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## TOWN TOPICS

Strolling down our Main St. we appraise the rapid progress being made on the expansion of Old Stone Church building to house new church school and recreational area. When completed, the beautiful new addition will greatly alleviate crowded conditions in the famous landmark.

Stork are the source of concern to dental technician Al Ginnetti, plus his trade in basement workshop at Doc Donodici's Al is hoping for a sister for little son, Joey.

Which brings to mind, will Legion once more sponsor Pee Wee baseball this summer? Knowing the cost of undertaking the sponsorship of such a program it is felt that the Legion group so faithful and generous in past instances is the only selection for continuance of Pee Wee sports. Of course, townspeople should become more aware of ever present need for supervision of activity for youngsters. Too many are unconcerned.

Talent show to be staged in High School, Feb 22 by Exchange Club, facing acute shortage of talent. Possibly fact hasn't been made clear that winners' talent show to be given chance to be auditioned by Ted Mack staff.

No age limit has been placed on contestants so young and old alike may apply for opportunity at several Main Street business establishments.

Board of Tax Reviews in sessions this month on Jan. 12, 18, 25.

Harry Lewis will seek a good sun tan, along with the Mrs. If their present plan to cruise into the Gulf Stream matures come February.

From Crisaidi intended referee's call in Tuesday's basketball game against Westport. Calling 37 personals against 14 light some credence of his bees.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Olson will leave on or about February 1 for their annual trek to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Twins will join them during spring vacation.

Hermon Buddy Johns and family, he's the Winchester employee, have moved into their new Cape Cod home here. Baby, Stephen, found that Santa made the chimney trip in good shape.

The high school girls would have you know that a Leap Year Dance is planned for Saturday night in the school gym. Basketball team benefits.

**Mr., Mrs. E. W. Morse Observed Golden Wedding, Jan. 6th**

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Morse of East Haven celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 3 to 6 P.M. last Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Charles M. Larson, of 145 Kimberly Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Morse were married on January 6, 1902, at Indian Orchard, Mass. They have three daughters, a son, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Mr. Morse is a member of Allen M. Osborn Camp No. 1, Spanish War Veterans, in New Haven.

**ESPOSITO GRADUATES**  
Pfc. Fred W. Esposito, 20, 121 George Street, East Haven, Conn., was recently graduated from the 5th Infantry Division's eight-week Leaders' Course at Indiantown Gap.

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## East Haven Players Offer Sophisticated Comedy To Public Thursday, Friday

### Players Announce Increased Activity For Coming Year

The East Haven Players are planning increased activity for the coming year, it was announced today.

One of the few real active theatre groups in the state, the group plans a three day meeting with similar units in Berlin and Portland in the near future.

The occasion will present a fine chance for interchange of ideas, it was said.

George Godson of North Haven was recently elected president for the coming year. Edith Hammetton, of New Haven, was chosen vice president; Vera Gesner, corresponding secretary; Patricia Fitz-Patrick, recording secretary and Irene Wilson, treasurer.

### EXCHANGE CLUB HEARS POLISH PHILOSOPHER

Exchange Club members were treated to an unexpected bit of humor last night at their weekly dinner meeting when the guest speaker, an internationally famous Polish philosopher, Prof. Marcinowski by name, upset all known present and past traditions with a startling speech on Americanism and its results on the behavior of world peoples.

Gradually building up his theme to "get under the skin" of the listeners, the professor directed a flow of loosely-covered insults on the integrity and intelligence of the various races which make up these United States. No need to add that many a starched collar wilted with the heat, as resentment towards the speaker grew.

Comparing the governments of Russia, the talker put more fuel on the already blazing fire with his un-called-for remarks.

By the time his speech drew to a close, the philosopher noticed the hostile attitude of his audience and called for an open forum. Questions were fired at the speaker at the head table along with many direct accusations.

At this point the revelation was made to the listeners that "Prof. Marcinowski, a graduate of the U. of Krakow, Poland," was none other than Middletown's author of mirth, Eddie Kosicki, renown after dinner speaker and humorist.

Two of the audience, former building inspector, Art Riccio and Metzco Bros. proxy, John Metzco, had shared the spotlight with the speaker, having frantically for all three turned to rolls of laughter over the turn of events.

The true nature of the speaker was pointed out by the group and good grace was restored.

### Chairmen, Officers Named By Jr. Guild

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## Teacher's Salaries To Be Debated Mon.

An early solution to the question of raises for teachers of the local school system was foreseen today with the announcement by Caryle V. Frawley that a special teachers' meeting would take place Monday afternoon.

Members of the Teachers Salary Committee will attend a Board of Education meeting on Monday afternoon at 7:30 P. M. The Board is expected to offer a plan on raises.

The possible terms of the settlement were not available today but rumors throughout the system said that the raises would approximate those offered by the previous Democratic administration.

The teachers rejected an offer last year of \$200 plus scheduled increments.

## School Survey Report Distribution Okayed By Education Board

Copies of the school survey report are now being distributed following a meeting of the Board of Education at which time the Board voted to present the report through such sources as the P. T. A. Council, the various P. T. A. groups, the Hagan Memorial Library, the Town Hall, the town's service clubs, and possibly other outlets frequented by the public.

Miss Corinne Peters, a teacher in grade one at the Grove J. Tuttle School, was granted a leave of absence due to illness.

Approval was given to a local Brownie troop to use rooms at the Grove J. Tuttle School for a special program in the next weeks.

The board voted to have Dept. of Schools William E. Gillis designate areas in all town schools in which smoking may be permitted during various social and educational functions.

## Building Permits Decline In Dec.

The estimated cost of building in East Haven during the month of December was set at \$51,100 today by Building Inspector Clement Catalano.

Building permits, five of which were for dwellings, were issued by the Building Department during the month at fees totaling \$88. Catalano said that 75 septic tank permits costing \$150, 21 plumbing permits totaling \$122, 21 electrical permits totaling \$20, 20 oil burner permits totaling \$100, and seven street excavation permits totaling \$7.

The department issued 27 licenses to plumbing contractors, at a total cost of \$180. Licenses to electrical contractors, costing \$35, and one license to install oil burners for a fee of \$5. Two extra electric inspections for code violations also were made for \$2 each.

The total revenue received by the Building Department in December was \$748.25, Catalano said.

## Building Committee Asks Bids To Build New South School

### Cesspool Cleaning Plan Goes In Operation Tuesday

East Haven cesspool cleaning plan went into operation today. Applications will be accepted Tuesday, Jan. 15th.

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Applications for cleaning must be obtained from the Building Inspector's office, Barker said, in outlining the plan.

The application will be in triplicate one to be retained by the office, one goes to the operator of the unit and the third is used as a receipt by the home owner.

Building Inspector Clement Catalano said today that inspectors would be made for each unit to be cleaned both before and after the job is performed.

A fee of eight dollars will be charged for the inspection service. East Haven residents have an opportunity to refuse the town's system and hire their own sanitary disposal service, Catalano said.

The inspection of the system will give the building inspector a chance to check on faulty conditions, and make recommendations to the home owner, it was said.

Residents using the service will have to make their own opening and closings, it was emphasized.

In cases where other cesspool cleaning units are used, other than that provided by the town, it will be necessary for the pump-out to obtain the regular power pumpers' permit according to the present code.

Permits will be available at Catalano's office as in the present case. Barker said that he had interviewed approximately six different contractors before privately awarding the job.

**250 Tax Liens Loom Unless Paid By Tues.**  
More than 250 tax liens will be placed on private property here unless the owners make payment on their 1950 tax list. Tax Collector Herman Hackbart announced Tuesday.

Such payments must be made on or before Tuesday January 15, Hackbart said.

## New Specifications Are Available From Architect H. Davis

All necessary approval having been obtained, East Haven's School Building Committee moved yesterday to obtain bids for the construction of the new South School to be located on Talmadge Avenue, off Short Beach Road.

The invitation to bid was issued in correct legal form and was signed by secretary James Vetrome.

Documents, drawings and specifications can be obtained from the office of the architect Harold H. Davis, 29 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Conn.

The sealed proposals to do the work, including general construction, all mechanical work, grading, paving and seeding will be received by the School Building Committee until 8 P. M. on the evening of February 5, 1952.

The new elementary school will contain eight classrooms, a kindergarten and general purpose room.

Approval of the plans was given by the Board of Education last Friday night and further approval was noted on Monday night at a joint adjourned meeting of the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Finance and the Board of Education. Also present were members of the School Building Committee.

The Finance Board approval was conditional on the contingency that the cost of the building would not exceed the \$400,000 limit set by the board several months ago.

The plans have already been accepted by the State Board of Education as well as the local board.

Contractors are warned that specifications for the new school will be ready on or before January 15.

First Selectman Frank A. Barker said today that it was not necessary to hold a town meeting to approve the school since such permission had been formally given previously.

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## Delayed Polio Mail Appeals Will Reach Homes This Weekend

An unfortunate delay in mailing appeals for support to the current March of Dimes campaign has been ironed out, Chairman Matthew Anastasio said today.

The delay was attributable to a lack of understanding on the opening date for the annual appeal. The drive was set two weeks earlier and will continue for four weeks this year, it was pointed out by Anastasio, who said that the lengthened campaign is needed to wipe out existing debts incurred by the National Foundation because of the tripled polio incidence throughout the country over the past four years.

Anastasio requested those who receive the mail appeals to read the contents of the letter and then forward the contribution as rapidly as possible.

Three quarters of all March of Dimes funds are being spent on patient care, requirements of all boys and girls and the men and women, who have fallen victim to the only epidemic disease still on the increase in America.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will continue to pay for patient care of this kind because it realizes the nation must live with polio until it is conquered. But this year it has set out to raise sufficient funds to do the whole job.

That job includes pushing forward a new research front as well as in the field of patient care. Otherwise, the National Foundation contends, the nation will always be fighting polio. The thing to do is maintain it is to eliminate the need for patient care by protecting man from ever getting polio at all.

From 1938 to September of 1951, grants and appropriations authorized for research by the National Foundation totaled over \$14,000,000 and underwrote scientific investigations in 99 leading institutions throughout the country.

March of Dimes research has attacked the problem on a wide front. The field of chemistry, biology, pathology, physiology, bacteriology, virology and others have been enlisted in this most massive people's attack on single disease ever launched by a voluntary health agency.

It is encouraging to know that March of Dimes funds make it possible for scientists to say they are now more optimistic than ever in eradicating the scourge of polio within the foreseeable future.

**Parent Council Hears Of School Inspection Tour**  
Mrs. Edward Kronberg, president of the East Haven Council of Parents and Teachers read a detailed report at a recent meeting describing the results of a tour made by council members last Fall in which all of the East Haven schools were inspected. A copy of this report has been sent to First Selectman Frank Barker.

Mrs. W. Oren Parker, a member of the Board of Education, distributed copies of the newly-published School Survey Report. Superintendent of Schools William E. Gillis spoke briefly on the aims and purposes of the committee in publishing the report.

A nominating committee was selected to choose a slate of officers for the coming year. Mrs. Gerald Cull of Laurel School is chairman of the committee, assisted by Mrs. Edmond Henry of Gerrish School, Mrs. Harold Carlson of Tuttle School, Mrs. Burton Reed of Union School, Miss Mary Ryan of Highland School, Mrs. Frank Seymour of Foxon School and Mrs. Sigurd Anderson of the South School P.T.A.

## Gerrish Avenue PTA To Hear Allan Knight Outline Civil Defense

The Gerrish Avenue School P. T. A. of East Haven will hold its first meeting for 1952 this evening at 8 o'clock in the school library.

Allan Knight, director of Civilian Defense in East Haven, will be guest speaker and will present a film on civil defense. It is felt that the information gained will be of vital importance to every parent, and Knight's talk is expected to draw a large attendance.

A regular business meeting will follow the program. The second grade mothers will be hostesses for the evening with Mrs. Pasquale Strain, hospitably chairman, assisted by Mrs. Annelia De Be, Mrs. Erwin Samuelson and Mrs. Sal Scallia.

**Men's Night Observed By Woman's Club**  
The East Haven Woman's Club held "Men's Night" Wednesday evening, January 9th, in the Hagan Memorial Library, East Haven.

Mrs. Melvin Bledyck, program chairman, presented Mr. Carl Anderson, manager of the Brookside Housing Development.

Mr. Anderson gave a travel talk on his recent 5,000 mile motorcycle trip from Stockholm, Sweden through the English, American and French zones of occupied Germany.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. James Gartland, hostess, assisted by Mrs. Bart Richards, Mrs. Arthur Haesche, Mrs. Goodhart Petersen, and Mrs. Joseph O'Connor.

**Angelina Marenga Given Surprise Party On Birthday**  
A surprise party was given recently in honor of Miss Angelina Marenga on her 16th birthday, in the home of Mrs. John Porto of 7 Foxon Road, East Haven.

Those who attended were the Misses Angelina Marenga, Ann Onofrio, Angelina Massaro, Carmel Mazzucco, Barbara Quilico, Betty Carbone, Joanne Vena, Maryann Clerella, the Masters Frank Fumarco, Thomas Walker, Joseph Levantino, Joseph Marenga, and Ernest Anthony. Also Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Maronna, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guido, Mr. and Mrs. John Porto, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Poskus, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Massaro, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Thayer Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gaetano, Mrs. Mary Porto, the Misses Donna Rosalie and Thomas Marenga, Misses Palma Massaro, Carol Ann Gaetano, Masters Ralph Marenga, John and Nicholas Porto.

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
The Annual Meeting of the Old Stone Church will be held Friday, January 18th, at 7:30 P. M. It will be preceded by a covered dish supper in the Parish House at 6:30 P. M. All members of the church are urged to attend.

**PLAN CARD PARTY**  
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 89 will hold a card party on February 19 at 8 P. M. in the town hall upstairs auditorium. Door prizes, table prizes and favors will be awarded, and refreshments will be served.

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**Area Students Of Teachers College Help In East Haven's System**  
Four New Haven Teachers College students are engaged in practice teaching in the East Haven School system. Two are from Branford. One is from East Haven and the last from Hamden.

Barbara McCleure of Hamden is teaching Grade VII in Foxon. John L. (Jack) Corning of Short Beach and Jeanette Hotchkiss of East Haven are instruction physical education classes in the high school and Bertha Arrington of Branford is at Highland School as a teacher in Grade II.

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Miss Janet Geraci Is Betrothed To Robert P. Broadbent

Dr. and Mrs. Lucien A. Geraci of Branford and Rocky Hill, formerly of New Haven, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet, to Mr. Robert P. Broadbent, son of Mrs. Ericsson B. Broadbent of Branford, and the late Mr. Broadbent.

Mabel Ruth Wood, William Blunden Jr. Will Be Married

Mrs. Ruth Wood of 259 Franklin Street New Haven, announces the engagement of her daughter, Mabel Ruth, to Mr. William A. Blunden Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Blunden of Branford, Conn.

Audrey Weed Engaged To B. Eugene Gibbs

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weed of Gordon Street, East Haven, announce the engagement of their daughter, Audrey Mildred, to B. Eugene Gibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gibbs of New Haven.

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The SNAPSHOT GUILD

This club of orange lilies are now ready to show. Now nothing is left of the house. Nothing is left of the house. Nothing is left of the house.

The Branford Garden Club held its regular monthly meeting at the Academy on Friday, January 4th at 8:15 P. M.

Garden Notes

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"I Thought I'd Try It Anyway"

The statement which serves as a title for today's column is one which is heard all too often from the lips of amateur photographers.

Stony Creek Firemen State Down Homers For Jan. 26th Show

The Down Homers, popular New England entertainers, will make a personal appearance in Seaside Hall on Saturday, January 26th, at 8 P. M.

Alta Beryl Hagar, Ens. R. R. Powelson Announce Betrothal

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hagar of 49 Bryan Road, Branford, announce the betrothal of their daughter, Alta Beryl, to Ensign R. R. Powelson, USN.

Jean Malboeu Plans Marriage To Mr. Busch

Mr. and Mrs. Roland W. Malboeu of 21 Palmer Avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Jean Marie, to Mr. Edward Busch, son of Mrs. Anthony Dussel of Totoplet, North Branford.

Dancing Classes Meet At Community Center

The dancing class sponsored by the Branford P.T.A. Council and the Branford Recreation Advisory Board will have its next session this Thursday night at the Community House.

Kathleen Baker To Wed James Coticelle Jr.

Mrs. Albert Platt of 80 Stevens Street, East Haven, announces the engagement of her daughter, Kathleen Baker, to James Coticelle Jr., USN.

Ladies Slim, Trim Gym Class Thursday

Ladies' Slim and Trim class will be started next Thursday night January 10th at 9 P. M. at the High School Gym.

Okell-Hargrove Engagement Has Local Interest

Mrs. Pinkney Settle Hargrove Jr. of Lynbrook, N. Y., announces the engagement of her daughter, Virginia Lee, to Mr. Robert Evans Okell of Plainfield, N. J.

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Harry Johnson Pilots Outboard On Trenton To Miami Test Run

The 42nd Annual National Motor Boat Show, sponsored by the Marine Association of Engine and Boat Manufacturers, opens its doors next week.

Indian Neck Yacht Club Announces Small Boat Classes Starting Thurs.

The Indian Neck Yacht Club announces a new class in small boat sailing and navigation has been organized.

Postal Rates Changed Effective As Of January 1

Branford and East Haven people along with those throughout the United States in many instances have been paying higher prices for postage than they have in the past.

Drive the Dual-Range Pontiac

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CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Arnold R. Vail, Pastor
Supernatural, Howard Kelsey
9:45 Church School
11:00 Morning Service
7:00 Pilgrim Fellowship

At the next meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship, the leaders of the worship service will be David Vail and Jackie Berio. Last week the worship was led by Allison Leele and Judith Anderson. Nancy Williams spoke of "Missions in Africa."

At the recent election of officers at the Branford Grange, the following Stony Creek residents were elected to office: Mr. Robert MacKenzie was elected Master for the second time. Mrs. Martha Locarno, Assistant Steward, Miss Leocadia Locarno, Pomona, and Mrs. Nellie Hooghkirk, Plantist and Juvenile Marlon.

Pfc. Robert Hafner has returned to

West Texas State College, Canyon, Texas, where he is stationed during training, after spending the Christmas holidays with his family.

Miss Betsy Bunnell spent few days with her father and grandmother, of Paved Street, Betsy is now living in Meriden, Conn. Mrs. Herbert Bunnell of Paved Street recently spoke at a meeting of the Garden Club. Her subject was "The History of the Grange."

At the Rainbow installation which took place on Friday Jan. 4 at the Masonic Temple in Branford, Miss Constance Silvernail was installed as Worthy Advisor. The installing officers included Miss Nancy Hafner of Wallace Road, Grand Chaplain, installing Worthy Advisor and Mrs. Joseph C. Hafner, of the State Advisory Board, as installing Mother Advisor.

Stony Creek PTA will hold its next meeting Thursday, January 17 at 8:00 at the Stony Creek School. Following the business meeting Raymond D. Pinkham, Superintendent

ROBERT S. BRUST RETIREMENT OCCASIONS MAGAZINE COMMENT

The retirement of Robert S. Brust, of Stony Creek, as general plant manager of the Southern New England Telephone Company occasioned the following paragraphs in the December Telephone Bulletin, recently.

As an engineer student attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Robert S. Brust, who retired December 1, as SNET's general plant manager, worked his way through school repairing telephones and maintaining switching equipment for a small independent telephone company near Troy, New York.

He was a one-man plant department for the company, which served about 200 telephones, and he little realized then that one day he would head a 3,300 man telephone plant department in Connecticut. In fact, he had a very definite idea he wanted to be a civil engineer and work on big construction jobs. And when he was graduated in 1910, he turned down his first offer of a job from the New York Telephone Company, which had canvassed the graduating class for engineering talent. Although there was a business depression and unemployment was high, he kept on searching—without success—for the job he thought he wanted with some large building company.

But finally young Brust remembered his experience in telephone work and went back to C. P. Cooper, representative of the New York Telephone Company. At first he was told it was too late and the company already had its quota of engineering graduates. Then at the last minute, he was told he could report to work as a student telephone engineer.

Thus began a telephone career of 41 years. And although Bob Brust never became the practicing civil engineer he envisioned as a young graduate, he did get more than his

of Schools in Branford will be the speaker. All parents interested in the future of local schools, and problems of overcrowding, double sessions, and new buildings are urged to attend. A short question period will follow. Refreshments will be served by the third grade mothers. Miss Joyce Collins spent New Year's Day with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collins of Stony Creek Road, Miss Collins is in training at Meriden General Hospital.

share of work on big construction projects—bigger, in fact than he had ever dreamed.

His first real assignment in New York was to integrate the outside plant of an independent telephone company which was being purchased by the New York Telephone Company. He was later a general foreman, directing construction forces, and then worked on the development of methods, materials and tools. Next came a transfer to the AT&T's operations and engineering headquarters, and then, in 1924, he moved to Connecticut as plant engineer for SNET.

Fourteen years later on September 21, 1938, when the violent hurricane and disastrous floods swept through the state leaving thousands of telephone poles broken and twisted, wrecking cable and wire lines and paralyzing service for 106,000 telephones, Robert Brust was in the key position to help handle the biggest job that ever confronted a telephone company. As superintendent in charge of statewide telephone construction operations, it was his responsibility to supervise the restoration of telephone service for an alarmed public who wanted, as never before, to talk to speed word of place orders for supplies urgently needed for rehabilitation, to seek news of loved ones who might be endangered.

From daylight to dark, seven days a week, the restoration job by telephone plant forces, bolstered nearly threefold by reinforcements from other Bell Companies, went on without confusion, without friction and in spite of the unusual frequency and character of hazards, without a single accident. Three weeks and a day later, the restoration job was done although there still remained a vast amount of temporary plant to be replaced by permanent construction.

There were, of course, many telephone people who contributed to that task of rebuilding Connecticut telephone service. But never was there such an urgent need for skillful supervision in the right place—and in the right place was a superintendent of construction whose earliest ambition was to engineer big projects.

Three years later Superintendent of Construction Brust was named assistant general plant manager

More Room Needed For Elementary Schools

Elementary schools now being planned should include more space and educational equipment to help children develop better socially and emotionally as well as mentally. This was proposed in report made public recently by the Metropolitan School Study Council, a research affiliate of Teachers College, Columbia University.

These features were recommended: large classrooms, providing forty to fifty square feet of space per pupil—twenty-four square feet is the average allotment at present; specially equipped rooms for the arts and sciences, conference rooms for school administrators, and multi-purpose gymnasiums and auditoriums.

To permit children to learn from first-hand observation, the report suggests larger play and work areas in and out of the classroom.

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and a few months later he assumed the post of general manager—just at the outbreak of World War II.

If his desire to build wasn't satisfied during the hurricane, he was now slated for another chance—for as soon as the war was over it quickly became obvious that there wasn't nearly enough equipment, enough poles, enough wire lines, enough cable or enough of anything to take care of the huge, backed-up demand for new telephone service—a demand which was to continue to grow during the succeeding six postwar years.

The resulting postwar construction program will total \$130,000,000 by the end of 1951 and has practically doubled the amount of outside telephone plant which existed in Connecticut ten years ago. It has been a tremendous building job—converting thousands of Connecticut telephones to dial operation, extending, replacing, increasing wire and cable lines in every corner of the state, building new underground cable facilities and installing service for hundreds of new housing developments throughout Connecticut—but one which has been a fitting job to the end for a man who yearned to plan and to supervise big construction projects.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given of a hearing at Room 285, State Office Building, Hartford, on Tuesday, January 15, 1952 at 10:30 A.M. on Docket 8614, a petition of The Connecticut Company to abandon operation of motor bus service over its Branford-Stony Creek route. PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION LOUIS B. WARREN, SECRETARY

DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, December 17, 1951 Estate of AAGE DE PLACE late of Branford, in said District, deceased.

The Court of Probate for the District of Branford, hath limited and allowed six months from the date hereof, for the creditors of said estate to exhibit their claims for settlement. Those who neglect to present their accounts properly attested, within said time, will be debared a recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to Beulah L. de Place, Administratrix

Address: Indian Neck, Branford, Conn. (1-10)

DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, January 9, 1952 Estate of ANDREW J. McCUTCHEON, late of Branford in said District, deceased.

Upon the application of Lucy W. McCutcheon of Branford praying that Letters of Administration may be granted on said estate, as per application on file more fully appears it is

ORDERED—That said application be heard and determined at the Probate Office in Branford, in said District on the 21 day of January A.D. 1952 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and that public notice be given of the pendency of said application and of the time and place of hearing thereon, by publishing this order two times in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said District, and by posting up a copy thereof on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford, in said District.

By the Court: Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk (1-17)

DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, January 8, 1952 Estate of ROBERT B. STENT in said District, deceased.

The Administrator having exhibited his administration account with said estate to this Court for allowance, it is

ORDERED—That the 21st day of January A.D. 1952 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Probate Office in Branford, be and the same is assigned for a hearing on the allowance of said administration account with said estate, and this Court directs Flora K. Goldsmith to cite all persons interested therein to appear at said time and place, by publishing this order in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said district, and by posting a copy on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford where the deceased last dwelt.

By the Court: Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk (1-17)

DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, January 5th, 1952 Estate of THOMAS G. FISHER, late of Branford, in said District, deceased.

Pursuant to an order from the Probate Court for said District entered on the 2nd day of January 1952, there will be sold at private sale on the 16th day of January 1952, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon at the Town Hall in Branford, Connecticut, the following real estate of said deceased, having an interest in the following described real estate: North by Maple Street, 113 feet; East by Bryan Road, 59.4 feet, more or less;

South by land now or formerly of Oscar Gibbs, 105 feet, more or less; West by land now or formerly of The Malleable Iron Fittings Company, 59 9/10 feet, more or less. Said premises were conveyed by Thomas G. Fisher to his wife, Margaret V. Fisher, by deed dated April 15, 1941, which deed was delivered to said grantee, prior to his death, but was not recorded until October 31, 1941, after the death of said Thomas G. Fisher.

THOMAS L. HOLMES A suitable person designated by said Court to sell said real estate.

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LEGAL NOTICES DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, December 28, 1951 Estate of CHARLOTTE S. WATSON late of Branford, in said District, deceased.

The Court of Probate for the District of Branford, hath limited and allowed six months from the date hereof, for the creditors of said estate to exhibit their claims for settlement. Those who neglect to present their accounts properly attested, within said time, will be debared a recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to Louis G. Watson, Executor

Address: No 30 Bryon Road Branford, Conn. (1-17)

NOTICE The Selectmen and the Town Clerk of the Town of Branford, acting as the Board for the Admission of Electors, will be in session at the Town Hall on Friday, January 18th from 5:00 until 8:00 P.M. to examine the qualifications of electors and to admit to the elector's oath those found qualified.

DOMINIC J. BONTATIBUS ROBERT S. BRADLEY LOUIS C. ATWATER Selectmen DONALD H. HOLABIRD Town Clerk

Dated at Branford this 8th day of January, 1952.

DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, January 8, 1952 Estate of KATHARINE L. PROUT in said district, deceased.

The Administrator having exhibited his administration account with said estate to this Court for allowance, it is

ORDERED—That the 21st day of January A.D. 1952 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Probate Office in Branford, be and the same is assigned for a hearing on the allowance of said administration account with said estate, and this Court directs Flora K. Goldsmith to cite all persons interested therein to appear at said time and place, by publishing this order in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said district, and by posting a copy on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford where the deceased last dwelt.

By the Court: Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk

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