

A PASSING SEASON

An Editorial

The seasons of the year run their course swiftly. No one knows that better than our millions of school age youngsters. The summer vacation is already half gone — and the beginning of the next school year approaches.

Many, perhaps most, will return to school with a feeling of regret. Summer vacation to most young people, with all its sports and many-sided attractions, is fun. Of course there are a few that work all summer, while others attend summer school to either raise their last year's marks or else make up subjects that they flunked out in last semester.

Thus, the majority of youngsters probably wish it could last forever, since its only human nature to enjoy a good time.

However, to a few — it is a time of decision — or rather indecision! These are the ones that are thinking about not going back to school. These are the potential drop-outs!

To these young people — we say: here is a golden opportunity to find out for yourselves how important a High School Education is!

Go out and hunt for a permanent, full-time job! Go to the employment offices of big firms and apply for a clerical or soft-collar job! Go to big industrial plants where you know the workers are drawing big wages for their skilled labor.

What is one of the first questions that you are asked? How far did you go in School!

Despite all of the labor-saving progress that has been made, we still live in a world in which work and knowledge are essentials. The advances of science and technology have vastly increased the kind and amount of education that is needed if the young person is to have a successful and rewarding career as an adult. Little room is left for the uneducated and the half-educated.

Those who lack at least a high school education face a tough road ahead. Also, college training is of necessity demanded by more and more employers. If you were an employer, would you want to take a chance and hire someone who wouldn't even stick to something long enough to finish High School? Wouldn't you hesitate in spending good money to teach them a trade — for fear that they would become a "drop-out" from your plant — and float on like a "will of the wisp"?

Just what are the prospects for a boy or girl that becomes a "drop-out" from school? If you are a boy, would you be satisfied and happy as a "grease-monkey" in a filling station for the rest of your life? If you are a girl, would you be content and settle for a job as baby-sitter, housekeeper, laundress, or the like? Or if you were extremely fortunate, and learn a trade or profession, would that be enough?

Nowadays, stress is laid on physics, mathematics, the chemical arts, and other of the sciences. But the boy or girl who learns only a trade or a profession — is but half a person. The finished student must have at least a fair working knowledge of literature, the other fine arts, and economics. It is in this last classification that the schools and parents, in too many instances, seem to have failed. Too many graduates leave the halls of "Ivy Walled Cathedrals of Learning" with too little understanding of basic economics to even be successful in running their own household after they are married.

As a student — return to school with a will! And let your school and parents properly prepare you for a constructive place in the world into which you will enter as an adult!



50 YEARS AGO

July 21, 1916

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Mathew Cannon was instantly killed Thursday, July 20th by Erie Train No. 3 on the Main Street Crossing in Andover at about 12:30 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynch are the parents of a son, born Monday, July 24th.

William G. Tucker, 77, died at his home in Elm Valley Friday, July 14th. Funeral services were held Monday with Rev. V. L. Eggleston officiating.

Miss Milda Palminter and Lewis Alba O'Dell were united in marriage Wednesday, July 13th.

Mrs. P. L. Lynch and children of New York City are guests this week of her mother, Mrs. Bridget Garvin.

Miss Anna Mackmer of Collins Center was a week-end guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. M. Lash.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joyce and children of Hornell passed Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Rosanna Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Padden and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cuddebeck of Buffalo motored to Andover and spent the week-end guests of Wm. Pardon.

Mrs. C. B. Corwin of DuBois, Pa., was the guest of Mrs. B. C. Cole and Mrs. H. L. Corwin last week. Mrs. Corwin returned to DuBois with her.

Mrs. Flora Deming and Mrs. Emma Robbins represented the Andover WCTU at the County Convention held at Little Genesee Wednesday and Thursday.

40 YEARS AGO

July 16, 1926

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District Deputy Grand Master, Grant M. Clark and suite of Cuba, were in Andover Tuesday evening and installed the Officers of Andover Lodge No. 786 I.O.O.F. G. J. Vickers was installed as Noble Grand.

William C. Mulcahy, 37, one of Andover's finest young men, died Wednesday, July 7th at Mushogee, Okla. Funeral services were held Monday with Rev. Tracy officiating with interment in St. John's Cemetery.

About 25 relatives and friends met at the home of Mrs. M. A. Orvis Sunday, July 11th around noon for a picnic dinner. The occasion being Mrs. Orvis' 80th birthday.

Lewis A. Johnson, 47, died Sunday, July 11th at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Elmira. Funeral services were held at the Andover Baptist Church Tuesday with interment in Hillside Cemetery.

The Clarke Reunion was held Tuesday, July 13th at the home of Mrs. Maude Clarke and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Clarke of Independence. About seventy-five members were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter W. Richardson are the parents of a son, born Saturday, July 10th at the St. James Mercy Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Greene of New York City are visiting his sister, Mrs. C. M. Crandall of Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cooper of Bradford, Pa., were visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. D. Hardy this week.

Ernest Trowbridge of Buffalo has been a guest at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Trowbridge the past week.

30 YEARS AGO

July 17, 1936

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The Annual Mullen Reunion was held at the West Greenwood Grange Hall Sunday, July 12th with about 75 descendants present.

Mrs. Carrie Slade in company with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Slade and son of Washington, D. C., were in Hamburg and Buffalo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Church attended the Edwards-Benjamin Reunion held at the farm home of Alvin Edwards in Whitesville, Sun-

Red's Racetrack Rambles

Thursday night at the Bradford Speedway, there were so many new cars and drivers on hand that our curiosity was aroused and prompted asking the track management what the score was. It seems that the "Boys" that run at the "Hummingbird Speedway" issued a challenge to the Bradford Drivers and had come over to give them a trimming when their challenge had been accepted. And, despite the fact that they weren't used to the track, still made a good showing of themselves. In fact, Paul Benton, No. 54, really cleaned house in the Modern Class by winning both a heat and the Feature.

In the newly created "Hooligan Class", there were so many new cars on hand that they had to run 2 Heats, a "Consy", and Feature on the "Figure-8" track and the boys met — and criss-crossed in the middle of the infield. Despite the fact that the cars were running in the opposite direction than what they were set up for — there was only one smash-up in the middle — although there were so many near-misses that the fans were on the edge of their seat all of the time. In the Sportsman Division, Herby Layfield, No. 48, had his car running just about right to suit him so that he was able to clean house by taking both a heat and the Feature; with Sam Harmon, No. 1, from Hummingbird Speedway taking the other heat.

After all of the regular card of races was completed, the Gals lined up on the track for the "Powder Puff" Derby which had been scheduled as an extra event. And, since, the "Gals" had boy-friends and husbands in all three classes, there were "Hooligan", Sportsman and Modern cars — all mixed in together.

Imo Jean Layfield, driving her first race, had drawn pole position in her husband Herby's No. 48 and mindful to his advice, jumped out to an early lead and by pouring the coal on managed to keep ahead of the "Hot Moderns" to pick up the checkered flag and win the beautiful trophy that was given as first prize. However, when "Herby" told her that she could put the trophy in with his collection, he was informed that it was going to be given a place of honor in her kitchen — where she could admire it while taking care of her kitchen chores.

For a brief re-cap of the evening's results: — In the Hooligan Class — Ron Dietz, driving a borrowed No. 94, won the 1st heat; Rick Chestnut, No. ME2, took the 2nd heat; Tom Wilcox, No. 44, the "Consy"; and Bob Schimp, No. 95, won the "Figure-8" Feature.

In the Sportsman Class — Herby Layfield, No. 48, took the 1st heat; Sam Harmon, No. 1, the 2nd; and in the Feature, Herby Layfield, No. 48, was 1st; Larry Swander, No. 99, 2nd; Jay Pylar, No. 79, 3rd; Bill Layfield, No. 54, 4th; and Tom Elder, No. 38, 5th.

In the Modern Class — Jim Schimp, No. 26, won the 1st heat; Paul Benton, No. 54, the 2nd; and in the Feature, Paul Benton, No. 54, was 1st; Jim Hakes, No. 04, 2nd; Gerry Schimp, No. 93, 3rd; Bob Grove, No. 79, 4th; and Frank Raymond, No. 76, 5th.

And then of course as we have already mentioned, Imo Jean Layfield, driving No. 48, won the day.

James J. Powers of New York City and Miss Anna J. Casten of Jersey City are spending this week at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. James L. McDonough.

Dr. and Mrs. William McAndrew of Oil City visited his mother, Mrs. Eliza McAndrew over the week-end.

James O'Connor of Hornell is spending some time with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John Burns and family.

Miss Louise Folsing returned Sunday from New York City where she has been for two months.

Miss Ellen Marie Murphy of Hornell is spending a few weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Quigg. A birthday gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Youmans Sunday afternoon in honor of her birthday.

Miss Emily Swales of Ganaseraga is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. A. Orvis.

"Powder Puff" Derby.

"Squirt" Johns, driving his familiar No. 511, added another Modern Feature as well as a beautiful Trophy to his collection in a hard fought battle in the 50-Lap Trophy Race at the McKean County Speedway at Smethport, Pa., Friday night.

"Squirt", who is high point man at this track as well as at "State-line", and 2nd at "Eriez", started near the rear of the pack and took over the lead from "Bobby Schnars", No. 3, around the 20th lap and then held the lead for his 50 laps. In addition to the Feature, "Squirt" also won a beautiful victory over from Bobby Schnars in the "Consy" by leading it out by a full lap.

The Feature race was restarted after a few laps were lost due to a crash. It started with "Squirt" in the lead, followed by "Bobby" Schnars, No. 04, to move out into No. 3 spot — but "Bobby" Schnars, No. M-1, managed to get by him before a lap had been completed.

The second re-start was on the 15th lap, and when the cars were lined up in "Indian File", Bobby Schnars, was 1st; "Squirt" Johns, 2nd; Jim Hakes, 3rd; Jughead Pierce, No. 1, 4th; and Ray Jordan, No. 32, 5th. By the 20th lap, "Squirt" had moved out into the lead; Schnars was 2nd; Pierce, 3rd; Jordan, 4th and Hakes, 5th. After a terrific battle lasting many laps, Jordan finally moved into the No. 2 spot with the team holding these positions until the last few laps. Then Ray apparently ran into difficulties with his No. 32, and dropped back into 5th by the time the finish line was crossed, with Pierce moving up into 3rd, and Hakes into 4th.

In the Sportsman Class, Herby Layfield, No. 48, took his 3rd Feature in a row at this track after winning a terrific battle over his brother Bill who was driving No. 44 and was out in the lead until his car started cutting out on the corners. Herby won the "Consy" with comparative ease.

For a brief re-cap of the evening's results: In the "Hooligan" Class — Dick Fitzgerald, No. 96, took the 1st heat; Roger Freer, No. 55, the 2nd; Jack Blessings, No. 6, the "Consy"; and in the Feature, Jack Blessing, No. 6, was 1st; Dick Fitzgerald, No. 69, 2nd; Bill Elliott, No. X15, 3rd; Vergil Canfield, No. 11, 4th; and Don Ford, No. 25, 5th.

In the Sportsman Class: Jerry Skiver, No. 7X, took the 1st heat; Jay Pylar, No. 79, the 2nd; and Herby Layfield, No. 48 the "Consy". In the Feature, Herby Layfield, No. 48, was 1st; Jerry Skiver, No. 7X, 2nd; Bill Layfield, No. 44, 3rd; Larry Swander No. 99, 4th; and Terry Hodges No. 13, 5th.

In the Modern Class — Dick Litz, No. 41, won the 1st heat; "Squirt" Johns, No. 511, the 2nd; and Jughead Pierce, No. 1, the "Consy". In the Feature, "Squirt" Johns, No. 511, was 1st; Bob Schnars, No. M-1, 2nd; Jughead Pierce, No. 1, 3rd; Jim Hakes No. 04, 4th; and Ray Jordan, No. 32, 5th.

At the Sportsman's Raceway at Mills Saturday there were several new cars in the Modern Class as well as at least a couple new ones in the Sportsman Class. Butch Harris, No. 3A; Paul Hidek, No. 6%; Bill Hall, No. 21; and Ray Fimerty, No. 556 were among the new ones in the Modern Class while Dick Bunn, No. 69; and Bill Deming was back with a new No. 11.

In the Sportsman Class, despite the fact that the track was unfamiliar to him, Dick Bunn, No. 69, still "cleaned house" by taking a heat and the Feature. Incidentally, this Feature was really packed with lots of action and was actually a good imitation of a Demolition Derby since only 6 of the 16 cars that started — finished the race.

In the Modern Class, Warren Kinney, No. 16, cleaned house again by winning a heat and the Feature. The "Consy" was a real (Please Turn to Page Six)

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