





# LYCOMING

NEWSLETTER

## Rev. Dr. Harold H. Hutson Named President

The Rev. Dr. Harold H. Hutson, Provost of American University, Washington, D. C. since 1964, was named president of Lycoming College on June 7, 1969. His election was approved at the annual meeting of the college board of directors and confirmed at a special session of the board of managers of the Preachers' Aid Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church.

Dr. Hutson began his official duties August 1, replacing John G. Detwiler, a member of the board of directors and a Williamsport industrialist, who had been acting president since last August when Dr. D. Frederick Wertz, president of Lycoming College since 1955, was elected to the post of resident bishop of the West Virginia Conference of The United Methodist Church.

The appointment of the Rev. Dr. Hutson came after he was recommended for the post by a selection committee, composed of members of the board, alumni, faculty, and students, which had interviewed a number of applicants for the position.

The Rev. Dr. Hutson was born January 14, 1914, in Spring Hill, S. C., the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Edward Palmer Hutson. His father was a Methodist minister in the South Carolina Conference.

After graduating from public schools in South Carolina, he entered Wofford College, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1932. He earned his Bachelor of Divinity degree at Duke University, the Ph.D. at the University of Chicago, and has done additional research at Columbia University and the University of Chicago.

He received an honorary LL.D. from Wofford and the L.H.D. from Ohio Wesleyan University.



*The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Hutson make their first public appearance at a Lycoming College function when they are presented to the commencement audience.*

The new president's professional experience includes five years as provost of American University, the presidency of Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C. from 1952-64, and teaching and ministerial posts at various colleges and churches.

While working for his doctorate at the University of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Hutson served as associate director of adult work at the Auburn Park Methodist Church, Chicago. In 1938 he was appointed to the faculty in the department of religion at Birmingham-Southern College, a post he held until 1946, when he was chosen to head the department of religion at Ohio Wesleyan University. He left Ohio Wesleyan in 1952 to become president of Greensboro College.

He also served as part-time minister of several Methodist churches during his years at Ohio Wesleyan and as interim minister of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Birmingham, from 1944-46.

The Rev. Dr. Hutson is the author of several books on religion and at the present time is doing research for another publication on "Interpretation of Jesus in the New Testament." He is listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in Methodism, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, and Who's Who in American Education.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, International Order of Theta Chi, Pi Gamma Mu, Sigma Upsilon, Theta Chi and others.

The Rev. Dr. Hutson and his wife, the former Virginia Hudson, have four children: Mrs. Joseph White, Jr., Mrs. Donald Keefer, and Mark and Jane at home.



Three members of the Class of 1909 came to their 60th reunion (left to right) M. Dorothy Hoagland, East Aurora, N. Y.; Annabelle Rich Leinbach, Woolrich; and A. Louise Clinger, Williamsport.



Three members of the Class of 1924 at their 45th reunion (left to right) Victor B. Hamm, Mechanicsburg; Elmer J. Benson, Upperco, Md.; Henry Kiessel, Davenport, N. Y. Seated—Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Hamm.



Seated (above, left to right) are Class of 1949 members—Kay Goodman Stover, Myra Holland Housknecht, Shirley Goettel Hill and Martha Flegal. Standing—Stanley Rosenberg, Dorothy Colick Rosenberg, James Cashman, Winifred Taber Smay, Annanetta Livingston Finck. Below are Cliff Meixel, Dave Glase and William R. Laurry—1964.



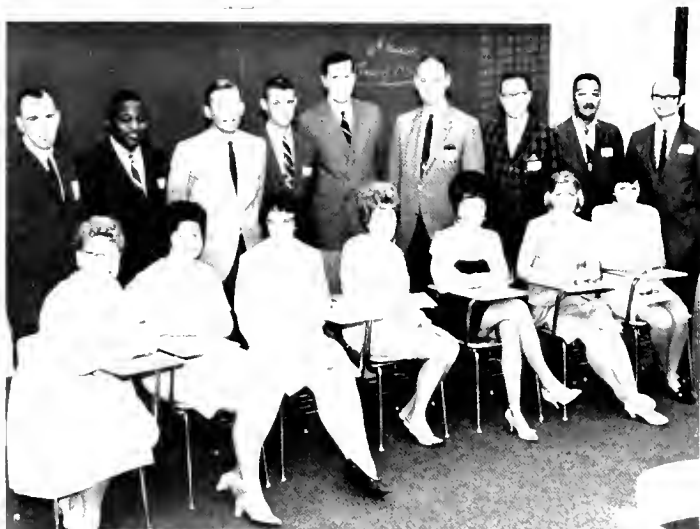
The Golden Anniversary Class of 1919 had six of its 22 living members present at Alumni Day. Left to Right—H. Ray Rachau, Edith A. Knight, Violet L. Ball and Ethel Whiteley, all Williamsport; Gertrude Parr Egan, Easton, Conn.; and Kathryn Kurtz Gstaller, Williamsport. Sarah Shucy North (insert), Lock Haven, celebrated 1914's 55th year.

# ALUMNI DAY

James S. Truitt of Rehoboth Beach, Del. and Paul J. Kitzer, West Lawn, Pa. came back for the Class of 1931's 35th anniversary.



Sixteen members of the Class of 1959 attended their 10th reunion. Left to Right the ladies were—Rosemary Cheatle, Ardene Daley Judd, Lois Congdon, Shirley Adams Milson, Ann Merritt Corson, Connie Nicodemus, and Margie McComas Morris; the gentlemen—Robert Judd, John Joe, Allen Morchart, Don Shearer, Ken Mase, Dale Boucer, William Corson, John Grier and Jan Turzanski.



# THE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST



The 121st Annual Commencement of Lycoming College had several special ingredients to supplement the always gratifying and exhilarating experience of witnessing over 350 young adults achieve a major goal.

One was the awarding of a Doctor of Divinity degree to Bishop D. Frederick Wertz, in recognition and appreciation of his outstanding leadership in guiding the development of Lycoming College as its President from 1955 to 1968. Bishop Wertz gave the Invocation and Benediction at Commencement after delivering the Baccalaureate Sermon in the morning. In discussing his topic, "Knowing Is

Not Enough," Dr. Wertz told the soon-to-be graduates that they also must believe, have a will, act, and love.

Governor Raymond P. Shafer's pointed Commencement address focused on the same theme of constructive use of knowledge. In discussing the importance of student freedom he emphasized that it must be responsible freedom, it must train for independent citizenship that can challenge dissent and discontent with constructive attacks on individual and social problems.

A third special highpoint of the Commencement was the first public introduction of President and Mrs. Hutson.



*Bishop D. Frederick Wertz pronounces the Invocation.*



*Governor Raymond P. Shafer exhorts the graduates to positive action in his commencement address.*

## ALUMNI OFFICERS ELECTED

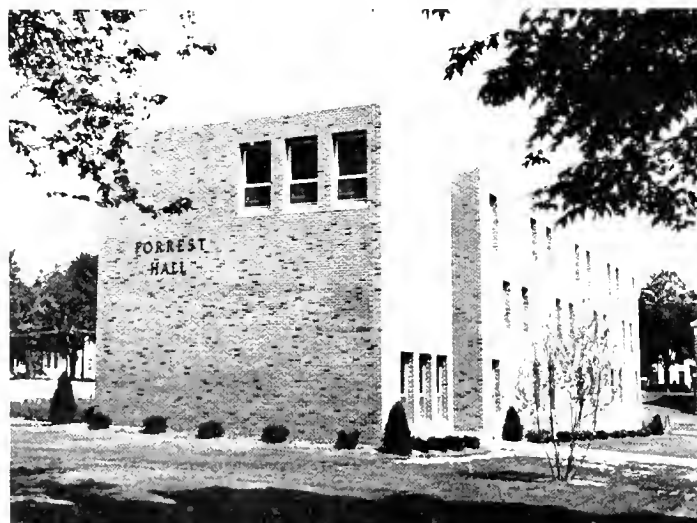
At the Annual Meeting on June 7, 1969, Raymond A. Miller '58, was reelected President of the Lycoming College Alumni Association to serve a second term. Other officers reelected to serve with him were:

Mrs. Dorothy Long Spotts '32—Vice President  
 Miss Rosemary Cheatle '59—Corresponding Secretary  
 Mrs. Rebecca W. Probst '58—Recording Secretary  
 Mr. Herbert G. Kane—Last Retiring President  
 Kenneth R. Brungard '50, was elected Treasurer  
 Elected to a three-year term ending June, 1962, were:  
 Mrs. Cozy Morris Robinson '61  
 Mr. Daniel G. Fultz '57  
 Miss Eleanor J. Miles '58  
 Mr. Frederick M. Spannuth '61  
 Mrs. Mary Landon Russell '33  
 Mr. Harold H. Shreckengast, Jr. '50  
 Miss Anne B. Pittinger '64

The Representative of the Class of 1969, who serves a one-year term on the Executive Board, is Richard I. Muller. Richard R. Cramer '58 now meets with the Executive Board along with the other alumni representatives to the College Board of Directors.



The Rev. Dr. William E. Alberts '51, co-pastor of Boston's Old West Church, emphasizes a point as he speaks at the Alumni Banquet.



KATHERINE  
 FORREST  
 MATHERS



June 7, 1969

*Katherine Forrest Mathers '28 is congratulated by Acting President Detwiler after receiving the Lycoming College Award of Distinction at the Alumni Banquet. The citation reads:*

### KATHERINE FORREST MATHERS

*You were born on the twenty-fourth of July, 1910, in Bellwood, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Fletcher Bliss Forrest.*

*You entered Williamsport Dickinson Seminary in September, 1926, and graduated with the Class of 1928.*

*Your education was continued at Bucknell University where you earned the A.B. degree in 1932 and the Master of Arts degree in 1933.*

*On Christmas Day, 1941, you became the bride of James M. Mathers and together you developed a successful insurance business in Altoona. With the quiet resolution of the "plain people" from whom you descended you continued to manage the business while your husband was on duty during World War II, and after his untimely death several years later.*

*Your love for the old school has brought you back to homecoming and other events on campus over many years.*

*Your concern for the College and your generosity prompted you to establish a memorial honoring your parents and your sister, Anna, who graduated from the Seminary in 1930. This memorial is our newest women's dormitory, Forrest Hall.*

*Therefore, by the authority of my office as Acting President of Lycoming College, and with sincere respect and appreciation from the entire campus community, I hereby present to you the Lycoming College Award of Distinction.*

JOHN G. DETWILER  
 Acting President of the College

FORREST HALL—In memory of Dr. and Mrs. Fletcher Bliss Forrest and Anna Forrest Burfieldt by James M. and Katherine Forrest Mathers.

## Peter Gordon Gould

"Half a century ago, a six year old boy—half Russian, half Aleut—stood on the deck of a small boat and gazed through tear-filled eyes toward the shore. He could still see his mother—a tiny figure standing at the water's edge. As the distance widened between the boy and all that he knew of home and family, he was torn with grief and fear.

Young Peter Gould had lived all his short life on the small island of Unga in the Aleutian chain. Not long before, he had lost his father, and his mother had decided to send the child away to an orphanage sponsored by The Methodist Church. The boy was bewildered by the sudden collapse of his world, bewildered and afraid. As the mail-boat, Dora, pulled away from Unga, he gave himself courage by repeating his mother's parting words. 'If you want to grow up to be a good man, you must go to the Jessie Lee Home,' she had told him. He never saw his mother again. After seven years at the Jessie Lee Home at Unalaska, he was sent to the States for further education."

Christian Science Monitor, June 18, 1960.

This search for education brought him to the Williamsport Dickinson Seminary where he graduated with the class of 1923. He received his A.B. degree from Syracuse University in 1927 and did postgraduate work at the Auburn Theological Seminary. He served pastorates in the Central and Western New York Conferences of The Methodist Church until 1948 when he was invited to become a member of the staff of the Division of National Missions of The Methodist Church. His first assignment was to make a study of the land of his birth in an effort to determine what kind of a program The Methodist Church might carry on in the emerging frontier of Alaska.

One of his recommendations was that The Methodist Church establish a fully accredited Liberal Arts College to educate and prepare Alaska's youth—in Alaska—for leadership responsibilities in her future development. He devoted all his energy to travelling throughout 49 states visiting almost every annual conference and speaking in practically every major city in the nation. He proclaimed the merits of Alaska Methodist University, raising funds to make it the reality that it is today.

At the commencement program in 1965, Alaska Methodist University awarded him an Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree. He retired from the Board of Missions and then moved to Anchorage to work at the University as Director of Development. He retired from this position in the fall of 1968, and now makes his home in Wallingford, Pennsylvania.

There is another side to this busy life. On August 18, 1925, he married the former Ethel Guintier. This marriage was blessed with three sons, Ardell, Edward and Robert. All three are alumni of Lycoming.

The Alumni Association of Lycoming College takes great pride in presenting the "1969" Outstanding Alumnus Award symbolized by a "Lycoming Chair" to The Rev. Dr. Peter Gordon Gould, Class of 1923.



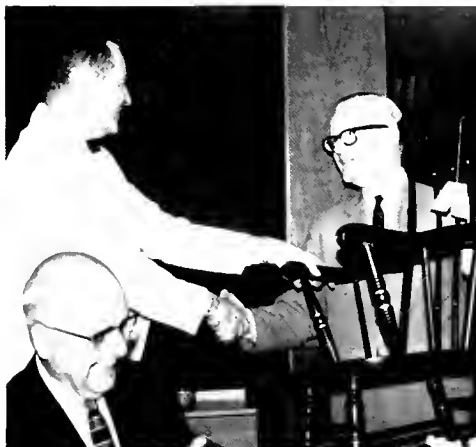
Mrs. Dorothy Long Spotts '32, Chairman of the Outstanding Alumni Committee, congratulates Rev. Dr. Peter Gordon Gould—1969 Outstanding Alumnus after reading his citation—Ray Miller '58 (left), Alumni Association President and the speaker applaud.

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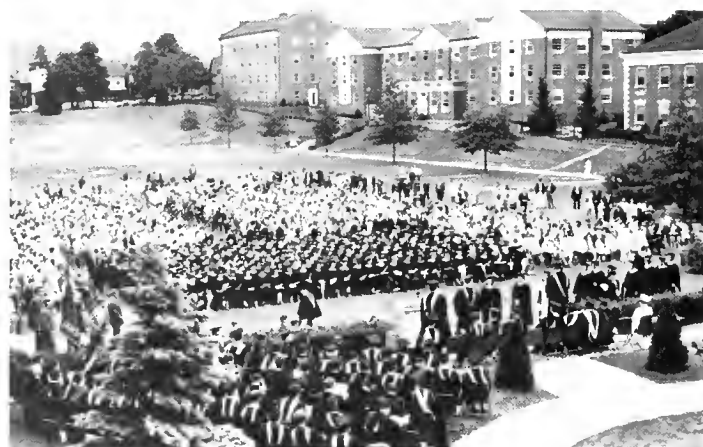


Mrs. Eva Faus McKeelvey 1897, of Montourville, is greeted at her 72nd class reunion by Congressman H. T. Schneebeli (left) and acting president Detwiler.

Acting president Detwiler presents a Lycoming rocker to then Acting Dean David G. Mobberley who is now President of Greensboro College. Ray Miller smiles approval.



# COMMENCEMENT — JUNE 8, 1969



## Honorary Degree Recipients

Lycoming College was privileged to bestow honorary degrees upon three outstanding Pennsylvanians at the 1969 Commencement. Governor Raymond P. Shafer (left) received a Doctor of Laws degree and delivered the address. Bishop D. Frederick Wertz (2nd from left), President of Lycoming from 1955 until 1968 when he was appointed resident bishop of the West Virginia area of The United Methodist Church, was awarded a Doctor of Divinity degree and delivered the Baccalaureate sermon. Mr. P. D. Mitchell (2nd from right), Director of the Bethune-Douglass Community Center and an active civic leader, was given a Doctor of Humanities degree.

## PRESENT-FUTURE-PAST

At commencement President of the Board of Directors Fred A. Pennington posed (below) with the "present, future, and past" presidents of the College: John G. Detwiler, Acting President; Rev. Dr. Harold H. Hutson, President-elect to take office on August 1; and Bishop D. Frederick Wertz, President until last August.

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## HOMECOMING '69

OCTOBER 18

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## 1969 LYCOMING FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 20—Albright°	H	Oct. 18—Juniata°	H
Sept. 27—Wilkes°	II	(Homecoming)	
Oct. 4—Delaware Val.°	A	Oct. 25—Susquehanna	A
Oct. 11—W. Maryland	H	Nov. 1—Upsala°	H
(Parents' Day)		Nov. 8—Muhlenberg	A

All games start at 1:30 P. M.

° Middle Atlantic Conference Game



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