist Church here. For 15 months, the Rev. Bell has been serving as minister there in addition to his Potsdam duties.

A part-time church for some time, this vital messenger plans to lead them in establishing a full time program. Commenting once in 1962 that there are not nearly as many churches in the north as in his native Dixie, Rev. Bell, with his definite gifts of leadership, has indicated in his five years here, that he may well be the man to bring that ratio closer.

In taking leave of Potsdam, the Baptist messenger expresses his gratitude to God and the village for the reception given him here and for the splendid cooperation and help of village officials in accomplishing his work.

## John W. Graham, Jr. New CCT President

The trustees of Clarkson College of Technology have announced the selection of John W. Graham Jr., dean of the University of Rochester's College of Engineering and Applied Science, as the 11th president of Clarkson.

Mundy I. Peale of New York, chairman of Clarkson's board of trustees, said the appointment was effective immediately, adding that Graham expects to complete the transition from his present post in October.

Graham succeeds William L. Whitson, who resigned the Clarkson presidency early this year effective at the close of the spring semester.

Clarkson, which expects its total enrollment to approach 2,400 this fall, is engaged in a long-range growth-development

## Fingertips on Nation

People in the Potsdam area now have the nation at their fingertips.

More than 50 telephone men worked throughout Saturday night and early Sunday to bring direct distance dialing to 16,000 New York Telephone customers in Potsdam, Massena, Canton, Norwood, Madrid, Waddington and Norfolk.

John J. Hayes, New York Telephone manager, said the new service began at 3:01 a. m. last Sunday (8/7) on schedule.

It makes it possible to dial a call in seconds to any one of 90 million phones in the United States and Canada.

Hayes offered a helpful hint to callers who are just becoming familiar with the service. "The introductory pages of the new telephone directory are the best place to look for the information that will help people receive the fastest, most convenient service."

program aimed at further strengthening its undergraduate and graduate degree programs. The college offers programs in engineering, the sciences, business administration and the humanities and social sciences.

Peale said that Graham's selection followed a six-month search by Clarkson's board for a president "who would continue to build the academic programs, the research activity and the reputation" of the college.

"We are convinced," he added, "that Dr. Graham abundantly meets the qualifications established for the position, and feel certain that he will provide the dynamic leadership so necessary to the college in an era that challenges the very foundations of higher education."

Peale said that, at Clarkson, Graham will "help guide a growth situation in research activity ideally suited to his background." Clarkson's Division of Research has more than tripled the volume and worth of its activity in the last three years, while its Graduate School has grown from 97 in 1964 to an anticipated enroll-

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## Potsdam Postscript

Front Page Dateline  
The Village Board will convene Monday, Aug. 15 at 7:30 in the Civic Center Board Room.

Of Local Interest  
Electric service will be interrupted Tuesday, Aug. 16 for two hours beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the Hamlet of Pyrites. Other areas effected will be the Russell-Pyrites Road and the Pink School House Road. In case of inclement weather, service will be interrupted Wednesday, Aug. 17.

The area served from the Brick Chapel substation will be interrupted for two hours starting at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 18. Included in his section are Crary Mills, Langdon Corners, Waterman Hill Road, O'Brien, Brewer, Brown, Griffin, Potter, Post, Canton-Pierrepont (Route 68), Butternut Ridge, Howardville Roads; Russell Turnpike, Wilson, Clare, Selleck, Russell-Canon, Danes Corners, Boyden, Meade, Farnes, Irish Settlement and parts of Hadley, Ames, and South Canton Roads.

In case of inclement weather, the interruption will be on Friday, Aug. 19 at the same hours.

Mrs. Blanche Kanrich, faculty member at Potsdam Junior High School, has received a letter of commendation from the Audio Visual Center at Hunter College for her work done in Program Learning Technique. Tape recordings, taken in her classes and her evaluation of Program Learning, also taped, were heard by some 400 people during a National Conference sponsored by the Division of Audio-Visual Instructional Service of the National Education Association in Chicago, Ill.

George (Bud) Phillips spoke at Rotary yesterday on the present status of the Potsdam Airport.

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