

Charles Town High Awards Its Honors, Class Is Graduated

Special Awards Made To Undergraduate Students—Dr. McGarey Emphasizes Responsibilities Under Present Age

Charles Town, May 27.—Fifty-two graduates of Charles Town High School with parents, relatives and friends, heard Dr. Don G. McGarey, of the College of Education, Pennsylvania State College, deliver the commencement address Wednesday night.

A veteran of the past war, Dr. McGarey prefaced his talk with some amusing and interesting anecdotes of GI experiences which bore on his address. Stressing the fact that the age is truly marvelous, Dr. McGarey declared the atomic bomb had plunged people into another kind of age; that of human and social engineering, and that they have a great job to do in this particular field.

Principal W. G. Eismond of the Charles Town High School introduced the speaker.

Miss Doris Anders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anders of Kearneysville, as salutatorian delivered the welcome address, and Miss Jo Ann Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Edwards of Ranson, as valedictorian, gave the farewell to the class.

Members of the Jefferson County Board of Education were present and presented five outstanding members of the class with awards of distinction. The Citizenship Award, to the senior boy displaying the best citizen qualities, went to Daniel Hyatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Hyatt, of Ranson; the Citizenship Award to the senior girl displaying the best citizen qualities, went to Miss Martha Anne Reger, daughter of Mrs. Esther Reger.

Miss Jo Ann Edwards was the recipient of the Science Award given to the outstanding science student during the four years in high school. The athletics award, given annually by Shirley Hunt and Dick Carper, local citizens, for the best all around athlete, went to a nine-letter boy, Robert Whittington, son of Mrs. Ida Whittington of Ranson.

The Strider Lamp, an annual award to the most outstanding student, and sponsored by Melvin T. Strider, based not only on scholastic merits, but on excellence of character, habits and ideals, to Ashby Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Collins of Charles Town.

Mrs. Esther W. Reger, member

Charles Town, May 27.—At the final assembly held in Charles Town High School special awards were made to undergraduate students achieving distinction during the past year.

Mrs. Carl Riddlebarger, regent of the Bee Line Chapter, D.A.P., of Charles Town, presented to the girl and boy excelling in history with D.A.R. medals. The medals went to Miss Katharine Womeldorf, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Womeldorf, and Robert Orndorff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Orndorff.

Medals to winners of the best essays on "John Y. Beall (a Confederate spy who is buried in Zion Churchyard, Charles Town), His Service to the Confederacy," awarded by Lawson Botts Chapter, U.D.C., went to Robert Orndorff and Joan Tenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Tenney. Miss Eliza W. Willis, chairman of the history committee, made the presentations.

The American Legion Auxiliary citizenship award for the undergraduate displaying the best qualities of a citizen went to Miss Barbara Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes.

The medal given by the high school to the best all-around undergraduate athlete went to Archie Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Smith.

The dramatic award for the student showing the most ability in dramatics, the best performance, etc., went to Miss Jean Funkhouser, daughter of Mrs. Arlene Funkhouser.

The two boys to be sent to Boys' State Camp at Jackson's Mill by Jackson Perks Post, American Legion, and the girls to be sent to Girls' State by the American Legion Auxiliary, were recognized, and are Douglas Easterday, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Easterday, and Clyde Via, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Via, of Ranson, and Miss Katharine Womeldorf.

Athletics certificates were given to the letter boys and girls of the high school basketball, football, baseball teams, and also to the cheer leaders.

of the high school faculty and class sponsor, presented the graduating class to T. A. Lowery, superintendent of Jefferson County Schools, who presented the diplomas