

Canton High Graduates 208

The largest graduation class was held at Morse Auditorium, Canton High School, on Friday evening, June 5, with 208 students receiving their diplomas in the ninety-sixth annual commencement exercises.

Three baskets of spring flowers formed the stage setting and the Processional "Pomp and Circumstance," rendered by the Canton High School Band, under the direction of John J. Judge, ushered in the group of graduates, who took their places on the stage. The girls wore their traditional white robes while the boys wore green. The Invocation was given by Rev. Thomas Eifert of St. James Lutheran Church in the Blue Hills. All participated in the singing of the National Anthem and this was followed by the Salutatory Address by Ronald James Russell, III. Ann Duguay was the first soloist singing "Birth of the Blues," followed by a saxophone solo by Fred Danner. The final soloist was Gayle Cirello who sang, "Embraceable You." Donna Lee White gave the Valedictory Address and Principal Daniel W. Alvino spoke briefly and presented the awards and scholarships. He introduced Mrs. Frederick Welch, wife of the late Director of Guidance at the School. Mr. Welch held that position for fourteen years and was beloved by students, parents and faculty. His death last fall was a shock to all and the senior class established two scholarships in his memory. The two \$250 awards were presented to Joseph Amendolia and Catherine Coughlin.

The John A. Bosanquet, Jr., Memorial Trophy was awarded to Russell Minkwitz. This trophy was established by Mr. and Mrs. John Bosanquet, in memory of their son, who died two years ago. John would have been a member of this graduating class.

The L. G. Balfour Medals were presented to Donna Lee White, Valedictorian and Ronald James Russell, Salutatorian, and to Robert DeFelice, for the best attendance record for four years.

The United Rubber Workers Local No. 573, Plymouth Rubber Co., Inc., presented a \$200. scholarship to Russell Minkwitz, who will attend Penn State; Canton Women's Club: \$200. scholarship to Pamela Boyd who will Rhode Island School of Design; Roger Smith received the American Legion for excellence in history and Mr.

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Alvino announced that Roger also received a \$1400. scholarship from Brandeis University. The American Legion award for a girl was received by Priscilla Marotta.

Carol Ann Soule received the Good Citizenship D. A. R. Award; while Frances Cline was the recipient of the Canton High School Student Council Scholarship.

The Canton Community Club \$150. scholarship was received by Suzanne Briggs who will attend Northeastern University; Fred Danner was the recipient of the Canton Lions Club \$200. scholarship. Fred will attend Boston University. The \$250. Canton High Scholarship was awarded to Robert DeFelice who is to attend Massachusetts Bay Community College; The Canton Parent-Teachers Association awarded two \$300. scholarships, Sandra Barnsley, Westfield State College and Ronald Russell, Bowdoin; Canton Teachers Association: \$300. was received by Gail Jenkins who is to attend Boston State College.

The Harvard Book Prize was awarded to Junior, John Clifford as the "best all round junior."

Joseph Cogliano received a \$500. scholarship from the Massachusetts Trade School; Margaret Comer, the Brockton Public Market Award to a student employee, and she will attend Framingham State College; Judith Johnson \$550. from Leslie College; Jean Moore, \$400. from Barnard College; Fred Noll, \$500. from Norwich University and Carol Lonergan, \$1000 from Stonehill College.

Following the presentation of awards, John Morgan, Chairman of the Canton School Committee, addressed the graduating class and handed them their diplomas.

The Benediction was given by the Rev. Zdenek F. Bednar, Pastor of the United Church of Christ, (Congregational).

The Class Song, sung to the tune of "Graduation Day," was rendered by the graduates and the Recessional concluded the ceremonies.

The 1964 Class Officers were: Pres. Orlando Germano; Vice-Pres. William Russell; Sec. Jean Simpson; Treas. Gary Whidden. Student Council: Pres. Richard Powers; Vice-Pres. Elaine Joyce; Gayle Cirello, Maureen Holland, Brian Leary and Patrick Hennessey. The Class Advisor was Mrs. Lillyan Green and usherettes for the graduation exercises were Linda Marsh, Head usherette; Alice Altfillisch, Demetra Anagnoston, Wanda Barbaglia, Natalie Cleveland, Maureen Holland, Linda Russ, Joan Swardlick and Shirley Yeomans.