

Beacon Dedicates Final Issue To Seniors

THE PATERSON STATE BEACON

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DAY EXERCISES

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Seniors Present Well Program

Final Senior Class Day will be presented at 8:15 on June 13. The program, however, may be subject to change.

The processional and Charles Lyons, president, will greet the assembly body. He will wear the cap and gown of a senior president, and a "A Hillbilly Play" written by James will follow.

Members of 1940 will present the Miss 1940 as an introduction to the reading of history, prophecy and musical interlude will be given for the skit to follow. New Deal Restaurant will com-

program. The program will also be presented by competitive teams. The debating team will first place in the teachers colleges' competition. The cup has been won from Trenton, last year, and will be presented to the class day assembly. A member of the varsity will receive a silver trophy. The members of the Paul Schneider, Beaky, Andrew Pedata, Bosco, Wallace Reid, Aaron Rubin.

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will be received by members of the baseball team have competed for the cup are: Ben Schuit, Anna, Bill Langstaff, Spinoza, manager. Other members of the get awards are: Block, Archie Hay, Morris Pressman, Hey, Don Hall, Hy Charles Fisherman.

will be presented to the of the tennis team: Harding, Steven Murner, Bernard Siegel. The man Class will be the winning cup of the debating competition. The member of the the silver medals, composed of Evelyn Mas Mighorino, and

ment-elect of the expresses appreciation to the Juniors for their help in the past election. The hope of the election to create a feeling of unity in

New Editor



RALPH SMITH

Staff Elects Smith, Editor

Ralph Smith, junior, has been elected editor-in-chief of the BEACON for the year '40-'41 by the staff. Ralph has been on the BEACON staff for two years and has been one of the associate editors for the past year.

Asked if he had formulated any policies concerning the paper Ralph said that he intends to elect an editorial board to determine the editorial policy of the paper. The members of the editorial board will assume responsibility of the various functions of the paper such as news, features and sports.

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Sophomore Class Receive Awards

Next Thursday the Sophomore Class bids a formal adieu to State. After two years of hard work they will receive their two-year achievement certificates, and go forth into the troubled world on their own.

The exercises will be held on the front steps of the school, weather permitting. The president of the Sophomore Class, Bernard Siegel, will be in charge of the program, assisted by Miss Jackson, Dean of Women.

The program follows:

- 1-Processional — "Coronation March" by Meyerbeer
- 2-Salutation — Bernard Siegel, President of Sophomore Class
- 3-Address—Eugene Ferraro
- 4-Hymn, "O Worship the King"
- 5-Music by Class of '40—"Beautiful Dreamer." by Foster.
- 6-Presentation of General College Certificates by Dr. C. S. Wightman
- 7-Song—"America the Beautiful" by Ward
- 8-Recessional—Military March in D by Schubert.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK CALENDAR

Sunday, June 9—Baccalaureate, St. Paul's Church, 8:00 P. M.

Tuesday, June 11—Special assembly, 2:30-3:00 P. M. Important announcements.

Wednesday, June 12—Shaffer Play Day, 9:00 A. M. start from college.

Thursday, June 13—Achievement Day, College auditorium, 10 A. M.

Class Day, College auditorium, 2:30 P. M.

Commencement rehearsal, College auditorium, 4 P. M.

Friday, June 14—Commencement, College auditorium, 8:15 P. M.

Students Go On Outing Today

Shaffer Play Day will begin promptly at 9:00 A. M. on Wednesday, June 10, when the buses filled with students will leave for Rye Beach. Two baseball games are scheduled for student participation, in addition to swimming and the numerous amusement facilities available on the grounds.

Due to the lack of funds, each student will be charged 25c for the picnic. This will be collected in the bus. This money will include free swimming for all those who want it and free transportation for all. If there is any change in reservations, Miss Jackson must approve of it immediately.

As far as can be estimated, the buses will arrive at Rye Beach at 10:30. Promptly at 12 o'clock the first championship baseball game will be held, while the second will follow at 1 o'clock. From 2 to 5 P. M. there will be free swimming. Because of lack of funds, there will be no dancing, but the many amusements and free acts will assure an evening full of activity for all who stay for the last bus.

Buses will leave the grounds promptly at 6:00, 8:30, and 11:30 P. M. There will be no changes in the time set for each student to leave Rye Beach, without the special permission from Miss Jackson.

Special reduction tickets will be available for all students at the reduction ticket box located in the picnic shelter at the picnic grove. This is the only place where they can be obtained. For eighty cents students can get \$1.00 worth of stubs good for all amusements and for several food stands.

Blankets handed out by the Social Committee on which each student was to check the time he wanted to leave showed that the majority of students are coming home on the latest bus.

In case of inclement weather the picnic will be held on Thursday, June 13. Further information and material will be given out on the day of the picnic.

President-Elect



WILLIAM RISSE

Juniors Elect Class Officers

William Risser, editor of The Beacon, was elected president of the Senior Class for the year 1940-1941. Jean McAlevy, who had also been nominated for president, was elected vice-president. Frances Van Kirk and Margaret Isch were in the race for secretary, with Frances Van Kirk the winner. For treasurer, Wendell Williams and Margaret Isch were nominated, with Wendell Williams as the successful candidate.

Louis Sirota, president of the Junior class, presided. Thus the Juniors have paved the way for a successful and interesting year.

States Trounces New Paltz, 12-2

Pioneers Close Season Successfully With 500 Average

Paterson State won the season's final game of the 1940 season by defeating New Paltz by the top heavy score of 12-2. This victory avenged Paterson's previous defeat at the hands of New Paltz and gave the Pioneers a 500 average for the season.

This victory was the fourth of the season for Dan Jankunas against two defeats. Jankunas is State's leading pitcher this year.

Paterson scored one run in the first inning, and three in the second to take the lead which they never gave up to New Paltz. Pressman's triple and a doubles series by Sirota and Fisherman were the only extra base hits for Paterson. New Paltz had the same number of extra bases with a double and a triple by Russo, and a two-bagger by Demaree.

The victory closed the most successful baseball season that Paterson has enjoyed in its history. The Pioneers swept the series with Montclair, and broke even in games against every other opponent except Trenton, who took State's measure for two in a row.

Sixty-five Get B. S. Degrees

Bachelor of Science degrees will be awarded to graduates of Paterson State Teachers College on the evening of June 14, in the college auditorium as the main feature of the commencement service. Sixty-five students have earned these degrees this year, forty-five from the senior class and twenty active teachers in service.

The processional is scheduled to begin at 8:15 when the garland bearers, followed by the faculty, and then by the graduates will proceed down the aisle. The garland bearers are undergraduate girls dressed in white. One column marches down on each side of the aisle carrying a laurel chain which they raise above their heads when in position. The faculty dressed in caps and gowns then march down between the garland bearers. Following the faculty come the graduates also dressed in caps and gowns. The march chosen for the processional is the "Coronation March" by Meyerbeer.

Following the Processional, Reverend H. W. Rosengrant will deliver the invocation. The Class of 1940 will respond to the invocation. Charles Lyons, president of the class, will then welcome those present. "Morning" by Speaks, and "The Builder" by Cadman are the musical selections chosen for the class to sing.

Dr. Albert Lindsay Rowland, President of State Teachers College, Shippensburg, Pa. will deliver the main address of the evening. The subject of his talk will be "The Teacher and Democracy." Following this Dr. Charles H. Elliott, commissioner of Education in New Jersey, will award the diplomas and confer the degrees.

Rabbi Kaufman will pronounce the Benediction, followed by the Amen Response by the Class of 1940. The march for the recessional is "Military March in D" by Schubert.

The music is under the direction of Mr. Earl Weidner, while the processional and recessional are under the direction of Miss Hopper. Margaret Lemieux, winner of State's talent concert, and Ruth Hanna, operetta accompanist will serve as pianists.

Admission to the exercises is by invitation only, due to the small seating capacity of the auditorium.

ART CLUB OFFICERS

The newly elected officers of the Art Club are:

Grace Del Vecchio, president; Dolores Meulener, vice-president; Frank Almhroth, secretary; and Hazel Baierl, treasurer.

The Art Club will end this term by having a supper party at Miss Tiffany's home, Tuesday evening, June 11, 1940.

The Art Club wishes to thank the faculty and students for the help in assembling the Art Club exhibits.

The Paterson State Beacon



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AS ANOTHER YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE

Here it is the second week in June already which means another year at college is drawing to a close. To some this simply marks an intermission from studies that will be resumed in the fall. To others it means the time has come when their life's work will begin. To still others it marks a period for diversion to leisurely things with new positions to hold and new problems to face in anticipation of returning to college.

We dedicate this issue to the graduating senior class and hope that in years to come it may recall for them many happy days spent at Paterson State. The BEACON, speaking for everyone at college, would like to extend congratulations and best wishes for success in years to come, to every graduate. May you travel far in your chosen path, bringing honor to yourselves and your alma mater. Permit us to counsel you with an old saying: If a thing is worth doing at all, it is worth doing right. Follow this principle, apply it to your daily tasks, and your cup will always be filled with the joys of life that come from work well done.

Thursday morning another group will say adieu to Paterson State. We regret that they are not staying longer because we would like to have become better friends. We want those of you who are leaving after two years of work at State to feel that Paterson State is your alma mater. Many of you will go on with your education elsewhere. Whatever path you have chosen to follow, the BEACON wishes you bon voyage to your selected goal.

TO MEMBERS OF THE BEACON STAFF

The editor in announcing his retirement from that post, extends sincere and deepfelt thanks to the present staff for its ardent support in making our paper what it is today. Without your help it could never have been accomplished. To Ralph Smith, the editor-elect, may we extend our congratulations and the assurance that he has our full cooperation and support.

We would like to express our appreciation to the faculty, the library and the office staff for the willing cooperation they have extended to the BEACON. To the Administration for its sympathetic understanding and encouragement, we are deeply grateful.

The BEACON staff takes this opportunity to express its appreciation and gratefulness to Miss Trainor for her invaluable assistance and wise counsel during the past year as adviser of the BEACON.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR S. G. A.

A vote of thanks should herein be expressed from the general student body, addressed to the executives of the Student Government Association for the fine work this group has done in directing the affairs of the students, in cooperation with the student representatives in Council. Many of us who are not active participants in student government at college are inclined to take this organization and the work it does rather lightly. In the light of affairs international, and national, it is wise and fitting that we take the privileges of democracy not so genially and exercise them with careful deliberation. Student Government is based on democratic principles and should be respected and held in high regard by students just as we should cherish our liberties as citizens of a democratic state. Acquaint yourselves with your Student Government, what it is and does, and how you, a student can take part in the affairs of the student body.

Beacon Adviser Expresses Views

Throughout the past year it has been my good fortune to be the BEACON adviser. Working with the staff (in the position of an assistant proof-reader technically) has given me the opportunity of knowing the students well. For the work of those steady, reliable staff members who are the mainstay of any good paper, I have nothing but words of praise. Many are the nights they have stayed up until the early morning hours to rewrite articles, write up last minute news, and count out headlines. The makeup of a paper of the calibre of the BEACON is no small job—far from it, as those of you who know what it entails will say. But this work has not been mine—I do not write the articles, nor do I rewrite them; I am very poor at headlines; I could not make up the paper; most of the time I am not with the staff when the paper is made up. What do I do? I am the adviser.

In a lengthy discussion one day in the BEACON office (my desk, that high stool, and a filing cabinet drawer), we reached the climax of the question—what is an adviser? Having recourse to a dictionary we found that to advise is "to offer an opinion to, by way of counsel; give suggestions or advice to concerning a cause or act; counsel; warn." It has been in that capacity that I have endeavored to maintain my relations with the staff (outside of becoming a reporter on a moment's notice to turn in a "Bookmark" or list of new books in the library—what a boon to have lists of new books on tap!)

The adviser is undoubtedly the closest link between the organization he represents and the faculty. He is so close to both that he sees each side of the question equally and impartially, with the added weight of experience. It is in this function of coordinating the two groups that the adviser is of great value. His efforts, I am sure, are always sincere; he has the interests of both students and faculty at heart.

Working with the BEACON staff has been very enjoyable—our differences of opinion have always been peacefully settled; those yawning blank spaces in tomorrow's issue have always been filled in by the time the paper is sent to press; headlines that could not possibly fit in a column have the next day been miraculously shortened—all these difficulties have always been resolved in a satisfactory manner thanks to a capable and enthusiastic staff.

Notice

Will all clubs hand in the lists of their new officers to Miss Trainor immediately.

Locker keys must be returned to the Bookstore at once.

Any incomplete grades for the spring semester will count as failures toward the two-year Achievement Certificates. Term papers, pictures for the records, and library obligations must be completed not later than June 13.

...THE FORUM...

Student Government not Student Self-government.

Without doubt student government is government students and for the students. Situations arise and the Council, representative organ of the students, takes steps or cope with the situation as they see fit. They do not situations, for that would be pupil self-government. The governing body accredits itself as a successful organization. It works smoothly, without much trouble or interference. Trouble or interference is considered antagonistic to the cause being a smooth running, popular administration.

Student Government provides opportunities for originality and cooperation. Student self-government opportunities for unlimited originality, unlimited leadership, questionable cooperation. Student self-government is dangerous. It cannot work. Students can not direct affairs without proper guidance, nor can they successfully their affairs with improper guidance. The selection of the keynote to the status of student government, is the real thing or just a farce.

Student self-government would have no need for enforced guide. Its success would depend wholly upon the action of its members. If student self-government could be very powerful and just.

With our small group of students, our Student Council work smoothly; that is, cooperation should be established. Past councils may rightly boast of a smooth running, but they cannot boast of a strong, powerful administration.

To the new Council, I urge that you assert your interests, that you urge for your represented rights, to cause trouble and confusion and weaken your Council. You suggest and insist when you are right, that you conciliate, and most important that you think for the well as the present.

What is your opinion of student government?

As retiring president it has been my experience really enjoy a large measure of democracy in our S. G. found the administration willing to advance our from government as fast as we developed the foresight fuller measure of freedom wisely.

The greatest fault in the Student Government is the fact that many of the students regard their responsibility the development of that government with apathy. They seem to prefer taking directions to thinking for in matters concerning the policies and procedures of government. I would wish for the future that the Student Association improve not in its spirit of cooperation but that spirit is fine but in its initiative exercise every phase of student government work.

At this time in behalf of the Student Council, I wish to thank each student for his support in the past year that it will carry over to our successors.

—JAMES H.

Every worthwhile enterprise which offers opportunity the development of leadership qualities in an individual be considered an important part of college life. A student organization provides not only for the practical those who are executives, but also in a large number of representatives of every classification. As one really which are characteristic of good leadership, he reads desirable these same traits are in teaching. In a team every effort should be made to develop poise, tact, confidence, and executive abilities.

There are many more reasons for maintaining a Student Government Association, and the one mentioned above. However, such a valuable construction contribution development of leadership seems to justify the present reason as the foremost one for the maintenance of a student governing agency.

—RUTH E.

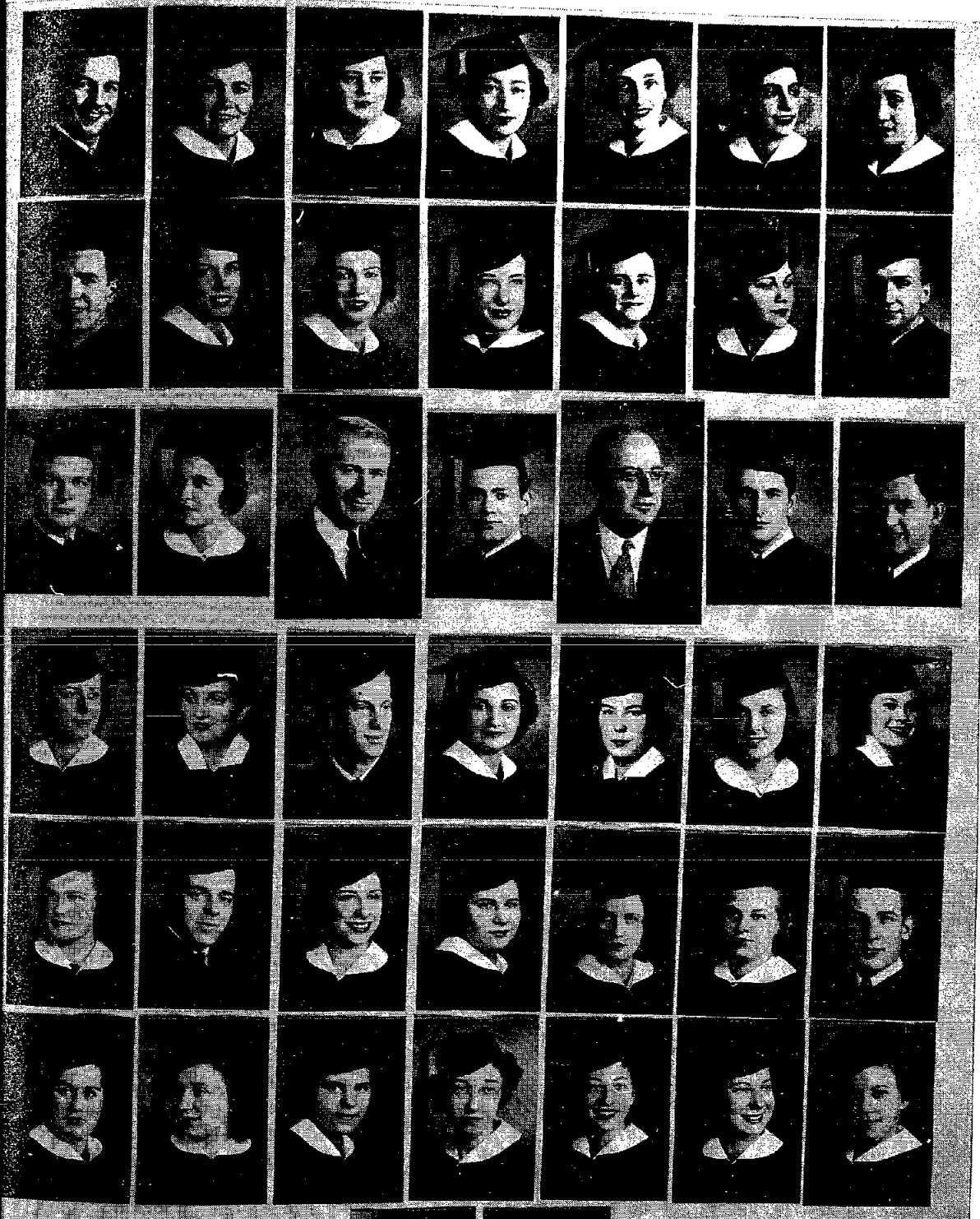
I think that a government of a school should be established through the medium of a Student Council. We can have a success of an organization by its popularity with the students. Noting the desirable results that it has accomplished in years' stay at Paterson State I feel that the student has sponsored an unusually fine program. Although occasions dissension did arise it was overcome with maturity. I feel that the officers and members of the Council have accomplished something that will always be by its students.

—LEO

I believe in student government. It is a demonstration by the youth of a nation. It is a means of instilling principles and ideals of democracy and it makes the more responsible citizenry. Student government is a problem inherent in leadership, organization, and it helps build a foundation for better understanding of living and governing.

—ALDONA F.

Graduating Class 1940



TOP—Reading from left to right:
 1st Row—Anthony Barbarito, Ruth Barton, Margaret Beatty, Sylvia Briefstein, Charlotte Brune, Carmela Calabrese, Anna Cascone.
 2nd Row—Leo Clarke, Ruth Cummings, Jean McKernon, Frances Duffy, Elizabeth Edwards, Anna Fedora, August Fremmer.
 3rd Row—Courtland Guyre, Charlotte Harlow, Dr. Clair S. Wightman, president of the State Teachers College; Charles Lyons, president of Senior Class; Robert E. Williams, faculty adviser; Archie Hay, James Houston.



4th Row—Florence Hundertmark, Ruth Kaufman, Harold Mandeville, Josephine Mariani, Alice McGuirk, Betty Morris, Clare Orlean.
 5th Row—Ruth Petrie, Edward Phillips, Catherine Reilo, Anita Sabella, Jane Sadler, Elsie Samuelson, Paul Schneider.
 6th Row—Thelma Schreck, Olga Shuffat, Hazel Smith, Ruth Steck, Aidona Tacionis, Dorothea Van Beyer, Lillian Verduin.
 7th Row—Marion Voelmy, Rena Walkotten.
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.. THE SPORTLIGHT ..

by CHRIS BOLLERMANN

Several of the fellows were talking about the possibilities of having a football team at State, and while it was pointed out that the cost would be prohibitive, they insisted that it could be done. One of them maintained that if the team bought its own shoes and shirts, the college, with an increased student fee, would be able to finance the rest of the expenses. Everyone seems to think that we would have plenty of football material.

Now that the athletic season at P.S.T.C. is practically over, it is time to reflect upon the events which made the past year the most successful in the college's annals.

When the new Freshmen came last September they found the upper classmen playing ping-pong, which they proceeded to learn. After two months of touch football during which time an intra-mural league was almost formed, basketball took everybody's interest.

While our basketball squad was still practicing, the annual intra-mural ping-pong tournament was held with Lou Sirota emerging as head man. The Pioneer basketball team with Pressman at top scorer, surprised local fans by beating such teams as Trenton, East Stroudsburg, and Becker. They concluded the highly successful season by romping over the faculty five.

Chess, too, flourished during the winter. Enough interest was

aroused to start a tournament, but unfortunately it was never finished.

Came spring and for the first time the tennis team won a match.

A track team was organized, but it only competed in one match.

A ping-pong squad under the "mighty tough" Mike Matthews played 500 ball, while intra-mural softball was very popular with the underclassmen.

The baseball squad which had won only one game last year also played at a 500 clip winning six games out of twelve. Montclair was stopped twice by 4-3 scores while Manhattan was drubbed to the tune of 15-17. This was sweet revenge after that basketball game which State lost to the green and white in triple overtime.

There were three 300 hitters on the team, Pollack, Ramsey, and Sirota. The latter with a formidable 387 led State's offensive. Ramsey, after last year's batting, hit an even 300, collecting quite a few extra-base blows. Seymour Pollack managed to get in the select circle by finishing strong after being benched for weak hitting.

The two outstanding athletes at State this year undoubtedly were Lou Sirota and Morris Pressman, and with both coming back next year, we shall enjoy an even greater season than this year's.

Students, Faculty Attend Service

On Sunday, June 9, the annual Baccalaureate Service was held at St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church in Paterson.

The faculty in the dignity of their caps, gowns, and hoods preceded the seniors dressed in a similar manner in the processional. They sang "Come, Thou Almighty King" and "Faith of Our Fathers." The welcome by Reverend William L. Griffin, Jr., rector, was followed by the Lord's Prayer and Versicles after which was the responsive reading of Psalm 103.

The lesson was from Deuteronomy 8. The choir then sang the Magnificat. The congregation joined in the creed and Prayer, and with the choir sang four stanzas of "America the Beautiful."

Reverend Griffin's sermon was on the rate of religion in our modern world. He emphasized the importance of having a religion in which we firmly believe and to which we strictly adhere.

The choir gave "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" by Brahms as the offertory anthem.

The service closed with prayers, benediction, and recessional during which were sang "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "I Heard a Sound of Voices."

The service was well attended by friends and relatives of the graduating class.

HARRY'S

Extends Its Best Wishes To
The Graduating Seniors

Personalities

Archie Hay, basketball superb, comes from Hawthorne High School. While at Hawthorne he participated in the three major sports, soccer, basketball, and baseball. It was when Archie was in his Senior year at Hawthorne that they won the state championship. He was also a member of the high school orchestra. Archie has had the unique experience of being elected principal of the high school for a day during Junior week. In contrast he worked as a helper on a laundry truck while in high school.

He entered State in '38 and since that time has been a member of the basketball and baseball teams. He is a member of the Varsity Club. When a Sophomore here he was elected treasurer of the S. G. A. He was vice-president of the Junior class and was re-elected vice-president of his Senior class. Archie has been on the honor roll for the past three years. He was given the honor of being recognized in last year's Who's Who.

Charles Lyons, alias "Chick" Lyons received his high school education at St. Joseph's high school. Besides being a member of the Literary Club, he was a member of the basketball, baseball and football teams. In his senior year there he captained his basketball team.

His first year at State was taken in the evening school. In his sophomore, junior and senior years he has played basketball and baseball. He is the president of the Senior class.

Whenever you wish to meet (if you already haven't) two swell fellows, introduce yourself to Archie Hay and Chick Lyons; they'll be glad to "mt" you.

School Song Makes Debut

Wednesday saw the public debut of a new college song—the new school song of Paterson State. Mr. Karp and Mr. Weldner, both faculty members, collaborated on the opus; the former writing the lyrics, and the latter, the music. The drafting of a new song came about when Mr. Karp, hearing from students that the present school song was too lifeless, wrote two stanzas of lyrics and presented them to Mr. Weldner. Mr. Weldner supplied the music.

The lyrics follow a definite pattern; the first letter of each new line forms the two words, PATERSON STATE. This plan, however, led to a difficulty in that the Wednesday audience felt that an additional line was necessary. To remedy this situation, Mr. Karp and Mr. Weldner revamped the last line.

Well, here's the song that we'll all be singing next semester. Better sit down and learn it.

Pioneers with courage great
At our goals we point our way
Toward them ever-striving late
Ever marching on our way
Rally round our colors strong
Sally forth in orange, black
On to victory, do no wrong
Never show to foe your back
State, we pledge ourselves to you
Thankful we each day renew
At your fountains, crystal clear,
Thought and action and good cheer,
Ever great our college dear.

Camp Institute Opens Saturday

Six colleges besides P. S. T. C. will be represented at the Paterson State Teachers College Camping Institute according to the latest reports from Mr. Hartley. Students from Montclair, Trenton, and Jersey City Teachers Colleges have applied for admission as well as students from N. Y. U., Mount Holyoke, and Seton Hall.

Sponsored at Camp Christmas Seal and under the direction of Mr. Hartley, the camping institute offers a full program, the main purpose of which is to prepare young people for positions of responsibility in camp, playgrounds, and other recreational institutions. The institute is open to all men and women who have completed a four year high school course or its equivalent. Two points of college credit will be given to each student who successfully completes his course of study. The first year students will attend courses in the Theory and Philosophy of Organized Camping. The students who pioneered this project last year will complete courses in Supervision and Administration of Organized Camping.

Some of the other courses are: Arts and Crafts, Athletics, Music, Dramatics, Nature, Dancing, and First Aid. A group of five will support Mr. Hartley on the staff that will direct the activities at the 1940 camping institute.

The entire cost, including board, lodging, meals and tuition will be \$20.00 for the ten-day period from June 15 to 24.

DRAMATIS PERSONAE

By EVELYN FOOTE

Since it is customary at the end of a college year to review the dramatic productions of that year, we will endeavor to perform the pleasant task.

Away back in November '39, remember, the Frashies and the Sophs vied for honors by presenting at the same assembly two one-act plays. "The Obstinate Family" and "The First Dress Suit," respectively.

Not many moons later came our Varsity Show, an hilarious comedy, written and m. c'd by Izzy Breslow, and introducing for the first time in the history of Paterson State a well-trained troupe of athletic actors. (We didn't believe they had it in 'em, but that night of nights proved the contrary.)

In April the music clubs entertained at a gala performance by giving "The Pirates of Penzance," ably directed by Mr. Weidner, and unceasingly worked over by Miss Tiffany and Mr. Karp. Needless to say, of course, an annual Gilbert and Sullivan operetta is produced by the music group for the enjoyment of all.

On May 10, the Masque and Masquers presented a group of

amateur thespians in "The Staff Side" by John Van Dr.

Because of a misunderstanding, "The Staff Side" was viewed, although much has said about it in previous issues of the BEACON.

Keeping true to the old "bad dress rehearsal" performance, the play measured to all expectations. One offered in the beginning on the stage could not be by the individuals seated back of the auditorium—ed upon immediately. If we could have asked her to cast for that particular

Our last effort in the drama materialized on Night, just a few weeks when the Science Club, Psychology Club, and the staff permitted their friends a glimpse of what at P.S.T.C.

We have now a clean bright and shining year before us; it remains in aid in polishing that make every highlight jewel.

Goodbye, then until next semester.

Kenneth White Gets Dr. Degree

Dr. Kenneth B. White, director of Personnel and psychology instructor, received his Doctor of Education degree from New York University on June 5.

Three instructors have received their doctors' degrees during this past semester. They are Dr. F. L. Bedford, Dr. W. H. Hartley and Dr. Kenneth B. White.

According to an announcement by Dr. Wightman, "The percentage of the faculty at Paterson who now hold the doctor's degree is much higher than in teachers' colleges in the country as a whole. While the possession of a higher degree is not necessarily proof of excellent teaching ability, it is gratifying to know that the staff at Paterson is interested in self-improvement. Special notation should be made of the fact that all three of the recent degrees are Doctors in Education, showing the staff's interest to be in educational problems and methods rather than narrow subject matter specialization."

SKULL & PONIARD NEWS

Skull's annual elections were held on May 27 at the home of Brother Danheuser. Results of the voting were as follows: our new Master will be Brother Houston; Deputy Master, Brother Phillips; Funds Master, Brother Smith; Scribe, Brother Spinoza. Congratulations to each of you, brothers.

The final get-together of Skull and Poniard for the year '39-'40 was held on Monday night, June 10 at the annual stag banquet. This was held at the Sundance Lodge at which time alumni members, present members, and faculty honorary members all had the opportunity to gather around and "chew the fat." The stag brought to a close one of the most successful seasons of the fraternity for which the outgoing officers and committee chairmen and members are to be thanked. S'long until the fall!

Incidentals

Victor Christie is having a share of trouble these days. He's wearing a face which is covering a nose, which Victor has received playing basketball.

Evelyn Foote is still in it and it's an after effect of Senior Ball. Evelyn was waltzing descending the when something happened she descended in quite dignified manner, head

Frank Almoth believes even though in school, he have all the comforts of The other day when called on, the class had until he put his shoes in

Miss Trainor is still in it, even though in school, she has all the comforts of The other day when called on, the class had until he put his shoes in

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