

New Buildings Change Scene at West Point

\$5,000,000 Construction Will Give Academy Needed Space—Completed by End of 1938.

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WEST POINT, N. Y., July 9. (UP)—The U. S. Military Academy is undergoing a "face-lifting" operation, completion of which will change the entire physical appearance of the famous institution.

A new cadet barracks, a new academic building, an addition to the gymnasium, a cadet armory, ordnance and engineering laboratories and junior officers' quarters are being erected in a \$5,000,000 construction project. The buildings will be completed by the end of 1938.

Five hundred cadets will be accommodated in the new barracks, which will form a right angle with its south wing running parallel with the south wing of North Cadet Barracks and its north wing running parallel with the gymnasium. Each wing will consist of a basement and seven floors. Estimated cost of erection is \$1,089,400.

Gothic Type Preserved The exterior of the building will be faced with granite rubble masonry with limestone trim, and its Gothic architecture will coincide with that of the North Barracks.

The new academic building will be erected between the East Academic building and the library, on a site formerly occupied by tennis courts. The structure will form an angle, one leg of which will be the east wing, six floors high, and the other a one-floor parallel to the East Academic building.

Also of Gothic architecture, the exterior will be faced with cut stone ashlar trimmed with limestone. A modern natural and experimental philosophy laboratory will be established in the west wing, which will be isolated from the east wing to eliminate vibration.

Estimated cost of the building is \$741,600.

New Gym Also

The new gymnasium addition will form a letter T, with a west wing directly in the rear of the present structure. It will be situated between the natatorium and the auditorium.

Sixty families will be accommodated in junior officers' quarters being erected in the north end of the post. They had just completed a trip from Jersey City, N. J., where they delivered a truckload of cattle.

There will be twenty sets of double quarters, five three-family houses and five five-family houses. The homes will be two stories high. Each of the quarters will have a basement, storage space, combination living and dining rooms, kitchen, front hall, three bedrooms, two baths and a maid's room. Sun porches will be built on each of the double-quarters.

The houses will be of brick supported with structural clader blocks and so arranged that families will have private entrances. They are expected to be finished by Nov. 17.

A cold storage plant has been completed, and additional water-distribution facilities consisting of two 5,000,000-gallon steel water tanks with electrically driven centrifugal pumps were completed Jan. 18, 1937.

Plans and specifications for the Ordnance and Engineering Laboratories, which will cost \$203,000, have not been completed. Plans for a new target range, a quartermaster garage, and a freight receiving warehouse also are being completed.

TERRIERS GET CREDIT IN WAR ON COYOTES

Denver (UP)—W. E. Riter, Colorado District Agent of the U. S. Biological Survey, credits wirehaired terriers, common pets of urban dwellers, with playing an important role in the extermination of the dreaded coyote in the west.

The diminutive terriers supplement the work of the hunters by fearlessly going into the small openings of the dens and bringing out one by one litter of coyote pups inside the dens.

The trail hounds which are used by the hunters to pick up the scent of the predatory animals and locate the dens are too large to get through openings. The work of the terriers saves much time for the hunters, who previously spent hours of time digging into the dens.

Robert P. McFarland, at Grand Junction, Col., is credited by Riter with devising the plan and training the terriers to do the work.

GOOD WEATHER IS BAD FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Milwaukee (UP)—A study by probation officers revealed that when the weather is bad children are good. John J. Kenney, chief probation officer of the juvenile court, said that juvenile delinquency increased 25 per cent in the first five months of 1937 over the same period of 1936.

In 1936, Kenney said, snowdrifts and zero weather kept children indoors, but in 1937 the winter was so mild that the youths were outdoors much of the time and more of them got into trouble.

Kenney said there always is an inverse relationship between the weather and child delinquency.

Virginia Town Levies No Tax

Bedford, Va. (UP)—This Virginia town of 4,000 population, which recently celebrated its 80th birthday, has established a widespread reputation as a city without taxes.

Since early in 1935, citizens of Bedford have paid no local tax assessments whatever. Civic leaders attribute this to sustained good civic management.

Under the present budget, the municipally-owned light and water plants pay the cost of government, and in addition permit regular contributions toward retirement of the city's bonds, an obligation that has been cut almost in half during the past seven years.

Bedford's operating expenses have shown no increase during the past ten years. The city is governed by a mayor and eight councilmen elected from among the citizens, most of whom are woolen mill or tin can factory workers. A city manager works directly under the mayor.

Despite the fact that its citizens pay no taxes, Bedford has modern schools, paving, excellent water and sewage systems, well lighted streets and more than adequate fire protection.

Its present mayor is Jesse Ward Gillaspie, who was born in Bedford county and 36 years ago established the first craning factory in Virginia. A successful private business career and the loss of an arm when he was only 11 years old have not dulled his active interest in civic affairs.

GOOD MEMORY RESTORES \$1,062 IN LOST PURSE

GOVERNEUR, N. Y. (UP)—Howard Hickey and Boris Shappek parked their truck in front of a local restaurant, stretched their cramped muscles and sighed with relief.

They had just completed a trip from Jersey City, N. J., where they delivered a truckload of cattle. "Yes, sir," Hickey said, turning to his partner, "that was some trip. Now I suppose the boss wants his money."

Hickey felt in his shirt pocket for the wallet containing \$1,062—selling price of the cattle. The wallet wasn't there.

Within a few minutes Hickey and Shappek mentally retraced the entire trip from Jersey City. They recalled only one place where the wallet might have been lost. That was in Lyons Falls, N. Y., when Hickey leaned from the truck to study a signpost.

After notifying their employer, the men hurried back to Lyons Falls. They drove immediately to the signpost. Lying in the road, dusty and dirty and wrinkled by countless car tires that had passed over it, was the wallet. The \$1,062 in bills was all there.

CHALLENGE REPUBLICANS

WASHINGTON, July 10. (UP)—Democratic members of the federal tax investigation committee challenged the republicans to prove the statement that the members of the Roosevelt family and Henry Morgenthau, secretary of the treasury, had availed themselves of tax-exempt loopholes.

The democratic committeemen said they were ready to examine the tax returns if the republican members proposed an investigation.

Representative Fish, (R) of New York yesterday proposed an investigation into the taxes of Mrs. Roosevelt, Henry Morgenthau, James and Elliott Roosevelt, and Mrs. Anna Roosevelt Boettiger; Harry L. Hopkins, WPA administrator; John L. Lewis, head of the Committee for Industrial Organization and Bernard Smith, big contributor to the democratic campaign fund.

See the goods you buy. Catalog descriptions are alluring enough, but how about the goods when you get them?

Security Board Fights Errors

Washington (UP)—Commercial and industrial employers throughout the country have been cautioned by the Social Security board to get the right number when listing employees on the information reports.

Under Treasury regulations, LeRoy Hodges, director of the bureau of Federal old-age benefits, explained, employers must list employee account numbers on their information reports. Postoffices are asking that if an employee has failed to report his social security number, the employer should file an application form with sufficient supporting information to establish the employee's identity beyond reasonable doubt.

There is always the possibility of mistakes, Hodges pointed out, if employers merely submit lists of names to postoffices, to check against files in the hope of immediately finding out what account numbers had been assigned. Without sufficient information to identify the employee in question, the wrong number may be obtained and the resulting mistakes will prove costly to the entire program, Hodges said.

Hodges urged all employers who have not yet reported their social security account numbers to their employers to do so promptly. This applies also to those who have worked for more than one employer since Jan. 1, 1937, even though the period of their employment may have been one day or less.

Account numbers were issued to workers through the facilities of more than 45,000 postoffices which were utilized in the assignment of account numbers until June 30. Starting July 1, and thereafter, application forms for account numbers are obtained at the local postoffice, and at regional and field offices of the board. However, the assigning of account numbers will be made by the board through field offices, Hodges explained.

JUNKED PLANES GO TO HOSPITAL IN NEW FORMS

San Francisco (UP)—A definite and permanent market exists for smashed and worn-out airplanes, according to August Kern, professional bracermaker for the medical department of the University of California.

In the same way that there is a market for worn-out automobiles and for the scrap iron of ocean liners and freighters, the material coming from airplanes that have outlived their usefulness in the art of bracermaking, Kern explained.

The fine metal and tubing from discarded airplanes, he has found within the past few years, constitutes the best available for the manufacture of fracture-setting apparatus, overhead pulleys, rods and other appliances necessary in every hospital. Often these vary according to each patient and must be specially made, but the greatest problem has been to find a proper material that was sufficiently light and at the same time strong.

Kern, a graduate of the University of Heidelberg, for a number of years has specialized exclusively in the manufacture of hospital braces, surgical appliances and casts. Old airplane material, he said, has solved one of his most difficult problems.

FACE MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

KANSAS CITY, July 10. (UP)—Four young men, who police said confessed to beating to death an unknown man when he cursed them, will be charged with manslaughter.

The victim of the affair died of a broken neck. Finish Rich, 20, interrupted police questioning to boast of his prowess as a fighter, as he and Joe Horan, 20, were fined last winter for assaulting a referee at a fight.

John R. Grand, 27, and Billy McCoy, 18, are the others held in the case.

CHILD SHOWS GAINS

OMAHA, Neb., July 10. (UP)—Thomas J. Andrews, six-week-old baby, of Nebraska City, whose tiny skull was fractured Tuesday evening, was reported to be gaining at the University hospital today. The operation was apparently successful, the doctors stated. Fortunately the fracture was close to the center of the head. Had it been slightly forward to one side, greater danger would have prevailed.

Plattsmouth is the 'real large town shopping center for all Cass county people. Values here are the equal of those found anywhere—read the ads for bargain news.

CASS COUNTY Treasurer's Semi-annual Statement

From January 1, 1937, to June 30, 1937, Inclusive

Table with columns: Balance January 1, 1937, Transferred from other Funds, Receipts, Transferred to Co. Gen. Fund, Transferred to other Funds, Disbursements, FEES, Balance on June 30, 1937. Rows include State General Fund, State Capitol Fund, State Redemption Fund, etc.

Summary of All Collections and Disbursements

Table with columns: Disbursements, Receipts, (\$ Overdrawn). Rows include City Foreclosure, 1935 and Prior Taxes, Taxes Collected for Year 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, State Drivers' Licenses, etc.

Outstanding Registered Warrants

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List of Unpaid Claims on File

Table with columns: Claim Name, Amount. Rows include General Fund, Poor Relief Fund, Road Fund, Drag Fund, Commissioner District No. 1, Commissioner District No. 3, County Highway Fund.

To: JOHN E. TURNER, County Treasurer of Cass County, Nebraska:

I, Geo. R. Sayles, County Clerk of Cass County, Nebraska, hereby certify in accordance with the provisions of Section 26-1002 of the 1935 Laws of Nebraska, that the above is a true and correct statement of unpaid claims on file in the office of the County Clerk of said Cass County, Nebraska, as of June 15, 1937.

Witness my hand and Seal of my office this 15th day of June, 1937, at Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska.

Geo. R. SAYLES, County Clerk, Cass County, Nebraska.

Fees from County Officers

Table with columns: Officer Name, Fee Amount. Rows include Clerk of District Court, County Judge, County Clerk, County Sheriff, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer.

Certificate of Treasurer

I, John E. Turner, Treasurer of Cass County, Nebraska, hereby certify that the above statement shows the amounts collected and disbursed in the various funds from January 1, 1937, to June 30, 1937, inclusive, and the balance on hand at the close of business June 30, 1937, and furthermore that the foregoing is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN E. TURNER, County Treasurer, Cass County, Nebraska.