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Thousands Will Take Part in July 4th. Celebration Monday

Lackawanna Prepares for Gala Program With Parade, Speeches, Exhibitions and Sports Having Big Part in Days Activities

Flags flying, thousands of people lining the streets, the tramp of marching feet, the beat of drums and then the cry along the line—Here they come. Such is the setting anticipated for Lackawanna's largest parade, which will open this city's greatest celebration of Independence Day and the George Washington bicentennial, next Monday morning, July 4th and continue throughout the day with a diversified program of speeches, exhibitions, games and sports to be held at the stadium.

Plans for the day are being completed by committees under Patrick J. McMahon, general chairman, cooperating with the Lackawanna Bicentennial, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sarah J. Ehrmann. Participating in the celebration will be large groups from practically every organization and nationality in the city including civic, church, patriotic and fraternal.

The parade will form at 10 a. m. on Ridge road with the head near Wasson avenue, under the direction of Marshall Robert Avery, who will be assisted by the past commanders of the local American Legion post including William Mahoney, Charles Cuntin, Joseph Galligan, Timothy McCormick, Adj. John Shea and Carl Kneller as adjutant for the parade. Led by Mgr. Nelson H. Baker, Lackawanna's sole surviving Civil War veteran the parade will move out Ridge road to Memorial Field, where it will be joined by children from the 2nd, 3d and 4th wards, then past City Hall where it will be reviewed by city officials and contest judges, thence on to South Park avenue and the stadium. In case of rain the program will be held at Memorial Hall instead of the stadium.

Following Lackawanna's famed prelate and veteran in the line of march will be local units of the Spanish-American and World War veterans, the auxiliaries of the various patriotic units, school children from all of the public and parochial schools and then all of the fraternal and social organizations of the city, who will draw the position in the line. Included in the latter will be the K of C, Masons I O O F, Ancient Order of Hibernians and auxiliary, Catholic Daughters of America, Rebecca Lodge, Woodmen of the World, Loyal Order of Moose, and from 500 to 2,000 from the combined societies of each of the following: Spanish, Polish, Italian, Croatian, Serbian, Colored and Hungarian.

Several musical organizations will participate including a large band of the combined Polish societies, Ancient Order of Hibernians Pipe and Drum Corps,

a file and drum corps furnished by the colored societies and the District D. Girl Scouts Pipe and Drum Corps. The prize awards offered for the occasion include a silver loving cup to the school having the largest number of students in line, awards of gold pieces for the two best floats, to the organization having the largest number in line, for the best uniformed organization for the best Colonial group, for the best individual Colonial costume, for the best decorated bicycle, best decorated automobile, for the best decorated store, for the best decorated store window and the best decorated residence. Cash prizes will also be awarded for the oldest person present, for the oldest Lackawanna resident, to the tallest person in line and to the person coming the greatest distance.

Program at the stadium will open with an address by a speaker of national reknown and remarks by Mayor Walter J. Lohr, honorary chairman, Mrs. Sarah J. Ehrmann and Rt. Rev. Nelson H. Baker. Following will be a number of novelty and folk dances by groups representing several different nationalities of the city. Mrs. John E. Doyle is in charge of this program assisted by Mrs. Chodlick, Joseph Milano and Mrs. Mary Serbade.

Del Fisher, high school athletic coach, heads the sports program assisted by Clinton Couhig, Stanley Bukaty, John Novak, John Osborne, Ralph Cowley, Celestine Shea, Edward Moss, John Pansy, James Downey and Paul Marleich. The schedule of sports events includes a balloon race for little children, 50 yard dash for girls under 10; 50 yard for girls under 16; 50 yard dash for boys under 10; 50 yard dash for boys under 16; hop, step and jump; shoe race for boys; balloon blowing contest for women; egg throwing contest for mixed couples; nursing contest for mixed couples; 50 yard dash for firemen and policemen; pie eating contest; 100 yard dash open to member of the municipal league football teams, and a softball game between two of the leading teams in the league.

At a recent meeting of the committee with Mayor Lohr and Dr. A. Cukowski, arrangements were made to provide running water at the field for the convenience of the public and to provide nurses, who will be on hand to aid anyone who might be injured or become ill. Arrangements have also been completed to install enough bleachers at the field to accommodate at least the largest part of the crowd; to install an amplifying system, so that the speeches and announcements can be heard by everyone, and to construct a high pavilion for dancing. There are to be several concessions, rented at the field which will provide refreshments. Mrs. Ehrmann has arranged to give each child in the parade an American flag as well as candy, peanuts and other things which children best enjoy.

L.H.S. Graduates Largest Class

85 Seniors Receive Their Diplomas at Exercises in School Auditorium - Awards Also Presented.

Lackawanna High School bid farewell to its largest graduating class Tuesday evening when 85 Seniors were presented their diplomas by John Crosta, member of the Board of Education, at the annual commencement exercises held in the school auditorium. The gold medal award to the student who has brought the greatest distinction to the school during the past year was presented to Antoinette Saljog by Nicholas J. Ergan, president of the Board of Education. The gold medal to the student achieving the highest mark in the City's regents examination was awarded to Ida Di Mulo by Joseph O'Mara, also a member of the school board.

The program opened with nearly 1000 parents and friends filling the auditorium to capacity, as the school faculty proceeded the class in the graduation march onto the stage. Music was furnished by the school orchestra under the direction of Miss Margaret Twist. Other features of the evening were songs by the Girls Glee club; salutatory by Dolores Donahue, Class Essay by Anna Crosta; oration by Richard Hiehill, and a violin solo by Miss Eleanor Anderson accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Nash.

Bohman, J. Egan, Superintendent of Education, who gave the farewell address to the graduates, said in part: "Did it ever occur to you boys and girls that you have certain obligations that you owe to yourselves? You after all, and only you can be the architects of your own fortunes. You must be helped and advised, and encouraged by others but in the very last issue the whole structure of your whole lives must be built and erected by yourselves.

"You must be educated today, if you are going to amount to anything and your very generous city has done all in its power to make that education possible. It has given you a progressive corps of teachers, up-to-date textbooks, splendid educational equipment of that may possibly develop strong and clever and brilliant men. It will not necessarily develop good men. No, intellectual education alone is not sufficient. A thorough, sound, moral education that depends entirely upon yourselves is also required because this latter regarding as it does, not only the formation of character, but also the conduct of life, is absolutely essential in fighting successfully the grim battle of life today."

The speaker of the evening was introduced by Leo A. Joyce, principal, who in commendation on Mr. Boland's extensive experience and knowledge stated that some time ago he was one of three men selected to act as judges in a Virgil contest on the occasion of the celebration of the bi-centennial anniversary of the birth of Virgil. Qualifications for such an honor required (1)

School Employees Salaries Reduced

Savings of \$28,000 on School Budget Announced After Special Meeting Monday, - New Addition to High School

A saving to local taxpayers of approximately \$28,000 on the cost of operating the public schools in Lackawanna for the coming school year was approved and accepted at a special meeting of the school board held Monday evening. It was announced Tuesday by Bertram J. Boland, superintendent of schools.

The greater part of the savings was made possible through the voluntary action on part of all school employees in voting themselves a general reduction of five per cent for the coming year, according to Mr. Boland.

"There are a total of 183 persons employed in the school system, he said, and through their act a \$15,000 has been shaved off the school budget for the coming year."

The superintendent also pointed out the fact that according to law no reduction can be made in teachers' salaries without their sanction, so that local school employees act to be on the alert in taking this voluntary step to relieve the city of part of its heavy tax burden especially when it is anticipated that there will be an increase in the city budget for a school year.

The remainder of the savings has been accomplished through cutting down expenses in various other school departments so that the new budget calls for a total of \$853,540.99 to be raised by local taxes as compared with \$881,396.00 which was the amount raised for the year 1931-1932. The Board had to accomplish this reduction while faced with the fact that a considerable increase in the number of pupils who will attend the schools here is anticipated, it was stated. This would normally call for an increase in school expenditures, rather than a reduction.

Announcement was also made that the Lincoln school, Dona street will be used as an addition to the present high school during the coming year in order to relieve the overcrowded condition in the latter school. The plan is to accommodate 165 of the anticipated number of incoming freshmen at the present high school while 130 freshmen will be sent to the new portion of the high school. The students who will attend the Dona street school are those who reside in that part of the city between the new Ridge road bridge and Hamburg turnpike, while students who reside on the other side of the city will attend the school there. This year's freshman class at the Lincoln school, will also continue their studies at that school and complete their sophomore work there.

HONOR STUDENTS AT FRANKLIN SCHOOL

One of the largest lists of pupils ever to have their names on the honor roll of the Franklin school was announced Monday by William S. Leger, principal. There are 161 pupils on the list which does not include the members of the eighth grade graduating class.

- FIRST GRADE—Lou Dodge, Brown Wedgema, Natalie Kendig, Jane Rzepicki, Francis Melody, Stella Polakiewicz, Mary Michalek.
- First Grade, M. Mallon.
Colleen Daly, Horrota Szepeanik, Olga Kuczka, Eleanor Kuciema, Virginia Kruk, Marietta Hanley.
- Nelson Cantwell, Walter Ciskal, Joseph Gannon, Raymond Polonowski.
- First Grade, M. Benson.
- Mary Esther Egan, Lorraine Grzybowski, Charles Eneff, Peter Messenger, Joseph Pokigo, Chester Seres, George Tutko, Edward Ignaczak, Anatol Antos, Jennie Wilk.

- Second Grade, Rosina E. Twist.
- Anna Bartula, Jane Berry, Leona Biela, Irene Brodzinska, Thea Deserlic, Arthur Janiga, Edward Jurek, Stanley Kondratowicz, Eleanor Landowska, Frank Malaga, Alice Marcingiewicz, Jimmy Morgan, Chester Nabywanier, Jane Pachalec, Billy Pasierbowicz, Helen Raymond, Robert Reed, Helen Root, Rosemary Ryzka, Gloria Schwauchler, Irene Zak.

- Second Grade, Alice E. Brown.
- John Michalek, Edward Fronczak, John Michaelson, Chester Stuka, Frank Sitkowski, Edmund Sokolczyk, Kenneth Smith, Frank Tojek, Eugene Toksik, Sally Atherton, Florence Duroc, Helen Figiel, Irene Franco, Helen Isola, Eleanor Kramarczyk, Irene Melnyk, Helen Opeboloff, Alfreda Sokolowska, Irene Tojek, Stella Ugluk, Nancy Winkowska.
- Third Grade, L. Harrity.
- Louise Kackmarek, Ellen McManis, Geraldine Jakubowski, Emma Haro, Evelyn Ehrmann, Edmund Hoj, Marian Nizorski, Edward Fozyk, Leona Rojek, Jane Wierzbinska, Ruth Rarach, Joseph Michalczak, Fred Rybak, Esther Dziedzina.

- Third Grade, A. Gray.
- Romaine Firestone, Lillian Kucelmbka, Helen Lege, Veronika Moczawska, Henryta Henrietta.
- Noworyta Czulinak, Edwin Odorczyk, Leonard Rybak, Chester Sarna.
- Fourth Grade, Loreta B. Gault.
- William Peter, Helen Oshewsky, Thomas Major, Olga Samardak, Margaret Melody, Barbara Filighera, Lotie Moskal, Julius Bartoszek, Chester Gwozdzczyk.

Lackawanna Schools Graduate Record Number of Pupils

Thousands of People Fill School Auditoriums at Commencement Exercises Held During Past Week.

Thousands of proud parents, relatives and friends attended the graduation exercises held in the auditorium of the various Lackawanna schools during the past week at which the largest number of public and parochial school students ever to receive their diplomas here were graduated.

The first exercises were held simultaneously Friday evening at Our Lady of Victory Academy where the students of Our Lady of Victory Academy were graduated and in the High School auditorium where the 1800 school pupils received their diplomas and commended their graduation exercises when the graduation of the senior class of Lackawanna high school took place in the school auditorium.

The theme of the messages delivered to the graduates was that they should all strive to continue their learning at more advanced schools and colleges and

WILSON SCHOOL

Commencement exercises of the Woodrow Wilson school were held at 8 o'clock Friday evening in the auditorium of Lackawanna High school. Anna Antos, vice president of the class, numbering 31, Nicholas Bodnar is vice-president, Ruth Silverman, secretary and Mary Budmrowicz, treasurer. Julia Ray was the class teacher and the class colors are blue and white. Features of the program were songs by the class and a violin solo by Miss Eleanor Anderson. Awards and diplomas were presented by Principal John T. Avery. Those receiving special awards were Anna Antos, class medal award, Nicholas Bodnar, class honorable mention, Olga Pijpink, seventh grade medal award and Feler Solar, seventh grade medal award.

Walter Brown Puzzle Winner

Anthony Verbanic Takes 2d Prize in last Weeks "Puzzle That Pays" Feature.

Here is the solution to the Puzzle in last week's issue of the Lackawanna News.

NAME—FRENCH CLEANERS.
ADDRESS—100 SOUTH PARK.
Everyone in Lackawanna knows of the French Cleaners, but perhaps everyone doesn't remember their address here, which is 605 Ridge Road. And the address in the puzzle is that of the Parsons' Drug store, 409 South Park avenue, equally well known to all Steel City residents.

The winners:
FIRST—WALTER BROWN, 1516 Electric Avenue.
SECOND—ANTHONY VERBANIC, 437 Gates Avenue.

The returns this week were as numerous as last week and indicated widespread interest in the Puzzle "That Pays" feature. As it happened prize winners and their answers in ahead of all the rest, as indicated by the postmark so that there were no less making it necessary to draw for the one to receive the prize as occurred last week.

And now in this week's paper is another puzzle. Go to it as soon as you can. Of course you may not win. But then again you may. In any event you will have a fascinating time working it out. Be sure to look for the list of advertisers represented in the Puzzle "That Pays" feature in order to make sure that your answers are there. In the past some people have sent in answers not represented in the feature. Remember, the first prize belongs to the winner to an order for \$2.00 in merchandise upon one of the participating stores, the second prize to \$1.00 in merchandise and the third prize to 50 cents in trade. It isn't possible to give these prizes every week because of the fact that some weeks there are only two different merchants represented in the solution. However, there will be most of the Now be sure you know the rules then go to it.

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS SHOW DECLINE

The collections made by City Clerk Julius J. Bajorek for the month of May totaled \$705.83, which is a decline from that of previous months, it was announced Tuesday. Of this amount \$210.93 has been turned over to the city treasurer and the remainder to the county clerk, county treasurer and the Dept. of Agriculture and Markets. The collections represent turns taken in by the city clerk's office during May for various licenses.

- Fourth Grade, M. Koch.
Robert Black, Walter Blowski, Lottie Odorczyk, Russell Boser, Roma Bruchnicka, Anthony Chorasak, Michael Melnyk, Irene Dussac, Phyllis Jablowska, Sigmond Kwamiewski.
- Fourth Grade, Julia M. Brownell.
Margaret Tapaszto, Alojzyna Baron, William Krzemien, August Litwinski, John Szczepaniak, Rose Marak, Emilio Morgan, Edward Niziol.
- Fifth Grade, A. Connolly.
Elizabeth Dylong, Lottie Nabywanic, William Katra, Eris Heitz, Stephanie Melnyk, Florence Antonow, Edward Kosera, Otto Hager, William Haj.
- Fifth Grade, L. Korzeltus.
Michael Idzior, Archie Ordecka, Burwyn Cox, William Gonsterek.
- Fifth Grade, H. Sprague.
Bertha Kaynowski.
- Fifth Grade, S. Folan.
Marcelline Czerniewski, Irene Czuliniski, Bertha Madeja, Matty Jarosz, H. Ronke.
Louise Kowalsky, Helen Swakowski, Genevieve Wilczak.
- Sixth Grade, V. Gescivity.
John Bystranowski, Stella Bystranowska, Leonard Toporek, Josephine Katra, Anna Raymond, Mary Burke, Edward Sliwinski, Jane Szyguel.

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Class Leaders At High School Announced

Highest in Each Class Given Awards at Annual Graduation Exercises.

The students in each class at Lackawanna high school who have been the leaders in class work during the past school year, that is those who have maintained the highest average in all their studies, were recently announced by Principal Leo Joyce.

As a further recognition of their endeavor the highest student in each class is awarded a medal as a feature of the annual graduation exercises held in the school auditorium. The senior student is awarded a gold medal, the junior a silver medal, the sophomore a bronze medal and the freshman a bronze medal. An additional award is also made to the student who has brought the greatest distinction to the school during the year. This award is a distinctive gold medal and may be given to the student who has achieved the highest distinction in studies, athletic dramatics as a musician or in any one or several of the different branches of school activities.

This year the medal for distinction was awarded to Antoinette Saljog who won the first prize in the American Legion Essay Contest in competition with high school students throughout Western New York.

The leaders in class work were as follows: This list does not contain all of the honor students at the school as there are many more whose average was high enough to be placed on the honor roll.

Dolores Donahue, Virginia Johnston, Joseph Jawula, Nada Tasseff, Beatrice Gansner, Mildred Ullendrich, Heiler Jurek, Tessie Rybicki, Antoinette Saljog, Dorothy Yarnes, Anna Crosta.

Girls' Secretary: Harry Nichols. Therese Morgan, Arthur Ullendrich, Virginia Czerniewski, Ida DiMillo, Justina Christiano, Louis Resa, Mary Stajnoch.

Aurora Palmisano, Arthur Ullendrich, Sam Conr, Kathrin Hormann, Kazimira Czerniewski, Bollslaw Ziolkowski, Wallea MacDonald, Joseph Augustyniek, Joseph Kutyl, William Radeczi, Patsy Morgan.

Bertha Ioc, Louise Hoepfinger, Peter Kosowski, Joan Nerita, Joseph Melant, James Fortain, Vera Gilsen, Helim Moresse, Jane Chvala, Nellie Melnyk, Loreta O'Mara, Stanley Pielecha, Edward Szarowicz.

South Buffalo Residents Loaned Books Here

Seeking to help a neighbor in distress the Lackawanna Public Library has offered the privileges of that institution to the residents of South Buffalo, who have been deprived of library facilities since the Dudley branch of the Buffalo Public Library was closed last month. The local library is not far from the homes of South Buffalo residents and in many cases is even more convenient than the Dudley branch library.

Those Buffalo residents who pay taxes in Lackawanna, attend school here or work here are entitled to free privileges of the local library. Those who are non residents may obtain library books as they wish for the payment of a \$1.00 non-resident fee per year. This is less than 10 cents a month, and enables a family to secure books for the entire summer, either on the vacation library plan, or by borrowing from the library at regular intervals.

LOCAL FIRM LOW ON ROAD JOB

The T. J. McDermott Construction corporation of this city submitted the low bid of \$11,733.40 for construction of 3.89 miles of road in Niagara county on the Niagara Falls-Buffalo and North Tonawanda Sanborn highways, it was announced Thursday by the State Department of Public Works.

Local Library 10 Yrs. Old

This depression has its good points after all. The Lackawanna Public Library has announced that during the month of July in celebration of the library's 10th anniversary that during the month of July in celebration of the library's tenth anniversary, all back fines on overdue books will be excused for the asking. This mode of observance should meet with the 100 per cent approval of the many book borrowers here, who like everyone find themselves financially embarrassed in these days of 1932 prosperity.

This means that if your card is being held at the library because you have been unable to pay the fine on an overdue book all you have to do is call for it any time during July and it will be issued to you without having to pay one cent. Expired cards owing fines for overdue books may be renewed and the borrower will be reinstated. Or if you have any books which are long overdue return them during the month and the fines will be excused. This offering alone will be a big ham special arrangement is made by the library for July only and any fines incurred after June 30, will not be excused.

In return for this favor you are asked to help the library by telling others of this plan, by returning books when due or by renewing them for another two weeks so that you will have no fines against your name.

It will be twenty ten years on July 10 that the library opened its doors to the public. At that time, the five trustees voted solemnly to the portal of the library, carrying corn, up the stairs to the hearth, where they flung the corn into the fire. This is an old Indian custom asking the Great Spirit to give blessing and plenty to the home being opened.

The first year the library opened 14,091 books were circulated. Thus there were only 3000 books on the shelves chiefly gifts of the citizens. This year of 1931, 105,639 books were circulated, and the library now boasts of 13,000 volumes, purchasing at the rate of 2000 a year. New reading rooms have been opened and as many as 2500 people use the library only to read and browse during a busy month.

Lackawanna Downs Lockport 10-2

Displaying all of their old form, the Lackawanna Baseball club came back to regain a hold on first place birth in the Northern League by notching out a handy 10-2 victory over the Lockport club at the stadium, South Park, Sunday afternoon.

As a consequence of the local victory along with wins on the same afternoon by Tonawanda and Williamsville over the Niagara Falls Elphers, the latter aggregation lost their undisputed claim to first place honors and the league with all four teams having an equal claim to the seat at the top.

Big Chief Myers was again at the top of his form and steamed them across to allow the opposition but six scattered hits while he marked up 13 strikeouts to his credit. In fact Burke, crack second baseman for the visitors and his teammate Proffitt, former Bison star, were the only Lockport lads to show any real signs of being able to fathom the Chief's delivery. Proffitt landed on the pill twice for a home run and a triple while his partner accounted for two singles.

This Sunday the Lackawanna club gets another opportunity to show its stuff on the local diamond when North Tonawanda pays a visit to the Stadium at 3:30. This game will go far as to indicating where Lackawanna will stand at the end of the season and indications are that a record crowd will be present.

Hamburg R. R. Ordered To Operate Cars

A resolution that the Hamburg Railway be notified to discontinue its bus service on Electric avenue and again operate its cars on that street was unanimously adopted by the Common Council at its regular meeting held Monday evening at City Hall. The resolution was proposed by Councilman Pariz of the Third Ward and seconded by Council Donowick of the First Ward. Action on the application of the Greyhound Bus Co. for permission to operate its bus enroute from Buffalo to Erie, Pa., on Hamburg Turnpike, was postponed until July 15th.

BARNETT BROS. CIRCUS SOON

No doubt you are aware that a real honest to goodness Circus is the greatest entertainment of all amusements and world that does not need censoring. A visit to the Circus is a day of enjoyment for the old and young. It is a day that the kiddies always remember and the older folks never forget. Barnett Bros. is twice its former size this season and is now affording an unusual programme of sensation and merit, with more real novelties than all the other shows combined. A grand spectacle NATIONALITY precedes the regular performance this season, over on hundred men, women and animals take part. Miss B. Peasley is the prima donna and is assisted by a large group of pretty girls. Barnett Bros. have spared no money to make this the most gorgeous spectacle ever produced. This is presented with the regular circus performance without extra charges and is the talk of every town visited. The street parade this season is over one mile in length and will pass over the principal streets. It will be exhibited at Lackawanna on Friday, July 1.

FELLOWSHIP CLUB PLANS OUTING

The sixth annual outing of the Fellowship Club of Lackawanna Lodge No. 887, P. & A. M. will be held at the Hamburg Fairgrounds on Saturday afternoon and evening, July 23. Arrangements for the event, which are in the hands of a competent committee, are nearing completion, it was announced last week.

Among the features will be card games, bridge and pedro; outdoor dancing and a program of sports, including a championship horsehoe pitching contest. Many novel attractions will fill the midway and prospects are that the outing will be one of the largest ever held by this organization.

For Police Dogs, Marbe Virginia's dad has pointing out to her different things in an old picture of Camp Knox. At one side was a group of small tents which he told her were "pup tents." She seemed very much interested and said: "Why dad, were they for the police dogs in the army?" —Indianapolis News

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