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1000 TO GRADUATE MONDAY AT PENN STATE COLLEGE

The largest graduating class ever to leave Penn State will receive diplomas at the annual commencement exercises next Monday. More than 1000 students are eligible to receive degrees, according to Wm. S. Hoffman, registrar, if they pass their final examinations.

While it is possible that not all of these persons will be graduated, the number to receive degrees at the commencement will far exceed last year's total of \$62.

Ninety of the students will receive advanced degrees. The remainder will be candidates for baccalaureate degrees.

Four years ago the present graduating class numbered 1523, the records show. Mr. Hoffman believes the graduating percentage is exceptionally high for any college or university.

The commencement week-end activities at Penn State begin Friday, June 3, with the election of trustees by delegates of engineering and agricultural societies, a presentation of "As Husbands Go" by the Penn State Players, student dramatics organization and fraternity dances.

Saturday, June 4, will be Alumni Day, given over to class reunions, the election of trustees by alumni of the College, an alumni luncheon, and the laying of cornerstones for Frances Atherton Hall, new women's dormitory, and the new women's activities building. The class of 1903 will dedicate an organ as their gift to the College. After class reunion dinners, the Penn State Thespians will present "Hey Rubel" and the evening will close with fraternity dances.

Dr. Daniel A. Polling of the Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, will deliver the baccalaureate address Sunday, June 5. In the evening class day exercises will be held and a concert will be given by the Blue Band.

Dr. Ralph D. Hetzel, president of the College, will award degrees to seniors and candidates for advanced honors at the commencement exercises, Monday, June 6.

ROOSEVELT'S POPULARITY CLOSE TO THAT OF 1936

President Roosevelt's popularity has diminished only slightly since 1936, and "the chances that any important number of Mr. Roosevelt's men will be defeated in the primaries this year are very thin," Fortune magazine said this week as the result of preliminary figures from its quarterly survey for July. The forecast is offered in the issue of the magazine published a few days ago.

Furthermore, says Fortune in an editorial in the same issue, the shift of American sentiment that brought about and is continuing the President's popularity is "an inevitable response to the basic fact that in operating the capitalist economy, American business has consistently misappropriated the principles of democracy."

Fortune's survey used the same sampling method that enabled it in 1936 to forecast the Roosevelt majority with an error of less than one per cent.

"An almost complete tabulation of returns for the July Fortune Quarterly Survey indicates that 54.7 per cent of the population approve Mr. Roosevelt, while 34.4 per cent disapprove and 10.9 'don't know.'"

"The survey even indicates a possible majority disapproval of the phenomenon of a rebellious Congress; 47.2 per cent think that Congress should work more closely with the President than it has been doing, while 40.6 per cent prefer it to show an independent spirit and 12.2 per cent 'don't know.'"

The Democrats will maintain their lines in the South and do no worse than break even in the North and West, Fortune forecasts. But it adds that the President cannot follow the dictates of those who would like him to purge the party of reactionaries because the liberals still need the aid of the old-line Southerners.

SCHEDULE OF GAMES FOR CHURCH SOFT BALL LEAGUE

Centre Hall's church soft ball league got under way Wednesday of this week when the first game was played between the Lutheran and Methodist-Presbyterian teams.

All games will be played on the high school grounds. Winners of each half will play a three-game series for the pennant.

The first-half schedule follows:

Friday, June 3—Reformed vs. Evangelical.

Tuesday, June 7—Reformed vs. Lutheran.

Friday, June 10—Evangelical vs. Methodist-Presby.

Tuesday, June 14—Methodist-Presby. vs. Reformed.

Friday, June 17—Lutheran vs. Evangelical.

Tuesday, June 21—Reformed vs. Evangelical.

Friday, June 24—Methodist-Presby. vs. Lutheran.

Tuesday, June 28—Evangelical vs. Methodist-Presby.

Friday, July 1—Lutheran vs. Reformed.

Tuesday, July 5—Lutheran vs. Evangelical.

Friday, July 8—Reformed vs. Methodist-Presby.

In Pennsylvania there are 165 voluntary hospitals receiving State aid, and for them May 31 meant auditing of accounts. Last year they treated 711,711 men, women and children.

BOTTLED GAS EXPLODES; THREE LIVES LOST; HOME WRECKED IN McCLURE

Added to the destruction caused by a wind storm about McClure beginning of last week, an explosion of bottled gas on Saturday snuffed out the lives of three—Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Weader, and son Glenn, 24. The deaths occurred within a few hours of each other in the Lewistown hospital.

The gas pipes in one of McClure's most elaborate homes sprung a leak, and in an effort to close it the pipe either broke or became disconnected filling the cellar with gas which was ignited from the furnace fire. The three named were in the cellar at the time of the explosion and their fate has been noted.

The front of the home was blown out, the sun porch totally wrecked, and much damage done to other sections of the home.

The scene of disaster was close to the former home of Prof. J. F. Wetzel, who with Mrs. Wetzel and daughter Clara Lou, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spiker and daughter Ruth, had motored to Snyder county to view the havoc of a wind storm. They were awe stricken on seeing the demolished Weader home and dumbfounded on learning of the fate of three of the four members of the family.

VISITORS' DAY, JUNE 9. TRESSLER ORPHANS' HOME

Combined with visitors' day will be the dedication of the Zimmerman-Bingaman Memorial Building at Tressler Orphans' Home, Loysville, on Thursday, June 9. The principal speaker will be Dr. Ross H. Stover, of Philadelphia, with Dr. Ira Samsam of Williamsport conducting the dedication ceremonies.

Dinner at 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for children under ten years of age will be served from 11:30 to 1:00 o'clock.

The children of the school will render a program of vocal and instrumental music, operetta, "Over the Garden Wall," etc.

LAUREL STATE FLOWER FESTIVALS, IN JUNE

At least three major laurel festivals are already scheduled, in Wellsboro, Tioga county; Cook State Forest, in the Clarion, Forest and Jefferson areas; and in the Poconos of Monroe county, announces chairman Roy E. Brownmiller of the State Publicity Commission.

The dates are June 4-6; June 23-25, and June 5-29, in the order named above.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR FARMER CLARENCE MILLER

The forty-third birthday of farmer Clarence Miller, tenant on the Geiss Wagner farm south of town, was celebrated by a group of about twenty neighbors on Friday evening, and on Sunday a dinner was served to these near relatives: M. N. Miller, father of Mr. Miller; Geiss Wagner, father of Mrs. Miller; Mrs. Tressie McClellan, Mrs. Mary Flink, Harvey Flink, and Vinton McClellan.

EAST CENTRE COUNTY BAND SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 5—Memorial services, Methodist church.

Sunday, June 6—Memorial services, Livonia at 1:30; Madisonburg at 3:30. There will be a special program at Livonia and a speaker in addition to the regular services. At Madisonburg the Eagles will have a special program.

Saturday, June 11—Festival by the Woodward Cemetery Association.

FOUR CALIFORNIANS ENTER AUTO RACES AT ALTOONA

Four Californians, each boasting impressive records on Pacific Coast Tracks, will carry the hopes of the far West in the Altoona Speedway's 100-mile championship classic June 11.

Topped by Johnny McDowell, darling Alameda, Calif., driver who finished fourth in national Central States Racing Assoc. rankings in 1937, the brilliant quartet includes Duke Dinsmore, San Diego; Dick (Spider) Webb, Bell and Bayless Leveritt, San Francisco.

McDowell was the only driver to defeat Everett Saylor, defending national titleholder from Dayton, O., three times during the 1937 campaign. Saylor already has entered the June 11 event.

Although he did not participate in many C. S. R. A. events last year, Dinsmore performed so successfully that the end of the season saw him holding down tenth place in national standings. Leveritt won the Pacific coast circuit championship in 1935, and was one of the leading drivers on the Central States circuit in 1936 and '37. Webb is driving the car which the famous Mauri Rose captured second place in the Indianapolis Memorial Day event last year.

The latest entries received at the Speedway Office included those of Larry Beckett, Erie; Bub Walker Long, of Island, N. Y.; Charlie Callahan, of LeGrange, Ind. and Jimmie Williams, Indianapolis.

The twenty-three drivers who turn in the fastest time during the three-day qualifying program starting June 8 will be eligible to participate in the June 11 100-mile event over the newly banked mile and an eighth oval.

Pennsylvania State College has a full time student enrollment of 5,904, and in addition there are 15,802 extension and part time students.

1938 GRADUATING CLASS, CENTRE HALL-POTTER HIGH SCHOOL



Front Row: Mr. J. F. Wetzel, prin.; John Kirkpatrick, Jean Slack, Miriam Fetterolf, Helen Haskell. Second Row: Lois Rees, Mr. D. L. Graybill, Miss Marjorie Fisher, Mrs. R. S. Jamison, Mrs. R. T. Parsons, Mr. J. A. Myers, John Dusham. Third Row: Dean Runkle, Agnes Neff Floyd Dasher, Mildred Homan, George Emerick, Freda Weaver. Back Row: Donald Foust, Geraldine Dutrow, Ralph Arney, Robert Gerhart, Robert Frazier, Mildred Meyer, Robert Blazer.

The 1938 Centre Hall-Potter high school commencement history. The program was carried out in every detail. A complete report of the event will appear in the next issue of the Reporter.

The evening's program was as follows:

- Invocation Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick
- Welcome Mildred I. Homan
- Happy Days (*Adam Geibel*) Glee Club
- Class Oration—Influences upon the Developing Mind Helen M. Haskell
- A Barcarolle (*Richard Kiserling*) Glee Club
- Interpreting New Signs Dr. C. S. Anderson, Professor of Rural Education, State College, Pa.
- Springtime Fantasy (*R. M. Stultz*) Glee Club
- Farewell M. Jean Slack
- Presentation of Diplomas F. G. Rogers, Co. Supt. of Schools
- Benediction Rev. W. K. Hosterman

"CREATIVE LIVING" TITLE OF BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE

The baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of Centre Hall-Potter high school was delivered in the Lutheran church on Sunday evening.

The marshals, Russell Reish and Martha McClellan, selected from the junior class, preceded the processional and recessional. Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick read the Scripture lessons and offered prayer. Rev. Delas R. Keener had charge of the invocation and benediction.

The musical numbers consisted of hymns, an anthem and a vocal solo, the latter by Arthur Thoman.

"Creative Living" was the title of the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. W. K. Hosterman of the Evangelical church. He opened the discourse by saying it was "addressed to the Centre Hall-Potter high school class of 1938. You will be going out to live life in a less sheltered way than has perhaps been your privilege up until now. A problem with which each of you should be concerned is, 'How can I live my life creatively?'"

"Paul said to young Timothy in 1 Timothy 1:13, using Moffatt's translation: 'Model yourself on the sound instruction.' Paul's plea is dynamic and not static; it is in the active voice, and not the passive.' He is urging the creative task of taking truth and actively modeling life upon it, personality, not the parrot-like repetition of what one has received. This implies that education must be an on-going process, that to live creatively one must keep growing.

The experiences graduates have in making the most of life's opportunities can be roughly divided into four classes. The first group soon loses all trace of having made a real beginning at education. The second group starts out with enthusiasm, laying plans to continue their growth, and to keep in touch with the affairs of life, are active for a while in church work and community betterment, but do not continue these habits. The third group becomes immersed in affairs and obligations until they become all 'jammed up,' where they are not able to take on another thing. The fourth group is obsessed with the idea of being something. Middle life finds them grown men and women in the real sense, interested in the world, knowing its problems, interested in people as well as ideas—real factors in the betterment of life about them and open to the best life has to give.

"Two things are necessary if we are to live our lives creatively: 1. A first need for creative living is a vision of possible service, the stirring of the mind by a desire to make life count in the world's betterment. A character in John Galsworthy's great novel 'The Forsyte Saga' says at the end, 'I have lived through everything but life.' He had the furniture and upholstery of life. He had missed its real point—the growth of a soul in service to others. It is only in expenditure for the welfare of others that one finds fulfillment. A practicing physician with a large experience, Dr. W. Bern Wolf, says, 'The most suc-

cessful survivors of the middle years (when so often the zest and joy of life disappear) are those who take over John Wesley's old motto, 'The World Is My Parish.'"

"There is a danger that we make our life a frantic accumulation of things. But there are other accumulations necessary if life is to be creative. In our list of accumulations must be included noble purposes, definite obligations, high ideals and sustaining enthusiasms.

"It is a second need for creative living is discipline and training. What do you intend to do to be effective helpers in your church and in the community? Will you be men and women of good will or of good will, willing to put in study and practice so that you may bring some worth and skill to the service you render?"

"Life can be likened to a market place. Each young person comes with his life in exchange for fortune, pleasure, fame and service. We can see a young man stopping before each and finally choosing to exchange his life for selfless service. As he stands there, considering how he shall spend his life, a hand is laid on his shoulder. It is a strong calloused hand, the hand of a workman. A scar on his hand indicates he is the Master Builder of life. There is a voice of infinite understanding and earnestness which says, 'Come along with me and live out something beautiful that lies close to the heart of my Father. You are in this world to live for the best. Live and help live. 'He that saveth his life shall lose it.'"

Flower Contributors

Local children who brought flowers for decorating the graves of the soldier dead on Memorial Day were: Martha Lingle, Janet Belle Leister, Betty Searson, Dale Confer, Barbara Potter, Eleanor Potter, Taylor Potter, William Potter, Joan Slack, Anna Whitman, Cherry Corman, Grace Corman, Jean Bartholomew, Jean Bloom, Charles Bloom, Teddy White, Eleanor Booser, Dorothy Booser, Robert McClennahan, Nancy Brooks, Gloria Brooks, Drew Fetterolf, Shirley Slack.

Samuel Flinchbaugh and Russell Gemmill, business men at Red Lion, were on a fishing expedition in Centre county trout streams for a few days beginning of this week. They were guests of Harry W. Harper, Albert L. Emery and George L. Goodhart who are also experienced in landing game fish. The Red Lion gentlemen became acquainted with this region and its sportsmen when hunting for deer.

The Potter township school board is considering applicants to fill the vacancy in the teaching force through the voluntary resignation of Miss Dorothy Brown, who, it is understood, will discontinue the teaching profession. She is a graduate of Lock Haven Teachers' College and taught successfully in Potter township for six or more school terms.

\$78,312 FEDERAL FUNDS ALLOTTED FOR CENTRE CO.

Congressman Don Gingery has been notified that the President has approved an allotment of Federal funds in the sum of \$78,312 to construct an athletic field, baseball field and tennis court in the borough of State College. This is in addition to projects specifically approved and is being sponsored by the State College school district.

At the same time Congressman Gingery announced that the President had approved an allotment of Federal funds in the sum of \$26,326 to improve roads throughout Clearfield county, and an allotment of Federal funds in the sum of \$40,137 for the improvement of State-owned roads throughout Blair county. This is not a part of the Federal Aid Highway System, and is being sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Highways.

JOHN BAILEY WINS ONE, LOSES ONE DAMAGE SUIT

After deliberating for eight hours, a jury awarded \$2,950.87 to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Wenzke in the first round of the damage suit that opened Tuesday of last week in the civil session of court at Bellefonte. As complainants the couple was awarded the damages from Miriam B. Beck, Nitany, and John Bailey, Pine Grove Mills, who appeared as joint defendants in the case.

A second jury on Thursday morning began to hear testimony in a second suit in which Miss Beck is claiming damages from Bailey. Both were drivers of the cars involved in the accident last summer which brought on the damage suits.

Returning its verdict at 6 p. m. on Thursday the jury ordered \$1,375.87 paid to Mr. Wenzke for hospitalization and \$675 paid to Mrs. Wenzke for time lost from her work during her recuperation from injuries.

John Bailey was discharged on Friday in a second half of a suit on trial since Tuesday previous in which he was being sued by Miss Miriam Beck for damages she claimed to have received in a motor accident near Hibernsburg last summer. Miss Beck and Bailey were ordered the day before to pay approximately \$2,000 to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Wenzke, of Columbus, Ohio, for injuries received at the time by Mrs. Wenzke, as is noted above.

FRAZIER-WEAVER.

A quiet, but beautiful and impressive wedding took place in St. Peter's Lutheran church Rebersburg, on Saturday, May 21, when Miss Frances Arlene Weaver became the bride of Rev. Charles C. Frazier, of Bellewood.

Due to the very serious illness of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. J. Weaver, who is confined in a Lewistown hospital, only the very immediate families of the bride and groom were present for the ceremony. The marriage was solemnized by the bride's father, Rev. J. J. Weaver, pastor of the Rebersburg Lutheran church.

Miss Weaver is a graduate of the John Harris high school of Harrisburg, and while living in that city specialized in music at the Dunmore School of Music. She also attended the Altoona School of Commerce and until recently was employed at the Pennsylvania State Highway office at Bellefonte.

Rev. Frazier is a graduate of the Bellewood high school, Gettysburg College and Gettysburg Seminary, class of 1933, where he received the honorary degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

The young couple will begin house-keeping in the Lutheran parsonage at St. Clairsville, Pa. where Rev. Frazier has been elected resident pastor.

Schedules for Pennsylvania fairs are appearing in the newspapers. The Grange Fair and Encampment at Centre Hall opens Thursday, August 25, and closes Friday, Sept. 2nd.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

George O. Benner is driving a new Nash sedan.

Miss Anna Stover, R. N., employed in the World War Veterans Hospital in Aspinwall, was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McClellan.

Visitors over the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Wert in town were their son, M. Rossman Wert, and Mrs. Wert of Philadelphia.

Mrs. C. W. Geary spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Anna Rossman, at Tusseyville, returning to her home in Altoona with her husband on Monday.

A daughter was born to Merchant and Mrs. Howard Emery, in Centre Hall, Wednesday night of last week. This is the second daughter born to the couple.

At the close of the present high school commencement season in Pennsylvania a total of 85,000 young people will have graduated, 10,000 more than in 1937.

Warren Hosterman of Coburn is one of ten from Centre county to graduate from Lock Haven State Teachers' College. The class comprised 111 young people.

The First Lutheran church at Philipsburg has subscribed a total of \$1,905.50 in the 20th Anniversary Appeal of the United Lutheran Church in America. Wilbur E. Burkholder is finance chairman of the congregation.

Calvin Lingle is the representative to the Grand Lodge of Penna. I. O. O. F. from the Spring Mills lodge. The Grand Lodge sessions will meet in Bedford on June 12 to 16. The Rebekah lodge will meet at the same time and place.

A purebred Guernsey bull, "Hot-Teddy," No. 257446 of a Stockwell Farms, was recently sold by Earl G. Winney of Middleburg, to J. David Hosterman, of Spring Mills, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club's bulletin of transfers.

A committee from Pleasant Gap comprised of John Tressler, Roy H. Adams, A. C. Simpson, Thomas S. Foss and Nevin Adkins motored to Pittsburgh to look over modern fire fighting apparatus such as would be suitable for protection against fire losses in Pleasant Gap.

Miss Margaret Heckman, a daughter of Prof. and Mrs. W. O. Heckman, of Ashbury Park, N. J., visited with her grandmother, Mrs. A. F. Heckman, in Centre Hall, and other relatives in the valley. She was accompanied on her way home as far as Philadelphia by Miss Anne Wert, who spent a few days with her brother, Rossman Wert, and Mrs. Wert.

Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Jones and daughter, Miss Gladys, and granddaughter, on Thursday came to Centre Hall on a visit to Mrs. A. F. Heckman and daughter, Miss Sarah Heckman. Rev. Jones has purchased a home in Landisburg with a view of retiring in the near future, probably next year, from the ministry after a long service in the clergy.

Judge Ivan Walker addressed about forty justices of the peace, constables and county officers at a dinner at the Penn Belle Hotel, Bellefonte sponsored by the Centre County Association of Justices of the Peace, of which J. Randall Miller of Millheim is the president. Other speakers were District Attorney Musser, Gettig and Geo. Gibbons of Troop I. A number of constables accepted the invitation to become members of the organization.

Forty-eight young men from the local Reformed church held their second annual ham and egg supper on Thursday evening at the Bradford hunting camp. It was an entirely informal affair, with not a speech. The only business transacted was the organization of a mushball team. The gathering is referred to as having been highly successful from a social point of view and may be referred to with much pleasure by the participants.

R. H. Peacock, representing the general land and tax agents office of the Erie Railroad company, Cleveland, Ohio, was in Centre Hall over the week-end in the interest of the Peacock farms at Centre Hall and Penn Hall. He brought with him "Betsey," a turkey hen purchased last fall for a Christmas party dinner, which gained the affections of Mrs. Peacock and consequently its carcass was not garnished for the holiday feast, but was placed as a breeder with Roland Zettle in care.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church at Axemann was entertained at the home of Samuel Gingenrich, in Centre Hall, Thursday night of last week. Mr. Gingenrich's sister, Mrs. Catherine Sommers, is a member of the organization. Other present were: Rev. and Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Maude Grove, Mrs. Clarence Grove, of Pleasant Gap; Mrs. Mary Andrews, Mrs. Carrie Corman, Miss Betty Corman, Mrs. Minerva Gehret, Mrs. Ella Gfrerer, Mrs. Madge Justice, Mrs. D. P. Ray, Mrs. Blanche Rice, Mrs. Lena Rote, Mrs. Beatrice Sampsel, Mrs. Anna Shuey, Mrs. Grace Shuey, Mrs. Mary Steele, Miss Mabel Woerner, Mrs. Beulah Lucas, Mrs. Geraldine McClintock, S. E. Rote, of Axemann; Mrs. Grace Cori, Bellefonte, R. D.; Boyd Cori, Bellefonte, R. D.; Louise Rishel, Lemont; Mrs. Domes Smeitzer, Woodrow Getzel, Centre Hall.