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A LITTLE ABOUT THIS AND THAT

BY PAUL H. STEVENS

UNDERGROUND TO NEW HAVEN

That two million dollar subway and express highway upon which East Haveners will someday zoom cityward when the State Highway Department carries out its ambitious plans to send traffic under busy Gramis Corner, was quite the subject of local conversation in this area this week. Plans were announced in the Sunday Register, and an aerial photograph, upon which the new layout had been superimposed, attracted much attention.

East Haveners are naturally much interested in the state's plan for improved transportation between our community and our metropolitan center. From the layout as published, it would appear that the plans provide for a park arcabetween Woodward School, St. Andrew's church and Woodward avenue. This would involve the removal of business buildings and considerable other changes, with the new highway travelling, subway fashion, under the park. The highway would leave the surface just beyond the East Haven line and emerge beyond the present Woodward avenue. A later link in the super-highway system would be a high bridge over the Quinnipiac River.

Although to many the whole thing savors of a "pipe dream", we venture to say that it will become a reality in the not too distant future. We have but to look at what has been done to improve transportation in other cities to realize what can be accomplished when the State Highway Department gets down to business. With an approach to East Haven as is planned, what a future there is ahead for this town!

HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST

East Haven Rotarians stood for a minute of silence and remembrance before partaking of their weekly luncheon last Thursday. Earlier in the week death had come to the founder of Rotary, a movement, dedicated to the spirit of service, which has swept the world. To Rotarian Rev. William G. West, we are indebted for the following:

"Rotarians all over the world were saddened by the passing of Paul Percy Harris last week in Chicago. Harris, a lawyer, founded Rotary and was its presidentemeritus when he died. Mr. Harris founded Rotary in 1905 and since then saw it grow from a single club with a few members in Chicago to 5,638 clubs in seventy-five countries with more than 259,000 members.

"Harris was born in Racine, Wisconsin, but was reared in Vermont. He completed his education at Princeton and the University of Iowa where he received a law degree in 1891. In 1896 he entered law practice in Chicago but felt lonely in the big city until he decided to organize a friendly club of representative business and professional men. Rotary was born in the old Mne. Gull Restaurant and was officially launched Feb. 23, 1905.

"It was called Rotary because its members met in rotation at their several places of business. The idea spread and similar clubs were formed in other cities. In 1910 Rotary was made national and in 1912 international. Harris received many honors from universities, foreign countries, and organizations such as the Boy Scouts. Apart from Rotary his chief interest was to aid crippled children. His greatest honor, however, is to be remembered by thousands of choice men over the world who are banded together in friendship regardless of religious creed to maintain ethical business ideals, to foster the spirit of service, and to promote international good will. Atomic friendships must be released if an atomic age can be held together.

"Paul Harris is dead, but the Rotary wheel he started to roll, gathers momentum. The world is richer because Paul Harris left a legacy—a practical idea to promote friendship among his fellow beings."

GETTING AHEAD OF THE FIRE

Fire Chief Ernest Hansen has, from time to time, given us information as to what can be done to help prevent fires. This information has been of much value in cutting down our fire losses locally. Fire prevention is a very important subject and the more we can learn about it the better. Along this line the current issue of the New Haven Safety Crier, serving the communities of New Haven, West Haven, East Haven, Hamden, Woodbridge, Orange, North Haven and Branford, contains the following which we are pleased to reprint:

"The Coconut Grove burns with a great loss of life and attention is directed to fire prevention in night clubs.

"The circus tent burns at Hartford and laws are passed requiring such structures to be flame-proofed and subject to city inspection.

"The Niles Hospital burns with loss of life and serious effort is made to enforce code provisions in all hospitals.

"There is a series of disastrous hotel fires, and hotel management becomes concerned with alarms, training of personnel and structural provisions to prevent the spread of flames.

"Many of the improvements stimulated by these calamities will help reduce the possibility of large loss of life. Unfortunately public attention shifts quickly. We forget and good intentions are laid aside. What we need to do is to act now before we are shocked into tardy effort by a grisly spectacle.

"Safety organizations should make sure that machinery is set up to establish adequate codes, thorough inspection and vigorous enforcement.

"Management should recognize safety as a basic responsibility and precautions a first consideration.

"The individual can help in many ways. First, he can inform himself as to the essential provisions that should be present wherever groups of people congregate. Second, he should conduct himself so that in no way does he add to the hazard. Human failure, in every case, was the first cause of the disaster. Third, if we demand proper safeguards, and patronize only those who provide them, we encourage competent management, effectively support official agencies who are trying to secure a reasonable compliance with the law and we force those who disregard the safety of the public to either change their ways or get out of business."

East Haven Rotary Revue



Miss Bettie Daniels and Miss Regina Danielson who will be among local entertainers starring in rotary revue at High School Auditorium, February 12 at 8 P.M.

Bettie Daniels and Regina Danielson will be featured in the East Haven Rotary Revue on Wednesday evening, Feb. 12. These talented young artists are by no means the only finds of this show but we draw their names to your attention because you as townspeople have enjoyed their talents in times past. Under separate heading you will see the list of talented artists who will participate in this show organized to the purpose of raising funds to promote the Community

Welfare Program of the East Haven Rotary Club. This will be a variety entertainment, including professional and non-professional talent. A good time, a friendly spirit and encouragement for the young artists will be the aim of their sponsors, the members of the East Haven Rotary Club.

Come and enjoy the show—have a good time at the dance following—help Rotary in the endeavor to make East Haven a community dedicated to the promotion of Community Service.

Lenten Series Announced At Christ Church

The annual Lenten Season begins this year on February 19, which will be Ash Wednesday, and the Rev. Alfred E. Clark, rector, has announced a special series of Lenten Services of Evening Prayer and addresses to be held each Thursday of the Lenten season at 7:45 P. M. in the church.

The Ash Wednesday services will consist of Holy Communion at 8 A. M. and Penitential Office and Holy Communion at 9 A. M. There will also be Children's Lenten church each Thursday at 3:15 P. M. in Christ church and each Monday at 3:15 at 101 Dewey avenue, Momauguin.

Following are the special evening Lenten services: February 20th, "This Man"; February 27th, "Redeemed by the Blood"; March 6th, "My Disciples"; March 13th, "What is Faith"; March 20th, "Right beginnings"; March 27th, "Complete in Him"; April 3rd, "He took the Cup".

SUNRISE SERVICE PLANS

ALREADY UNDER WAY

A community Easter Sunrise Service to be held in Fort Wooster Park on Beacon Hill, Fairmont, is being planned for Easter Sunday at 5:27 A. M., the official sunrise time.

The service, sponsored by a Citizens committee, has been an annual community project for many years. Those on the committee this year are Clarence S. Bremner, Calvin C. Sears, William Apfelbeck, Carl N. Hansen, John Johnson, F. Sidney Sansone, Miss Dorothy Watson,

Exchange Pupil Award Is Given To Local Girl

Congratulations go this week to Miss Astrid Johannesen, a Junior at State Teachers College in New Haven, who will leave on Feb. 14 for Ottawa, Canada, as an exchange student and guest of the Carlton College in Ottawa.

The East Haven girl is one of two selected from the Junior class in the competition sponsored for the past four years by the Canada-American Women's Committee of International Relations. She will enjoy study and travel, as well as four special courses at Carlton. There will be visits to parliament and also to the public schools. Some time will also be spent in Montreal.

Miss Johannesen is student representative of the State of Connecticut on the Board of Control of the Eastern association of Professional Schools for teachers, a member of the Glee Club and mixed chorus of Teachers College, assistant college treasurer, and assistant chairman of the Press Board.

She graduated from the East Haven High school in 1944 where she was co editor of the Comet, a graduation speaker, and member of the Honors Society. She is employed part-time at the J. H. Long Co.

MEN WILL ENTERTAIN

The men of Princess Chapter, No. 70, Order of the Eastern Star, will entertain the ladies of the evening at the meeting on Monday evening Feb. 10, in the chapter rooms.

Walter J. Kenney, Paul H. Stevens and others.

Business Group Dinner Meeting Monday Night

The regular meeting of the East Haven Business Association will be held on Monday 7 P. M. in Fred's Restaurant, 274 Main street. A large attendance is hoped for by the officers.

Among other things members are to vote and act upon the following proposed amendments to the by-laws: 1. To increase the dues from \$6 to \$12 anually; 2. To pay the Secretary a salary of \$100 per year; 3. To change the meeting night from the second Monday night of each month to the first Thursday night.

The first meeting of the year of the Business Association went off with a bang. Let's keep up the Fireworks—Get out and voice your opinions—Make the association work for you, says Secretary Bob Schirmer.

Dinner will be \$1.35 tops and members are invited to bring their wife or husband.

The speaker of the evening, Leonard Fish, president of the Hamden Chamber of Commerce will have for his subject "How to Make Your Business Association Click."

Amerigo Club Reelects Officers

The Amerigo Club announces the reelection of its officers for the coming year. They are James Mascola, president; Dominic Calabrese, vice president; John Limoncelli, secretary; Sal Longobardi, financial secretary and Alphonse Paolillo, treasurer.

Announcement is also made that the club has offered its club rooms in Helmingway Ave. as East Haven Headquarters for the Italian Relief campaign about which more will be stated later.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Friends of Music will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, Feb. 10, at the home of Mrs. James Sheppard, 103 Bradley Ave. An interesting program has been arranged.

Down Memory Lane 25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 7-13, 1922

The Women's Aid society held a roast beef supper in charge of Mrs. George C. Kirkham, Miss Nellie Thompson and Miss Sara Pardee. Horace Childsey of Park place was ill with the gripe.

A Black and White Masquerade was planned for Feb. 18 in the Town Hall.

A public meeting was held in the Town hall by the Parent-Teacher association.

The annual meeting of the Fire Department was held at the fire house.

A dinner party was given by Mr. and Mrs. E. Linsley at their home in Laurel street.

"Buy In East Haven" Plan Underway

South District Association Sponsors New Shopping Project Of Mutual Benefit.

The South District Civic Association, including the Coe Haven and adjacent neighborhoods, this week announced the organization of a Discount Club for the purpose of doing three worthwhile things for the betterment of East Haven.

1. To raise money to buy equipment for the new Coe Haven Playground and for the expenses of playground upkeep, a cause that will help to keep the youngsters off the street giving parents less worry as to the where a bouts of their children.

2. To help keep shopping and buying in East Haven, a move that will promote the town's welfare by bringing increased business to local taxpaying store-keepers and service people.

3. To provide a tenpercent money saving to all Discount Club mem-

bers. The members of the South District Civic association are selling tickets throughout the town at the price of one dollar for each adult. The holders of the tickets will be entitled to a ten percent discount in cooperating stores. The discount is only on commodities that are not listed in the Fair Trade Act or that are not marked down for sale purposes, and only on purchases of one dollar or more. The tickets can be forfeited to the store keeper if it is loaned out to a non-member. Tickets must bear the owner's signature and will be good only until December 1947 when 1948 renewal cards will be available.

Cooperating stores and business people, all of them advertisers in the East Haven News and builders of a bigger, busier and brighter East Haven include: Anderson Auto Supplies, 222 Main street; Carroll Cut Rate, 287 Main street; Castle Shop (on new upholstery) 450 Main

Many Business Places Join In Discount Club Designed To Promote Buying At Home.

street; Dean Shop, 226 Main street; East Haven Cleaners, 309 Main street; East Haven Department Store, 321 Main street; East Haven Hardware Store, 319 Main street, cor. Elm street; East Haven Radio Co. 220 Main street; Flora Sherman, 242 Main street; Fare Limit Garage (1 c off on gas), 8 Hemingway avenue; Goody's Hardware Store, 263 Main street; Graves Sport Shop, 224 Main street; Gift Haven, 10 High street; Gift Shop, 240 Main street; Lucas Photos, 265 Main street; Main street Sea Food Market, 176 Main street; Nash, Inc., 301 Main street; Tommy's Furniture, 149 Main street; Universal Rug and Upholstery Cleaners, Village Liquor Store.

Headquarters for the 'Discount Club will be at The Dean Shop, and other places will be designated as time warrants.

Galaxy Of Talent In Rotary Revue

The New Haven Knights of Columbus Glee Club of thirty five voices under the direction of Mr. William J. Reilly will be one of the featured attractions in the East Haven Rotary Revue which will be presented in the High School auditorium on Wednesday, February 12th. This group is well known having performed many times throughout the state and has a good following.

Other talented artists who will take part in this gala revue are: Miss Bettie Daniels, popular night club singer, Mrs. Ruth Donadio, pianist and songstress, the Misses Phoebe Klein and Laura Civitello, capable dancers, Kippy Kip, the Wee Wonder, Miss Regina Danielson and John Spellone, accordionists—the Misses Joan Lynch, Faye Garvin, and Georgia Bishop. Dave Watrous of East Haven, Pat Accomble Agency or from any of the pors and Jo Jo Quinn of New Haven, The Coney Island Boys, John

Gillen and Francis Flanagan, and the SAVING Rock Six are performers who know just how to please an audience.

One of the numbers in the show, The Florndora Octet will feature Rotarians, Doc Bishop, Roy Perry, Randy Richards, Al Holcombe, Debbi Coyle, Dan Parilla, Sandy Sanford and Bill Fagerstrom are in this part of the production.

The music for the show will be directed by Miss Freda Swirsky and the Ward Berman orchestra. Mr. William J. Reilly is the director of the Revue and has assembled a fine group of talent which makes promise for an entertaining evening on Wednesday, February 12th. Mr. James Scanlon is in charge of ticket sales. Tickets can be obtained at the Scanlon-Pagnan Automobile Agency or from any of the Rotarians. Dancing will follow the entertainment.

TOWN TOPICS

WHAT'S GOING ON IN TOWN

Spring approaching!

Only 42 days to first day of spring.

Lent begins February 19.

Big crowd looked for at Rotary Review in High school Auditorium night of Lincoln's Birthday.

Gala array of talent booked including that incomparable Rotary Florndora Sextet. Don't miss it.

Business association ready for another dinner meeting at Fred's Restaurant Monday night. Good dinner, good speaker and important business on agenda for action.

Old age tax receipts coming in very well at tax office says Tax Collector James C. Ogilvie who reminds us that March 1 is the deadline.

Big crowd expected Tuesday night at annual Ladies Night program of Men's club of Stone church in the parish house. A full course turkey dinner will be enjoyed as well as a program of entertainment and a visiting speaker.

William Faugno of Main street departed this week for a few weeks' stay in Florida where he will visit points of interest. Happy journey Bill.

Ground hog, who lives on the west side of Farm River near the John Howe farm, came out Sunday but in spite of the mild weather didn't stay long. He saw his shadow and, according to tradition, when that happens, you know what.

Committee for Greek Relief was set up here this week with First Selectman James J. Sullivan, chairman, James C. Ogilvie, treasurer, and Clifford Weaver, secretary. John Sachlos and A. D. Malliaris taking active part in East Haven campaign. Mr. Sachlos returned recently from visit in Greece where he learned first hand of relief needs.

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Barker of Elm street entertained over the week end Mrs. Barker's brother, Clyde Johnston who is now attending school in Philadelphia following his discharge from the armed forces.

Additional Town Topics on Page 2

PRESENTING

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Beginning Sunday, Feb. 9 and continuing to March 9, the Rev. William G. West, Pastor, will discuss the first five commandments.

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DATES AHEAD

Pequot Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, each Monday at 8 P. M., Red Men's Hall, 458 Main Street.

Star of Victory Lodge, No. 63, O. S. of B. Fifth and third Thursdays, 8 P. M. Red Men's Hall.

Rotary Club each Thursday 12:15 noon. St. Vincent de Paul's Auditorium, Taylor Ave. Navajo Council, No. 54, Degree of Pochontas meets first and third Wednesdays, Red Men's Hall.

Princess Chapter, No. 70 O. E. S. Meets second and fourth Mondays, 8 P. M. in Masonic Hall. Harry R. Bartlett Post, American Legion, meets 2nd and 4th Thursday 8:30 P. M. Legion Buildings.

East Haven Assembly, Order of Rainbow for girls meets first and third Friday, Masonic Hall 8 P. M.

South District Civic Association meets second and fourth Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m. 83 Vista Drive.

Feb. 7—Basketball, E. H. High vs Branford, High School gym.

Feb. 10—East Haven Business Association.

Feb. 11—"Ladies Night", Men's Club, Stone Church 6:30 P. M.

Feb. 11—Story Hour for Children Hagaman Library, 3:30 P. M.

Feb. 12—Rotary Club Revue.

Feb. 13—Woman's Aid Birthday Tea, 2:30 p.m. Parish House, Stone Church.

Feb. 18—Basketball, E. H. High vs Derby, High School Gym.

Feb. 18—Public Meeting on School Problems, 8 p.m. Town Hall.

Feb. 20—Momauguin Well-Child Conference, 2 p.m., Bradford Manor Hall.

Feb. 22—Mr. and Mrs. Club, 8 P. M. Stone Church Parish House.

Feb. 23—Men's Corporate Communion, Christ Church.

Feb. 25—Story Hour for Children, Hagaman Library, 3:30 P. M.

Feb. 27—East Haven Well-Child Conference, 2:30 p.m. Town Hall.

March 22—Mission Social Desert Bridge Parish House.

Please send your "Dates Ahead" to the Editor, P. O. Box 153

E. H. Townies 64 Milford Vets 45

Sull on a winning rampage, the E. H. Townies scored their 14th win of the season by downing the Milford Vets 64-45 in the high school gym last Sunday night. By virtue of this victory, the Townies extended their streak to nine in a row, and the way things look for the squad in such line shape, there are more victories on the way. Showing preliminary of the current season a blistering passing offense and a light defense, the locals kept the Milford hub from unleashing its vaunted scoring punch. Thompson, Crisafi and Castellon led the scoring parade with 20, 15 and 13 in that order, while Gus Phillips was high for losers with 13. On the defense, the Townies were ably assisted by DePhillips, Clancy, Tyler and Scheffle.

It took the vets five full minutes to penetrate the close defense of the Townies for their first score. At the end of the first period, the vets were on the short end of a 16-0 score and at the intermission the Townies had a comfortable lead of 32-14.

Coch Johnnie Maher has improved the Townies court play noticeably that Monday night. Coach Maher found it necessary to clicker with much stronger clubs for opposition. To date, he has contacted Bill's Red Devils, Jewish Community Center, Boys' Club Alumni and some strong teams from the upper Thomaston Valley. High guarantees make this route a financial proposition, but before the season closes, these teams, plus others equally as powerful, will be shown here.

The box score:

E. H. TOWNIES	B	F	P
Crisafi	1	18	1
Castellon	6	12	0
Thompson	8	4	10
Clancy	2	0	4
DePhillips	4	0	4
Tyler	4	0	4
Hansen	2	0	4
Scheffle	0	0	4
Totals	29	0	40
MILFORD	B	F	P
P. Chadwick	4	1	9
P. Chadwick	0	1	0

Branford Sportsmen Top Bliffed 35

A smooth functioning, precision passing Branford Sportsmen quintet, held to a 17-10 advantage at the intermission. Always a basketball team of the count, Branford's Bliffed 35 midway through the second half and coasted in to a 44-34 triumph at the Branford Athletic Center last Saturday night.

It was the Sportsmen eighth triumph against one loss and Bliffed second setback in ten starts.

Pauk and Bradley led the winners with 17 and 9 points respectively. Pauk also had 10 rebounds. High with 14 points for the losers. Sunday night the Branford Sportsmen will meet the East Haven Townies at the Branford High School Gym. The game will start at 8:30. On Tuesday they will oppose the St. Anthony Dons at the Branford Athletic Center. On Wednesday they will play the Sunday they will play at the local armory.

The summary:

SPORTSMEN	B	F	P
Moller, J.	3	1	7
Orsini, J.	0	2	2
Pauk, J.	8	1	17
Bradley, J.	4	1	9
Ericksen, C.	1	0	2
Sobolewski, E.	0	0	2
Mischler, G.	0	2	2
Clark, J.	1	1	1
Totals	17	10	44
BLIFFED SPA	B	F	P
Torre, J.	0	1	1
Grady, J.	0	1	1
V. Tell, J.	0	3	0
Morse, C.	0	0	2
McKenna, J.	4	1	14
Roderman	1	0	2
Totals	14	6	34

Score at half, 17-10, Sportsmen. Referee Horton, umpire, Prolo.

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

There are still some exceptional opportunities for prudent investment in the general field of real estate. We have made a careful analysis of real estate investment opportunities in the greater New Haven area and shall be happy to discuss our findings with you.

Our research department maintains very complete and accurate records of real estate transactions throughout this area so that you can make intelligent comparisons of value.

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MON 3: HORACE GOES TO THE CITY. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

TUE 4: THE ABOR DOX IN AFRICA. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

WED 5: 516 YEARS AGO. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

THUR 6: 10 YEARS AGO. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

FRI 7: BOY SCOUT DAY. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

SAT 8: INCORPORATED 1910. A special feature of this column is the "WEEKSCOPE" which gives you a preview of the week ahead. It includes a list of the events, a list of the people, and a list of the places. It is a great way to get ahead of the week.

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Gen. Knox Says

I see where the United States Government is going to give us a new post office in East Haven by building a post office building in the town of East Haven. I am sure that this is a very wise move and that it will be a great benefit to the town of East Haven. I am sure that this is a very wise move and that it will be a great benefit to the town of East Haven.

Winter Tours

"Packaged vacations" to Washington, Williamsburg and Atlantic City were announced today by The New Haven Railroad, effective immediately. These planned trips are of either three or seven days' duration and may include stopovers at New York City and other places.

Purchase of these "package tours" tickets includes railroad fare, meals on diners or grill cars en route, hotel accommodations, sightseeing trips and other details. Leaving the traveler free to devote his entire time to the pursuit of vacation pleasures.

Although The New Haven has long had such planned tours into New England in the Summer time, this year marks the first time the road has had Winter vacation tours. Recent previous announcements told of Winter sports tours to northern New England and planned trips to New York City.

The newly announced three-day trip may be to either Washington or Atlantic City. The Washington tour includes a sightseeing trip to historic Mt. Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, and Alexandria, Va., in addition to a complete tour of the Capital City itself.

Special low-cost tour packages are available from New London, Springfield, Hartford, Meriden, New Britain, New Haven, Bridgeport, Waterbury, Danbury and Piquette. Detailed information may be secured at the local railroad station.

ARRIVES IN GERMANY

Whitby Madison son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Madison of Meriden Street has arrived by plane in Russia occupied Germany. He took the southern route via Brazil, Azores in Paris.

He has a two year appointment from the War Department for a civilian job of establishing importing and exporting trade with Germany.

BOARD IN SESSION

The Board of Tax Review will be in session at the town hall Saturday, February 1, from 9 o'clock to act upon appeals from the doings of the assessors. They will meet by adjournment until Friday, February 21 at 5 o'clock.

Members are G. Irving Field, John R. Hamre and Fred S. Frank.

BUSINESS MEETS TONIGHT

Associated Business meets tonight at 7 o'clock at Howard Johnson's Restaurant, John Barron of East Main Street will speak on the town's sanitation situation.

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From Our Readers

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BRANFORD, Conn.
February 5, 1947

To the Editor of the
Branford Review:

There's a lot of talk going on around town about whether or not Branford ought to have a new school. Everybody knows that our present schools are overcrowded. Everybody knows that the schools in the Center are in such bad shape that they can't be used much longer. But people are asking each other these questions: How is a new school going to be paid for? Will taxes have to be raised? Will the state pay for all or part of it, and just how much?

It seems to me that the Board of Education has the responsibility for explaining to the townspeople how a new school might be paid for. The present administration won the last election on a no-increase-in-taxes platform, and it looks as if the will of the people was made clear at that time. However, there is no reason why we can't change our minds. Maybe the need for a new school outweighs the need for keeping taxes down. Maybe we can afford to pay for a new school, but we can't answer that till we know how much it's going to cost. The Board of Education ought to clear up the questions people are asking well ahead of time, so we can think it over and come to a town meeting understanding clearly how our votes in regard to a new school are going to affect our individual pocketbooks.

I am writing you in hopes that the Board of Education will respond in the columns of the Review with a clarification of the situation.

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financial problems in connection with a new school.

TAXPAYING PARENT.

February 4, 1947

To the Editor,
The Branford Review,
Branford, Connecticut,
Dear Sir:

A bill dealing with education is now before our state legislature. It is the "State Aid Bill" and should be of intense interest to every parent in this town.

Under the provisions of the bill, state grants would make possible a better education for our children. In fact, it would give our children educational opportunities equal to those usually found only in far wealthier communities.

The "State Aid Bill" has been developed by the State Commissioner of Education and has the endorsement of Governor James L. McConaughy. It sets forth aims, often propounded by former Governor (now Senator) Raymond E. Baldwin, to raise educational standards in the less wealthy towns to the level offered in communities that can afford the best.

The Town of Branford and its citizens will be enormously benefited if the "State Aid Bill" becomes law this year. It is therefore to be hoped that all voters who are interested in bettering the opportunities of Branford children will write to State Representatives Raymond Barnes and Frank Kaminsky urging its passage.

Very truly yours,
PARENT

LET'S TALK ABOUT

OUR NEW SCHOOL

Now that it has been decided that we are to have the much needed new school building, let's make sure we get what we want. It will probably be impossible for any site or building to provide everything everyone wants for the children, but we can make sure we not only get the best possible value for our money, but that we also get the essentials, even if a few trimmings have to wait.

Now is the time, while plans are in the tentative stage, for all citizens and parents in Branford to express their opinion as to what physical equipment is essential for the education of our children. The "Branford Review" provides an excellent organ for that expression. We not only clarify our thoughts when putting them on paper, but most of us find it easier to leave personalities and emotion out of discussions that are conducted in print.

If those interested in the new school (and who isn't?) will write open letters to the "Review" now, we can have the fun of discussing the comparative values of a gymnasium, an auditorium work shops etc., and we shall also make it unnecessary for any political party to print a pink sheet on the eve of the final vote.

A. Parent
February 5, 1947

To the Editor:

"Independent", in last week's Branford Review, has raised several questions which should be answered.

No, Independent, the present administration in this town has not managed to evade a rise in cost of government, and it has not kept taxes down.

Do not be fooled into thinking that taxes remain the same just because the mill rate remains the same. There is another way to increase taxes on town property: increase the Grand List. This has been done.

Property in the town of Branford has been re-assessed, to raise the total of the Grand List from \$14,509,000 to \$15,800,000! Therefore, with the mill rate at 21 mills on one thousand dollars worth of assessed property, it is easy to see that the town this year will take in an increase of nearly \$23,000 by this method. Is this, or is this not, a rise in taxes?

True, the increase is to be borne by only a "lucky few" (mainly the larger industries of the town).

Independent suggests that there has been no rise in cost of government. This is manifestly untrue. What about the \$11,200 grant for

PARENTLESS AND SIGHTLESS



There can be no cold indifference and ignoring of the plight of the maimed and blinded orphan girls and boys of Italy. This group of boys are orphans. Some of them are sightless. In their sombre black smocks and white collars they are housed in various shelters where American Relief for Italy sees that they are cared for. This work must go on. To make sure that these little unfortunates may be given life-saving milk, food, clothing and medicine, American Relief for Italy is now appealing to the generosity of the American people for funds to secure relief supplies.

teachers' increase? What about the increase to be given to teachers' permanent salaries this year?

The Board of Finance states that the \$11,200 will be taken out of "available surplus". What is this surplus, and how long can it last? Will it take care of the bonus grant, and this year's permanent increase in teachers' salaries, and next year's also?

Naturally it will help to keep the mill rate down if increased services to the town are paid for out of surplus. But I maintain that this is not an economically sound way to run the Town's finances.

Any householder knows that he must have an income equal to current expenses if he is to run his household on a sound basis. He knows it is dangerous to spend the money he has in the bank on current expenses. "Available surplus" is what the Town has in the bank. It has been saved up and put there for some purpose, by a previous administration. It is not right to spend it on the running expenses of town government.

I don't see how Independent can claim that the present regime is doing a good job with the finances of the Town. A citizen should probe a little deeper into the facts, and not be hoodwinked by the snow removal program and the buckets of sand along the streets.

We come back to the same statements I quoted from Mayor LaGuardia:

The cost of government is going up. It is impossible to offer good government service and keep the taxes down. It can't be done!

TAXPAYER

The Town Meeting held at the Community House on Monday evening was a fine example of government at work. It showed that the people of Branford are awake; it showed that they want new and better things for this town, and that they are going to get them.

It is well to keep in mind that this is government. Government is not the First Selectman and the Board of Finance and the School Board and the party bosses. These officials were put there by the voters to carry out what the voters want—and they should never forget it.

There seems to be a belief in official circles here that the only thing the people want is to keep the tax rate down.

We believe the present administration has figured this wrong. What the people want, first and foremost, is better value for their tax money; they want the public funds administered in a sound and economical way, but they obviously do not want a close-fisted policy which blocks progress.

They want higher pay for teachers, new buildings, and better schools, and they undoubtedly want many other improvements which they will let us know about when they get the opportunity.

When a Town Meeting indicates that it wants something as clearly as this meeting did on Monday night, then it is up to the local officials to give it to them.

If the Republican Party is elected to office this fall, it is going to give Branford this kind of government.

We believe we can offer the services the town expects, and still

Prof. Bozyan Organ Recital February 16

Prof. H. Frank Bozyan of Yale University will give an organ recital in the First Congregational Church, Sunday, February 16 at 4 o'clock.

The program, to which the community is invited, will also include selections by William F. Hasse, Jr., well known baritone.

UNINTERRUPTED EDUCATION

In its 108th year of uninterrupted service to higher education, Boston University, the largest education institution in New England, has enrolled its record-breaking top of more than 20,000 students, of whom between 7,000 and 8,000 men and women are veterans. Local residents who are studying at this famous institution are: Miss Edvige Louise Blanchini, Wallace Street, Stony Creek, student at the Boston University College of Business Administration.

keep the tax rate at a reasonable level (consistent with what the town can afford).

We intend to find out what the voters want and how they want to spend their money, and then make every effort to carry out these projects. We are not going to attempt to tell the people what they want and we are not going to assume a dictatorial control over their purse-strings.

There has been enough dictation from the top, in Branford and in Washington and throughout the world. It is time for government to return to the people, where it belongs.

Republican Town Committee of Branford

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Monday night at about 9 o'clock during the weekly meeting of the S.S. Flying Cloud, it was brought to their attention that a small craft was awash near the sea wall adjacent to the Branford Yacht Club. The Sea Scouts interrupted their meeting and after considerable effort were able to raise the boat to safety on top of the sea wall. The boat was considerably damaged due to the constant pounding of the surf.

Those who took part in the salvaging were Skipper Walter Haller, John Wigg, Bruce Gullans, Liam Devlin, Herbert Harrison, Robert and Richard Averill and Ray Massie.

ASSOCIATION ELECTS

The following executive board was named at the recent annual meeting of the Granite Bay Association, Incorporated: Benjamin Abeshouse chairman; treasurer, Mrs. Helen Burkhardt; clerk, Mrs. Arthur Hallen; chairman of improvements,

Walter Lynch; chairman of welfare, Fred Paeleo; auditors, Lester Kumm and John Kells.

The Branford Dancing School will hold a party for the first class at 7 o'clock, Saturday evening February 8, at the Community House. A party for the second and third classes will be held February 22 from 8 to 10 P. M.

MEN ENLIST

The Army recruiting office at 216 Crown Street New Haven has announced that the following named men have enlisted: Joseph W. Zacker, 432 Harbor Street, Branford; Jacina Ferralolo, 48 Pond Street, East Haven.

Remember there are 40,000 good jobs a month in the Army, and you can have one by applying at the United States Army Recruiting Station, 216 Crown Street, New Haven.

CARD OF THANKS

May we extend thanks and appreciation to the many friends neighbors and business associates of the late Lester J. Nichols during the period of his declining health and death.

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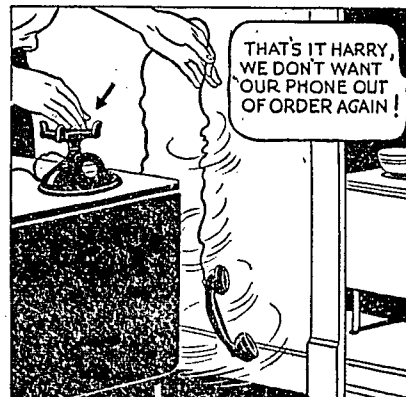
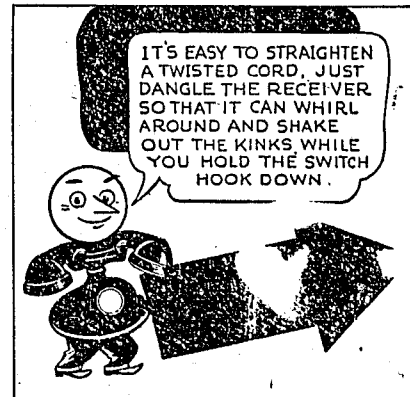
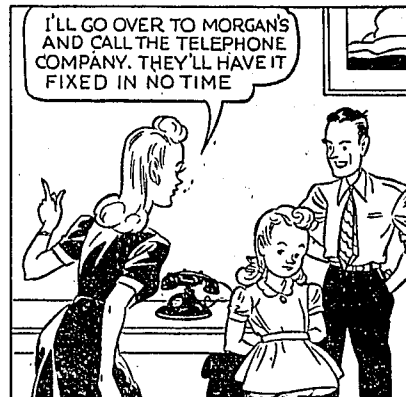
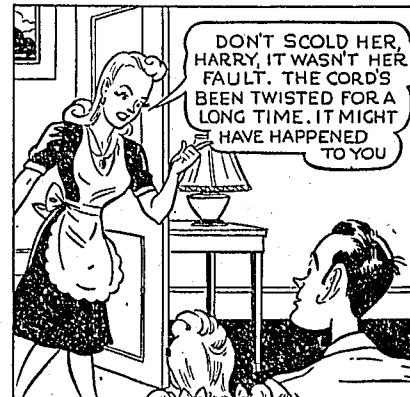
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Lem's Dogs vs Thad's Chickens

Running a newspaper, you get to know a lot about human nature.

Thad Phipps was in the other day, all burned up. Wanted me to run an item on how Lem Martin's dog had raided his chickens again, and ought to be put away by law.

I told him: "Lem was in on Saturday. Said you shouldn't be allowed to keep those chickens so close to his house—and in a residential zone, at that."

Thad shuts up right pronto then. And that very evening I see him making his peace with Lem

at Andy Botkin's Garden Tavern—over a friendly glass of beer.

From where I sit, anyone can find something in his neighbor to complain about. (Some folks may even disagree with Thad's right to enjoy that glass of beer with Lem!) But where would we be if everybody tried to have a law passed against everything they disagreed with? We wouldn't have many neighbors left!

Joe Marsh