

## Delhi Tech. Does Its Part

Is it spring fever that has found its way into the limbs of our noble professors? Ah! no, 'tis the effect of the Victory Garden Campaign and Mr. Thurston is a member of the speakers' bureau of this campaign. Mr. Thurston addresses various organizations on Victory Gardens—the need for them and how to get the best results with them. We wonder if perhaps he spoke to Miss Macpherson about raising onions. He also served as chairman for the appointment of a Delhi committee for the registration of evacuees in case of national emergency.

Speaking of Miss Macpherson's part in the war effort, she is a member of the County Nutrition Committee. Mrs. Hunt, in addition to being chairman of this committee, is the nutrition chairman of the Delhi Chapter of the American Red Cross.

The Delhi Tech campus has also been hearing quite a bit about First Aid. We do believe that the girls are praying someone will break a leg so that they can prove their skills! Most of the faculty recently completed a First Aid Course and now hold certificates as accredited First Aiders. Miss Moss and Mr. Taylor have also taken the advanced and the instructors' courses and so now are full-fledged instructors. However, neither of these two has been content with just this. Mr. Taylor is an air raid warden and Miss Moss is very active as secretary of the local A.W.V.S. and is helping with the county-wide finger-printing which this organization is now carrying on. Miss Davis and Miss Brown are also members of the A.W.V.S.

In addition to his gardening, the Director is a member of the County Salvage Committee and of the Extension War Council.

Mr. Flather is a member of Delhi's Fire Department, which is having special war training, and is roll call chairman of the Delhi Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Not only the school, but also the townspeople have become nutrition conscious. Miss Macpherson recently conducted a series of ten lessons in Red Cross Nutrition. Twenty-seven women were granted certificates upon completion of the course. Also—and if you don't believe it, just ask the kitchen crew—Miss Krebs is the instructor of a canteen course in which twelve women are enrolled. By the way, all of the people named above do their regular teaching in their spare time.

The girls, not to be outdone by their professors, have also been amassing knowledge and skill. By the end of school this week each of the Home Ec. seniors and juniors will hold Red Cross certificates in First Aid, Home Nursing and Nutrition. In addition to this, each of the senior girls will have a certificate in canteen work. And so we come to the end of the school year. Does the war effort at Delhi Tech end on May 16? Just listen!

On June 1, fifteen boys from the sidewalks of New York will arrive at our school for two weeks' intensive training in farming. At the end of this time they will go out as Farm Cadets. As soon as they leave, another group of 15 will come and at the end of their training they too will go out to help the farmers to produce food to help win the war.

Also during the summer, women from all over the county will come

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## Commencement Week Activities

Sunday, May 10

8:30 P. M. Baccalaureate Sermon: First Presbyterian Church. Sermon, Rev. C. R. Friedley, of the Delhi Baptist Church.

Friday, May 15

6:30 P. M. Alumni Banquet in the School Dining Hall.

9:00 P. M. Dancing, sponsored by Athletic Association.

Saturday, May 16

2:30 P. M. Graduation Exercises. Gymnasium. Speaker: Dean Louis F. Hackemann of Hartwick College, Oneonta, N. Y.

Open house at Home Economics Building, after graduation exercises.

Alumni Banquet Friday

The annual banquet of the Alumni will be held in the Institute cafeteria at 6:30 P. M. Tickets are on sale at the office at a dollar.

Menu: Fruit cup, creamed chicken on patty shells, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, lettuce and radish salad, rolls, relish tray, chocolate cake with ice cream and marshmallow sauce, coffee and mints.

The program is being prepared by Thomas Kilroy of Jeffersonville, who is president of the Alumni Association. The banquet is open to all alumni, including the 1942 Class, and to their wives and guests up to the capacity of the cafeteria. The annual business meeting of the association will follow and will close in time for the dance which is being held Friday evening in the gymnasium.

## Attend Movies

April 15 the Oracle staff, not having anything else to do, passed a resolution to attend the movies and go to Pete's afterward. But seeing that it was Wednesday night the girls decided it better to postpone it until Friday night so they could attend without using eleven o'clocks. When Friday night rolled around the members who had attended the April 15th meeting were greatly entertained with the movies, "This Way Please" and "Glamour Boy." After the movies fun was had at Pete's, where they all enjoyed a sundae on Mr. Thurston.

## Nailing Goes On

Farmers will welcome the news that the Government has ordered nail manufacturers to manufacture nails to the full capacity of their plants for the next four months. This action should soon relieve the shortage which has been existing.

Because of the shortage of nails some retailers have been charging higher prices than seem justified. Prices that manufacturers and jobbers may charge for nails are fixed by the Government, but retailers making sales in units of no more than 25 kegs are not subject to the price control order.

## Student Rates Commission

Stanton Jenks, well known by everybody here at school, was cut short in his studies to enter Uncle Sam's Army as second lieutenant. He is now stationed at Ft. Benning, Georgia, where he is studying automotive engineering.

We are proud of Stan and wish him good luck in his new commission.

## Sixty in Class to Be Graduated This Week

Senior Graduation this year is to be on Saturday, May 16th, at 2:30 P. M., in the School Gymnasium. Dean Louis F. Hackemann of Hartwick College, Oneonta, will speak. The school orchestra and the Girls' Chorus will perform under the direction of Mrs. Florence Walker.

The list of graduates follows:

### Agriculture

James D. Angelides, New York City.

William C. Blewett, Dalton, Pa. Malachy Francis Byrne, Poughkeepsie

George Quentin Conover, Rye.

Everett M. Cook, Stone Ridge.

Sydney Davis Dean, Goshen.

Kenneth W. Dougherty, Binghamton.

John Henry Duffy, Amenia.

Stanton F. Jenks, Oneonta.

Louis Komornik, New York City.

George H. Luhmann, Poughkeepsie.

Samuel W. McCleary jr., Amsterdam.

Donald Marshall, Pleasant Valley.

Robert Y. Northrup, Delhi.

Richard A. Purchell, Roxbury

Henry Rider, New Rochelle.

William August Schultz, Miller-

ton.

Robert Francis Thomson, Delhi.

### Building Construction

Carl M. Blue, Oriskany.

Philip Ellis, Greenville.

Charles L. Kohl, Jeffersonville.

August C. E. Mangels, Narrowsburg.

Donald P. Shearer, Schenectady.

John B. West, Chazy.

Rudolph Yanz jr., Elsmere.

### Institutional Management

Flora Jane Allen, Kingston.

Dorothy H. Bates, New Hampton.

Norma Boice, Kingston.

Kathryn L. Burch, Eureka.

Roberta Dibble, Sidney Center.

Anne W. Ellis, Greenville.

Charlotte Ganun, Mt. Kisco.

Margaret L. Golden, Elmira.

Dorothy E. Gross, Yonkers.

Norma B. Hudson, Washington-

ville.

Virginia D. Johnson, Oneonta.

Lillian A. McElveen, Milford, Pa.

Agnes M. O'Boyle, Starlight, Pa.

Lucille Pendleton, Binghamton.

Ruth Eleanor Plossl, Sidney Center.

Evelyn E. Purchell, Roxbury.

Mildred E. Rathbun, Unadilla.

Marie E. Short, Binghamton.

Thelma H. Sidenius, New York

City.

Ruth A. Stephan, Allegany.

Doris N. Thomson, Bovina Centre.

### Secretarial Training

Olivia Cole, Delhi.

Ruby A. Georgia, East Meredith.

Betty Jane Kinch, Walton.

Elvira B. Shumway, Owego

Frances I. Simmons, Beaverkill.

Doris F. Smith, Oneonta.

Virginia E. VenDenburgh, One-

onta.

Leah A. Wightman, Maryland.

### Dairy-Commercial

Gloria M. Davis, Stillwater.

Mary J. Edwards, Roscoe.

Lynnette J. Loomis, Afton.

Betty J. Mudge, Johnson City.

Carol A. Waterbury, Perry.

June E. Williams, Delhi.

## Campus Comments

We have information that our long-legged Butch is working for Charley Lee at Lake Delaware. It's interesting to note that this is within easy driving distance of Scott's at Deposit, N. Y., where we are informed a girl by the name of Peggy is going to work. We wonder if this had any influence on Butch turning down a higher-paying job at Wrightsville, Pa.

We hear Dizzy is going to work at home where there is a car available. But how about gas, these days? Funny! Goshen is on Route 17 and so is Deposit. Oh, yes; don't wear out your thumb, Diz, in case gas is low.

We wonder why Uncle Stoolie nailed up the window in the end room? Some chickens must have raided the place while dear old Freddie was sleeping in the library that night. Has anyone an extra alarm-clock?

We notice that Chuber is still "blowing off" louder than ever before. Just because Butch left school, Chuber, it still doesn't give you full authority to make enough noise in the cafeteria for two people.

Since most of the students are rated as Juniors or Seniors at this time of year, it seems funny having one solitary freshman on the campus. Say, folks, didn't John Roebuck claim that he wouldn't go out with the girls at Delhi? Well, look at him now.

Oh, yes, I seem to have heard that another Orange County boy said the same thing last year. but he at least kept it up all last year and part of this, but look. Well, Diz, it looks like you will graduate. Too bad the Director hasn't another daughter that I can go around with next year, so I can be as carefree as Dismal is now.

As we look over the past few weeks at the romances that have come to life, we are amazed to see such fellows as Jack Shultis, Oestrich, Buddenhagen, Butch and Red Northrop giving the "gals" a break and doing fairly well for themselves.

It is interesting to note how the different couples match up. With Butch and Peg, we have the long and the short of it. With Jimmy and Fran we have what is called "true love." With Maisie and Dizzy we have personality plus. We hear they are the most likely to succeed couple on the campus. With McCleary and Lucy, well everyone knows Sam. Then we have Jiggs and Joe; that's the Irish for you! Need I say more? Oh, I'm getting off the beam, so I'll turn out my fog lights and start cooking with gas. So long till next year.

Are you beginning to wonder, too, just how this Robinson-Thayer affair will go?

We wonder who's leaving gum on her plate again. Could it be Rosie? We hear Mr. Waite's bee-hives were mistaken for Nazi fifth column time-bombs on Woolerton street.

According to all reports, Mr. Flather is making a dollar an hour for standing up these days. Good pay if you can get it!

Perk and Miles had a splashing good time at Mitchell Park. Wow!

The chickens have a new hand-finished laying brooder with initials W.B.W. Pretty classy, huh! P. S.—They say its worth \$50.00.

Did you hear all the shouting at (Continued on Page 3)

## Country Life Comes to Life

Thursday, April 23, the Country Life held a program of Truth and Consequences, and a Question and Answer program, under the direction of Mr. William Kennaugh, and sponsored by the Soothing Slippery Silence Company, which sells de-dense stamps. Defense stamps were given to all those who answered questions correctly and those who did their consequence best.

After the program was over there was dancing. The next Country Life meeting was a round and square dance, which was held May 7th. Hilton Hoyt furnished the music.

## Alumni Notes

1938

Miss Bernice Chase became the bride of William Curtiss on Easter Sunday. Bill has purchased a farm near East Chatham, N. Y.

1940

Judy Conway is a hostess at a Howard Johnson's restaurant near her home.

1941

George Roode and Nancy Henderson were married Easter Sunday at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

The engagement of Georgeanna Jaynes to Kenneth Duncan has been announced. Georgeanna is the manager of the high school cafeteria at Averill Park and Ken is in partnership with his father on the home farm.

Lucy Breese is working as a waitress at the Howard Johnson restaurant near Rochester.

Robert Bee and Marjorie Grindrod were married recently. Bob is in the Army and is stationed on the West Coast.

Among the graduates and former students who have recently been inducted into the armed services are Charles Hafele, Army; William Taylor, Aviation cadets; James Oliver, Francis Decker, John Newkerk, William Tidmarsh and Aubrey Jester, Army; and Webster Starling, Marines.

## Victory Book Campaign

An easy and effective way to help our men in the armed forces of the nation is to give books they need—the histories, biographies, books on current events, and fiction—adventure, mysteries, westerns—thrillers of all kinds. Especially needed are up-to-date technical books, all kinds of mathematics, and other recent trade school, high school, and college textbooks.

Take your books to the Public Library, where they will be sorted and sent on to fill requests from Army dayrooms, Naval bases, USO houses, transports, nearby points or distant outposts.

Ask your local campaign director, probably the librarian, if not, the librarian can give you the name, for other ways besides giving books in which you can aid the Victory Book Campaign.

Have your school or office designated as a collection center, or volunteer your services—with your car!—for picking up books, or for helping to sort those that have been received. Most of all, help by talking about the Victory Book Campaign, and asking others to give books, too.

Miss Krebs—Now can anyone tell me where we find mangoes?

Jane—Yes, Miss Krebs; wherever woman goes.

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## COME AGAIN

To the students who are to be graduated from the New York State Agricultural and Technical Institute at Delhi this week the Oracle extends its congratulations, best wishes and encouragement for success in future enterprise, service or adventure. Our best wishes also follow any others of our number who for various reasons may not return to us this fall.

There is some certainty that our cozy educational community may diffuse to all corners of the earth. Be it even so, that undefinable spirit that pervades our student community will go with you. Certain ideals of fellowship, honor, teamwork and of conduct, and the urge to do your best in whatever situation you find yourselves may well prove to you the inestimable worth of your efforts, education and associations here. As you are members of a family, of a church, of other groups, as you are citizens of our America, so also are you sons and daughters of your Alma Mater. Let us tell you now, all these are counting much on you. We know you well. We know you will not let them down. One thing more! Come back. Keep in touch with your Alma Mater.

## Count Your Blessings

This is the best place on earth!  
Your ballot is louder than the  
thunder of dictators, isn't it?  
You can have all the butter you want  
on your toast, can't you?  
And listen to whatever you like on  
your radio?

You've never been hit in the teeth  
with the butt of a musket, have you,  
and kicked into the gutter, just be-  
cause someone didn't like the color  
of your skin, or the texture of your  
hair, or the shape of your cheek  
bones?

A knock at the door doesn't send  
shivers up your back, does it?

You aren't afraid to discuss the  
state of the nation over the backyard  
fence with your next door neighbor,  
are you?

Your street still rings with the  
laughter of children, doesn't it?

In short—you're still **your own  
man!** Chin up, and face to the wind!  
—Clipped.

When Oliver Wendell Holmes was  
leaving a hotel, he was asked to  
write something as a souvenir in the  
hotel register. "With pleasure," re-  
plied Mr. Holmes, as he wrote: "I was  
told to come to this hotel for change  
and rest. The waiter got the change  
and the landlord got the rest!"

Duffy (who had telegraphed a big  
bet on a race to his bookie and had  
just heard that his horse had won  
20 to 1): "Did you get that wire off  
OK?"

Conover: "Sure, but the money  
you gave me was a penny short, so  
I left out the name of the horse!"

Father Bear sat on a cactus. He  
said "ouch."

Mother Bear sat on a cactus. She  
said "ouch."

The little bear sat on a cactus and  
remained mute.

"Horrors!" said Mother Bear. "We  
must have one of those Dead End  
Kids."

## Unfounded Popular Beliefs

That men still propose on their  
knees.

That no one ever gets a seat in a  
street car.

That lots of men fall in love with  
the figure of an heiress.

That the only way to convince a  
contrary man that he is wrong is to  
agree with him.

That life in the country is easier  
than life in the city.

That life in the city is easier than  
life in the country.

That aging, decrepit and idle  
people at winter resorts are having a  
good time.

That age is wiser than youth.

That youth is wiser than age.

That the customer is always right.  
He sometimes gets stung.

That you can't do more if you  
have to.

That love is blind.

That the reason that the Scotch do  
not like a Scotch joke is that they  
are always at their expense.

That the height of optimism lies in  
waiting for a Wisecrax check to  
meet a payment on the radio.

That though Ford is in favor of  
the old dances, he put the  
same old shimmy in his new flivvers.

That if a man isn't careful of his  
health he must take his medicine.  
He can die.

That traffic lights have proved so  
practical that colored lipstick for  
girls will become popular—green to  
mean "Go Ahead" and red "Stop."

That a car has gone 20,000 miles  
because it has worn out two sets of  
10,000-mile guaranteed tires.

That this war is being fought for  
democracy.

That people print as well as they  
can write.

Attorney: "Where was the defend-  
ant milking the cow?"

Witness: "It's hard to describe,  
Judge, but if you'll bring in a cow,  
I'll show you the exact place."

## Communiques From the Home Front

The situation at present may be termed "serious" with many of our army surrendering without apparent struggle to the cupidian forces . . . can it be that the head of this force has turned in his bow and arrow for a repeating rifle???? One of our Clinton Street Squadron has taken an interest in Gounod opera (no, not "Romeo and Juliet"). Our most famous AWOL member has obtained a position in Manorkill . . . Horse-shoe-pitching has become quite a sport among the ranks and one of the Ag. battalion is especially interested in smithing . . . Summer will cause quite a dispersion in the ranks with our forces being represented far and near . . . for instance, one in the "junior mess hall" department is very interested in the Bronx (and don't be too harsh on the spelling); in the meantime a senior representative is hoping to get a command in the central part of the State—say around Auburn . . . another is going to byrne up the Japs via the air corps . . .

Our troops are very fond of their work and attachments here at DTI headquarters: there is one who is especially keene on institutional management . . . "There is nothing like cooperating with the war efforts," says one of the boys, "so I'm putting in an early bid for cole" . . . woo! woo! With sugar rationing under way, candy is going to be harder to get; we are awaiting a last minute bulletin from one of the juniors informing us how she is going to get her special brand W—t—n . . . never say that our troop is one-track minded—the interests are many and varied . . . someone, whose name will be withheld, has taken interest in history, specializing in an explorer (the latter's first name could be Hendrik) . . . some have taken up slang, one whose favorite one might be "oh boyle" . . . At any rate, don't let these dispatches get you down—each of you keep your chins up (all of them) and say as one of our feminine corps does, "there's a bright future looman."

With a gulp, the last pill slithered down the alimentary canal of the last cook in housepractice and wrote a finis to a very eventful year. One member of the housepractice family was in steady attendance throughout this era and she took everything that came along (and that's plenty!) Yes, Mrs. Hunt bore with the girls, and made no exclamations of dismay no matter what confronted her. A gay time was had by all as they jumped merrily from 80c to 20c and so on. A great many foods ran the gamut—everything from mush to caviar. And for the "busy little bees" the day was never over, for many a night they were still slaving away doing something like tying knots in pyjamas, or suspending nickknacks from windows, perhaps scattering odds and ends in neatly made beds, or merely dispensing with a whole wardrobe. True, neither the knives nor times were dull in housepractice.

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to Delhi Tech for two days' training in the latest methods of food preservation. They will then go back to their communities to teach others what they have learned.

Yes, Delhi Tech is doing all right. It's working hard to help in this great national effort, but let's roll up our sleeves and do that extra bit which will win the war. We've only just started. Let's get in this thing one hundred per cent! And don't forget to buy Victory Bonds.

## Engagements

"Ah! 'Tis Spring, and little 'Dan-y Cupid' shot his arrow, and—Presto!"

"Chatty" Ganun received her ring last month from Jimmy Lawrence of Katonah, New York.

"The arrow" also struck Eleanor Plossl's finger with a beautiful diamond, and for the benefit of those who don't know from whom, it's Charles Hallenback, of Sidney Center, N. Y.

The long-since-engaged Millie Rathbun is to be married June 6th to Walter Johnson of Unadilla, N. Y.

And just as we thought we were through for the year, Evelyn Purchell appeared at the May dance with a "sparkling diamond." Milton Comfort from Middletown is the lucky man! Marie Short came along recently with a beautiful ring, given to her by one of our former classmates, Henry Ridder from New Rochelle, N. Y.

We all wish them joy and happiness!

## Intermural Sports

The Ping Pong tournament has finally come to an end with Leon Robosky as victor. He was awarded a medal for his skill by Mr. Waite, who has charge of intermural sports.

The Horseshoe Pitching and Hand-ball tournaments are nearly completed and results will be announced soon.

## Waiters' Banquet

The Waiters' Banquet, or shall we call it the "feast of the gluttons", was a grand and glorious affair.

The girls prepared a splendid meal with delicious steaks that could be cut with a fork, and nobody asked for the meat cleaver.

Things were rather quiet for a while, but before a long time had passed the boys were right in the groove.

There were some swell stomach-aches afterwards, but they were worth it. Many thanks go to Miss Krebs and the girls for the splendid meal. A king couldn't have asked for a better one.

## Rathbun Crowned May Queen

Friday night, May 1, came the long-awaited May Dance that the Delhi Ag. students look forward to each year. Sponsored by the Home Economics Club, it was held in the dorm, which was decorated with wild blossoms and colored ribbons. As the scheduled orchestra had apparently joined the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Corps, music was furnished by a Ghost-to-Ghost hook-up (Arthur Smith doing the honors at the recording machine. The chaperones were: Mrs. Hunt, Miss Macpherson, Miss Moss, Miss Davis, Miss Brown and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Smith.

The dance was from 9 to 1. Following the fifth dance the coronation of the May Queen was held. A march was played and the attendants, followed by the Queen, came down the stairs. Everyone anxiously awaited their appearance, as the result of the election had been kept secret.

Mildred Rathbun was crowned May Queen. Lillian McElveen was maid of honor and Ruth Stevens, Anne Ellis, Virginia VanDenburgh and Virginia Johnson were attendants. The Queen was crowned by John West, senior class vice-president, and they then led the way to the dining room for refreshments, where canapes, cheese biscuits and punch were served.

It was a beautiful night, a beautiful dance, and a beautiful Queen. We all had a good time.

## Here's One on M. Shultis The First Day of School

The first morning Mr. Sommers gave him a two-foot rule and told him to go and get the measure of a long board. In twenty minutes the newcomer returned.

"Well, Mr. Shultis, how long is it?" The young apprentice displayed a satisfied grin.

"Vell," he said, "she ban yust eight times de length o' dis rule, an' two thumbs over, with dis har brick, an' de width o' may han', an' may arm from har to dar except de fingernails."

Butch (coming into Assembly late): "What are they playing?"  
Student: "The Fourth Symphony."  
Butch: "Great! At least I have missed the first three."

She—Whenever I get in the dumps I get a new hat.

He—I wondered where you picked up that thing.

Blackout Warden: Tony, are you going to kiss that girl?

Tony (straightening up): No.  
Warden: Here, then; hold my flashlight!

Larry—What makes you scratch your head?

Dicky—I'm the only one that knows it itches.

"Dear teacher," wrote Mrs. Jones, "please excuse Willie from school today. He caught a skunk."

Co-ed: "I should like to try that frock on in the window."

Salesman: "Sorry, madam, but the management will not allow that. Would you care to try it on in our private fitting-room?"

"Which do you like better, balloon tires or high-pressure tires?"

"I like balloon tires better."

"What kind of a car do you have?"

"I don't have any; I'm a pedestrian for the duration."

Lucy—What does your sister do?

Josephine—She makes up jokes.

Lucy—Oh! Editorial work?

Josephine—No, she works in a beauty parlor.

Emperor of Japan: "I shall rule the world when this war is over."

Benito: "You shall not, for the Lord says in the Good Book, 'The meek shall inherit the earth.'"

Adolf: "That's a lie. I never said that and you can't find it in Mein Kampf."

Mr. Kennaugh was playing golf with a kindly capitalist. He swung three or four inches too high.

Host: You will have to do better than that.

Bill: Not necessarily. You see I have learned early in the game that the course on these links is at least three inches lower than the one on which I usually play.

"Rastus says Parson Brown done ketch 'im in Farmer Smith's chicken coop."

"M-m, boy! Don't Rastus feel 'shamed?"

"Nossuh, de parson am de one what feel 'shamed. He can't splain how come he ketch Rastus dar!"

Gloria: "How is it Bill never takes you to the movies any more?"

Leah: "Well, one evening it rained and we stayed home."

Jenny—So your grandfather is a real old-timer?

Joe—Sure he is. He can remember when baking powder outsold face powder.

**Campus Comments**

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White's and see the girls walking around all bruised up? Whit's coming home in June. Happy Day for Judy.

Jackson Shultis sure is a fast worker; isn't he, Shirley.

White's front porch is still a busy place evenings.

"Schickelgruber" still falls asleep in class. He sure appreciates the spring weather. Is it spring or late study that gives him "spring fever?"

We hear Diz wants to attend Skidmore next year. Could it be arranged? Too bad! The college is not co-educational.

One Thursday evening Miss Brown had classes after dinner. No one was very enthused over the idea of classes at night, but after all, the girls had to go.

The first thing they had to do was take a time test. Right in the middle of the test, Miss Loomis suddenly popped up with the fact that she did not want to do any more and suggested a party. At that moment Miss Brown came into the room and heartily fell in with the plan to have a party. Much to the surprise of "Vi" Shumway, it was a planned farewell party for her as she was leaving to take a job back home.

Gloria Davis was in charge of the entertainment and she had a number of games planned. Miss Davis and Mrs. Johnson were guests. Refreshments were served, and "Vi" was presented with a lovely present from the D. C. Girls.

**A March of Dimes**

A nickel here and a dime there and what does it all add up to? Tips, my friends, tips! Yes, we have many working girls among us—in fact, most of our girls are planning on working this summer.

What with Beaven at Oquaga, Chase, Reilly and Kinch at Meredith, Boice and Bye at Windham, and Delaney at Milford (Pa.), we have enough girls to smile "purty like" and say "good morning" so charmingly and characteristically of a waitress.

Next we have Reed at Waverly and Wager at Newburgh turning the food over to the deliverer of the goods.

Johnson, Boice, Dibble, Purchell are all venturing forth to Monterey, Mass. Stephan and McElveen are going to be at Milford, Pa. Hudson, Golden and O'Boyle are to be stationed at Cooperstown. Burch and Thomson at Oneonta; Allen at Hobart; Pendleton, Waverly, Gross at Riverhead, Long Island, and last but far from least, our hep cat, Sidenius, traveling with the Junket Folks permanently, soon to be located at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Short, Ganun and Bates are helping out on the home front.

Ellis and Rathbun will be keeping house by summer; and Plossl is more or less undecided.

Looking to the future secretaries of the country, we have Waterbury already on the alert at Homer;

Georgia in Stamford; Edwards in Roscoe; Shumway in Oswego; Mudge in Manorkill.

Davis, Williams and Wightman couldn't bear to leave our familiar haunts so that they will remain in Delhi to carry on. The rest of the commercial co-eds are also looking forward to profitable employment of their time this summer.

**VICTORY!**

Vanquish the Japs,  
Insure our freedom,  
Combine our efforts,  
Think how best to serve,  
Organize reserves,  
Remember Pearl Harbor,  
Young America! Let's get going!

**The Assembly Line**

On Thursday, May 7, things were popping in Assembly. We were able to enjoy Prof. Truselle's prize musicians from Delaware Academy, and our own Girls' Chorus.

Mrs. Florence Walker awarded letters in Music to the following: Robert Smith, Doris Smith, Beryl Wirths, Betty Bullock, Beatrice Bye, Marita Smith, Lynnette Loomis.

Letters for work on The Oracle staff were awarded to: William Blewitt, William Chuber, Gloria Davis, Kenneth Dougherty, Betty Mudge, Irene Post, Elvira Shumway, Betty Sharp, Rosella Volk, June Williams and Beryl Wirths.

The following musical program was rendered:  
Selections—D.A.T.I... Girls' Chorus  
Flute Solo—Intermezzo, "Spring Song" ..... Lynnette Loomis  
Cornet Solo—Sounds From the Hudson ..... William Currie  
Tenor Solo—Nocturne .. Geo. Davis  
Double B-flat bass horn—Barbaroso ..... Terry Persons  
Twirling Exhibition, Peggy Thomson

**Letters Given in Athletics**

The following awards of letters in Athletics are announced by Lawrence O. Taylor:

**Cross Country**

Stanton Jenks, captain; Everett Cook, William Ketchum, Oakley Wyant, Thomas Judson, Frederic Robinson.

**Basketball**

Leon Harvey, captain; William Schultz, Joseph McArdle, Burton Clark, Robert Thomson, John Roebuck, Anthony Evangelista, Sidney Dean.

A family living produced on the farm lends security to farm life and stability to the farm business.

**Juvenile Blank Verse**

What a wonderful bird the frog are:  
When he stand he sit, almost;  
When he hop, he fly almost.  
He ain't got no sense, hardly;  
He ain't got no tail, hardly, either;  
When he sit, he sit on what he ain't got, almost.

**STORED INCOME**

Special inducements to encourage farmers to put some of their cash in reserve to meet future payments on their mortgages, especially in seasons when cash is less plentiful, have been announced by the Springfield (Mass.) Land Bank, according to William E. King of Hobart, secretary of the Utsayantha National Farm Loan Association. The association is a local unit of the land bank system which has 135 mortgage loans in Delaware and Schoharie counties, all of them bearing semi-annual installments.

"Now that farmers have a little more cash, they are being encouraged to use some of it to avoid the dangers of default in times of emergency," Mr. King explained. "Cash deposited with the Land Bank in a 'future payment fund' will draw interest at the same rate that the individual farmers pay on their mortgages.

"It is just as desirable for farmers to store up their income to tide themselves over periods of low prices or emergencies as it is to store up their crops during the summer to carry themselves and their families during the winter," he declared.

The successful farmer cultivates his mind just as intensively as he cultivates his crops.

Rats are public enemies. They bore from within, sabotaging millions of dollars' worth of feed and foodstuffs a year. It costs \$2.00 a year to support one rat. Fifty cents' worth of rat poison strategically placed is a splendid investment in home defense.

"The American system of free and democratic public education is one of the principal things for which we are fighting. Without the active participation of those who are now part of it, we cannot win the war."

—Senator Elbert D. Thomas.

**Old Dreary Drivel**

Dear Drivel:

You will remember I wrote you in a previous number to meet me in front of Bacon Dormitory on March 26th at high noon—but you were not there. You said you had to work in the cafeteria. I really felt very downcast and wanted you to comfort me. If I went up in the cafeteria I knew they would roast me. I have decided to send my picture. I am sure you will like me. My eyes are deep pools of blue in my pink cheeks. You may think my hair a little



coarse—but really it is of light blond color, neatly parted in the middle and ends in a little pigtail. My nails are always tinted and well kept. I am sure if I came up in the cafeteria I should be very popular with all the fellows. You know my brothers and sisters were.

Can't you give me a break? I would like to see you very much. I have been rooting for you all the year. By the way, don't give me a ring. I have one, as you see.

—Hopeful.

My Dear Drivel:

I have always had a vision of an ideal man, but how will I know when I find him?

—Doubtful.

Dear Doubtful:

Your vision of your ideal man is probably like this: Tall, handsome, either dark or light, wavy hair, a personality man and one who will be kind and nice to you at all times. My dear, they don't make that kind any more.

However, when you meet the right person you will definitely know it.

Frequently he will be disillusioned at first. Stick with him, as love either hits you like a bombshell or slowly but surely creeps up on you.

Some of the symptoms are: You get a sick, woozy feeling in your stomach when you think of him, see him, or just hear his name mentioned. Sometimes it gets so bad that it feels like butterflies that seem to fly up in your mouth and choke you all up. At this point you are usually gasping for air. At times you miss him and want to be near him, and at other times you want to scratch his eyes out, kick him, bite him and never see him again.

"True love never runs smooth," and in this state of affairs called love there are always going to be bumps and rough weather ahead for both of you, along with some pleasant hours and fine memories. Good luck to you and your victim! D.D.

Dear D. D.:

Do you believe in summer romances? I'm looking forward to it so; but, dare I take a chance?

—Wondering.

Dear Wondering:

Certainly! What is wrong with summer romances? They are just more of the same. D.D.

Did you know Dreary Drivel is making extended research on the subject of blind dates? We have so heard from several sources. Watch next issue.

Who is Dreary Drivel? Don't you know? The secret is out. He is Bill Chuber.

The wife, who was poring over a cross-word puzzle, suddenly called out, "Henry, what is a female sheep?" "Ewe," curtly replied hubby, and that's how the row started.

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## Sugar

Sugar rationing has finally come to us. The immediate reaction of many is to find some other sweetening to use instead of sugar. May we remind you that we have available in the Home Bureau Office, Delhi, recipes using honey, maple syrup and corn syrup for part if not all of the sugar?

People in Delaware County may be more fortunate than many in having available a good supply of fresh maple syrup and sugar. But we all should realize that the wholesale substitution of honey, maple products, corn syrup or other sugars for cane sugar will mean that soon the supplies of those will be exhausted. Nutritionists tell us that as a whole the American people have been eating far more sugar than we need; that being forced to cut down on sugar may be a blessing in disguise. Sweet foods and beverages tend to satisfy the appetite before enough protective foods have been eaten. Some dental authorities say sugar is an enemy of good teeth, another reason for cutting down on sugar consumption.

Our problem, then, is to cut down on sugar by using less. Our tastes can be accustomed to less sweetness in food. Here are some suggestions you might try:

1. Gradual reduction in sugar used in coffee, tea and cocoa.

2. Gradual reduction in sugar used on cereal.

3. Cooking cereal with dried fruits, raisins or prunes, perhaps then no sugar will be needed.

4. Fresh or canned fruit may be eaten on cereals, giving flavor and nourishment as well as sweetness.

5. Use fruits and fruit sauces for desserts. Many, especially dried fruits, will need no additional sugar; others can be prepared with very little.

6. Omit fancy frostings on cakes. Use thickened fruit fillings, whipped egg white flavored with jam or jelly, or custards.

7. Drop cookies, fruit breads, spice cakes and custards may replace desserts that require a great deal of sugar.

8. Reduce the amount of sugar in such things as Indian meal puddings, corn-starch, tapioca and bread puddings. College specialists say that using half the regular amount of sugar in many recipes will not impair flavor.

Some homemakers have planned to serve no dessert if a fruit or vegetable salad is served. If each homemaker is sure that every day she serves her family, and they eat all the foods they should have, with the minimum amount of sugar for palatability, she may be pleasantly sur-

## Did You Ever Buy a Cow?

We have it on good authority that a cow is a barnyard pet with four faucets where you can get milk, if you know how. But there are many kinds of cows! You can get one for \$25 and she will have a full set of four legs, a tail, hide, teeth and all other accessories more or less useful to her.

Or, you can get one for \$250. They both will probably be about the same size, weigh the same, eat the same amount of hay, and each one will make the same kind of a pass at you if you start deflating her from the wrong side. But there is a big difference somewhere. It is no secret. It is in their different capacities to produce.

You may have a tough time to get your \$25 back in milk from one. That's the reason you could buy her for \$25. The other will pay a handsome profit on the investment. She is able to produce. She has the reputation of a good manufacturer behind her, too, except that in the case of cows it is called a pedigree. It means good gallage, breeding, prepotency, etc.

There will always be \$25 cows and buyers for them. And there will always be top-notchers and more than enough buyers for them, too. We have faith enough to believe there will continue to be farmers who will see the wisdom of buying the kind that is known to produce profit-making milk or of producing cows of equal desirability.

"You can't get something for nothing," is a very true saying, I'll grant.

But there are lots of things in my garden that I know I never did plant.

"Do I take this diet of orange juice, toast and coffee before or after meals, doctor?"

prised to find that they are not missing the cakes with thick frosting and rich pastries no longer available. In case anyone does not have it handy, here is the recommended daily food needs for good health:

Milk, 1 qt. for each child, 1 pt. for each adult, 1 serving green leafy or yellow vegetable, 1 serving citrus fruit, tomato or raw cabbage, 2 servings of other fruit or vegetables, 1 potato, 2 servings whole grain cereal (whole wheat bread may be counted), 1 egg, 1 serving meat, fish or poultry.

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## Success—Foundation Stones

In building a firm foundation for Success, here are a few stones to remember:

1. The wisdom of preparation.
2. The value of confidence.
3. The worth of honesty.
4. The privilege of working.
5. The discipline of struggle.
6. The magnetism of character.
7. The radiance of health.
8. The forcefulness of simplicity.
9. The winsomeness of courtesy.
10. The attractiveness of modesty.
11. The inspiration of cleanliness.
12. The satisfaction of serving.
13. The power of suggestion.
14. The buoyancy of enthusiasm.
15. The advantage of initiative.
16. The virtue of patience.
17. The rewards of co-operation.
18. The fruitfulness of perseverance.
19. The sportsmanship of losing.
20. The joy of winning.

It was during the impanelling of a jury that the following conversation occurred:

"You are a property holder?"  
"Yes, your Honor."  
"Married or single?"  
"I have been married for five years."  
"Have you formed or expressed an opinion?"  
"Not for five years, your Honor."

An old lady kept a parrot which was always swearing. She could put up with this till Saturday, but on Sunday she kept a cover over the cage—removing it on Monday morning. This prevented the parrot from swearing on Sunday.

One Monday afternoon she saw her minister coming toward the house so she again placed the cover over the cage. As the reverend gentleman was about to step into the parlor, the parrot remarked: "This has been a damn short week."

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## GET A HORSE!

Road gets rougher every mile;  
(cluck)  
Log on, Jehoshaphat, an' show some style.  
Mule's gone lame an' the hens won't lay;  
Corn's way down an' wheat won't pay;  
Hogs no better, steers too cheap;  
Cows quit milkin' an' meat won't keep;  
Oats all heated, spuds all froze;  
Fruit crop's busted, wind still blows;  
Sheep seem puny, an' I'll be durned,  
Rye field's flooded an' the haystack's burned;  
Looks some gloomy, I'll admit —  
(cluck)  
Jog on, Jehoshaphat, we ain't down yit!

Coal's in high an' crops in low;  
Rail rates doubled; got no show;  
Money tighter, morals loose;  
Bound to get us—what's the use?  
Sun's not shining as it should;  
Moon ain't lightin' like it could;  
Air seems heavy, water punk;  
Tests yer mettle; shows yer spunk;  
No use stoppin' to debate—(cluck)  
Jog on Jehoshaphat, it's gettin' late.

Wheels all wobble, axle's bent;  
Dashboard's broken, top all rent;  
One shaft splintered, t'other sags;  
Seat's all busted, end-gate drags;  
May hang t'gether—b'lieve it will;  
Careful drivin'll make it still;  
Cushion's worn through; road's mighty rough;  
Trot—gosh ding ye—that's the stuff;  
Old trap's movin' right good speed—  
(Cluck) Jog on, Jehoshaphat,  
You're some old steed!

Road's smoothed out 'till it don't seem true—(cluck)  
Jog on, Jehoshaphat, you pulled us through!!

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Ever hear of Mrs. Campbell's soup? The first page you come to in the advertising section in the back of your favorite magazine tells all about it. A few cans on the shelf and you don't care what happens! And how about a few cans of chicken? See Mr. Harvey about this and a good store of Victory Garden vegetables and sauces and juices. In fact why not get organized for living before you commence loafing and gadding?

## THAT PAIN IN THE NECK

We quote:  
"She may be gentle and refined,  
E'en though her cheeks are calcimined.

She has her reasons too, no doubt,  
For pulling half her eyebrows out.  
I'm glad I am not married to her,  
In every look and act, forsooth,  
She seems to please the modern youth;

And I, though older, balder, fatter,  
Still get a lame neck gazing at her."

Without milk the white race cannot survive. Dairy products are mentioned in the earliest portions of the Bible. They played an important part in the history of Greece and Rome.

Army Officer: "Weak eyes, eh? How many lines can you read on that chart?"

Angelides: "What chart?"

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