

Diplomas, Awards Climaxed Girls, Boys States

Outstanding Girls Honored

Receiving diplomas and pins, exchanging good-byes and hearing an address by John E. Curtiss, American Legion national committeeman, ended the 1953 Girls State Session Monday.

In addition, Girls State Governor Joan Bezousek of Omaha gave a farewell address.

Essay winners, outstanding journalists and high scorers on a government test were honored at the graduation exercises.

In open discussion before their graduation, Girls Staters evaluated the 1953 session. They concluded that Girls State was "out of this world."

Many of the girls, like Beverly Buck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Buck of Lincoln, were most impressed by the political conventions. "Politics here is the real thing," she said. She also commented on the "interested and intelligent view" Girls Staters have taken in the political discussions which followed each officials speech.

Genevieve Graff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graff Jr., of York, said her biggest thrill was "coming to a completely new place and working with completely new girls."

She said voting at Girls State is determined by how hard candidates have worked and how qualified they are rather than by their personal popularity.



NUCWA Explains Government Types

Nebraska University Council on World Affairs presented an informal program for Girls State, Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Social Science auditorium.

The discussion included an explanation of a government which affects everyone's life, as well as the local and state government which the Girls Staters study, the world government, or United Nations.

Jack Rogers, moderator of the discussion, gave a speech explaining the United Nations. Other participants were Dale Johnson, Ann Beynon, Marv Freedman, Wayne Johnson, and David Gradwohl.

New Panoramic Screen Unveiled To Lincolniters

The latest development in the current movie-industry transition to new presentation procedure and techniques was unveiled in Lincoln, Tuesday.

At that time, Lincoln moviegoers had an opportunity to see and pass approval on the Midwest's second installation of the radical new Panoramic, full stage screen.

The new type theatre screen, developed by the Technical Department of Paramount Pictures Corporation measures 35 feet in width, and contains over 750 square feet of surface.

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The five Landons, from the Loup City area, attending the University summer session are (from left) Mrs. Betty Landon, Erma, Florence, Alta and Dorothy.

Just Think, Five Of Them!

Teachers, All Named Landon At NU Session

Five rural teachers, all named Landon, all from Sherman county, and all concerned about the future of farm pupils, are enrolled at the University of Nebraska's summer session.

The five Landons, something of an institution in the Loup City area, have a combined record of 45 years of teaching experience, have instructed more than 450 pupils, but none has had previous resident college work before enrolling at Nebraska.

Four of the Landons are sisters: Erma, Florence, Alta, and Dorothy. The fifth, Mrs. Betty Landon, is the wife of Donald Landon, brother of the four teachers.

Two problems, the Landon teachers agree, demand attention on the rural and small town school front. One is the matter of redistricting; the other, the need for

some storm protection for rural school children.

"Many parents," says Alta, "oppose redistricting because it will mean travel for the youngsters. I appreciate that, but it is not fair to pupils to ask them to get all of their grade school instruction from one teacher in a room where pupils vary in age from five to 14. And it certainly is expecting a lot of the teacher."

None of the five has had any tragic storm experience, but Dorothy, who has taught for 11 years, the past three at Rockville, at-

tributes their safety record more to luck than to lack of danger.

All five teachers are working to qualify for three-year elementary certificates. Betty and Dorothy made plans to attend the University and the other three rode with them to Lincoln. By the time Rosalie W. Farley, one of the Teachers College advisers, explained the advantages to summer session work, Erma, Florence, and Alta had decided to enroll too. All have had instruction in University off-campus classes in other years.

Boys' Efforts Receive Merit

A week of high pitched activity for Nebraska Boys Staters was ended with a luncheon Friday in which they were rewarded for their efforts.

Diplomas were awarded and a trophy was presented to the governor, Jerry Rigg of Omaha by Dean F. E. Henzlik of Teachers College and educational director of Boys State.

Top scorers in a government test were also honored.

Yorktown, a hypothetical town organized by the Staters, was announced as the winner of the "city" prize.

Points were awarded to the towns on participation in Boys State activities, examination grades, and cleanliness of their towns on inspection.

At the final night session Friday the boys heard talks by Bill Glassford, University head football coach, and Patsy Clark, athletic director.

A visit to the statehouse Saturday morning wound up a week of political campaigning, trips to state institutions and speeches by government officials as part of Boys Staters' study of state government.

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