

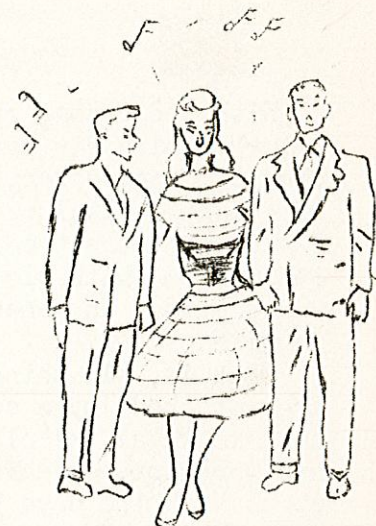
THE FALCON



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MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Music Festival this year will be held on two consecutive evenings. On Thursday, May 5, 1960, the Senior High School Chorus and Dance Band Concert will be held in the auditorium.

The Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Y. Bixler, will give their rendition of the following numbers. "I'll Walk with God," "Look for the Silver Lining," "Give me a Place in the Sun," "Of Thee I Sing," "The Home Road," "Walk Hand in Hand," and "O Brother Man!"

Following will be a piano solo of "Fantasia Impromptu" by Barbara Dimon.

The Dance Band will then play under the direction of Mr. Thomas G. Roberts, Jr. Their program will include "String of Pearls," "Sugar Blues," "Intermission Riff," "Opus in Pastels," "Two O'clock Jump," "Concerto for Clarinet," "Leap Frog," "Ballin' the Jack," and "Harlem Nocturne."

The Chorus and Dance Band together will close the program with a rendition of "The Song of My Land," conducted by Mrs. Bixler.

On Friday evening, May 6, 1960, the Senior High School Band Concert will be held.

The Band, under the direction of Mr. Thomas G. Roberts, Jr., will play the following numbers:

1. The Star Spangled Banner
2. Poet and Peasant
3. The Fairest of the Fair
4. Carnival of Venice
5. Italian Polka
6. Rhapsody In Blue
7. Under the Double Eagle
8. Clarinets Allegro
9. Victory At Sea
10. Holiday For Trombones
11. Oasis
12. Sax Serenade
13. Jungle Drums
14. The Stars and Stripes Forever



HERE IT COMES

With the coming of spring, comes many things: robins fly northward; butterflies emerge from caterpillars; flies again become an annual pest; the grass turns green; and the trees and flowers burst into bloom with blossoms of all colors and shapes. In general, all things come to life,

That is, all things but students. They are attacked by a semi-contagious disease known as the "plague". The "plague" ever-present, even in the winter, becomes worse when the days begin to become fair and warm. However, there is no real reason for worry; it's really just a bad case of "spring fever."

The one destructive thing about the "plague" is that it tends to make a person resent working or, in other words, just plain lazy. Homework is sometimes put aside for something else, usually not any type of school work. If you start doing this, you'd better stop quick! This causes grades to slip and may lead to a disappointment at the end of the school year.

As far as a cure is concerned, there is none, except for a change in the weather or a little self-discipline. Your parents or grandparents used to take a little iron tonic to get them going again. If your case becomes really bad, you can try this and see if it works. If it doesn't, there is nothing to do but wait. For just as the "plague" came, it will go away (at least somewhat) for another year.

--M. A. Rozsas

THIEL CHOIR

April 1, 1960, the Thiel Choir of Greenville, Pennsylvania, entertained our student body with a variety of songs, religious and lightly romantic.

--J. Hunsberger

Forgotten

No one knows where he who invented the plow was born nor where he died; yet he has done more for humanity than all the heroes whose deeds have been handed down to us.

HONOR SOCIETY BANQUET

The Pottsgrove Chapter of the National Honor Society was honored at a banquet Wednesday, April 20 at the Brookside Country Club.

Guests were Mr. Fisher, Miss Rosenberry, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Hochstetter, and Miss Ciori.

Guest speaker, Dr. F. Donald Zucker, political science professor at Ursinus, spoke on his interpretation of the four honor qualities--Character, Scholarship, Leadership, and Service.

President of the Society, Walter Sitko, and Secretary Marjorie Pastelak presented the newly inducted members with gold pins, symbols of National Honor Society membership. These inductees were John Stahl, Patricia White, Richard Steltz, Robert Sovizal, Nancy Favinger, Diane Johnson, Carol Stong, Phyllis Neiffer, and Carol Richard.

Charter members also honored were Walter Sitko, Charles Schmoyer, Robert Sitko, Marjorie Pastelak, David Gaugler, Richard Kalwaic, Jeffrey Pruner, David Rumler, Harry White, Sharon Acker, Vanda Boyer, Nancy Buchholtz, Jean Hunsberger, Mary Ellen Miller, and Judy Seregely.

--J. Hunsberger

NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

An all-out Educational campaign will be conducted during National Mental Health Week, May 1 through May 7.

The observance, to be sponsored in area by the Mental Health Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania, will be headed by Dr. Baldwin L. Keyes, professor emeritus of psychiatry, Jefferson Medical College and Hospital, and Gilbert Seldes, director, Annenberg School of Communications, University of Pennsylvania.

Slogan for this year's drive will be "Let's Conquer Mental Illness Next."

The Association, aided financially by the United Funds of Greater Philadelphia, the City of Chester, and Norristown, conducts year-round programs for public mental hospitals and the community.

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SOFTBALL

On Monday, March 28, 1960, the first softball practice of the 1960 season was held. Practice is held every night after school in order for the girls to shape up for a victorious season.

Experience combined with spirit, promises a successful season for the girls. The Falcon wishes Mrs. Flamm and the '60 softball team luck in all their games.

THE OPENING OF TRACK SEASON

The Pottsgrove track team officially opened its season April 20 at Daniel Boone High School to take on the Blazers.

The Pottsgrove tracksters have been working hard for the oncoming season. The two co-captains for the season are Bob Wirag, a senior, and Harry White, a junior. The rest of the team is made up of the following boys: Mickey Migola, Guy Rimel, Jay Novak, Carl Rudisill, Lenny Magliocchetti, Norman Arndt, Gene Zayatz, Terry Nettles, Tom Buckwalter, Raymond Keim, Charles Gambino, Leroy Kilmer, Bob Rimel, and John Stahl.--A. Hutt

POTTSGROVE GOLFERS LOSE

Our golf team lost its first match of the season to the Twin Valley golfers 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Tommy Kalawaic and Tim Cooney scored the only points for Pottsgrove.

Kalawaic, Richard Kalwaic, Allen Hutt, Kenny Knopp, Tim Cooney, Steve Hiss, and Stanley Prizer.--Tim Cooney, Allen Hutt

TENTH GRADE ENGLISH CLASS

A portion of the sophomore class (Sections A, B, and C) has begun to study the life of William Shakespeare, including a complete study of his theaters and plays along with the accustomed tenth grade project, The Tragedy of Julius Caesar.

Mr. Snell requires them to keep notebooks, which contain various terms that apply to Elizabethan England.

--C. Hunsberger

OPENING OF JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL SEASON

Baseball season is here! Monday evening, March 28, 1960, Mr. Clyde Dry gathered together forty-two Junior High school aspirants for the opening of baseball season.

With an eleven game schedule, the candidates were hard at work. The first week, competing against one another for a playing position and also for a stay on the roster, the boys worked hard.

The following nineteen boys were chosen for the team: Ronald Kuntzleman, James Armstrong, Michael Smith, Robert Reider, Robert Gilbert, Jerry Basco, Paul Chryst, Roger Bowers, Richard Miller, James Dugger, Ronald Favinger, Peter Fredrickson, Jack Greis, George Smith, John Kockel, John Binzaik, Gregory Boone, Dennis Daisy, and John Onusryk.

--R. Wirag

FALCONS DEFEATED 7-4

April 18 our Falcons traveled to Lower Moreland to suffer their first defeat of the 1960 baseball season.

The Falcons, who outhit the Lions, saw a five-run Lion first, which proved to be the deciding factor.

Jim Myers and Mike LaHoda were the big guns for the Falcons as they drove in two runs each. -- T. Cooney

FALCONS RALLY 6-5 OVER BRIDGEPORT

April 8, 1960, the Pottsgrove Falcons rallied in the seventh inning and scored four runs for their 6-5 victory over the Bridgeport Dragons.

The Falcons scored two runs in the first inning on singles by Gary Schaeffer, Wayne Hurst, and Bill Logan. In the fifth inning Bridgeport tied the score and then pulled ahead by two runs in the sixth inning. In the seventh inning, the Falcons regained their lead. After Millard, Schaeffer, and Falcone loaded the bases, Hurst singled in two runs, making the score 5-4.

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Falcons Over Bridgeport --

With Falcone on third base, Dave Rumlert hit a sacrifice fly to bring in the tying run. Hurst went to third on the throw home, and Jim Sitko singled him in for the winning run. --C. Schmoyer

F.T.A. CONVENTION

On April 2, an F.T.A. Convention was held at Ridley Township High School at 9:00 A.M. Attending from our school were Jay Novak, Jim Myers, Phyllis Neiffer, Carol Richard, and our sponsor, Mr. Moyer, and his wife.

The students registered and gathered in the auditorium for devotions and nominations for officers. Different students from the host school provided entertainment. In addition, they saw a film of the Brussels' World Fair, and a speaker gave them a lecture on Russian education.

The students then had lunch in the school cafeteria, after which they separated into different groups and listened to exchange students from countries such as Denmark, Norway, Germany, France, Austria, Egypt, and Pakistan. The exchange students explained their customs and school systems.

After the group meetings ended, the students returned to the auditorium for the election of officers and for adjournment. --N. Decker

MARIONETTE SHOW

On April 13, 1960 a marionette show was given for the Upper, Lower, and West Pottsgroves's elementary and kindergarten classes.

A few of the sketches given were "Betsy Ross," and "Uncle Sam Visits Santa Claus!" --Marie Brunner



COMING!

Mother & Daughter Banquet, May 3.

Jr. - Sr. Prom, May 13.

A BIT ABOUT LAWS

You may have heard the expression that law never stands still. Public opinion about what is right, changes from generation to generation. Laws must be continually changing if they are to keep up with this ever-changing opinion.

Sometimes though, life goes on while the law stands still. When people forget to change their laws to keep up with the social change, the result may be very amusing.

The following laws are some which people forgot to change and which are not out of date. Each of them is on the lawbooks in at least one community or state, but they are seldom, if ever, enforced:

"Every person who attends church must carry a gun for protection."

"Young men and women under twenty years of age cannot attend dances."

"Patrons must not enter a tavern on horseback."

"Any family owning a bathtub must keep it in the yard rather than in the house!"

"A motorist must not park his automobile on a street unless a horse is attached to it."

"A hitching post and watering trough must be maintained in front of each courthouse." --M. A. Rozsas

STUDY HALL

Study hall is not a time for fun,
But a time to get your homework done.
In school you have a time for play,
But gyms the place for that and we
don't have that today.

Some think you just go and make the
teacher mad
But when he sends you to the office,
Then your mighty sad
And then you think, why didn't I do
my work today instead of making the
teacher mad. --M. Moletress

SENIOR CLASS TRIP

At six o'clock Tuesday morning, April 12, fifty-three bright-eyed Seniors boarded two busses and headed for two days of fun in New York City. Finally, after waiting twelve years, we were able to pack our bags, pick up our impressions of what it would be like, and leave.

When we arrived at the Newark Airport in New Jersey, the first main stop on our itinerary, the real excitement began. Here we had a close-up of a municipal air terminal, of the arrival and departure of airplanes, and of the people themselves. Besides us, there were many members and mechanics, lots of passengers and store owners who had their little shops in the terminal, and approximately four hundred service-men at the airport.

Being a little behind schedule, we again boarded the busses. The next stop was the Hotel Taft. The hotel was nice, but that first ride on an elevator was an unforgettable event. We may have wanted to go up, but a part of us seemed to remain on the first floor.

After surviving this, we left the hotel and boarded a glass-roofed, sight-seeing bus for a tour of Downtown Manhattan and the Statue of Liberty. On the tour, we saw the Bowery, Greenwich Village, Chinatown, and many other famous places.

To the amazement of many, Greenwich Village seemed to be inhabited by normal people--very few Beatniks were seen. After a walking tour of Chinatown, we went to board the ferry enroute to the Statue.

Although, it was windy and the water was a bit choppy, the cruise was pleasant. Here we met students from other schools throughout the country. It was soon time for the "dogs" to begin to ache because many Seniors walked up the steps of the Statue, hoping to see a magnificent view, only to see some dirty windows.

After returning to the hotel and eating a fine dinner in the dining room, we took a bus tour of New York after dark. The highlights of this trip were seeing the many lights and signs of New York and going to the Buddhist Temple and to the observation roof of the RCA Building.

The next day, there was a guided tour of the U. N. Building and a tour of Uptown Manhattan with a stop at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. This was followed by a visit to Radio City Music Hall. We saw the movie "Don't Eat the Daisies," starring Doris Day and David Niven.

The remainder of Wednesday afternoon was left free for shopping.

At seven o'clock, fifty-two very tired but happy Seniors boarded the busses for "Home Sweet Home."

Some summarized the trip by saying, "It was fun to visit, but who would want to live there? -- M. A. Rozsas"

GETTING ALONG WITH OTHERS

One of the most important things in life today is getting along with others. Your attitude on whether you want friends or not and whether you really want to get along with others will determine whether or not you will succeed in this endeavor.

As long as you live, you will have to associate with many types of individuals, so you may as well decide to do your best to please your acquaintances.

There is a large number of people from which you may choose your friends. Learn to be more pleasant by being kind and considerate to others. Try your best to make them like you.

Your disposition has a lot to do with whether or not you will be able to have friends and keep them. If you find people are starting to avoid or reject you, try to determine the reason for this behavior. If it's one of your controllable traits, try to remedy it.

Always remember, it's not hard to lose friends, but it is hard to regain them. So keep them and you will save yourself a lot of worry. -- M. A. Rozsas

True-Blue Friends

Perhaps you've heard the story about two janitors in a large city office building: They were broom-mates; they even swept together; in fact they were dust inseparable.

THE VALUE OF TYPEWRITING

The tenth grade typing class was given an assignment that was entitled "The Value of Typewriting." The students had to give their own opinions in this assignment.

"Typing your notes lessens the amount of paper you have in your notebook. When you type, you can get so much more on one piece of paper than you can if you write long hand. As you can see, typing everything in school would help you become a neat person and also a person with an added ability."--Peggy Neiman

"Typing, I believe, is a necessity in attaining an education. It seems that students that own typewriters are more apt to have higher grades than students without typewriters. Any notes they have taken during class and have typed up will make it easier for them to study for a test or to keep information on different subjects."--Cheryl Jackson

"It doesn't matter whether you are a commercial student, an academic student, a homemaking student, or a shop student; everyone has use for a typewriter. What about those biology notes you took so carelessly? Will they be fit to study from? Also, when you go to college, what about those themes and that thesis that must be typed? Surely a one-fingered Harry isn't going to get his done very quickly."--Carol Stein

"Typewriting comes in very handy by helping you to learn your lessons. By typing notes over, you are reading them to yourself, and thus, some knowledge sinks in. Typewriting can bring you money by doing odd jobs for newspapers, magazines, or free-lance writers. Typewriting also comes in handy for correspondence. Who wants to sit at a desk and write letters out in long hand for hours on end?"--Shirley Keeley

"I think a person can always use typewriting even if she or he does not get a job in an office. If I become a housewife, I will still be in need of typewriting for personal reasons; such as, writing letters, recipes, and shopping lists." -- Kathleen Ludy

"A college student studying to be a scientist or doctor may think he has no use for a typewriter in his field. He would be surprised to know how handy it is to be able to sit down at a typewriter and type a letter in fifteen minutes or less." -- Pat Miller

"All students, no matter what course they have chosen in school, will have to hand in assignments and term papers for their classes. If they have learned the skill of typewriting, just think how much neater their work will be. Teachers may have to correct at least a hundred papers in one night. Don't you think that a teacher will appreciate a typewritten paper on which she does not have to strain her eyes, She will also be spared the agony of puzzling sentences?" --Faye Mohler

"Typewriting can save many people a good deal of time. The typewriter is used by millions of people every day to do neat work and to help them to become good secretaries. The typewriter is used in all offices to type up certain papers, manuscripts, and contracts." -- Jerri Seasholtz

--H. Maylath, C. Jackson, P. Neiman --

POTTSGROVE P. T. A. MEETING

On April 5, 1960, the regular P.T.A. meeting was held in the school auditorium.

Special music was provided by the Junior High School Band. This was followed by election of officers and a panel discussion. The topic of this discussion was "Quality of Education or Social Suicide." The panel was made up of Patricia Panfile, John Meko, Mr. Newton Hauseman, Mrs. Kathryn Wenholt, and Mr. Robert L. Fisher. The moderator was Mr. Robert Schneider.

Following this there were refreshments in the cafeteria. --A. John

To Tell the Truth -- Employer: "Sorry, young man, but I don't need any help. I just couldn't find enough work to keep you busy."

Applicant: "You'd be surprised how little it takes."

HONOR ROLL FOR THIRD QUARTER

Grade 7, First honors--Charles Orlando, Betsy Alting, Sandra Eby; Second honors--Cynthia Kousonlides, David Tillger, Bonnie Ritter, Wayne Gregory, Stanley Plevyak, David Houseman, Marcia Swartz, Sally Acker, Dorothy Dry, Charlotts Lynch, John Kochel, Mattena Grove, Kenneth Herb, Donna Beacraft, Sheryl Pomerantz, Andrea Rumler.

Grade 8, First honors--Phyllis Ravenscroft, David Spatz, Gail Schneider, Carol Norton; Second honors--Mary Ellen Millard, Gerald Myers, Marilyn Shaner, Marsha Kurtz, Larry Powell, Donna Strunk, Nancy Schaeffer, Betty Price, Peter Fredrickson, Jane Gross, Robert Nothstein, James Dugger.

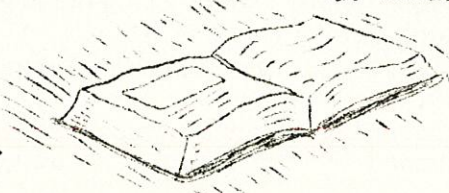
Grade 9, First honors--Judith Bernhart, Suzanne Gregory, Pauline Schmoyer, Robert Martz, Jane Ann Petrick, Donald Decker, Barbara Curry, Susan Gohean, Carol Swinehart, Gertude Willauer, Michael Ulan; Second honors--Herbert Geiser, Joseph Tillger, Janet Kozel, Linda Swavely, Rodger Bowers, William Drendall, Nancy Cellinacci, Judith Heldenbrand, Janet Norton, James Shaner, Pat Bush, Barbara Antush, Cheryl Detwiller, Patricia Herb.

Grade 10, First honors--Phyllis Neiffer, John Miller, Carol Rishard, Robert Sovizal, Nancy Favinger, Diane Johnson, Carol Stong; Second honors--Richard Steltz, George Millard, Fred Zezenski, Janice Tunnicliffe, Joseph Tascione, Carol Stein.

Grade 11, First honors--Judith Seregely, Vanda Boyer, Mary Ellen Miller, Judy Neiman, Sharon Acker, Patricia White, Rachel Will, Harry White, Jean Hunsberger, Mary Lee Ginder, Jeffery Pruner; Second honors--David Rumler, Louiseanne Clary, Annette John, Nancy Buchholtz, Robert Sitko, Barbara Saylor, Barbara Sterner, Lorraine Wade, Betty Tillger, Dawn Brendlinger, David Bartman, Sandra Flickinger, Richard Kalwaic, Annette Mack, Judith Endy, David Gaugler, Betty Frye.

Grade 12, Second honors--Marjorie Pastelak, Pat Guadagno, Audrey Lingenfelter, Charles Schmoyer, John Stahl, Kathleen Frederick, Judy Mercer, Walter Sitko, Gary Mest, Kenneth Millard, Carl Shaner.

G. Dunlap



MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN

The Annual Magazine Campaign started February 17. Our school goal was \$3750; we reached a final goal of \$4333.87. The Senior High total for the campaign was \$1012.66. The Junior High total for the campaign was \$3321.21. The quota per student was \$5.

Dennis Daisy won the Holiday Special and will have his choice of the five top tunes or the money instead. The Mystery Student Quota award, the Bonus Club award, The Sleepy Dog Club award and the Mailing Piece award was awarded at Assembly.

The mascots to be awarded for the highest homeroom in the Senior High will be a black poodle to Mr. Snell's homeroom and in the Junior High a sleepy-dog to Mr. Gruelich's homeroom. These will be the yearly mascots.

Mr. Gruelich's and Miss Ciori's homeroom will be awarded the ice cream treat for being the highest homerooms in production on a per pupil average basis.

The homeroom captains for the campaign this year were Robert Reber and Jeanette Madaras, 7-1; Robert Basco and Carol Bernhart, 7-2; Sandy Eby and Stanley Plevyak, 7-3; Sally Acker and Mike Lengyel, 7-4; Kenneth Herb and Linda Nettles, 7-5; John Kochel and Linda Fisher, 7-6; Phyllis Ravenscroft and Dennis Brile, 8-1; Margaret Hunsberger and David Pursel, 8-2; Linda Brendlinger and Kenneth Cihy, 8-3; Ronald Favinger and Mary Strzelecki, 8-4; Sherry Beacraft and Peter Frederickson, 8-5; Dawn Bowman and Joseph Tillger, 9-1; Pauline Schmoyer and Robert Martz, 9-2; Arthur Jenkins and Karen Horst, 9-3; Linda Albright and Ronald Kunzelman, 9-4; Patricia Herb and Michael Ulan.

The homeroom captains for the Senior High were Jayne Overholtzer and Rodger Raspen, 10-1; John Miller and Sharon Frye, 10-2; Virginia Wirag and John Stahl, 10-3; Carolyn Hunsberger and Thomas Buckwalter, 10-4; Carol Stong and Harry Alderfer, 10-5; Annette Mack and Timothy Cooney, 11-1; Annette John and David Rumler, 11-2; Sharon Acker and Nancy Ciaciak, 11-3; Jeffrey Prunner and Norma Decker, 11-4; Judy Reifsnnyder and Joan Endy, 12-1; Charles Schmoyer and Christine Weiner, 12-2.

The Business Manager was Judy Seregley and her assistant was James Fisher.

M. A. Moletress

NATIONAL BOOK WEEK APRIL 3-10

STAFF

Listed below are three categories of books. They are novels, classics, and books concerning World War I and World War II. You should be familiar with all of them. Some will be required reading in college and will appear on entrance exams. Match as many authors with their books as you can. A score of 10 correct is considered good. Judge yourself accordingly.

Group I NOVELS

1. Gone With The Wind
2. Green Mansions
3. Ben-Hur
4. Les Miserables
5. Anthony Adverse

- a Victor Hugo
b Harvey Allen
c Margaret Mitchell
d J. H. Hudson
e Gen. Lew Wallace

Group II CLASSICS

1. The Scarlet Letter
2. A Tale of Two Cities
3. Lorna Doone
4. Pride and Prejudice
5. Little Women

- a Richard Blackmore
b Jane Austen
c Charles Dickens
d Nathaniel Hawthorne
e Louisa May Alcott

Group III WORLD WARS

1. Hiroshima
2. The Cain Mutiny
3. Up Periscope
4. Crusade in Europe
5. Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo

- a Herman Wouk
b Dwight D. Eisenhower
c T. W. Lawson
d John Hersey
e R. White

Answers:

6'1'5'4'2 III Group
5'1'2'4'6 II Group
6'2'1'5'4 I Group

C. Hunsberger

CORRECTION

Members of the Falcon staff wish to extend their apologies to the winners of the junior high school Spelling Contest for the error in the March 25 th edition of the Falcon.

Gail Schneider, the winner of the contest, will represent Pottsgrove at the county finals in Norristown on April 29. Betsy Alting was the runner-up and Cheryl Smith came in third.

Congratulations and best wishes to these girls.

J. Hunsberger

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JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

The junior class of Pottsgrove High School presented its class play "Constable Jerry from Fulton's Ferry" April 7, 1960.

The play was very successful and was attended by 220 people. --G. Dunlap