

# THE OTISFIELD NEWS

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Otisfield Grammar School held Graduation exercises at Bell Hill Church Tues. evening June 5. Those graduating were:

Margaret Butler	Richard Dyer
Robert Carro	Lindley Fortier
June Cousins	Lila Hoyt
Madeline Lamb	

Miss Rita Lamb was the organist, Mr. Gordon Peaco was marshall, Mrs. Pearl Peaco was accompanist for the school. Supt. Merle Keyes conferred the diplomas and the certificates to the seven and nine point pupils. A banner was awarded to the East Otisfield School for the largest number of seven point pupils.

Miss Christine Peaco presented a gift to Mrs. Olga Bean from the East Otisfield School.

Miss Madeline Lamb presented a gift to Mrs. Pearl Peaco from the Spurrs Corner School.

Miss Margaret Butler presented Supt. Keyes with a gift.

Mr. Frank Bean read two citations won by the Spurrs Corner School. He also presented a flag earned by the Otisfield Gore School in the 4th War Loan Drive.

Mrs. Annette K. Pottle, Mrs. John Hankins and three children, Margaret, Thomas and John arrived in Otisfield Wednesday night. Mrs. Pottle has been spending the winter with her eldest daughter in Lawrence, Kansas.

Barbara Bean is working at "The Cape" for the summer.

Mrs. Ernest Robinson, her daughter Patricia, Mrs. Bertha Brown and a friend were at Mrs. Robinsons home on Bell Hill Sunday. They called on Mrs. Grace Dyer.

Mrs. Jack Giberson was an overnight guest of Mrs. Laura Fickett Monday. Tuesday Mrs. Fickett took her to Auburn where they were dinner guests of Mrs. Daley.

Mrs. Resper Bean will be home from the hospital Thursday.

Harry Cole, who has been home for a week has returned to his work.

The Dexter Nuttings are looking for two of their daughters home the last of the week.

Richard Dyer visited Bridgton Academy Wednesday.

A. B. Peaco and son lost a horse Tuesday morning.

Ernest and Marjorie Greenleaf and son Clyde were guests of C. E. Lamb and daughters Tuesday night. Wednesday, Clyde celebrated his 8th birthday.

Ralph Vining has his corn planted.

Crooked River Grange met in regular session on Saturday evening

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goggins observed their wedding anniversary Sat.

Ralph Lamb has been called for jury duty on the June session of the Superior Court.

Otisfield Grange will observe childrens night Sat. June 9.

Robert Butler S2/C has returned to duty, after a ten day leave spent with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler. Robert enjoyed some successful fishing trips, while home Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chase were at Orr's Island Sunday.

Thelma Hiltz received a maybasket recently.

Guy Tucker was in Portland Wed.

Benjamin Dyer has planted corn for Martin Wiley, Neil Lovejoy, Dexter Nutting, Gifford Welch, Francis Peaco and Linley Peaco.

Daurice Cole is nursing a case in Norway.

Several of our ladies received new "hair-dos" Monday at Edith Butlers. Mrs. Maida Card of Harrison was the hair dresser.

Barbara Spiller called on her aunt Grace Dyer recently to get some flowers for a graduation.

Guests at Joseph Butlers Sunday were: Barbara Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hamilton and son and Thomas Feeney.

Prof. and Mrs. A. M. Pottle, two of their children, John and Jane and Jane's roommate from Colby are spending a few days at the Pottle camp on Lake Thompson.

The pupils of the Ea. Otisfield school, accompanied by their teacher Mrs. Olga Bean attended the movies in Norway Wednesday.

Sarah Pottle returned home from Arcostock Co. Monday.

Ola Lamb is ill in the Mercy Hosp. on State St. in Portland, Me.

Mrs. Pearl Peaco and her pupils enjoyed a picnic at "The Cape" Wed.

Charles and Helen Martin remain in their usual health.

Alta Chase Fickett and daughter Sandra were visitors at her parents Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chase for a few days this week.

Word has been received that Herbert Connell of Bolsters Mills died Wednesday morning.

Dorothy Lamb has received word from her brother that he and his family are alright. It has been two years since she last heard.

Almon Hirst was in Norway on Monday.

Our Selectmen continue to keep our town business up to date every Friday night at the town hall.

## SCRIBNER HILL NOTES

Lena K. Dyer

All the families on the Hill were represented at the dedication of the Honor Roll on Memorial Day.

In between showers we all dash out and plant a few things, then hope for some sunshine to make them grow. No doubt before the summer is over we will be wishing for some of the rain that we just can't use now.

Our Scribner Hill Wave, Marian Culbert, accompanied by another Wave Dottie Domm will arrive at the Culbert farm Wed. morning for five days.

Fred and Doris Culbert are having a new shower installed.

Guests at the Culberts this week were: Mr. and Mrs. Thede Culbert, of Oxford, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Penley and son Jr. of West Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hamlin of Bolsters Mills.

Mr. Gleim reports that he is having good luck fishing this week.

Mabel Peaco has 100 baby chicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Peaco and daughters called on Ernest and Mabel Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dingley, Mr. and Mrs. Merl Conant and Mr. Conant's mother were guests of Harry and Delia Stone May 30th.

Florence Jillson entertained her brother and friend from Turner May 30th.

Albert Edwards and Maurice Whitcomb worked for Desmond Beatty Sunday.

Beatrice Edwards spent the day Sunday with Howard and Lena Dyer.

## OTISFIELD GORE

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thurlow were in Lewiston on business Tues. They called on William Bennett who is in the hospital.

Mrs. Franklin Flanders and daughter Eleanor Jean spent Memorial Day with her folks, Nathaniel and Ruby Green.

Lucile Annis graduated from the 8th grade Thurs. night at So. Waterford. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thurlow and family and Mr. and Mrs. Earle Dresser and family attended.

Frank Grover and Willard Brett have been helping Chas. Grover finish the roof on the addition he has built on his house. Charlie gets around quite a lot now with the use of a cane.

Albert Brackett of the U.S.N. is home on a 15 day leave. He is with his wife, Hilda, who is living with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brackett Sr.

Barbara Spiller of Bolsters Mills spent the week-end with the Thurlow girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thurlow and three daughters, Barbara Spiller, Ruby and Nathaniel Green visited Harrison Grange June 2.

## SPURRS CORNER

There was quite a bit of excitement at Spurr's Corner during the recent wind-blow. The wind partly broke a big elm near the parsonage and it was bending precariously over the road until it was cut down by Mr. Lovejoy and Adelbert Knight.

Mrs. Gertrude Barrows, Miss Anna Nevin and Mrs. Helen Mitchell were in Norway Friday on business.

A beautiful service flag was raised at Spurr's Corner on Memorial Day.

House cleaning has begun at camp Songwood Camps.

Mrs. Jack Giberson from New Hampshire visited her mother in law, Mrs. Howard Fickett recently.

Mrs. Arthur Corbin and two children from Cambridge, Mass. are visiting her mother Mrs. Edwin Knight.

The children of the Spurr's Corner Church will present the following program Sun. June 10, in observance of Children's Day.

Greeting Catherine Wilbur  
Songs by the School  
Scripture Robert Carro  
Responsive Reading Marion Jackson  
Solo (Jesus Bids Us Shine)

Anna McKeen  
Recitations by the following, -  
Gail Greenleaf, Ann Cook, Margaret Jackson, Bethel Gile, Joyce Riley  
Robert Blossom  
Solo (Jesus Loves Me)

Margaret Blossom  
Winona Fickett  
Joan  
Frances Jackson  
Marian Howe  
Ronald Carro  
Charles Carro  
David McKeen

Piano Solo (Nearer My God to Thee)  
Rachel Gile

Recitation June Carro  
" Myra Cove

Violin Solo Lila Hoyt  
(accompanied by Mrs. Gladys Hoyt)

Offering taken up by  
Calvin Carro and Nelson Riley  
Dialogue Robert Greenleaf and  
Larry Blossom

Solo (Jesus Loves Even Me)  
Bethel Gile

Ralph and Louise Johnson and family were at their farm over the week-end and planted their garden.

Ralph Vining, his son Donald and David Jillson called on Ruby and Nathaniel Green Sun. Ralph took their heifer down to Harry Stone's pasture for them.

Mrs. Lester Thomas was in Norway Sat. afternoon, delivering chickens. Since meat has been so scarce everyone is calling for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hayes and sister Mrs. Bradbury of Norway called on Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thomas Sunday afternoon. Evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thomas and three children.



## GERTRUDES CORNER

Ah there, folks! An advertise-ment appeared in a local paper recently saying, -Wanted-at once some young crows right out the nest, pin feather stage, will pay \$5.00.

What do you say ladies if we start out and get a little pin money gathering crows? All you would have to do is to first find a nest in the woods in a tall evergreen tree, -pine or hemlock or spruce. Better take a broom along as a weapon as mother crow might object and call the police. Climb the tree, then quickly back down with \$5.00 worth of crows in your apron pocket Ha! Ha! I don't have an idea what is to be done with crows where they are sent.

Perhaps if one could get them in quantity and cheap enough, they would make good sandwiches (to sell).

I heard of a restaurant where on the order menu were chicken sandwiches 40 cents and 50 cents. A man sat down to the table, -seeing order asked the waiter the difference in the sandwiches. He replied, "Well the 40 cent ones are made of veal and the 50 cent ones tuna fish"

Gertrude I. Barrows

Cake with Pudding Powder, Jello Pudding, Vanilla, Butterscotch or Chocolate.

1/2 cup shortening  
4 tablespoons sugar  
1 pk. pudding powder  
2 eggs separated  
1 cup milk  
1 and 1/2 cups flour  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
salt and vanilla

Cream sugar and pudding powder with shortening. Add beaten egg yolks. Sift flour with dry ingredients and add alternately with milk. Add vanilla. Fold in beaten egg white. Bake at 350° for 1 hour.

## Quiz

Under what date was a grant given for planting... governing New England in America?

What King gave said grant?

Who erected the Bell Hill Meeting House?

What year was Otisfield incorporated as a town?

## Answers of May 17

Parallel latitude 44 crosses Casco  
Maines population is 847,226.  
Maine's motto is "Dirigo".  
There are 5 lakes and ponds in Otisfield.

## Answers of May 24

The first Maine colonists settled at Popham Beach.  
Bell Hill was originally called Otisfield Hill.

The Proprietors of Otisfield Plantation were James Otis, Nathaniel Gorham and the heirs of Captain

## EDITORIAL

In the spring of 1946 two travelers journeyed to our town. Their arrival was heralded by a merry call of "Cheer up, Cheer up." Soon they were industrially gathering material for a nest in a maple tree. Meals were found near by and happiness dwelt in this summer home.

In May the rains came, the winds blew and Mr. Robin was gone! Mrs. Robin searched diligently until one day, lighting on a limb near a window, she discovered another robin mirrored there. Day after day she lighted by the window, wondering why she had to re-build her nest alone.

Tragedy comes in nature's realm  
Let us meet the "testing time"  
with as much courage as Mrs. Robin.

## Dunkertown

Many years ago the people who lived in the south part of town wanted a road built for their better convenience in getting out to the settlements. It was to start from Potter Mayberry's Corner and follow along by the shore of Lake Thompson and come out at the Sucker Brook and up to Ea. Otisfield. They got the Commissioners on and the road was approved, but a strong opposition arose up by a few in the northern part of town and the law was called in to decide it. Squire Keith of Oxford was counsel for the south part and in pleading his case for them he made this remark, "Just think of those poor donkeys toiling up those long hills." They begun to make fun of it and called it "Donkeytown" and it soon developed into "Dunkertown" and "Dunkertown" it has been ever since

Lydia S. Spurr.

## Otisfield Gore (cont'd)

Reino Johnson is plowing gardens in the neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wiles and children, Shirley Thomas and daughter called on their folks G.B. Scribner and family in Albany Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Thomas and daughter Mary called at Lester Thomas' Tuesday.

The two children of Ruth Thomas will be in the care of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thomas while Ruth goes to Georgia to see her husband Robert Thomas of the U.S. Army. Robert is ill with a bad throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thomas were in Norway Wednesday.

Eleanor Jean Flanders spent Monday and Tuesday nights with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Green.

John Gorham.

Daniel Holden owned the first wagon in town.

## BOLSTERS MILLS

Judge Pike of Bridgton made a short visit with Mrs. Lillie Skillings Sunday.

Barbara Spiller visited the Thurlow girls Saturday and Sunday, coming back on the school bus Monday morning.

Among those attending the Dedication of the Honor Roll at Frosts Corner Memorial Day were Mr. and Mrs. Lovering, Mrs. Verne Knightly and children.

The "rag man" was through the place Monday picking up old rags, papers, etc.

Gilman Allard had 100 pullets arrive Friday on the mail.

Earl Grover was home over Sunday with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Lunde and Mrs. Sam Jakola have been cleaning and painting the kitchen and dining room of the Grange Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Butters called on her mother Mrs. Nettie Hancock Sunday afternoon.

One of Mrs. Wilmot Lord's school-mates made a surprise visit one day last week.

## SOUTH OTISFIELD

Elvira Welch, Ruth Milose and son Stephen, P.F.C. and Mrs. Melvin Welch are spending the week with Mrs. Bes-sie Welch.

Gertrude Barrows and Anna Nevin called at Welch's Tuesday.

Wilbur Brewster is home on leave for a few days.

Howard Ames has lost a heifer from the pasture.

Eva Scribner and son Ellsworth were at Fred Martins for flowers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker and son Wesley of Pennsylvania were at Robert Bakers Monday night. They visited their mother in Auburn.

Russell Baker of Connecticut was a recent visitor at Robert Bakers.

Fred Brooks has been working for Fletcher Scribner on the gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Kidder were in Lewiston Sat. They acquired a new dog.

Callers at Fred and Velma Fortiers this week were Lois Thompson and son Morris, Margaret Hall and Catherine Matthews.

One story goes that Steve Jillson run a saw mill at East Otisfield and had as his housekeeper a Mrs. Puglesly. Taking the first part of her name "Pugleyville" acquired a name.

## HISTORY

We the subscribers being appointed a committee at the last annual meeting of the Inhabitants of Otisfield April 6, 1801 to divide the town into school districts and met the first day of June and think it best to have the school districts stand as they were formerly divided and make no alteration at present. The Com. were:

Benjamin Patch      David Thurston  
Samuel Scribner      Zebulon Knight  
Benjamin Wight

On April 5, 1802 it was -

Voted the Rev. Thomas Roby salary for the coming year, said salary being two hundred sixteen dollars and sixty seven cents.

Voted that ten cents an hour should be the price of Labour that shall be done by the first day of July, after that time to the first day of October six cents an hour should be the price of labour, oxen shall be fifty cents per day from May to October.

Norman and Eva Mills called on the Almon Hirsts Sunday.

Charles Butler G.M.3/C writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler that the ship to which he has been assigned has entertained King George VI, it has been in the campaigns of Africa, Sicily, Italy and France, has been shot full of holes but is now re-conditioned and ready for service. Her mascot is a stuffed stork.

## Letter

Dear O.N. Readers:

Many of you saw me when I had my leave, but the "NEWS" bring me back once a week anyway. And it introduces strangers to Otisfield too. The other night 3 Waves sat avidly reading and laughing over the paper, while on the N.Y.C. subway, -spurning all the big city dailies. That was the time Gertrude had to have time out to hunt up stockings.

The paper and my ravings have made Sailors and Waves eager to visit the town after the war. They have visions of beauty and succulent fish and good friendly people.

Be seeing you in the News  
Cartha E. Saunders.

We are told that the ladies of yester years used clay milk pans. They were broad and heavy and had to be carried up and down the cellar stairs.