

\$500 FORESTRY SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ANNOUNCED

Announcement was made today throughout the Wisconsin river valley of the successful candidates for the first annual Trees for Tomorrow, Inc., \$2,500 forestry scholarship awards.

Stanton W. Mead, vice president of Consolidated Water Power and Paper company, who acted as chairman of the local scholarship committee, stated that John Krause, Pittsville high school senior, has been awarded the \$500 scholarship for the Fifth district which includes Wisconsin Rapids, Marshfield, Pittsville, Auburndale and Rudolph.

Alternates named are Russell Stibbe, first, and Anthony Yaeger, second, both of Lincoln high school.

Mead also announced that Herman A. Meyer of the Alexander High school, Neokosa, has been awarded the \$500 scholarship for the Fourth district, made up of Port Edwards, Neokosa and the Portage county high schools. Meyer, who is in the navy, filled in his entry blank at the Great Lakes Training station. Alternates named for the Fourth district are Bernard Banaeh, first, and William Goetz, second, both of the P. J. Jacobs High school, Stevens Point.

Candidates for scholarships were judged on a point system from an entry blank, worked out in cooperation with the state conservation department, an essay, and a personal interview. Members of the local committee, which met here recently are Stanton Mead, who acted in the absence of E. B. Hurst, member of the executive committee of Trees for Tomorrow Inc.; A. A. Ritchey, principal, Lincoln high school; W. F. Brener, manager of Griffith State nursery, conservation department; H. R. Lalrope, Wood county agent; and Glenn Tinkham, principal of the Marshfield high school.

Schools of the valley were divided into districts by the department of public instruction, Madison, on the basis of enrollment.

Local Soldier Helps Rescue Wounded Men

One of the first things the infantryman is told is "never volunteer for anything." But during the 16-day battle for Zig Zag Pass, east of Olongapo on Luzon, this advice was forgotten when Sgt. Merwald J. Krebsbach of Wisconsin Rapids volunteered to move forward to the front lines to evacuate casualties.

One evening his battalion was subjected to a heavy enemy mortar barrage. The rifle companies were asked for litter bearers to evacuate the wounded. Krebsbach volunteered to help remove the wounded. On reaching the area, one of the wounded men he was attempting to aid was lying in the lane of Japanese machine gun fire.

Knowing the great danger of moving into the fire lane, Krebsbach nevertheless crawled forward 50 yards in an attempt to get the man out of danger. Seeing him moving forward, the Jap machine gun opened up again. Under the withering fire, Krebsbach made three attempts to reach his wounded comrade, but each time he was driven back by the machine gun fire. On the fourth attempt he reached the casualty and placing him on a litter, he and another man carried the wounded man to the battalion aid station.

Krebsbach, leader of a machine gun squad of Company H, 152nd Infantry, has been overseas 16 months, and he served previously in Hawaii, New Guinea and Leyte.

He is the son of Mrs. Johanne Krebsbach, 1271 Twelfth street.

Vesper Girl Is Kicked by Horse

Vesper—Beda Petersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Osborn Petersen, Route 1, Vesper, is a patient at St. Joseph's hospital, Marshfield, after suffering a ruptured left kidney Saturday evening when she was kicked by a horse. A physician described her condition as good.

According to the report, Beda and a brother were running toward the barn on their farm home when the girl's shoe came off. She sat down to put on the shoe and a horse backed up and kicked her. She was taken to a physician at Arpin who rushed her to the Marshfield hospital.

Ceiling Zero

The merry month of May continued with its weather, tricks and pranks this weekend, strutting the surrounding countryside with sunshine, rain and thundershowers.

Last night's electrical storm caused no unusual trouble at the Wood County Telephone company, it was reported, but a few lines were out of order this morning. The transmission line between the studios of WPHR and the transmitter was knocked out sometime during the night and broadcasts were made directly from the transmitter from 7 o'clock to 7:25 this morning.

Total rainfall from Sunday morning until this noon was recorded at .96 inches, the maximum temperature for the week-end reaching 70, lowest 34.



Mayor Issues Poppy Sale Proclamation

Mayor William T. Nobles in a proclamation today designated Saturday as Poppy day in Wisconsin Rapids and encouraged the purchase of the paper flowers which will be sold by auxiliaries of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The sale will begin at 6 o'clock Friday evening.

The proclamation follows: "It is a pleasure and a privilege to me as mayor of Wisconsin Rapids to extend a cordial endorsement of the annual Poppy sale of the auxiliaries of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and The American Legion to be conducted Saturday, May 26. These organizations are to be congratulated on the deep concern they are manifesting, both in the manufacture and the sale of these memorial emblems for the widows and orphans of those gallant soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice. I trust there will be a growing interest in this annual appeal, which gives to each one of us the opportunity of showing that we have not forgotten the sacrifices of America's Soldier Sons."

"I, therefore, as mayor, designated Saturday, May 26, as Poppy day in Wisconsin Rapids."

MAYOR BUYS FIRST POPPY—Mayor William T. Nobles today became the first to buy a poppy in Wisconsin Rapids, the annual sale beginning at 6 o'clock this evening and continuing through tomorrow, Poppy day. Mrs. Ernest Austin, chairman of the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary sale, is at left and Mrs. Sam Schroeder, general chairman for the American Legion auxiliary, is putting a poppy in Mayor Nobles' lapel.

S-Sgt. David Rowland Tells Rotarians What a Typical Mission to Berlin Is Like

Wisconsin Rapids Rotarians received a first hand report of what it is like to go on a bombing mission when S/Sgt. David Rowland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert G. Rowland, 321 Drake street, home on furlough following 20 missions as a tail gunner of an Eighth air force Liberator, described for club members at their weekly noon luncheon in Hotel Witter Wednesday his experiences in the European theater of operations.

David, or "Pete," as his friends know him, portrayed for his listeners a typical mission aboard a B-24 over enemy territory.

"We are alerted the day before the mission," he said. "We retire early the night before a raid and get up sometime very early in the morning for the mission. It's going to be cold up where we are going so we dress warmly, in case anything happens to the plane's heating system. Anything that might identify us to the enemy is left behind, in case we are shot down and fall in their hands.

"We are briefed two hours before the takeoff. Following that, each man on the plane has his own job, which keeps him occupied until time for the takeoff. Then the planes take off, circling to 10,000 feet above our field, where each aircraft has its special position in the formation."

At this point the Wisconsin Rapids airman explained the American theory of precision bombing in groups, pointing out that in this way the big bombers can protect each other from enemy fighters.

"As tail gunner in the lead plane," he continued, "it was my duty to keep the co-pilot informed as to how the rest of the formation was making out. All of the gunners have various duties, in addition to firing guns.

"Now, suppose our target is Berlin. We'll have our oxygen masks on all the way over and all the way back.

"When we return from the raid in the afternoon, our planes peel off, one at a time, and land at our field. Then we report to our intelligence officers for interrogation. Following that, we eat our combined dinner and supper."

Sergeant Rowland's first mission was to St. Lo last July 25, when his group dropped fragmentation bombs on the enemy lines to help engineer the Allied breakthrough. His twenty-ninth was during the invasion across the Rhine river in Germany, with the target a Nazi airfield.

"The Rapids airman went across at the age of 18 and served 11 months with the Eighth air force. While in England, he had a good chance to view the effects of the German V-1 and V-2 bombs.

"The Buzz bomb (V-1) warned you of its approach; however, you had no warning of the Rocket or V-2 bomb. One time one landed about five blocks from me," the Rotarian speaker said.

Rowland entered service in the fall of 1943, received 13 weeks of basic training at Miami Beach, Fla., then went to gunnery school, then had three months of flying at Westham, Mass.

The sergeant went to the British Isles via Maine, Labrador, Greenland and Iceland. "Due to inclement weather, engine and oil trouble of our four bombers, we spent three or four days on each of those outposts," he said. "It was like viewing a storybook land for me.

"Labrador is pretty rough territory. We tried fishing there but had no luck. Then, we decided to go swimming so that we have something to tell folks back home. It was pretty cold!"

He spent three days in an emergency hospital, then went back into action.

"Guam was secured in 20 days," Alex relates. "However, during the next month our patrols killed at least a thousand Nips."

The corporal stayed on Guam until December 31, then was hit by malaria again and so was flown by army transport to Pearl Harbor. On February 26 he was brought by clipper plane to San Francisco. From the west coast, he was transferred to Portsmouth, Va. He is home on convalescent leave at the present time.

Alex wears the Purple Heart for that Guam wound. He must report back to Portsmouth June 2.

Alex is in high hopes, though, that he won't have to go back before one of his brothers, T/S John Brostowitz, comes home on furlough.

John sent a wire from the west coast to his parents earlier this week saying that he was en route home. "Roll out the barrel and tap the ice box," his telegram read. He has been overseas on New Guinea, New Britain and the Philippines for more than three years.

Another brother, Cpl. Henry Brostowitz, is attached to a fighter squadron in the Philippines with a ground crew. He has been overseas for a year.

The three servicemen are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Brostowitz, Route 4, Wisconsin Rapids.

Campus Notes

Miss Doris Koss of Wisconsin Rapids appeared recently as a soloist with the Lawrence College choir when that group sang a series of three popular concertos in the vicinity of Appleton. The concertos were special performances for industrial workers of Kaukauna, Appleton and Neenah-Menasha.

Miss Koss sang two numbers with the choir and two other solos. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Koss, 620 Baker street.

Cadet Nurse Alice Mary Jacob, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jacob, 451 Third avenue north, a graduate of Lincoln High school, is one of 51 young women who began nurses training in March at the School of Nursing of Michael Reese hospital in Chicago.

Class officers are Virginia Ransom, president; Margaret Kolba, vice president and Alice LeMay, secretary. The other graduates besides Jeanette See and Marylou Joosten are Betty Brandt, Wallace Jensen, Ervin Jansen, Bernice Jadaek, Clayton Johnson, Dorothy Rachel, Lois Marzofka, Lucina Dershorst, Dorothy Rokus, Janet Jacken and Virginia Ogilvie.

Auxillaries In Charge of Poppy Sales

Poppies to honor America's dead warriors of two World wars will be sold in Wisconsin Rapids on Saturday by women of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion auxiliaries. The little red flowers will pay tribute to those men who died for their country in the present war and to those who fell 27 years ago in France and Belgium.

General chairman of the Legion auxiliary group is Mrs. Sam Schroeder, school chairman, Mrs. Carl Klundrud, publicity chairman, Mrs. C. J. Handall, and finance chairman, Mrs. Harold Willenberg. Corner chairmen are Mrs. Henry Becker, Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. Gilbert Sandman, Mrs. Frank Simons, Mrs. Nestor Smith, Mrs. William Lust, Mrs. Randall, Mrs. Ervin Whitrock, Mrs. Clara Eberhardt, and Mrs. K. J. Hubbard.

Poppy chairman for the VFW auxiliary is Mrs. Ernest Austin, and corner captains are Mrs. T. W. Hillgard, Mrs. Archie Van Gorder, Mrs. Thor Johnson, Mrs. W. J. McGrogan, Mrs. Walter Oilschlaeger, Mrs. Merrill Fanning, Mrs. Jesse Powell, and Mrs. Frank Kersten.

Members of both organizations pointed out that there is no set price for a poppy. Any amount given to this cause is welcome.

Grace Van Gorder Graduated from School for Nurses

One of a class of 20, Miss Grace Van Gorder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Van Gorder, Route 6, Wisconsin Rapids, was graduated Monday from the Methodist Hospital School for Nurses at Madison.

The exercises were held at the First Methodist church with Bishop Schuyler Garth as the speaker.

The commencement program opened with the professional. B. E. Miller, hospital president, gave the address of welcome following the invocation by the Rev. John W. Birchall.

A vocal selection preceded and followed the address by Bishop Garth. Diplomas were distributed by Dr. James Jackson, chief of staff.

Sgt. Patrick Cahill Liberated in Germany

Mrs. L. J. Vechinski, Port Edwards, was notified by her sister, Mrs. Ed Cahill of Janesville, last evening that the Cahill's son, Sgt. Patrick Cahill who had been missing since April 1944, had been liberated from German prison camp Stalag No. 4, Patrick is a grandson of Mrs. C. Cahill of Port Edwards and has many relatives and friends in this vicinity.



JEANETTE SEE Honor Student VIRGINIA RANSOM Class President

Commencement Exercises at Rudolph Thursday Evening

Commencement exercises for the 16 graduates of the Rudolph Consolidated High school will be held at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, May 24, in the school gymnasium. H. M. Tolo of Central State Teachers college, Stevens Point, will be the speaker and has selected as his subject "The War Has Taught."

Jeanette See and Marylou Joosten, who finished the four years of high school with exactly the same scholastic average, 94.52, will appear, Jeanette giving a talk "Democracy Today" and Marylou playing a piano solo "Arabesque" (Loch).

J. C. Gillmann will give the principal's charge to the class and following the address by Mr. Tolo, Miss Ella Hasbruck will present the D. A. R. award and Principal Gillmann will present the awards and the classmembers, who will receive their diplomas from Edward Sedwick, clerk of the school board. Janet Jacken will render "Prayer" by Binet and the Girls' chorus will sing "Memories" by Van Alstyne. The Rev. F. Wagner will give the benediction.

Class officers are Virginia Ransom, president; Margaret Kolba, vice president and Alice LeMay, secretary. The other graduates besides Jeanette See and Marylou Joosten are Betty Brandt, Wallace Jensen, Ervin Jansen, Bernice Jadaek, Clayton Johnson, Dorothy Rachel, Lois Marzofka, Lucina Dershorst, Dorothy Rokus, Janet Jacken and Virginia Ogilvie.

Mrs. Reinhart Steinert, Sr., 79, died at her home in the town of Port Edwards at 11:45 Sunday evening following an illness of three years. She had been a resident of the community since coming to the United States from Germany 58 years ago.

Mrs. Peter Peterson, 77, of the town of Sherry, died there at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herman Knuth, at 2:45 this morning. She had been a resident of the community for 45 years.

Robert F. Knuth, 78, lifelong resident of the community, died at 1:10 this morning at his home, 2360 West Grand avenue, after a two weeks' illness of pneumonia. He had been employed by the Johnson and Hill company 20 years, retiring in 1941.

Michael F. Mathews, 79, member of a pioneer Central Wisconsin family, died at his home, 140 Twelfth street south, shortly after 7 o'clock this morning following a long illness.

Mrs. Mary Ann Wolfe, 66, a resident of Neokosa the last 30 years, died at her home at 5:15 Sunday morning after an illness of four months.

Henry Kuhn Dies

Henry Kuhn of Neokosa died at noon today at the Wisconsin General hospital in Madison.

Tot Cut About Head When Hit By Auto

Richard Fisher, 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fisher, 141 Fourth avenue north received several minor cuts about the head at 3:30 yesterday afternoon when he was struck by a car driven by Mrs. Walter Panzer, 49, 640 Grant street, as he attempted to cross Fourth avenue north in front of the English Lutheran church. The attending physician said the injuries were not considered serious. The left front headlight on the Panzer car was broken. Police Chief R. J. Exner said there would be no prosecution.

Machinists Vote to Buy Two \$100 Bonds

Lodge 1543 of the International Association of Machinists, A. F. L., at its last meeting voted to purchase two \$100 war bonds in the Seventh War Loan, according to Ernest Carl, recording secretary. The lodge meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month, the next meeting being scheduled for May 28.

In Justice Court

Ronald Parker, 17, Pittsville, pleaded guilty this morning of reckless driving when arraigned in justice court of Marjorie Jacobson and was fined \$25 and costs of \$10.02. He was arrested Saturday by Police Chief Carl E. Heuer, Pittsville, who charged Parker with driving in a reckless manner in Pittsville.

Mark Heald, Route 2, Junction City, pleaded guilty this morning to a charge of driving without a state motor vehicle license in Justice Jacobson's court and was fined \$5 and costs of \$9.02. Heald was arrested May 15 by county police in the town of Rudolph.



MARYLOU JOOSTEN Honor Student

Local Sailor Claims Bride During Leave

In the Immanuel Lutheran church at Eighth and Prospect streets, with the Rev. E. G. Kuechle performing the ceremony, Miss Marjorie E. Swawaska became the bride of Clifford G. Swanson, machinists mate second class in the United States navy, at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, May 18. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sawaska, 1510 Baker street, and the groom the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swanson, Route 3, Wisconsin Rapids.

Samuel E. Henke, seaman second class, left Wednesday evening for Great Lakes, Ill., where he is to report for further assignment. He spent a nine-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Henke, 820 Lincoln street.

Tech. Sgt. Otto Sachs of Chanuta Field, Ill., who was called home by the death of his grandfather, Robert Knuth, Sr., and attended funeral services Thursday afternoon, will return to his base on Saturday.

Richard T. Aceti, seaman second class, who has completed his boot training at Great Lakes, Ill., is spending a nine-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Aceti, 1860 Baker Drive.

First Sgt. James Rember has returned from overseas and is spending a 12-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rember. He reports back at Fort Belvoir, Va., on May 29.

George Prusynski, fireman second class, returned to Great Lakes, Ill., on Sunday and Pvt. Robert Prusynski leaves tonight to report back at the marine base at Norfolk, Va., after being here to attend the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Katherine Prusynski on Saturday. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Prusynski of Biron.

Pvt. and Mrs. Vet V. Holmes of Knoxville, Tenn., who spent the past week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Staple and visiting other relatives, left this morning for Madison to spend the day. Private Holmes leaves from there for Knoxville and Mrs. Holmes will return here for a longer stay.

Staff Sgt. Marlan Lowell is leaving Tuesday to return to Camp Bartow, Fla., after spending a 19-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lowell. Sergeant Lowell is a personnel clerk in the air corps.

Sgt. and Mrs. Bernard Boler of Milwaukee are visiting at the Peter Ciszewski home and with other relatives. Sergeant Boler has just returned from Italy after being overseas 26 months. He has nine campaign stars and three Presidential unit citations. They were accompanied here by Cpl. James Ciszewski of Alexandria, La., who will spend his 15-day furlough at his home.

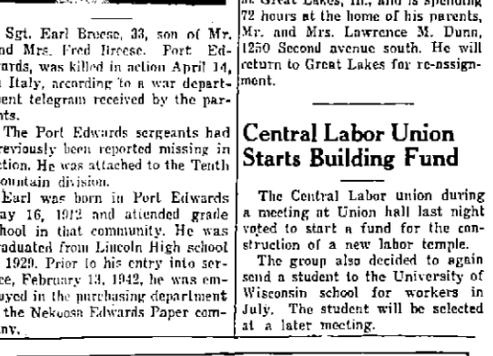
William C. Busch, seaman second class, has completed yeoman's school at Great Lakes, Ill., and is spending 72 hours at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence M. Dunn, 1250 Second avenue south. He will return to Great Lakes for re-assignment.

Central Labor Union Starts Building Fund

The Central Labor union during a meeting at Union hall last night voted to start a fund for the construction of a new labor temple.

The group also decided to again send a student to the University of Wisconsin school for workers in July. The student will be selected at a later meeting.

Private Breger Abroad By Dave Breger



"Hey, you! Is this—?" "COLONEL you, if you please!"