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Appeals Court Grants Pat Melillo Temporary Injunction Against Town

A temporary injunction against the Town of East Haven and specifically against Town Prosecutor Robert M. Taylor Jr., and Richard Reilly, town counsel, was granted Tuesday morning by Judge John Cotter halting further prosecution of Pasquale Melillo, of Hamden, under a recently enacted town law on garbage disposal.

The judge of the Court of Common Pleas granted the temporary injunction limiting it until the first week after the first Tuesday of next January. "The injunction" was granted until that time because of the criminal court division of the appeals court will not reopen until the first Tuesday of that month.

When the court opens an appeal from decisions of the local town court will be heard.

The temporary injunction was granted with certain conditions including one that limits the hours that Melillo may bring his trucks into the Town in order to deposit garbage at his piggery on Strong St. The hours are assigned so that his trucks will not be on town roads during the passage of children to and from school.

In addition, Melillo is limited to bringing in six truck-loads of garbage each day, and he has been instructed to take care that garbage "drippings" do not litter the road used by the vehicles.

In granting the injunction, Judge Cotter was reported as saying while he allowed the possibility of the ordinance in question being illegal, he had dealt with a similar matter previously and felt that communities could legally enact such restrictions as were set forth in the town law.

The hearing was on an appeal by David M. Reilly, counsel for Melillo, who argued that the garbage ordinance was illegal. He presented two grounds for this contention. One was that a registry list had not been used at the town meeting at which the ordinance in question was passed.

Roger Whalen, of East Haven, appeared as a witness for Melillo and testified that no such list was used.

The second point presented by Reilly was that under a special act of 1915 which increased the powers of the Board of Selectmen of East Haven, that board was granted the power to enact legislation regulating such matters as garbage disposal.

In addition to the town counsel and town prosecutor, First Selectman Frank S. Clancy also appeared. He testified that he had received a number of complaints about the piggery. Police Chief Edwin B. Priest appeared to provide certain information regarding the location of houses around the piggery.

Three residents of the Foxon Park area also attended the court session. Mrs. Eric Munson testified that the trucks used by Melillo presented a hazard to public safety and health. She said the drippings of garbage from the trucks attracted flies, and that the garbage itself provided a breeding place for flies as full-grown cats.

She was joined by Mrs. Henry Warrington, who has a home adjoining Melillo's property. Mrs. Warrington told the court that some of the rats were as large as full-grown rats.

The court did not make any decision on the matter, leaving it for the criminal session to decide. Melillo was found guilty on 15 counts of violation of the town ordinance in Town Court last week. Three employees of his firm were fined on four similar counts.

The East Haven News stated last week that two of the employees, Michael and John Romano, both of Hamden, were "under 18". That statement was incorrect. Michael is almost 21 years of age, and his brother, John, is 20.

Under action filed by counsel for Melillo, a permanent injunction was also sought, but apparently will not be acted upon until next January.

Monday Deadline For News Next Week

The News will be printed next Tuesday because of the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday. Please keep this in mind when releasing news items and other contributions.

We would appreciate receiving material for next week's paper later this week or early Monday.

Reminds Merchants On Christmas Light Parade Next Week

Merchants are being reminded that Saturday is the deadline for mailing their cards in answer to the Chamber of Commerce query regarding their participation in the parade which will be staged next week opening the Christmas shopping season in East Haven.

Dominick Ferrara, chairman of the Christmas Lighting committee, has mailed out letters to all the merchants. In the meantime, the local firm of Tinnari Electric Co. is engaged in the task of stringing lights on Main St.

This year the lights are being supplemented by garlands of colored aluminum which have presented a sparkling array of lines along the central part of Main St. When completed the decorations will extend all the way from Forbes Ave. to Tommy's Furniture Store.

This year's plans also provide for a Christmas party for children to be conducted in the Town Hall on Dec. 21, 22 and 23.

Warns Public Against Peddlers Falsely Claiming Sponsors

Residents of East Haven are cautioned against peddlers operating either door-to-door or by telephone who sell merchandise in the name of local organizations.

Elwood Scoble, president of the East Haven Chamber of Commerce, warned that several such peddlers have been using the names of local groups as sponsors without the permission of those groups.

Scoble warned that the merchandise so peddled was sometimes of inferior quality and not worth the price asked.

The local business head advised residents approached by such agents to check with either the Chamber of Commerce at HO 7-8223 (Knudsen's Dairy Bar) or with the organizations whose sponsorship is claimed.

Scoble said that it was the policy of the local Chamber to screen such peddlers and canvassers in order to protect local consumers.

"We are not trying to hinder any salesmen, but we want to protect townspeople as much as possible from the phony outfits," he said.

Walsh: School Board May Use A Recorder For Minutes

Francis Walsh, chairman of the Board of Education, stated this week that he would "personally endorse" use of a tape recording of board minutes if objections concerning the accuracy of board minutes.

He was quoted as saying that the "Board of Education does not intend to, nor has it misquoted any member of the board at any meeting." "The board," he said, "has attempted to act in a harmonious fashion and afford the people of East Haven a chance to present any issue for fair consideration."

Walsh was referring to a complaint expressed by George Letis, a member of the school board, that minutes of a special meeting written by Bernard C. Luongo, board member and secretary, were not accurate. Letis had asked that the minutes be amended in three places. The board voted to accept only one of his requested alterations.

The suggestion of using a tape recorder was raised at the meeting but in an off-hand manner which indicated that it was not seriously considered - at least, at the moment.

Prepared Statement
Reading from a prepared statement, Letis expressed his concern "over the fact that my name is being publicly connected with so many controversial issues," and he stated his willingness to "cooperate toward the establishment

Branford Man Injured In Auto Accident Sun.

One motorist was injured and another arrested for drunken driving in two separate accidents which occurred over the past week.

Donald D. Kissell, 29, of 10 Main St., Branford, was given first aid at St. Raphael's Hospital in New Haven Sunday morning after his car ran off the road on Saltonstall Pkwy. just west of the town line and moved down three safety fence posts. Kissell told arresting Officer William Maloney that he was forced off the road by a passing vehicle. The accident occurred at 6:20 a. m. The driver was charged with violation of motor vehicle laws.

In another accident Joseph J. Bengivino was charged with driving while under the influence of liquor and reckless driving after his car was reported to have struck three parked autos on High St. near Main St. Saturday at 9:25 p. m.

Police reported that Bengivino was making a right turn into High St. when his car struck parked cars belonging to Salvatore L. Liquore, Jr., of 792 Russell St., New Haven, John W. Protheroe, of 52 Harrison Ave., Branford, and Daniel Burban, of Burban Dr. Branford.

Estimated total damage amounted to more than \$700. The driver was arrested by Police Officer Walter Heck.

In another accident, Saturday morning at 8:15 a. m., a milk truck belonging to the Auger dairies, of New Haven, and driven by Theodore French, of 108 Saltonstall Pkwy., was struck on the left side by a rack truck driven by Bernard J. Callahan, Jr., 26, of 81 Gilbert St., New Haven. Officer Patrick Duffy was told by Callahan that he was forced over by a passing trailer truck.

Juvenile Problems Here Relatively Small Says Priest

Problems of juvenile delinquency in East Haven are relatively small when compared with other communities, Police Chief Edwin B. Priest told the East Haven Education Association at a recent meeting held in the Gillis School.

The police chief reported that very few cases had to be referred to the Juvenile Court in New Haven. He appealed to parents and teachers to watch for "sudden and unexplained drops in school grades" and to pay special attention to children who fall to participate in community recreational activities.

Children who show a chronic impatience and who are dissatisfied with the amount of allowance they have are also worth giving close attention, he said. Priest said that much could be accomplished through continued cooperation among parents, teachers and police authorities. He felt that many dangers which beset children could be warded off if the youngsters were encouraged to think.

Hostesses for this month's meeting were Miss Catherine McKee, Miss Hilford Svenson and Mrs. Anne Ewanuff.



TOP: First Selectman Frank Clancy joins his predecessor, Selectman Frank A. Barker, and Selectman Dominick Ferrara in a ribbon-cutting ceremony opening the new bridge over the Farm River on River Rd. Town officials look on. The bridge was started under Barker and finished under Clancy.
BOTTOM: Clancy cuts a cake in celebration of his 51st birthday last Friday during a surprise party given him by Town Hall staffers and officials. Among the gifts presented him was a large box of cigars. On Clancy's immediate right is Mrs. Mary Sabo, supervisor of welfare and secretary. On his left is Dominick Ferrara, deputy sheriff.

Five School Board Members Named To DEM Committee

All five Democratic members of the Board of Education are now members of their party town committee. This has been confirmed by Democratic Town Chairman James F. Gartland.

In addition to Miss Elizabeth Chapko, who has been a member of the committee for some time and is still serving as secretary to the party's executive committee, the party has appointed Bernard C. Luongo, board secretary, William Whittington, Mrs. John Sullivan, George Berkey and Francis Walsh, board chairman.

When asked to comment on reports of the appointments, Gartland, told this reporter that "anybody who is an elected or appointed official is given an opportunity to serve on the town committee." Gartland said that as elected officials, the board members were invited to serve on the town committee.

Gartland was asked how he would justify the move in the face of commonly expressed objections to "politics" on the Board of Education. He answered by citing the fact that candidates are elected to the board on partisan tickets. "You have to be in politics in order to run," he declared.

The action is not without precedent. On the last board three minority members, Charles Copeland, Mrs. Lorraine Flanagan and Charles Sizemore were members of the Democratic Town Committee.

According to Gartland the recent action was "nothing new" and that it was in accordance with a policy of at least several years' standing.

The town chairman was asked about rumors that the recent appointments had thrown the balance of power of the committee in his favor and against the so-called "forces" headed by First Selectman Frank S. Clancy. Gartland said these stories were "not true."

The town chairman has had differences with the present first selectman and with other leaders in the party. However, since the party head had reconsidered his much-publicized resignation last Fall to continue on a move, which some observers have interpreted as one designed to strengthen his control over the party's harmony has prevailed to the extent that the party was able to win very handsily in the recent election.

East Haveners Are Asked To Assist In C.D. "Sky-Watch"

Men and women of East Haven are being asked to volunteer for a two-hour shift once a month on the Branford Observation Post in Branford Point. The recruiting is being done with the cooperation of Allan Knight, civil defense director for East Haven.

The schedules are being handled by Mrs. Joseph Arnold, of Pine Orchard, and Miss Phyllis Batrow, of Granite Bay, Branford. Women will serve on a two-hour shift during the hours of 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. each day of the week. Men will serve on similar shifts from 12 to 3 and 3 to 6 a. m. for three hours. Each volunteer will be required to serve only once each month.

Fire Chief Warns Public On Dryness

Local residents are being reminded of the seasonal hazards brought about by the dry weather and are asked to take caution when burning rubbish. Fire Chief Thomas J. Hayes stated this week that many fires recently have originated from incinerators and asked that protective wire screens be employed.

Hayes also reminded the public that state fire laws specify that rubbish fires should be restricted to the daylight hours between sunrise and sunset.

High School P.T.A. Faces Special Problems Says Hays

The high school Parent-Teachers Association is a distinctly different type of organization from the elementary P.T.A. because of the special need for a closer cooperation between parents and teachers. Schools Supt. R. Vernon Hays, told the newly-established East Haven High School P.T.A. last night.

Hays said that the P.T.A. had a special challenge to meet by the fact that it was concerned with the problems of children who were approaching adulthood and were going through a rapid series of phases. Each grade level in the high school had its own special problems which had to be treated in different ways. For that reason, he said, the high school parent-teacher group had a greater variety of problems than did its elementary school counterparts.

Hays urged that a stimulating program of activities be planned including such matters as panel discussions and study of the operations of various departments in the high school. He advised that all activities be cleared through the office of Principal Carl Garvin.

President Presents Aims
Mrs. Anthony Panagrossi, president, told those attending the first regular meeting of the P.T.A. that more interest should be taken in high school children and their activities. She reminded them that the P.T.A. is aimed at closer co-operation and under-

Finance Board Holds Up Payment On Bills For New School Furniture

John A. Kmetzo Recommended For Parking Board

Recommendation of the appointment of John A. Kmetzo, of 58 George St., to the newly-constituted Parking Authority was announced yesterday by Elwood Scoble, president of the Chamber of Commerce. The recommendation was made at a meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night.

If accepted by First Selectman Frank S. Clancy, the appointment will leave one vacancy on the five-man board, because of the withdrawal of Fred Wolfe, Jr. Wolfe withdrew his name because of his other duties, including his post on the Board of Finance.

To date, other appointments to the parking authority have been: Thomas F. Reilly, a registered Democrat; Bertel Klocher, Republican member of the Board of Public Safety; and Arthur Riccio, a registered Democrat and local contractor. The state act authorizing the parking authority specifies that not more than three of the five members shall be of the same political party.

Kmetzo, who is a registered Republican, is partner in the home appliance firm of Metz Bros., located at 330 Main St. A resident of East Haven for the past 20 years, he was president of the local Chamber of Commerce when it was first organized under that name three years ago.

First Selectman Clancy said that he has not chosen a fifth member for the Parking Authority, so far, and would not offer any comment on possible candidates. He said, also, that he had no replacement for Wolfe, who left the Board of Public Safety to take the new post on the Finance Board. However, he said, he would try to make the appointment before the board's meeting next week.

Since Clancy will name a Democrat to the safety board, it is likely the same man will be named to the Parking Authority in accordance with an original plan to have two members of the Public Safety Board serve on both bodies.

School Band Drive Nets \$2,438 Cash As Campaign Goes On

Three hundred town youngsters supervised by 200 "oldsters" canvassed the entire town Monday night and came away with collections, totaling \$2,438 to equip and outfit a new high school band. Contributions already received from town organizations brought the total past the half-way mark in an attempt to gain the goal set — \$5,000.

Pledges are expected to bring the total a little closer to that \$5,000 mark — the minimum which, it is estimated, is needed if a 70-piece band is to be provided for.

Fred Wolfe, Jr., chairman in charge of the drive, was "very pleased" with the results of the canvass and stated he wanted to "extend his sincerest thanks to the many people who contributed." He said that those who had not been contacted could make their contribution of one dollar to become members of the Booster Club at the High School or at the local police station.

Also pleased were Mrs. John Strandberg, high school music teacher, and Myron Cohen, director of instrumental music. Wolfe said that a number of local organizations have made contributions and that others will be contacted for requested contributions. Some of those who have made or pledged contributions are: the Rotary Club, Wives of Rotary, the Democratic Town Committee, East Haven Woman's Club, Friends of Music, the Exchange Club and the East Haven News.

Thanksgiving Holiday In Schools Starts Wed.

School will be dismissed at noon for the High School and at 12:30 p. m. for the elementary schools next Wednesday as local schoolchildren start a four-day Thanksgiving recess, according to Supt. R. Vernon Hays. The afternoon session of the kindergarten will be omitted on Wednesday.

In the Town Hall all offices will be closed on Thanksgiving Day but will re-open on Friday, Nov. 27, according to First Selectman Frank S. Clancy.

Bills totaling \$10,337.65 for school furniture used in the refitted classrooms in the Old Stone Church school building and in other temporary classrooms were held up by the Board of Finance at its meeting last night.

Questions were raised over the actual terms of an agreement made by a committee of members of the Board of Education and the Board of Finance earlier this year. According to Leslie Redfield, the Finance Board had agreed to transfer funds not to exceed \$10,000 from the general fund for furniture to be used in the Old Stone Church building alone.

Redfield, who was supported in his claim by his board colleagues, Peter Weber and John Mulhern, said that nothing was said in the agreement about providing for funds for furniture in other temporary rooms.

The Finance Board agreed to provide money in the current budget on the understanding that the amount would be repaid from the funds raised by a bond issue to finance the presently instituted school building program. The furniture was to be transferred to the new school buildings when they were completed.

Said Redfield "a general opening up of temporary rooms all over the town did not enter into the agreement." His claim was substantiated by the board minutes which stated that the transfer of money would be for purchase of furniture for the Old Stone Church building.

The board member asserted that it still remained for the town to vote the bond issue and that until that time the current budget would be required to bear the expense of this new furniture. "I think we should have the Board of Education in, and get straightened away on this plan," he said.

"If they have visions of spending \$12,000 to \$15,000 for this stuff, we should know." Redfield said, he would admit that the Board of Education might logically ask how the temporary rooms would be furnished without the purchase and use of such furniture. His objection appeared to center mainly on the fact that the school board had gone beyond the limitations of the agreement.

Only one member of the present Board of Education was in attendance at the meeting at which the agreement was made. He is George Letis, who, with Harold Hall, constitutes the only "hold-over" from the previous school board. He could not be reached for comment on the matter.

In other matters considered by the Finance Board, Donald Childers, appearing for the Hagaman Library, asked for an extra appropriation of \$1,000 to pay for the waterproofing of the library building. The board voted to approve \$420 in a transfer from the contingency fund to finance waterproofing of the east wing of building which has been subject to storm damage.

Brush Fires And House Calls Give Firemen Busy Week

A series of brush and grass fires plus a couple of house fires kept firemen busy over the past week, Fire Chief Thomas J. Hayes revealed.

Last Thursday at 4:15 p. m. a meadow and woods fire off Oak Nut Grove near the new Town Dump brought out Companies one and four. Companies one and six attended to a grass fire on Talmadge Ave. near the Gillis School property. At 4:17 p. m. the same day Companies three and one were called to a woods fire at the intersection of Route 80 and Thompson St.

Sunday was the busiest day. At 5:48 a. m. on an alarm sounded to Box 124 Companies one and six and truck one were called to 542 Thompson Ave. to extinguish a blazing mattress in an upstairs apartment. At 1:20 p. m. Companies one and six answered a call to box 336 to extinguish a fire in grass and wooded section in Foxon Park. At 8:25 p. m. company six was called to put out a rubbish fire on Brown Rd.

On Monday at 6:28 p. m. Companies one and six and Truck one answered a call to 111 Robert Dr. to extinguish an oven fire which got out of control. Damage was limited to the stove.

Sadlak Announces Three Academy Vacancies To Fill

Connecticut's Congressional-Large, ANTONI N. SADLAK, today announced that he has two vacancies in the Military Academy at West Point and one vacancy in the Naval Academy at Annapolis for classes commencing July 1, 1954.

Congressman Sadlak said he will nominate a principal and three alternates for each vacancy, based on the results of a competitive Congressional designation examination to be conducted by the Civil Service Commission on Monday, January 11, 1954. The examination and ratings attained by candidates are applicable for designation to either Academy.

To be eligible, candidates must meet the following requirements: Must be citizens of the United States and actual residents of the State of Connecticut. Must never have been married. Must have reached their 21st but not their 22nd birthday by July 1st of the calendar year in which they enter the Service Academy.

In Connecticut, the examination will be given at post offices in Hartford, Bridgeport, New Haven, New London, Waterbury and Willimantic. Arrangements will be made for Connecticut youth who are presently outside the State to take the nation-wide examination at a post office nearest their present address where the test is given.

Requests for complete information should be directed to Congressman Sadlak, Room 1108, House Office Building, Washington, D. C. Deadlines for acceptance of applications is set for December 12, 1953.

Republican Women Of County Meet Today

This afternoon the Executive Board of the New Haven County Republican Women's Association sponsored a luncheon and auction at the Waverly Inn in Cheshire. Luncheon was served at 12:30 and the auction immediately followed. Items included fancy work, aprons, costume jewelry, toys, bric-a-brac, cakes, cookies and a miscellaneous of other things.

Reservations were with Mrs. Pat Rappas, New Haven, and with the following executive board members: Mrs. George Grady, New Haven; Mrs. William A. Amelung, Waterbury; Mrs. Ralph Nelson, Branford; Mrs. Nell McKelvey, West Haven; Mrs. Ralph Hanson, Hamden; Mrs. Leverett Clark, East Haven; Mrs. Henry J. Smith, Milford; Mrs. Gertrude Keenan, Prospect.

Also Mrs. Robert L. R. Eaton, Hamden; Mrs. Michael McGovern, New Haven; Mrs. Paul Vestal, Woodbridge; Mrs. Alice Peterson, Branford; Mrs. Charles Miller, East Haven; Mrs. George Cronin, New Haven; Mrs. Frank Daley, Branford; Mrs. William Hyde, Hamden; Miss Adah Baird, Branford.

Other contact persons included: Mrs. Joseph P. Moorhead, Mrs. Andrew Dwyer, Mrs. John Johnston and Mrs. Joseph Barberie, of New Haven; Mrs. Ruth Swartz, Cheshire; Mrs. Leonard Nolopi West, West; and Mrs. Julia Wright, Orange.

Coast Guard Tests In Connecticut Are Listed By Bush

Senator Prescott Bush announced today that the competitive examination for entrance to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy will be held nationwide on February 23rd and 24th, 1954. These examinations are given in 100 cities, including New London in Connecticut.

Senator Bush emphasized the opportunity offered young men between seventeen and twenty who choose the four-year course which leads to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering and a commission as a career officer in America's oldest seagoing service.

"There are no appointments or geographical quotas for entrance to the Coast Guard Academy," he said. "I urge all qualified young men who are interested in a worthwhile profession to write as soon as possible to Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Applications must be postmarked on or before January 15th."

Candidates for the Coast Guard must be single, between the ages of 17 and 22, and in excellent physical condition. They must have outstanding character, references and standing in their communities.

A high school diploma is the minimum educational requirement, although high school seniors insured of being graduated by June 30 are eligible to take the examination if they will receive at least 15 credits at that time. All applicants must have three units of English, two of Algebra, two of Science and one of Physics and Plane Geometry.

Catholic Women To Meet Tonight In Mount Carmel

The Rev. Stephen Fitzpatrick, Roman Catholic Chaplain of the West Haven Veterans Hospital, will speak to the New Haven Council of Catholic Women at a meeting to be held in Mount Carmel tonight.

The speaker will discuss the "Army Chaplain's Training and Service," Mrs. John McGovern, program chairman, has announced that the meeting will be held in the church hall of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 2810 Whitney Ave.

Father Fitzpatrick comes from the priesthood of Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland. After his ordination, he was assigned in 1940 to be Chaplain for the Civil Conservation Corps in the North West, where he served for fourteen months. He was called into the U.S. Army in 1942 to go to Louisiana, where he was assigned to the battlefronts in Africa, Italy, Sicily, Germany, Palestine and Athens, Greece. He has also served as Chaplain in Veterans' Hospitals located in Dearborn, Michigan and Illinois, Illinois, prior to his serving in Connecticut.

The members will also hear a guest speaker from Red Cross Headquarters in New Haven, who will present a film showing the needs of Red Cross for possible volunteer work from members of the council or their friends.

East Haven To Help At Observation Post

Through the cooperation of Allan Knight, Civil Defense Director of East Haven, men and women of East Haven are being recruited to volunteer a two-hour shift to the Branford Observation Post once a month.

Volunteers may call Allan Knight, Civil Defense Director, at 8-3835, or Mrs. Harold Arnold at HU 8-0308, or Miss Barlow at HU 8-3835 for further information. Observations are in the defense of our country is not a temporary thing. It is necessary for everyone to lend a hand to lighten the load. The serious

Rainbow Girls Hold Rehearsals Weekly

The East Haven Assembly 17, Order of Rainbow for Girls, are rehearsing for their Christmas party and dinner for the forthcoming variety show and dessert bridge which will be held in the Old Stone Church on Tuesday, December 1, Dec. 1 at 8 p.m. Rehearsals are held every Tuesday.

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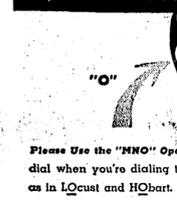
Mrs. Mrs. Robert J. Pemberton and daughter, Diane, have been visiting in East Haven with Mrs. Pemberton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford DeWolf of 33 Dodge Avenue, and Mr. Pemberton's mother, Mrs. Ernest Pemberton of 25 Parlane Place. They returned recently to their home in Louisville, Kentucky, where Mr. Pemberton is an engineer with the General Electric Company.

Security Unit Issues Call For 35 Volunteers

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery 208th AAA Group of the Connecticut National Guard will seek for 35 volunteers, all needed in the ranks before Dec. 1. Youths between the ages of 17 and 18 years, on enlisting in the Guard, will be exempt from Selective Service call so long as they maintain satisfactory contact with this Special Security Force.

The Guard unit recently completed two years of active duty and is now being organized in formation. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery 208th AAA Group of the Connecticut National Guard will seek for 35 volunteers, all needed in the ranks before Dec. 1. Youths between the ages of 17 and 18 years, on enlisting in the Guard, will be exempt from Selective Service call so long as they maintain satisfactory contact with this Special Security Force.

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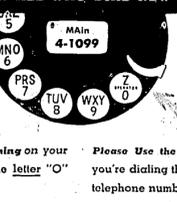
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limited number of vacancies exists

The Special Security Force also needs men between the ages of 17 and 18 years with or without previous military service. All men accepting membership under this provision are guaranteed that they will not be committed to the service outside the Continental United States without their express written consent.

It is also pointed out that youths between the ages of 17 and 18 years may be able to transfer into the Regular Army with the same grade attained in the Special Security Force, if they so desire. Men interested in the unit should contact the Group Representative at Room 305, Goffe St. Armory, 290 Goffe St., New Haven, or telephone SPruce 6-6775. The office is open daily from 8 to 4:30, from 7 to 9 in the evening and from 11 to 2 on Saturday.

Officers of the group are Captain John Schwanseder, commander; Captain Francis B. Yates, communications officer; CW O John S. O'Neill, personnel officer; Sgt. Benjamin L. Conroy, administrative officer; Captain Walter A. Lee, liaison officer; 2nd Lt. Arthur W. Sjogren, assistant operations officer; and 2nd Lt. Kenneth E. Swanson, assistant communications officer.

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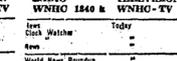
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papers had made plain in advance that the petition was about... Miss Elizabeth Chapkovnik asserted that he had said "I don't know" but was contested by Mrs. Mary Fairbanks, another board member who asserted that "he did not say that". The board voted down Lett's request for a deletion of the phrase, six Democrats against two Republicans. Mr. Harold Hill, obtained because he was not present at the special session with which the minutes were concerned.

On his second point Lett asked that a quotation by Willington moving that the board "alter the order of the meeting" to take up the special session with which the minutes were concerned. Mr. Lett insisted that the word Willington used was "deviate". There ensued a discussion regarding the by-laws affecting special meetings. However, no one specifically mentioned that the old by-laws and the newly proposed ones both stipulate that matters not on the agenda of special meetings may be taken up by unanimous consent of the board members. Wash insisted that a vote was taken.

(Editor's note: Lett's argument appeared to hinge on the fact that the board had acted on one matter not listed on the agenda, but had refused to receive the four delegates and their petition on the ground that they ought not to be considered at a special meeting. A vote was taken at that time with only Lett and Fairbanks favoring receiving the petition. The delegates and their petition were not listed on the special agenda.)

Lett's request for a change in the minutes of the special meeting was referred to a "deviate" instead of "alter" was voted down.

The third item which Lett objected to was a somewhat lengthy statement by Willington in which he outlined his reasons for making the original motion to table the by-law amendments. Lett had recorded his statements in a neat and compact address, which contained the substance of what he had said at the last meeting. However, in the memory of this reporter, what he had actually said was not as neatly phrased as were the minutes.

Reading verbatim, Lett asserted that "Mrs. Lett never said such a thing at this table." He objected to a final statement which referred to a "polluted" rapping from the minority. He

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Shown is a view of the recently remodeled interior of Wolfe's Quality Food Shop at 230 Main St. A recently added feature is the opening of a rear entrance connected with an expanded parking lot. The entry junction permits access to Wolfe's and the adjoining Kelley Food Shop.

Clothes And Bedding For Korea Collected Here
 A drive to collect clothing, shoes and bedding for civilians in Korea will be held in East Haven at all throughout next week under auspices of American Relief for Korea (ARK). It has been announced. The collection will start on Sunday. Mrs. Chief Thomas J. Hayes has designated fire stations at headquarters, 200 Main St. and Bradford Manor at 85 George St., as the two collection centers and persons may bring articles there during next week. The departments in the Greater New Haven area are cooperating with the New Haven ARK Committee to assure that central collection stations will be available to townspeople at all hours of the day. Hugh MacArthur, chairman of the drive, said this week. All items of usable clothing, particularly woollens, are needed in Korea, MacArthur said, as well as shoes, blankets and bedding. He suggested that shoes be tied in pairs.

Legion Post Meets
 The Harry Bartlett Post, American Legion, will hold its regular meeting on Friday evening at 8:30 in the post rooms, according to an announcement by Comdr. James J. McGoldrick.

THANK YOU!
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Film On Sweden Will Be Shown At Hamden High

"Meet Today's Swedes," an all-color documentary motion picture produced by Russell Wright, noted photographer and reporter, will be presented tomorrow night at 8:15 in the auditorium of Hamden High School, sponsored by the Swedish Aid Society of New Haven. "Meet Today's Swedes" portrays intimate scenes of Sweden's people, their domestic ways of life, their culture, industries, and the country's superb natural scenic beauty. The two-hour program includes views of the King, the prime minister, and men, women and children from many parts of the country. Sweden's cities, modern homes, family life, and unusual customs are shown.

Cost Accountants Observe Top Management Night

Tuesday, November 24, 1953 was designated as "Top Management Night" by the New Haven Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants. Invitations have been mailed to top industrialists in the area to attend the technical session to be held on the above date. Mr. M. L. Frost, assistant to the President of Sperry Products Inc. in Danbury, Connecticut, will be the principal speaker. Mr. Frost studied architecture at the University of Oregon and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Washington.

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Easties Tie Milford 6-6 With Wisninniti Catch

With its usually feet backflicked hobbled by minor injuries East Haven had to take to the air to secure a 6-6 tie with Milford High in a frustration-ridden contest Saturday afternoon at Washington Field in Milford. Paul Wisninniti lanky East Haven end grabbed a short pass by Nick Vaulso, quarterback, from behind the 15-yard line. Wisninniti grabbed the ball on the goal-line and fell into the end zone to tie the score in the third quarter. The Easties were hampered by ankle injuries to their prize backs. Dominick Pettinichi and Henry Luzzi, a couple of fleet-footed backs who were slowed to a lopsided pace, were the only backs who were in the Milford line. The Milford score came in the opening minutes of the second quarter when Gary Dunn, Milford back, rammed over the ball from the three-yard line after a sustained series of dives which had taken his team almost 60 yards down the field. A place kick by Don Palmer, Milford end, was good.

Team Ready For Seymour And Branford Tilt

East Haven High will be after a division of the Housatonic League championship "spells" when it meets with Seymour High at French Field in Seymour on Saturday. The Seymour team is top in the league on the basis of an unbeaten season, but if defeated by East Haven would leave the way open for a possible three-way tie between East Haven, Seymour and Shelton. Next Thursday, East Haven will close its football season with an annual grid clash with Branford. If it wins these next two games, East Haven will have a share in the Housatonic circuit honors. This Saturday's game promises to be a handinger. Seymour, undefeated all season, will seek to clinch the Housatonic title by knocking off the Easties in his last major rival. Contrarily, East Haven will be out to gain a victory to offset its earlier disappointing loss to Shelton.

Local Swim Team Practicing For Coming Season

The East Haven high swimming team looks forward to their first season this year. The team, under the coaching of Joseph Mellis, instructor in physical education in the elementary schools, started practice yesterday afternoon in preparation for the new season which, opens next month. This year's team is being captained by William Clapp, outstanding swimmer who won the 100-yard free style. Specialties for students will be given only at the High School. Adults may obtain tickets at the West End Bowling Alley, Florio's Restaurant, or Metcalf's Drug Store on Main St. and at French Field, Waiting Station in Short Beach.

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Local Couple Attends A. V. A. Convention

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Railroad Santa



Patrick Barden, of Savoy St., poses with some of the many toys he is repairing in his cellar workshop in preparation as Christmas gifts to needy children. An employee of the New Haven Railroad, he has won, through his unusual hobby, the nickname of "Railroad Santa Claus."

Remaking Toys For Needy Kids Nets Him 'Santa' Title

A hobby of repairing broken toys and distributing them to needy children at Christmas time has won a local employee of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad the title of "Railroad Santa Claus."

Patrick Barden, of Savoy St., has been collecting and fixing toys for children for the past 10 years. Working with his wife, he has managed, by his own estimate, to refurbish and distribute between 1,200 and 1,500 toys annually during the past couple of years. This year, in his home at Savoy St., he has collected about 1,500 toys and is now busy repairing them for the rapidly approaching Christmas season.

Appears On Program

The "Railroad Santa Claus" received special recognition for his efforts of good will recently when he appeared on the radio program of "Wonderful City" in New York. Besides being presented with a beautiful "key" pin for his wife, he was given a paint sprayer, paint, an electric welder, a set of 19 Proto professional machine tools and a complete Santa Claus costume to help him in his annual project of spreading good cheer. He was also presented with a Whitnauer watch in recognition of his service.

While on the program Barden related how he got started in his unusual hobby, he told how, as an employee of the railroad, he saw broken toys and parts of toys lying about and how he took them home to be repaired.

Barden has a special fascination for toys and he explained: "When I was a kid, I didn't have too many things to play with. Most of the toys we had we made ourselves." When he took these first toys home, fixed them up and gave them to his own children, he said, "I saw what a kick my kids got playing with them and decided to do the same for somebody else."

Has Seven Children

The local man has seven children of his own, five boys and two girls. Their names and ages are: Elizabeth, six months; Thomas, 3 years; Teresa Ann, 4; Francis, 5; Hilma, 8; Elma, 10; and Patrick Jr., 13. The four oldest attend local schools.

The older children help with the toy repairing by sorting out and combining the various components. Toys that were beyond repair had salvage value in the form of parts which could be combined with others to form complete toys.

The Barden family came to East Haven about two years ago. Prior to that time they lived in Branford. Barden has been with the N.Y. N.H. & H. Railroad since about 1934. Since 1948 he has served in the operating department. Some of his duties have included freight switching, being conductor in freight service and a baggage master. During the second World War he served with the U.S. Infantry.

Mrs. Barden is the former Virginia Baker of Duxbury, Mass. She is employed in the painting department of the A.C. Gilbert Co. in New Haven.

Helps Youngster

One of the stories related by Barden was about the time he

encountered a six-year-old boy on the train. The boy, crippled by polio, told him of his fond desire for an electric train. When Alfred C. Gilbert, president of the A.C. Gilbert Co., heard about this, Barden said, he made a gift of a complete train set to the youngster. Barden had the pleasure of making the presentation.

Recently, he made a bid for an appearance on "Strike It Rich" but lost out when he arrived too late to qualify for the current program.

"We'll be pretty busy from now until Christmas and will be using every bit of our spare time to get these toys in shape," Barden told this reporter. He said he was hopeful of securing more toys for repair and refinishing.

He picked up a cast metal toy puffer, and showed it to the reporter. "Do you know what that is?" he asked. "That's cast metal. You don't see toys like that anymore," he declared in a manner which indicated that he has never lost his boyhood love for toys.

Barden said the railroad helps him in the distribution of his gifts and that they were presented to all children who would otherwise be without toys. Names and addresses of such children could be mailed to him at his Savoy St. address, he said.

George E. Wood Feted by Friend At Testimonial

George E. Wood, who resigned recently from the Board of Finance after 15 years of service, was honored at a testimonial dinner by town officials Tuesday night in Florio's Country House in Foxon.

Wood, who was presented by First Selectman Frank Clancy with a Certificate of Award in recognition of his many years of service, it stated: "This certifies that the Town of East Haven, Connecticut, recognizes the loyal and faithful services of George E. Wood, who for more than 20 years has served the people of our town in many executive capacities with integrity and efficiency, is hereby awarded this certificate for distinguished service."

Wood, who was a Democrat, served one term as a member of the state House of Representatives. He was defeated in a bid for re-election in 1952. He began his public service as a member of a school building committee in 1924 and helped plan the Laurel St. School. In that same year he began a three-year term on the Board of Education.

He served also as a member of the Board of Selectmen for two years starting in 1927, and later served on another building committee. This time it was for the Tuttle, Foxon, Highland schools and a two-room addition to Momauguin School.

In 1933 he was elected a majority selectman. He began his Board of Finance career five years later, winning reappointment several times over in recognition of his outstanding ability in that post.

Churchill Blames Leadership Void For Red Advances

NEW YORK — As World War II drew to a close, President Roosevelt's deteriorating health and his failure to acquaint his potential successor, Harry Truman, with the background of Western policy, cost American and Britain dearly, Winston Churchill reveals in his Nobel Prize-winning Memoirs, currently appearing in LIFE Magazine.

Churchill calls the period a "melancholy void" in which "one President could not act and the other could not know."

The Deadly Hiatus

Churchill says that during this "deadly hiatus which existed between the fading of President Roosevelt's strength and the growth of President Truman's grip," neither U. S. military chiefs nor the State Department received the political guidance they required at a decisive period of the war.

"This proved of grave disadvantage to our affairs," Churchill says. "More than two years were passed before the Russians were confronted again with an equal will-power," Churchill writes.

Proposed Visit to Truman

Churchill reveals that his first impulse at news of Roosevelt's death was to fly to America for the funeral and then to meet with President Truman. But he yielded to pressure in Britain not to leave the country at that "difficult moment" — a decision which, in after-thought, he regrets he made.

Truman Unprepared

"I had never met the new President and I feel that there were many points on which personal talks would have been of the greatest value," Churchill says. "This was particularly true, Churchill writes, in view of the Vice President's traditionally weak role in U. S. affairs and Mr. Truman's lack of knowledge of current issues and previous decisions at the time he was thrust into supreme authority.

"It seemed to me extraordinary, especially during the last few months, that Roosevelt had not made his deputy and potential successor thoroughly acquainted with the whole story and brought him into the decisions which were being taken," Churchill writes.

"In Mr. Eden I had a colleague who knew everything and could at any moment take over the entire direction, although I was myself in good health and full activity."

"How could Mr. Truman know and weigh the issues at stake at this climax of war? Everything that we have learnt about him since shows him to be a resolute and fearless man, capable of making the greatest decisions. In those early months his position was one of extreme difficulty and did not enable him to bring his outstanding qualities fully into action," Churchill says.

Late Progress on Poland

Churchill reveals, however, that forty-eight hours after Roosevelt's death, Truman took up the highly complex Polish question and proposed a firm declaration to Stalin in order to break the post-Yalta stalemate over the make-up of the Polish Provisional Government. Churchill says of Truman's action: "It is remarkable that he felt able so promptly to commit himself to it amid the formalities of assuming office and the funeral of his predecessor."

A month later Truman sent Harry Hopkins as his special envoy to Moscow on the Polish question and Churchill writes, "for the first time some progress was made." As a result of the Hopkins talks, the Russians agreed to invite Mikolajczyk and two others from the London Poles as well as some important non-Lublin Poles from inside Poland to join the Provisional Government.

Russian Victory in Polish Delay

Thus ended five months of East-West wrangling over Poland during which the Soviets had fought every inch of the road," Churchill says. But the delay gave the Russians every advantage. The Lublin Poles had completely taken over Poland with the help of the Red Army. The Lublin government had also encouraged Polish settlement in the area of the Western Neisse River, formerly German-held, which was bound to make the determination of Poland's rightful Western boundary that much more difficult in later months.

"For the future peace of Europe here was a wrong beside which Alsace-Lorraine and the Danzig Corridor were trifles," Churchill says.

Soviet Accusation

In his latest LIFE memoirs installment Churchill reveals that in the spring of 1945 the Russians accused the British and Americans of negotiating separately with the Germans to further their advance to the East. Actually, according to Churchill, the "negotiations" were no more than attempts to test the credentials of German officers who sought information about peace terms. They were told that unconditional surrender remained the only basis of peace with the Allies.

Stalin's accusation angered President Roosevelt deeply, Churchill says. A few days before his death he approved a strong statement, drafted by General Marshall, upbraiding Stalin "for such vile misrepresentations of my actions or those of my trusted sub-

ordinates."

Move Ahead of Stalin

Eisenhower was also angered at what he considered these unjust charges about the West's good faith. He told Churchill that as supreme military commander, he would accept the unconditional surrender of any body of troops on his front but that if political matters arose he would immediately consult all the Allied governments. Eisenhower also told Churchill he would advance through surrendered troops as fast and as far as possible to the East.

Churchill approved of unconditional surrender and its occupational possibilities: "I did not see why we should break our hearts if, owing to mass surrender in the West, we got to the Elbe, or even farther before Stalin."

Berlin's Prime Importance

In his Memoirs Churchill also reveals a dispute with General Eisenhower over the areas of priority in the Easterly movement of Anglo-American forces. On his own authority Eisenhower had informed Stalin of his plan to attack the Germans in the Dresden and Linz areas on the Central Front where he soon expected to join hands with the Russians. Stalin had agreed to the plan and said that Berlin had "lost its former strategic importance."

Churchill strongly urged Eisenhower to cross the Elbe in Northern Germany and to capture Berlin which he called still "the most decisive point in Germany."

In a similar message to President Roosevelt he added: "I consider that from a political standpoint we should march as far East into Germany as possible and that should Berlin be in our grasp we should certainly take it."

A Dangerous Mood

"The Russian armies will no doubt overrun all Austria and enter Vienna. If they also take Berlin, will not their impression that they have been the overwhelming contributor to our common victory be unduly imprinted in their minds, and may this not lead them into a mood which will raise grave and formidable difficulties in the future?"

General Eisenhower assured Churchill that Berlin remained an important priority target and that after his moves on the Central German front he planned to have Montgomery cross the Elbe in the North which would put Allied forces in easy reach of Berlin should a German collapse occur. This satisfied Churchill at the time.

In the final installment of his Memoirs, appearing in the next issue of LIFE, Churchill explains why the Russians in the end changed their minds about the value of Berlin and how the Allies lost out in their occupation of important German areas.

Business Visits Momauguin



Business representatives who visited Momauguin School during the recently held Business-Industry-Education Day are shown with teachers. Left to right are: (seated) Mrs. Dorothy Moore, school principal; George Cor, assistant cashier at the Tradesmen's Bank; R. Vernon Hays, superintendent; Miss Helen C. Gaffney, secretary for the Connecticut Co.; Harry W. Springer, Jr., manager of the Connecticut Co.; G. Houston Baker, vice president of the Tradesmen's Bank; and Mrs. John J. Sullivan, member of the local Board of Education. Standing are: Mrs. Louise Welles, Mrs. Viola Grover, Miss Constance Sarno, Mrs. Jo Ann Cooper, Mrs. Helen Leary, Ernest Marzullo, Mrs. Ann Burleigh, Mrs. Ann Turco, teachers; and Mrs. Howard Eldridge, president of the Momauguin Parents' Club.

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