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TWO DOLLARS PER YEAR

## TOWN TOPICS

Goodbye, August! Hello, September! Today is one of the two Thursdays this year which inaugurate a month. Do you know that September is so called from being originally the seventh month from March, which was originally the first month of the year. It may well be that this month means more things to more people than any other given month. It's a month when vacations are ending and our attention to school and business assumes greater proportions.

Most of you recall what happened ten years ago today, Friday, September 1, 1939, Hitler's armies were marching. Two days later Britain and France were at war with Germany, and it wasn't until just four years ago that the flames of World War II were put out. In the world of sports ten years ago, a couple of guys named Joe were the big guns. Joe DiMaggio was the leading hitter in the American League according to the reports, Joe Louis was the leading hitter anywhere.

Do you remember the short skirts which heralded the fashion of 1939? They were the thing of the hour around the knees. It may well have been that ten years ago this month you saw Vivien Leigh steal top honors in "Gone With the Wind," or maybe you curled up in the corner with John Ford's "Grapes of Wrath." In the course of your travels, such tunes as "I'll Never Smile Again," "Beer Barrel Polka," and "Stairway to the Stars" were the haunting refrains.

Travelers of 1939 were converging on the World's Fair in New York. We can remember sitting on the steps of the Administration Building there, waiting for the noon train to have the then Governor of New York, Herbert Lehman, come up and talk to us. Now he's being prominently mentioned as a senatorial candidate. Certainly this September is destined to be a historical one as election time comes near. It's the month when you casually say "I think the Independent Republicans have the most to offer" and wind up in a two hour, no holds barred discussion.

This is the month when Joe Glynn takes over the reins of the Branford Post, despite a slip which landed him in the type and Joseph Morgan for head Legionnaire. Also the few who were interested enough to take in last week's Town Meeting are wondering whether the Schutsky will go to court in order to stop the condemnation proceedings on their property.

On the business side of the ledger we have Rully Schmidt about to fly to the West Coast to attend the Engraving Company's representative at the national convention of engravers. On the other hand Tony Armino is sticking close to his new Main Street barber shop. His weekly chat-chat column starts in these pages this week, looks like something you will want to follow regularly. Also ye keggers will be interested in knowing that Frank Natale has taken over the East Haven Bowling Alley from Nicholas Kot. Here's a chance for you guys to win a pair of bowling shoes from now through Monday.

Before getting away from your paper altogether, there's one story worth telling. Back in the early part of July Lillian Frantz and Mrs. John Healy ran a couple of ads for their East Haven home. The author of the response was good, and they told us to plan on a couple of more about now. Well the other day we contacted them, only to be told that on the strength of those two advertisements they're filled up for the fall session.

We've had several newcomers to East Haven during the past month. So meet Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Year, formerly of New Haven, now of 175 Vista Drive. Also greetings to Mr. and Mrs. W. Drehsbach of 36 Green Gardens Court. He was previously at Yale and now a clerk in Judge Carroll Hinck's office. Another welcome is due former Brooklynite, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schwartz of 46 Summit Avenue. Just about the most recent arrivals in town are Kate Yarnall, instructor Daniel "Indy" and his wife. They moved into 33 Green Gardens Court from Los Angeles, California, as recently as Tuesday.

On the other hand we're losing Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gilbert who have sold their home at 69 Forbes Place and will leave October 1 to live permanently in Florida. Mr. Gilbert retired a year ago from the New Haven Railroad. The house has been sold to a young couple who will move in shortly after they are married on September 24.

Judy Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shepard Johnson of Taylor Avenue, is visiting her great-aunt in Nahant, Massachusetts. MORE

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Melvin of 126 Prospect Road are Mrs. Melvin's parents from Melrose, Massachusetts.

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## Zoning Board To Decide On Beach And Gas

Last night Mr. Eugene Daniels, chairman, and Zoning Board of Appeals members Thomas Flynn, Frank White and C. E. Burt met in the Town Hall to consider applications for a three-pump gas station at the corner of Main Street and Henningway Avenue and the extension of non-conforming use of Alexander's Beach at Silver Sands.

Gas Station  
Attorney John J. Mezzanotte represented Mrs. Olive I. Burton of Austin Avenue in presenting the facts relating to the erection of the gas station on the site of the former Gas-Tim Smith homestead located across from the East Haven Green. The unexpected opposition did not materialize, the main point being raised was that of the hours to be maintained by the station. This was brought up from a neighborhood standpoint with reference to the use of lights well into the night. However, the applications stated that it is not their intention to stay open later than the night.

Beach Development  
Presentation of the appeal of Macy H. Battalin and Louis Garson for the beach project was presented by Clifford B. Sturges, Attorney Benjamin Erdman represented Alexander's Beach. Both opposition was shown to the Battalin-Garson application which states that all new buildings including 96 cabanas will be constructed of substantial material. Further bulkheads will be constructed to bring natural sand onto the beach.

The beach project has been referred to Building Commissioner Leslie Redfield for study of blueprints. Decision on both applications will be rendered by the Board of Appeals within a few days.

## Service Here By Red Feather Most Beneficial

Completion of a beneficiary study to determine the number and location of the families served during one month's operation by 28 Red Feather agencies revealed that the people of East Haven are receiving wide benefits. Charles J. Ducey, president, Community Chest of Greater New Haven, announced this week.

The survey was made by a research staff headed by Arthur H. Jette, Chest research director. The study covered all Chest agencies, except Travelers Aid Society, Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, and Hannah Gray Home.

Shows Spread of Services  
For the first time in recent years, Chest solicitors will have available statistical data which show the wide distribution of Chest services. These data reveal that Red Feather services cut across economic classifications, creeds and national origins. It was found that no section of New Haven, East Haven, West Haven, or Hamden went without services from one or more Red Feather agencies.

During the study, the 28 agencies submitted over 11,000 cards to Mr. Jette, who placed a census tract number on each card and a code number indicating the type of service rendered. By classifying the cards, he was then able to compile the data desired.

According to Mr. Jette, the study revealed that during 1948, the 28 Red Feather agencies served over 14,000 families in the Greater New Haven area. Casework service was provided for 688 families; foster home care was given to children of 136 families; institutional care was rendered the children of 69 families. It was found that children of 345 families attended Chest day nurseries, that five Chest agencies provided clinic services for 3,400 families. The public health nursing agencies served 2,300 families.

All Communities Served  
Nine recreation and group work agencies were found to have served 9,700 families. Mr. Jette stated, "Psychiatric clinic service was provided for 83 families. Aged members of 115 families were found to be receiving institutional care." The distribution by communities served during the study was as follows: New Haven, 10,788; East Haven, 477; West Haven, 1,815; and Hamden, 1,058. Clinic services rendered to Greater New Haven families was as follows: New Haven, 4,983; East Haven, 101; West Haven, 289; and Hamden, 182. Public health nurses served the following number of families in the Greater New Haven area: New Haven, 1,795; East Haven, 124; West Haven, 82; and Hamden, 12. Neighborhood Houses Busy  
The greatest concentrations of services were found to be around the neighborhood houses, such as Dikwell Community House, Farmington Community House, West Community House, and Jewish Community Center. This resulted from the wide variety of activities

## Schutsky Land Condemned As Small Group Attends Special Town Meeting

Every Item On The Call Voted In The Affirmative — Antz Is Moderator

Less than one third of the 1000 seat in the auditorium of East Haven High School were occupied last Friday night when a sparsely attended town meeting voted in the affirmative on every item listed in the call of the special meeting. As had been anticipated, such controversy as there was centered around the condemnation of a portion of land on the Fred Schutsky property.

Mr. Henry W. Antz acted as moderator of the meeting and the town clerk, Miss Margaret Tucker, acted as clerk and read the call for the meeting which began at 8 P. M. and was over before 9 P. M. Mr. Edward Donroe read the report of the School Building Committee of which he is chairman. Expenditures Authorized  
In addition to the chairman, the other Board of Education members on the School Building Committee are Joseph Rodenski and Vincent Vetrone who replaced Donald Thomas following his resignation. School Planning Committee on this Committee are Arthur Connor and Burton Reed. The body was authorized the expenditure of all appropriations made at the meeting for the construction, enlargement and improvement of school buildings and purchase of land for school purposes. Further authority was granted to contract with architects, contractors and others in the name and on behalf of the Town.

The School Building Committee report states that for several months the Committee assisted by the Town Counsel attempted unsuccessfully to acquire the Schutsky property by purchase. They did succeed, however, in securing satisfactory options on the Alphonse Pinto and Martin Olson properties adjoining. Because of their inability to negotiate with the Schutskys, the Committee, according to the report, requested the Board of Selectmen to seek Town Meeting authority to acquire the Schutsky site by condemnation.

offered the public by these agencies. However, a sizable number of services were shown to be administered in all areas of New Haven by such Chest agencies as the Visiting Nurse Association, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the three family service agencies.

Because of the limited number of research personnel engaged in the study it was not possible to include the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., and Travelers Aid in the survey. The number of persons served monthly by these Red Feather agencies totals in the thousands, and their inclusion in the study would have required more time and personnel than was considered practicable. Mr. Ducey pointed out, Hannah Gray Home was not included in the study, since the number of families served by the institution is relatively negligible.

AUTO ACCIDENTS  
One hundred and forty-three drivers from East Haven were involved in traffic accidents during the first six months of this year. The State Motor Vehicles Commissioner Cornelius F. Mulvihill reported this week that one hundred and eight of the local residents were in accidents in other communities while thirty-five were involved in mishaps here.

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as an equally good school site. Mr. the motion to purchase the Martin, Olson and Alphonse Pinto properties, an effort was made to table it in favor of first acting on the condemnation of the Schutsky property which followed in the order of business. This was voted down.

Action on Schutsky Land  
Consideration of the Schutsky parcel of land, approximately two acres, took about half an hour. It was pointed out that originally acquisition of the entire Schutsky property had been planned. Mrs. Schutsky spoke in defense of the land which she and her husband had taken, expressing the belief that other property was available as an equally good school site. Mr. Connor replied stating that this was not so, inasmuch as the Committee had to abide by the State Board of Education requirements in order to get a grant.

Mr. Schutsky was the next speaker. He pointed out that while the two acres on which a dairy building stands is not in use at present, it does figure in his plans for a small housing development which will provide an income for his later years. There followed several speakers discussing both sides of the matter, and then the motion for condemnation was put to a vote. The majority decision upheld the findings of the Building Committee.

Bonds To Be Issued  
The meeting also approved a resolution authorizing the Town to issue bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 each totaling \$378,000 to be known as the "School Bonds of the Town of East Haven, Issue of 1949." The principal and interest of which shall be payable at the First National Bank and Trust Company of New Haven, will mature in twenty years.

The detailed School Building Committee report said in closing, "It is the firm opinion of the Board of Education, The School Building Committee and the School Planning Committee that all of the school buildings in the town of East Haven will be put in excellent condition for many years to come."

## LAST WEEK'S FIRES

Aug. 23—9:13 P.M., Co. 1, Co. 4, Silver Sands Rd. & Coe Ave., grass and rubbish.  
Aug. 24—4:11 A.M., Co. 4, Coe Ave. & Uriah St., shack, same as above.  
Aug. 25—11:54 A.M., Co. 1, Vista Drive, brush.  
Aug. 26—2:10 P.M., Co. 1, fence at dump.  
Aug. 27—11:55 P.M., in front of Fire Department Headquarters, auto.  
Aug. 28—1:24 P.M., Estelle Rd.  
Aug. 21 & 23, ambulance calls.

## NO TAXES LABOR DAY

This period from August 15th to September 15, 1949, is the time when the current property taxes are due. After September 15th, according to the State law, all unpaid property taxes are subject to interest at the rate of 6% per year. The tax office will be open each day 9 A. M. to 12 noon, except Labor Day, according to Tax Collector James C. Olgliote. The post office will be open evenings from 7 to 9 P. M. on Sept. 1, 9 and 14, 15 from 7 to 9 P. M.

## Joseph Glynn, Legion Officers To Be Installed

Public Ceremony September 8 In Town Hall At 8 P.M.; Redfield Heads Team

Public installation of officers of the Harry R. Bartlett Post, American Legion, will take place at the Town Hall, Thursday evening, September 8, at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to the ceremony following which refreshments will be served in the Post rooms. The installing team, composed of past commanders of the Legion Post and headed by Leslie Redfield, will install Joseph F. Glynn as commander. An erroneous article which was published last week stating that Joseph Morgan had been elected commander is sincerely regretted.

Other Officers  
The other officers to be installed are: John P. Morgan, senior vice commander; William Tomlinson, junior vice commander; Frank Franovic, adjutant; John J. Lessner, finance officer; John J. Lessner, personnel officer; George Knaut, sergeant-at-arms; Daniel Miller, historian; Rev. J. J. Broderick, chaplain; William Maher, service officer; Herman R. Anderson, executive committee member; Joseph Steiner, board of trustee member, three years. The Post band will play a concert at the annual Short Beach Labor Day festival.

## Installation For Legion Auxiliary September 16

At the first full meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Post 89 on Friday evening September 16th the following members will be installed: president, Mrs. Joseph O'Connell; vice president, Mrs. Roland Graves; secretary, Mrs. Harold Burrell; treasurer, Mrs. Ethel Hahn; executive committee, Mrs. Leveritt Clark, Mrs. Roland Graves and Mrs. Frederick Shlippe.

Appointments on committees are as follows: rehabilitation, Mrs. Percy Webb; chaplain, Mrs. Walter Woods; Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. John Underwood; ass't. Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. Anton Faeth; sick and visiting, Mrs. Frederick Shlippe; graves registration, Mrs. Leveritt Clark; music, Mrs. Elmer Sprenger; membership, Mrs. Roland Graves; hospitality, Mrs. Hiram Myers; publicity, Mrs. Frank Dooley; historian, Mrs. Ruth Barker.

The installing officers of Second District who will install the incoming officers are as follows: president, Mrs. Edna Couglin; vice president, Mrs. Anna Wall; secretary, Mrs. Helen Dolan; treasurer, Miss Sadye Bernstein; chaplain, Mrs. Elizabeth Poil; historian, Mrs. Yvonne Mulligan; Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. Beatrice Chacowick; ass't. Sgt.-at-Arms, Mrs. Marjorie Goodrich. An invitation has been extended to commander Joseph Glynn and all members of the Harry R. Bartlett Post 89 and also guests of the incoming officers. A large group is expected to attend this ceremony. A dinner will be served after the meeting.

## Rules Are Explained For The Credo Essay Contest In Schools

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ship in the various agencies of city life will be excellent training in good citizenship, and positive evidence that our schools are conditioning pupils for effective service in every department of business and civic life.

"More needed than the marshaling of America's gold and guns is the mobilization of the spiritual resources and visions of mankind. For this noble purpose the Credo invites every nation to make its contribution of wisdom and service.

"Peace is a fine art of rare techniques, to be studied at every grade level; its material and spiritual values are so great as to make it preeminent in the objectives of education.

as every citizen's responsibility to cooperate for the common good. 6th Grade, Trusteehip in Home and Family Unity. 7th Grade, Trusteehip in School Life—its studies and objectives. 8th Grade, Trusteehip in Public Property and Amusements. 9th Grade, Trusteehip in Religion and Social Ideals. 10th Grade, Trusteehip in Welfare Agencies. 11th Grade, Trusteehip in Government and International Relations. 12th Grade, Trusteehip in Labor and Management Problems.

All teachers may assist in the preparation of these papers by showing how their specialty contributes to the development of Civilization. Social studies will touch the program at many points. Thus may the children and the homes of those in the different grades feel that going to school is a very important business in which they all have a share.

Those serving on the essay contest committees are William H. Veale, Marie McNamara, Albert J. Harder, Max Livingston, Capt. Fred F. Esposito, K. M. Burrell, Sara Wallace, E. A. Cooper, Henry A. Wuestefeld, Louise E. Malby, Harry L. White.

## SCHOOL SCHEDULE CHANGES GREAT FOR YEAR 1949-50

Early Beginning Of Building Program To Limit Number Of Schools Available

With the opening of schools on Sept. 7, for the year 1949-50 there are a number of changes with which parents should become acquainted. The changes this year are greater than originally because of the construction program which will soon start. Both Union School and Momauguin School will not be available for pupil use until early spring. Because of this double session will be held at Tuttle School so that the Union School pupils can be accommodated. The Momauguin pupils will share the Gerish Avenue School with the regular pupils. These changes will require a time schedule very different from that of the other school. To doubt it will cause inconvenience to many parents, but it is a temporary measure which must be taken in order to allow the building program to be completed at an early date.

Momauguin School  
The Momauguin kindergarten pupils will use the Bradford Manor Fire House from 9:00 to 11:45 A. M. The first grade will use the Fire House from 12:00 noon to 4:00 P. M. Pupils of Grades 2 and 3 will be taken by school bus to Gerish Avenue School. One bus will take care of the area adjacent to Carnovale's at Second Avenue and Bradford Avenue. The bus will pick up the pupils at 12:00 noon and will make stops in the above mentioned area until a regular stop schedule is decided upon. The second bus will pick up at South End Elementary pupils at the regular stop at 11:55 A. M. It will then proceed to Momauguin School and Bradford Manor Fire House to pick up the rest of the second and third grade pupils. These pupils will make a session of 8:15 to 12:15 P. M. Their dismissal time will be 4:15 P. M. The fourth, fifth and sixth Momauguin pupils will be picked up as follows: one bus will follow the Canal to Second Avenue, Bradford Avenue route picking up pupils at 12:20; the other bus will go as far as Bradford Manor Fire House to pick up the pupils from that area. Sessions for this group will start at 12:30 P. M. and dismissal will be at 4:30 P. M. It is important to note that, on

the first day of school only, all Momauguin School pupils will be picked up one hour earlier than the above regular schedule. The kindergarten and first grade pupils of Gerish Avenue School will report in accordance with the regular schedule with the kindergarten morning group attending from 9:00 to 11:45 A. M. and the afternoon group attending from 1:00 to 3:00 P. M. There will be another first grade group which will report from 8:15 A. M. to 12:00 noon and an afternoon session from 1:00 to 3:00 P. M. Pupils of grades four, five and six will have sessions from 8:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. It is important to note that, on the first day of school only, all Gerish School pupils in grades two through six will be dismissed one hour earlier than the above schedule.

Union School  
All Union School pupils will report to Tuttle School. There will be 3 kindergarten groups, two in the morning and one afternoon. Parents of kindergarten pupils already registered will be notified by mail as to which session the pupils will attend. Pupils from grades one through six will have sessions from 8:15 to 12:15 P. M. The pupils with the exception of kindergarten will report from 8:15 A. M. to 12:15 P. M. All Union and Tuttle School pupils who live in Short Beach or Coe Haven Area will use the Connecticut Company buses and will be given bus tickets after the first day. The Connecticut Company bus will leave Short Beach at 10 minutes to 8 in the morning. The bus sessions will start at 8:15 A. M. and dismissal will be at 4:30 P. M. The kindergarten session at South School will be held from 1:00 to 2:45 P. M. The first grade pupils will report from 8:45 A. M. to 12:15 P. M. The second grade will have a full-day session starting at 9:00 A. M. until 12:00 noon and 1:00 P. M. until 3:00 P. M. Kindergarten  
There is a definite age limit for admission to kindergarten. The pupil must be five years old by January 15, 1950 in order to be eligible. Absolutely no exceptions will be made for under age pupils. For those who have not already registered—pupils born in East Haven need only state the date of birth. Those born elsewhere will be required to produce birth certificates. Evidence of vaccination is also required. Those who did not register at the sessions held last spring will not report until the second day of school because there will be insufficient time to register them on the opening day.

## Trio Arrested By Police Here

Chief Edwin B. Priest and Patrolman Walter Marlas arrested three Los Angeles, California, residents here yesterday afternoon in connection with charges of obtaining money under false pretenses from churches here. The three from the West Coast who were held in \$2,000 bond each last night are Lawrence Marlaugh, 29, his wife, Ethel, 29, and a brother, Hugh, 17, all from Los Angeles. The trio was turned over to New Haven police who had sent out an alarm for them during the day after receiving complaints that they were soliciting funds in rectories there, avowedly to pay for rooms, and \$3 more in East Haven they had spent the money on clothes and food. Captain of Detectives Raymond J. Eagan said. He said they had called an Elm City rooming house reserving rooms, but had made no effort to secure them later.

East Haven Figures In Work To Start On Route One  
With a seven-mile stretch of the Wilbur Cross Parkway in the New Haven area due to open on Nov. 1, workmen will concentrate on another highway, both projects eleven miles of U. S. Route No. 1 near the New Haven harbor, State Highway Commissioner G. Albert Hill this week.

The Route No 1 project will entail the relocation and reconstruction of the entire eleven miles of roadway on a filled area skirting the harbor shore. It will take about eight years to complete. Cost of the project is estimated at \$18,000,000. Commissioner Hill said the Route No. 1 project will be divided into four parts. The first will be 1.2 miles from the East Haven-New Haven line to the Quinnipiac River; the second 1.2 miles, mostly on a bridge over the Quinnipiac; the third the harborfront section and the fourth and longest will connect the waterfront highway with the old Route No. 1 at West Haven.

The Gerish School Parent Teachers Association will meet Tuesday at 2 P. M. at the home of Mrs. John Knight, 60 Forbes Place. Tuesday with Supt. of Schools William E. Gillis at 2:30 in the High School.

All high school pupils report not later than 8:35 for the first day of session. Dismissal will be at 11:30 on that day. All pupils new to the school this year will report to the schools already assigned them. All the new teachers in the East Haven school system will meet next week to make arrangements for a silver Tuesday with Supt. of Schools William E. Gillis at 2:30 in the High School.

Momauguin News

MRS. JOSEPH O'CONNOR... Mamma and Papa... Mamma and Papa... Mamma and Papa...

Town Topics

Mrs. John D. Houston... Mrs. John D. Houston... Mrs. John D. Houston...

As Mr. Brinley Sees It

"My task, shall be well done... The night in deepening shadows... The night in deepening shadows...

Republican Slate To Be On Hand For Party Outing

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### Silver Anniversary

BY BILL AHERN

The announcement of Bolt Elwell's coming nuptials had the boys talking this week. Naturally the conversation was based on the sturdy three sport athlete and his athletic ability. Later it generalized to Yale and Branford athletes and then into another personality who stepped into the aura of Yale's sport history for a brief moment, back in 1919.

The scene was set in either the Polo Grounds in New York City or Ebbets Field in Brooklyn. The speaker could not remember. The base ball series was between Yale and Princeton and the playing surface was the site of the play-off tilt between the teams of the two universities. The game was tied when Chet Prann stepped into the batter's box in the ninth inning of the tilt and delivered the telling blow for Yale. Just as he delivered many times since for the Branford Townies. The New Haven Blues copped the tilt; and Prann for the space of newspaper headlines was a hero.

But it was mostly lino-typed glory to most of the fans. Few, probably only Chet Prann, Sr., and Frank J. Kinney, saw that New York game. It was a nine day subject here and then like most feats, it was relegated to the files of memory.

After graduation, Prann became interested in wire manufacture and worked for a while in New Haven. It was only natural that he would play some baseball during the summer months and he sold his services to the highest bidder.

In the early twenties, Frank Woodford had control of a team called the Quonos. They played their home games at Lake Quonopaug and were sensational behind Woodford's hurling and Prann's dizzy corner play.

Frank McGowan, who had seen young Chet perform, was instrumental in getting him a tryout with Reading, Pa., in the International League where he performed brilliantly at the bat and miserably in the field. His friends, and even the player himself, could never account for his poor fielding average since he was considered a hot shot around New England, especially in South Norwalk where he played for a term.

About in 1923, the Towles were getting on their feet. It was the policy of the management which was presided over by old Chet, not to pay any ballplayers, pitcher or otherwise. But the old time grocer had a natural desire to see his son perform with the locals. To accomplish this purpose he paid the lad out of his own pocket to compensate for the loss of his Quono check. With his addition, the locals became a solid team.

Prann, who was chosen captain, gave a balance of experience which youngsters like Karl Michaels, Charlie Jones, Dave Hylenski, Dave Leach, Vin Carney, George Fair, Bill and Stu Clancy lacked.

Their play was smarter and more aggressive. He taught the kids self assurance. His refusal to hit the first pitched ball under any circumstance, testified to his confidence. Thus strength was added to the Branford entry in the Middlesex County League.

It took until 1926 to get that team into first place and was accomplished through an accident.

Stu Clancy who was the team's regular catcher broke his thumb about one quarter of the way through the season. Branford had to call on Doc West to take over the job but he quit when he took offense to a reference about his glasses. To fill the berth, the local management obtained Clarence Wannamaker, Yale's hockey coach, once a New York Giant catcher.

It was a wise choice.

The catcher was probably the highest type player ever to perform for any local team. He was all fire and ginger and his quiet way instilled the last measure of confidence into the team.

When Clancy recovered he went to centerfield, taking the place of Jones who shifted to second when West departed.

When the accident occurred, Branford had won three and lost four record but when the season ended with a double win over Ivoryton to edge the piano-tuners out of the bunting the record read: won 21, lost 7.

Not the least accountable for the feat was Prann, who emulated Joe Dugan with his submarine throw and Ty Cobb with a potent bat.

Ivoryton had Billy Nisto behind the plate and Paul Hopkins pitched. Sam Riggie was in first. A lad named Schoeler handled the keystone. Frank Farrell was in the shortfield and Fats Pierson on third. Hunt, Johnson and Kalanisin patrolled the outfield.

Despite the intensity of the fray on the field, the locals were firm friends with many of the Ivoryton supporters.

Many times after the games, the local nine would be invited for cats and entertainment. But to the Connecticut River town's surprise, the biggest entertainer was the same Prann.

It seems that when Clifford (that was young Chet's real moniker) was just a kid, his brothers, C. Perry, Raymond W., and Robert with a friend, Vincent Bragg, now a dentist of Fresno, California, had a band. Perry played the piano; Ray, the violin; and Bob the drums. Bragg was the cornet player. It was their policy to play old fashioned dances especially in Northford where they played in a third story hall. Chet was a saxophone player and oftentimes he went along to fill in.

From that band, he graduated into a local dance group: Ward's

Those years were packed with shows. In all of the minstrels, Chet would have a spot. So would Lew Averill. (Some little bug) Art DuBrull and Whit Marsh, with his one-stringed cigar box.

Probably, Chet's best act was playing the piano without a piano. His pantomime was terrific.

Because of his joviality, Chet was a hit around the circuit. In Middletown where Young Ed Walsh pitched along with Lester Lanning and old time stars like Spider Cahill, Bill Barry, Mickey Noonan and Pickett Hall cavorted in the interests of top notch sport, he was respected as an enemy during the game and hailed as a swell sport at its conclusion.

It was in Middletown where he spotted a pitcher using a foreign substance while pitching. The Averill Place athlete was not easy to strike out. Yet, when Lester Lanning performed the feat three times in one afternoon, Chet was convinced that something was awry. Investigation proved that the hurler was chewing slippery elm and using it on the ball. Needless to say, his strikeouts were less frequent thereafter.

All four of the Prann boys have succeeded beyond any measure of doubt. The country storekeeper kept a vow he made to himself. All of his boys would go to Yale. Secretly, he harbored a wish that all might be top flight baseball players. Only one, the youngest, made the grade with college athletics, and later in town sports.

That he succeeded was a pleasure to his dad and mom, both of whom loved the game. Old Chet was violently opposed to the game ever leaving the Branford Green despite the facts that his windows were broken regularly by the Ruthian clouts of some aspiring ballplayer. His store was a constant bedlam of diamond argument and he loved to stand in the window of his store and watch the game during listless summer afternoons.

Mrs. Prann likewise was a devotee of the sport. For years she drove her Model T Ford to the Yale games even after her Clifford had ceased playing. In her mind's eye she could see her boy rushing in to field bunts and making that quick underhand toss to first to nab the runner by a scant stride.

Today his former guardianship of the dizzy corner still elicits praise from the fans.

### Many Place In Council Track Meet

The results of the Community Council Boys track meet held Monday are as follows: 10 years and under, 30 yard sprint, first, Bill Anasovch; second, Lee Morton; third, Andy Amendola; 12 years and under, 40 yard sprint, first, Tom Battles; second, Jack McGowan; third, Allen Kowalski; 14 years and under, 60 yard sprint, first, Bob Torelli; second, Jack McGowan; third, Tom Battles; 14 years and under, 220 yard run, first, Ronnie Long; second, Bob Torelli; third, Paul Anasovch; 16 years and under, 100 yard sprint, first, Dave Vukasin; second, Tim Hanniford; third, Ken Donadio; 12 years and under, broad jump, first, Jack McGowan; second, Tom Battles; third, Barry Royden; 14 years and under, broad jump, first, Ronnie Long; second, Bob Torelli; third, Paul Anasovch; 16 years and under, broad jump, first, Ken Donadio; second, Tim Hanniford; third, Scooter Taylor.

### Townies Best Sailor Jrs At Hammer Field

Marking time in the Greater New Haven Baseball League until the play-offs commence next Monday, the Branford Townies had little trouble defeating the Sailors of West Haven at Hammer Field last Sunday afternoon despite a close 4 to 3 score.

The triumph was starting pitcher Mel Bigelow's all the way. The Arnold College chucker used a throughout, the game to keep Huck Flinn's charge subdued except for the fifth frame when three bases on balls, an error and two hits accounted for all the West Haven runs.

Branford's tallies came in the second and third frames when the locals garnered six of their eight hits.

Joe Orsene's charges will meet the Marlin Gunners in the season's finale on Sunday afternoon in a game which could possibly knock the current league leaders out of their top berth if the Giordano Hornets could fashion a victory over their Sunday opponents.

In all probability Branford will play the Giordano Hornets, the second place team, at the start of the play-offs on Labor Day.

An interested spectator at the Sunday tilt was Co-owner of the West Haven Sailors, Harry Noyes, who formerly pitched for Branford in the old Middlesex League about fifteen years ago. Noyes with Maurice Quigley sponsors the Sailor Jrs. and his son, Harry, Jr., is an important cog in the league's management team.

The youngsters does a splendid job covering centerfield for the West Haven combine. Jerry Doherty, son of the well known former semi-pro star, Billy Doherty appeared with a double in his customary position at second base.

Branford opened the scoring in the second when it fashioned a single tally on two bingles. Dick Jackson broke out of a hitting slump by rapping a double with one out and mounted when Mel Bigelow smashed out another two bagger after Erickson had grounded to short. Struzinski popped to third to end the frame.

In the third canto, the locals scored the remainder of their total when Proto singled and went to the keystone on a centerfield miscue. Lake scored him on the first of his two hits and then advanced to third on a pair consecutive wild pitches by McGinness. Newton popped to first base for the second out but Mohre's single sent Lake across with the third Branford run. Mohre reached second when Jackson walked and Erickson's hit to centerfield sent the left fielder in with the eventual clincher.

In West Haven's one big inning, the fifth, McGinness opened with a single and went to second when Rudnick walked. Doherty was on Proto's cover and McGinness knocked when Barney Struzinski let a low Bigelow pitch get by. Rudnick and Doherty, on third and second, counted when long Ted Carr, who has been playing under the tutelage of Frank McGowan with the Register nine this summer, smashed out a single. Thereafter Bigelow rallied to control the game.

### Harry Johnson Wins Marathon In New Craft

Harry Johnson proved last Sunday at Middletown that he hasn't lost his knack of driving outboard racing craft when he won the Connecticut River Marathon after beating a class of almost 100 boats up and down the river.

He didn't do it the easy way either, as his spark plugs fouled out in the start of the race and the whole field left him behind when he was changing them. When he reached the East Hadam Bridge he was in second place and before reaching Middletown on the way up the river he gained the lead, but in front of all the spectators there he hit the wake of a pleasure boat and almost turned over.

Before he could get straightened out his boat was heading down the river instead of up, and Wat Rob- blins, who finished second, jumped into the lead. Harry chased him up the river and overtook him near Hartford and romped back down the river to the finish at Middletown with a comfortable lead.

His boat was a new Plastic-Craft model just released from the factory and proved exceptionally fast.

### National Stars Edge American

The National League All Stars of the Pee-Wee league took the measure of the American League All Stars of the same circuit, in the first of the Little World Series games at Hammer Field this past Monday by a 3 to 1 count.

The count was one to one for five and one half innings as Rog Anderson bested Butch Gordon, hurling a two hitter against Gordon's four hit effort.

Ron Tremantano was the hero of the occasion when he singled home the winning run in the last half of the sixth and then scored an insurance run by tallying on a wild pitch.

The standings:

Marlin Gunners	.....14	3	824	—
Giordano Hornets	.....12	5	706	2
Branford Townies	.....11	8	579	4
Sailor Juniors	.....6	11	353	8
Ciret Nine	.....6	13	318	9
East Haven Reds	.....5	14	278	9 1/2

The talk became general again. Everybody can't remember twenty five years. That's a silver anniversary. Silver anniversaries are mostly of weddings.

Wasn't that where this story started?

### LINE POSES PROBLEM FOR HIGH GRIDDERS AT EARLY PRACTICES

Thirty four candidates for Branford High's football team have been working out for the past ten days to get in shape for the opening of the football season on the night of September 9th when the Hornets will meet the usually rugged Lewis High of Southington team in the latter town under the mazdas.

Backfield prospects are good, coach Warren Sampson said Tuesday night at the latest workout but the line has been riddled by graduation.

Looming large in the backfield prospects are Blake Lehr, hard hitting fullback from short beach, Vin Casanova, Jerry Bryan, Ed Murphy, Lou Locarno among others.

Captain Don Atkinson will again start a tackle according to the present scheme. The veteran has held that berth for three years and is considered to have no equal in the Housatonic League in line play. Another veteran returning to the wars is Dick Coleman, talented end, whom Coach Sampson is counting on for a goodly share of the pass catching duties.

Bob Boutellier, Joe Chandler, Joe Petela, Dick Mongillo, Bob Sobolewski, Dick Dolan are among the graduated and the job of filling their shoes will be difficult.

Most of the candidates are in top notch shape thanks to a full sea-

### Laurels Start Grid Sessions At Local Park

Nineteen youths have answered the preliminary call for candidates for the 1949 edition of the Branford Laurels football team.

Practices have been going on for the past week at Hammer Field on Wednesday nights and other evenings are filled with would-be stars for the Hartford Blues in the early twilight.

The bulk of the squad will be made up of the mainstays of last season's team which split its record.

The accent this year will be on attack. Manager Frank Torino said at the close of the first week-day practice.

To insure this end, the team has secured the services of Walt Tamulevich as backfield coach.

The former star of New York Military Academy will institute an offense designed to display the ball carrying athletes to the best advantage. "If the backs are speedy and the blockers can carry out single blocking assignments, then we will probably use the T formation but otherwise the single wing will be in effect," the new mentor said.

Other coaches will be Nick Dykun and Ed Galavaski.

Galavaski will handle the ends and the line Dykun. The latter was a standout for many years with the Branford Rams and Laurels and also played considerable ball for the Hartford Blues in the early war years.

Galavaski has played for Branford High and the Rams and the Laurels. He also has seen service with the Walcos, the Annex and other New Haven teams.

Among the candidates are: Mel Blake, Mike Palata, Chub Torino,

### 1949 B. H. S. FOOTBALL

(All home games to be played at Annex Field)

Sept. 7—E. H. Alumni (home)	8 p.m.
Sept. 17—Commercial (home)	2 p.m.
Sept. 23—Fairfield (away)	8 p.m.
Sept. 30—St. Mary's H. S. (home)	2 p.m.
Oct. 7—Branford (home)	8 p.m.
Oct. 15—Derby H. S. (home)	8 p.m.
Oct. 29—Seymour H. S. (home)	2 p.m.
Nov. 5—Wallingford (home)	2 p.m.
Nov. 12—Shelton (home)	2 p.m.
Nov. 24—Branford (away)	10 a.m.

  

Sept. 9—Lewis	Away
Sept. 17—St. Mary's	Away
Sept. 23—Shelton	Away
Oct. 1—Derby	Home
Oct. 7—East Haven	Away
Oct. 14—Middletown	Home
Oct. 22—Seymour	Home
Oct. 29—Darlen	Away
Nov. 5—Miford	Away
Nov. 11—Wallingford	Home
Nov. 24—East Haven	Home

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Several youngsters are listed as candidates for the eleven, guaranteeing good prospects for the next few years.

In all probability the team will operate from the T formation with variations as devised by Coach Sampson. It is probable that the eleven will likewise experiment with the split formation, a key lack with Springfield College.

Most of the passing will be executed by either Bryan or Casanova. It is thought, although the slot man in the T is the normal chucker. The kicking will be specialized, Sampson said, with Lou Locarno slated to boot them.

Among the candidates who work-out last Tuesday are: Butch and Jack McLean, Joe Paul, Vincent and Red Casanova, Don Atkinson, Jim Manley, Jim Haniford, Dick Coleman, Jerry Bryan, Lou Locarno, Bob Positri, Roger Anderson, Jerry Devlin, Ed Murphy, Donald Thayer, Herbert Thayer, George Barron, John Dendas, Bob Mason, Jerry Hayward, Blake Lehr, Eudick Sanister, Butch Gordon, Curtis Hutchinson, Bob Stevens, Bob Massey, Bob Gill, Wilbert Washington, Scooter Taylor, Billy Gordon, Kenny Arrington and Jim Corcoran.

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