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## Political Pot Starts To Boil As Candidates Vie For Nominations

### Unconfirmed Report Ferrara Boomed For Top DEM Spot

The political pot began boiling this week as three more candidates announced for Republican nominations for the Board of Selectmen.

At the same time unofficial reports had it that the Democratic Town Committee will be petitioned by West Siders backing Selectman Dominick Ferrara for the party nomination for first selectman.

Mr. Ferrara was questioned on this and said that he knew nothing about such a petition. He added that he had no comment to make on his future political plans. Confirmation of the reports was not to be had from among the few Democrats who were contacted.

First Selectman Frank Clancy has remained silent about future plans, amid a great deal of speculation regarding whether or not he will seek to run for a third term.

**Letter Is Shocker**  
However, the shocker of the political season so far was a letter released by Republican Town Chairman Mathew Anastasio, and published in a daily. The letter was critical of the Clancy and preceding "Barker" administrations.

Although Mr. Anastasio declared that he was not supporting any of the candidates, the gesture was taken as an indication that the town chairman is opposed to having Selectman Frank Barker as a third-time candidate for first selectman.

The letter, written by Mrs. Edward L. Gough of 60 Ephraim St., and sent apparently to Mr. Anastasio, said in part: "With great regret I will not be voting next town election unless we have a good change in this game of checkers, these last years have proved either Barker or Clancy with their poor management can't get out of the corner."

**Read To Committee**  
The letter was read at a meeting of the GOP town committee Tuesday evening and released along with copies of statements by the three new candidates for the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Barker earlier had made known his intention to the town committee, and the committee had voted against release of this information until later.

Shortly after the meeting, however, the former first selectman was queried by the NEWS regarding the truth of reports that he would again seek the nomination. His statement was issued in response to that query.

Mr. Barker declined to comment on the publication of the letter critical of his administration other than for a prepared statement.

**Called On Complainant**  
"This letter," said Barker, "was of the usual type, regularly received from persons who have disapproved of something which has or has not happened. All persons who hold public office receive them because it is obviously impossible to please everyone in the administration of public affairs. I have called upon the author of the letter and found that her principal complaint was the failure of the town to provide sewers. She therefore wrote criticism of both men who have held the first selectman's office during the past six years."

"Mr. Anastasio's motive in publishing this letter which is critical of his own party as well as that of the opposition does not immediately appear, however. Apparently his decision to do so was a personal one and not that of the Republican Town Committee. Undoubtedly Mr. Anastasio will later explain how the publication of this letter will benefit both the town and his party. I am quite content to leave all the comment and explanation to him."

**No Surprise**  
To veteran observers, the declaration by George McManus, local painting contractor and former member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, that he would seek the GOP nomination for first selectman came as no surprise.

Speculation has been rife on the possibility that next fall's election would see Mr. McManus opposed by Mr. Ferrara for the top post in the town.

More recently, the figure of Donald C. Bartlett, proprietor of the Mansfield Grove skating rink and president of the East Haven Chamber of Commerce, has been lurking in the background as a

possible darkhorse candidate for the top spot on the GOP ticket. The two declared candidates for selectman on the Republican ticket are Ernest Anthonis, former selectman under Barker, and John A. Vestuti, local businessman.

### Police Distribute Crime Prevention Cards To Homes

Crime prevention rules and a list of emergency number combined on a single card prepared by the Exchange Club of East Haven were being distributed to homes throughout the town this week.

The occasion was the observance of "Crime Prevention Week." Today a "Jail on Wheels," the personal creation of Sheriff Jack Slavin, was set up near the Town Hall for inspection by the public.

During the week Police Chief Edwin Priest and Deputy Chief Joseph Folio, along with several other members of the force, delivered a set of talks on Crime Prevention before children in the several schools. An educational film was shown to the schoolchildren.

Those householders who have not received a crime prevention and emergency rules card may have one by calling the police station at HO 7-2351, Deputy Chief Folio announced.

Mr. Folio, who is chairman of the Exchange Club committee on crime prevention, issued a statement of thanks to the auxiliary, supernumerary and regular police who have been delivering the cards to homes.

"He thanked the members of the committee for their assistance: Arthur Riccio, Peter Linnocelli, Peter De Musis and John Esposito.

**Two Beckwith Girls Escape Injury In Me.**  
Two East Haven girls narrowly escaped serious injury near Augusta, Me., Friday night when a Maine Central Railroad passenger train hit a washout and the locomotive and four passenger cars were derailed.

They are Diane, 17, and Elizabeth, 16, daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Donald Beckwith, of 470 Thompson Ave. The two girls were on their way to the Colby College Winter Carnival in Waterville, Me.

The coach in which the girls were passengers left the rails and came to rest leaning at about a 35 degree angle over the river bed below. The train, the Boston to Bangor Pine Tree Express, was due in Bangor at about 9:45 p.m. About three hours passed before rescue crews went to work evacuating passengers.

The girls reported that they walked three miles in the freezing cold to the nearest cross road to secure other transportation. No passenger was seriously hurt, and the two girls were unhurt.

Diane is attending the Northampton School for Girls.

## Barker Defends Record Of His Town Administration

Republican Selectman Frank Barker today defended the record of his own Administration when he served as first selectman from 1951 to 1953.

He issued the following statement defending not only his record as first selectman but his recent action in announcing his intention to seek re-nomination for first selectman on the Republican ticket.

**Statement Follows**  
In making an early announcement of my intention of seeking the Republican nomination for the office of First Selectman, I did so with a very definite purpose in mind. This purpose was to allow unlimited time for a full and free discussion of my abilities and my record while I held that office from 1951 to 1953. This early start, and invitation to a full discussion is a wide departure from the usual tactics used by the typical politician, but I do it with the intention of giving the voters of the town a chance to make a full study of what has happened in the past and what might be ex-

## Proclaims Rotary Day



In recognition of Rotary's record as a civic service group of worth enterprise and, in particular to encourage and foster: "The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; "High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society; "The application of the

"Ideal of Service" by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life; "The advancement of international understanding, good will and peace through a world fellowship of business, and professional men united in the 'Ideal of Service,' "I hereby set aside Wednesday, Feb. 23, as 'Rotary Day' in East Haven. (signed) Frank S. Clancy, First Selectman

Whereas Rotary's program is to encourage and foster the "Ideal of Service" as a basis

## Parking Authority Asking Control Of Main St. Lot

The Parking Authority has asked to be transferred to its jurisdiction the town parking lot between Metcalf's Drug Store and Fred's Restaurant on Main St.

The request, made on behalf of the authority, by Richard Reilly, town counsel, will be considered by the Board of Selectmen when they meet tomorrow evening. Mr. Reilly included in his letter a suggested resolution transferring control and supervision to the Parking Authority. Mr. Reilly is a member of the five-man board which is headed by John Kmetz.

The parking lot is now under the supervision of the Board of Public Safety. Mr. Reilly said that transferring control and supervision to the authority is considered advisable to obtain formal action transferring it to the control of the Parking Authority.

A future step of the Parking Authority, may be installation of meters in the parking lot. Mr. Reilly has expressed his opinion that an special ordinance will be required by the Authority to install parking meters in off-street parking facilities.

If this is done, it is expected that the net revenues from the meters will be assigned to a special fund under the control of the Parking Authority.

Another possible step in the future may be the consignment of

pected in the future. In short, I intend to avoid the frenzy and fury of campaign promises and propaganda issued so late that there is no time to either affirm or deny.

At this time I intend to list the things that were accomplished during my term in office as First Selectman. These are all matters of public record and as such may be proven beyond any shadow of doubt. There is plenty of time before even nominations are made for anyone, politician, or voter, to question either me or the record and secure both the broad facts or the details.

**School Situation**  
First let us take the most serious problem which has faced our town at any time during the past several years; our public school situation. Under my administration, the Gillis School which had been the subject of discussion and argument for a long time without action, was taken in hand and final plans were formulated, con-

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## Retail Stores Closing For G.W.'s Birthday

Retail stores in the central East Haven shopping area will be closed all day on Tuesday in observance of Washington's Birthday. John Kmetz, announced for the Chamber of Commerce.

Business will be resumed as usual on Wednesday, Mr. Kmetz said.

## Walsh Breaks Tie Vote In Favor Of Kindergartens

The fate of the kindergartens hung in the balance at last week's meeting of the Board of Education, but they will remain open next year because of Board Chairman Francis Walsh's tie-breaking vote. The vote was taken following the reading of a prepared statement by Supt. of Schools J. Vernon Hays and a discussion of and con.

Harold Hall, spokesman for the Research Committee, said they recommended closing the kindergartens to release seven rooms for use as first and second grade classrooms to prevent double sessions. He pointed out that no equipment changes would be needed, since the furniture would be suitable for first grade pupils.

Negative votes were registered immediately by William Withington and Bernard Luongo. The latter pointed out that the townpeople had made it clear at the recent budget town meetings that they wanted the kindergartens.

Friendly Debate  
Following the discussion, which was actually a friendly debate without heated argument the vote was taken, resulting in a tie which the chairman broke by voting against the closing of the kindergartens. Two members, Elizabeth Chajkovitch and George Letis, were absent.

Following the meeting, Mr. Withington told the NEWS that he strongly favored keeping the kindergartens; that while they were in a sense "organized play," he felt the youngsters benefited from the instructions they received. Bernard Luongo added that he felt the same way.

Mrs. John Sullivan, chairman of the Research Committee and also a teacher, said she frankly felt that double sessions would be too hard and tiring for the first graders. She said she didn't approve of keeping them in school "until 4:30 in the afternoon." She added that she "was all for the kindergartens" but would sacrifice them in favor of the first graders.

Mr. Hall agreed to this, and added that the younger children "could be taught at their mother's knee." He said he doubted if anyone could determine from a higher grade pupil's marks whether or not he had attended kindergarten.

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## Legislative Committee To Air Bills For More School Aid Next Wed.

### How Increases Would Benefit Town

How much would East Haven benefit from some of the proposed measures to raise state-aid benefits to education? A conservative method of estimating would be through comparison with the per-pupil aid total to be received this year. Based on an average daily attendance of 3,097.48 pupils the preceding year, East Haven is to receive \$128,814.32 this year or an average per-pupil grant of \$41.28.

(At present the grant is calculated for East Haven according to this formula: \$45,000 for the first 750 pupils and \$30 for each additional pupil, plus a supplementary grant of \$4 for each pupil.)

**\$111,000 More**  
Under House Bill 118 the local school system would receive a net of \$21 more per pupil or roughly \$65,000 more per year.

Under Senate Bill 997 the system would receive a net of \$36 more per pupil or roughly \$111,000 additional. This would practically double the existing grant. This is the bill favored by the State Association of Boards of Education.

**Actual Figure Higher**  
Actually next year's per-pupil aid will be based on this year's enrollment which has swollen to approximately 3520 and is expected to rise one or two hundreds more before school ends.

Since next year's grant will be calculated on an average daily membership, the base figure on which the grant is computed may be around 3500.

Developments and individual home building are expected to add 400 completed homes to East Haven's total by October.

## Town Deficit For 1953 - 54 Was \$10,159, Auditor Says

While Town government's expenditures last fiscal year exceeded appropriations by \$10,159.14, an excess of \$20,675.61 of revenues over budgetary estimates covered most of this leaving a deficit of \$10,159.23. In effect, that is what Daniel G. Weinstein, of the accounting firm of Weinstein & Timm stated in a letter to First Selectman Frank Clancy on Saturday.

The letter was released to reporters as an indirect answer to charges leveled by Selectman Frank Barker. Mr. Barker said that the Clancy administration had incurred a \$62,821.56 budget.

**Asked Explanation**  
The Republican selectman called his Democratic rival's fiscal practices "a king size mess" and demanded an explanation. Last Thursday evening, Mr. Clancy and Leslie Hoffield, of the Board of Finance, called a joint meeting of that board with the auditors.

Reporters were invited to attend to hear the auditors' own report on the state of the town's fiscal affairs at the end of the first half of Mr. Clancy's two-year term.

At the same time, First Selectman Clancy, who remained silent, for the most part, before Mr. Barker's critical assault, leaving it to Mr. Redfield and the auditors to

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## Introduce Bill Clarifying Probate Court Jurisdiction

Confusion over the jurisdiction of the New Haven and surrounding community probate courts has led to the introduction of a special bill clarifying such jurisdiction, the office of Edward L. Reynolds, attorney and judge of the East Haven probate court, announced this week.

According to Judge Reynolds a conflict in opinion on such jurisdiction with references to the West Haven and Hamden and New Haven courts led to the introduction of the special measure by State Rep. John F. Cipriano, of North Haven.

The bill will clarify up which Court will have jurisdiction over estates where the decedent died prior to the institution of North Haven and East Haven's Probate Court, but where the estate has not been probated," said Judge Reynolds.

**Opinions Conflicted**  
He explained that "when the Hamden probate court and West Haven probate court separated from the New Haven District, the secretary of the Probate Assem-

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## Walsh Says Bd. Of Education Will Attend

Members of the Board of Education will attend a hearing on state aid to school districts and towns Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Room 418 at the State Capitol, Chairman Francis Walsh said today.

The hearing will consider a number of bills introduced by various legislators for the purpose of increasing the amount of state aid to education.

Mr. Walsh said he planned to attend, but did not know what other members of the board would be able to attend the hearing. School Supt. R. Vernon Hays may also be at the hearing.

Mr. Walsh revealed that the State Association of Boards of Education had notified its membership of the hearing by letter. The association also urged board members to request local representatives in the legislature to support the passage of Senate Bill 997. The bill would raise the per-pupil grant by \$10.

However, because a special \$4 per pupil supplementary grant in effect this biennium will expire in July, the net increase provided by bill would be \$36.

It is possible, also, that private individuals and groups will be asked to support this measure.

Increased state grants to subsidize the growing costs of East Haven's public school system are the main hope now of the local Board of Education. For that reason the board is watching with interest bills introduced in the state legislature to increase the amount of state grants.

At least 13 bills have been introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives - bills which are concerned with increased school aid. Copies of these bills are being turned over by Rep. Elizabeth Cronney to Francis Walsh, chairman of the local Board of Education, for study.

**Sewerage Commission To Meet Next Week**  
The membership of a Special Sewerage Study Committee was named this week with the naming of John Esposito, of 23 Edwards St., as the seventh and final member.

First Selectman Frank Clancy, who named the committee, said he expected that it would meet for purposes of organization next week.

Mr. Esposito is an agent of the Metropolitan Life company in New Haven. He has been active in the local Exchange Club.

**Lady of Pompeii Ladies' Guild Sponsoring Valentine Dance Sat.**  
The Ladies' Guild of Our Lady of Pompeii Church is sponsoring a Valentine Dance Saturday night at the Community Hall from 9 to 12. Music will be furnished by Jack Lawler's orchestra.

Mrs. Frank Clifford and Mrs. Vincent Mitchell are co-chairmen to the affair. They will be assisted by Mrs. Charles Fischer, Mrs. Anthony Marucci, Mrs. Alphonse Carrano and Mrs. Donato Archangelo.

**Parsons Has 2 Bills**  
Rep. North Parsons has introduced several bills. House Bill 118 would grant \$25 more per pupil. (Because a 1949 additional grant of \$4 per pupil voted for the 1953-55 biennium will end this coming July 1, Mrs. Hamner explained, the increase would really amount to only \$21 over that already being provided.)

Rep. Parsons' HB 20 would grant retroactively ten dollars more per pupil for the years 1953-55 and its funds would come from the sales tax surplus.

HB-876, introduced by Rep. Francis Cady, of Kent, is modeled on the recommendation of the MacDonald Commission. For towns with more than 150 pupils it would change the state aid grant to a flat \$100 per pupil.

Senate Bill 997, introduced by Senator Paul Anagnost, New Britain chairman of the Senate Committee on Education, is being supported by the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education. It would provide an additional grant of \$10 per pupil. In addition it would up the minimum amount to be expended by the town in order to qualify for the full grant from \$140 to \$200 per pupil.

**Has Association Support**  
Governor Abraham Ribicoff has recommended an increase of \$5 per pupil, but his bill has been introduced for a raise of that specific amount, as far as Mrs. Hamner knew.

**Building Subsidy Bills**  
Bills to increase state aid for school buildings constitute about half of the 13 bills. HB-207 by Rep. Parsons would raise the existing grant. The law now provides aid of \$300 per pupil or one-third of the cost of elementary classes, whichever is less. On the secondary level the rate is \$400 per pupil or one-third of the cost, whichever is less. Mr. Parsons' bill would increase these grants to \$500 for elementary and \$750 for secondary or one-third cost.

Stated purpose of the bill is to raise the grant-in-aid so that it will approximate one-third the cost of school construction. AL

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**Legislative Committee**  
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present, Mrs. Hammer said, it is estimated that present aid amounts to about 22 per cent of cost of construction.  
In 1937 introduced by Sen. Lawrence Gilman, of Torrington, the present grant would be reduced from \$300 to \$700 or one-half of the cost of construction of elementary schools with no less than \$100 per pupil or one-half whichever.  
S.B. 708, by Senator Ametta, towns raise their own money from \$500 to \$500 and from \$100 to \$700.

**Walsh Breaks**  
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that he believed the district schools will not be affected by the first grade year.  
Apparently some of the center schools will be affected by the double session. It was brought out that a saving of \$25 thousand may be made by eliminating seven kindergarten teachers. (Presumably, it will cost \$100,000 to employ seven kindergarten teachers for the double session.) Mrs. Sullivan said the committee has not yet decided on adopting the committee's recommendation.

**Highway Program**  
A considerable program of maintenance of such roads has been planned and completed as far as possible within the two years of the present session. Plans for a new State Highway and a part of South Street were reworked. A seal was laid on the highway and the important River Street bridge was planned and materials ordered. It was also planned to be built by the State.

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Mr. Wehstein's letter recalled that the annual town meeting of October 12, 1935, voted to accept of this kind of budget.  
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**Women Republicans Meeting Next Thurs.**  
The regular monthly meeting of the East Haven Women's Republican Club will be held Thursday, February 24th, at 8:30 p. m. at Republican Headquarters, 10th Street. Mrs. Alvin Thompson, President, will preside at the business meeting. Refreshments will be served by the following businessesses: Mrs. Margaret Tucker, Mrs. Arthur Gustafson, Mrs. Alvin Sanford and Mrs. Gerald Cullen.

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tract, and the school hall and in operation in less than a year after it took office. Not long after the completion of the Gillis School, the start was made in the elementary school building program which is now being completed. With the finishing of the new 7000 Run and 7000 School buildings, in addition to the Mountgale School, the Building Committee which carried this program through was appointed by the city and trustees. The building program was nearly completed before I left, and the largest school building program ever to be initiated in the town's history.  
In the matter of Town Planning and Town Sewers, the first and only concrete actions were started during my administration. There had been much talk without action. The sewer system was investigated and a sewer survey so that the town could know and not guess what it faced in the matter of sewerage. Plans for a sewer system to prepare a plan for the town so that future planning could be intelligent and follow a definite program.

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**Shout Beach PTA To Hear Miss Kamezel**  
Miss Mary Jane Kamezel, former voluntary missionary nurse in charge of the Church of Scientology Mission Hospital, Korea, Okinawa, East Africa, will address the Feb. 21 meeting of the Shout Beach P.T.A. at the New Street School.  
Miss Kamezel will illustrate her discussion with colored slides depicting the work done among the Kikuu Tribe trapped in the conflict of Mau Mau terrorism.  
The Monday meeting will begin at 8 o'clock. Mrs. E. K. Taylor, Jr., is serving as room mother in charge of meeting arrangements.

**Nursing Visit Fee Raised by PHNA**  
The fee for nursing visits to homes will be increased from \$175 to \$200 by the Public Health Nursing Association. The increase was thought necessary because of the cost of living and the fact that the association has voted. The increase was thought necessary because of the cost of living and the fact that the association has voted.

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The regular monthly meeting of the East Haven Women's Republican Club will be held Thursday, February 24th, at 8:30 p. m. at Republican Headquarters, 10th Street. Mrs. Alvin Thompson, President, will preside at the business meeting. Refreshments will be served by the following businessesses: Mrs. Margaret Tucker, Mrs. Arthur Gustafson, Mrs. Alvin Sanford and Mrs. Gerald Cullen.

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**Chuck Roast**  
BLOCK BONE IN - Cut from Heavy Western Corned Steaks LB 47¢  
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**Local Club To Celebrate Rotary's Golden Anniversary**  
**League Of Women Voters Favors An Extension Of Reciprocal Trade Act**

The East Shore Unit of the League of Women Voters has gone on record as favoring extension of the reciprocal trade agreements. The League considers that negotiations involving trade, the need for a permanent international organization to serve as a clearing house for trade matters, and the League considers that negotiations can be handled most effectively on a multilateral basis, and that the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade should be put on a permanent basis with full U.S. participation.

**"India Today" To Be Discussed At Old Stone Church**  
"India Today" will be discussed by a speaker from the Yale Divinity School at a meeting of the Pioneer Fellowship at the Old Stone Church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. A worship period will be followed by recreation.

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**A Window To The World**  
(The following is a guest editorial sponsored by the East Haven Rotary and addressed to the people of this community.)  
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A Community Fund For East Haven?

The public of East Haven is generous. That was proved when this community became the only one to reach its goal in the annual Great New Haven United Fund drive last fall. In fact, East Haven, exceeded its goal by eleven per cent.

In addition to contributing to the United Fund—a very worthy agency for general welfare—East Haveners have found themselves being benefited by a number of other organizations for donations to all kinds of worthwhile projects.

Now the frequency of these separate drives now amounts to one a month. For example, the Lions Ruddy Basketball League in December and in January, raised a certain amount of money to finance an excellent recreational program.

Also in January, the March of Dimes conducted its annual drive there. Again, on Monday of this week, householders were asked to contribute funds to buy uniforms for the Piny School Band. At the same time, new heart fund containers are being placed in stores throughout the town.

All are worthwhile. But there is a limit to giving. The more important causes should be given precedence over the lesser. One solution would be for each adult to plan to donate ten, twenty, or fifty dollars each year but only to his favorite charities and causes.

It has been suggested that a better plan would be to set up a supplementary community fund for East Haven. This would not affect the United Fund, which benefits the entire New Haven metropolitan area, but it would serve to meet the needs of East Haven. Under its auspices would be collected and allocated funds for the various non-national drives.

Such a plan might serve to duplicate of these drives, eliminating the vast duplication of effort that occurs and sparing the pocket of Mr. Average Citizen from being hit every few weeks.

More Power To Them

Members of the East Haven Police Department have organized themselves into a union under the State, County and Municipal Employees, A.F.L.

They have done so in order to provide for themselves protection which should have come from some other quarter, but was not forthcoming.

When municipal employees, particularly those in such vital services as police, fire, garbage, certain questions emerge: Whether, for example, such employees will have the right to strike. Whether their bargaining power will result in unduly high pay scales.

At the same time, it must be conceded that municipal workers are not inferior and are entitled to the same privileges.

Now, it is a fact that those who enter public service as a career do so knowing that the opportunities of advancement and the rate of pay will not be as great as with private employment. However, they expect that these disadvantages will be offset by the security which comes from holding an indispensable job.

Second Fiddle Tunes

While it is undeniably true that many people imagine illnesses, and are not really sick enough to need a doctor, there are certain types of ailments which are not so easily corrected by a simple picture over the week end.

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School Building Issue Will Be Put To Referendum, Board Decides

The Board of Education, after a long and arduous session, has decided to place an additional tax burden on the town through further school construction.

With economy actually in mind after last year's budget figures, the Board wants a minimum of \$250,000 in the budget would make an attractive fact for political fight.

At 8:30 the meeting of the Board of Education will be held in the afternoon. The agenda includes the school building issue.

After the evening service, the Senior Choir will give a concert in the church. The choir will be led by Mrs. Helen Greenwald.

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FOXON NEWS

The soggy boggy condition at Deer Run School is headed on the drain as plans are being made to correct the seepage from a spring on the property which has kept everyone pretty well "mired-down" during the winter weather.

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Town Topics

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# Dentists Brand Fluoridation Opponents As 'Narrow Thinkers'

Fluoridation of public water supplies is "safe, simple and inexpensive" yet it has been opposed by "narrow minded, narrow thinking people" who employ "skeptical expressions of opposition with no scientific backing," Dr. Milton Lesansky told the M.L. Keefe School P.T.A. here Monday night. He appeared along with Dr. James J. LaFemina as part of an expansive "public education" program being conducted in this area by the New Haven Dental Assn. in regard to the proposed fluoridation of New Haven area water supplies.

Calling for "more public pressure" in support of the plan to add fluorine (one part per million parts of water) to decrease the incidence of tooth decay in children, the two dentists struck at critics of the program several times during their combined address. Dr. LaFemina asserted that many opponents of the plan "know nothing about it... they just want to oppose it."

The Hamden dentist also commented, "One local opponent wants to wait twenty years on this. One man like that can persuade 50 or 100 others to oppose fluoridation. Still, no one has yet proven the alleged damage of fluoridation."

Dr. Lesansky, who did most of the speaking at Monday's P.T.A. program, declared that it is "more important that all involved be fully informed. Men who founded vaccination and pasteurization had the same kind of vigorous, bitter opposition" as is being raised against fluoridation. "There always will be opposition to a change in health and welfare measures," he said.

Commenting further, Dr. Lesansky said opponents of fluoridation "watch for public meetings on it and then come and raise objections. They have many objections but no evidence to support them," he declared. He said a survey of Northampton (Mass.) where fluoridation was defeated by popular vote, "concluded that other

people without children are not particularly interested."

The dentist spoke further on the matter of putting such controversial matters as fluoridation up for decision by referendum or other such votes. "By tradition, the American community employs experts to do professional work but when a city administration is afraid to make the decision, they put it up to the people to vote on it," he said.

Referring to some cities where fluoridation has been installed and then voted out by the people, Dr. Lesansky contended that in such cases "the city council or some such commission installed fluoridation because it felt it was the best thing. Opponents of fluoridation have then become so incensed about it, they led drives to vote it out."

Outlining the system, Dr. Lesansky said fluoridation can reduce tooth decay by up to 60% at a cost of from five to 15 cents per person per year. Studies, he asserted, have shown no ill effects on persons drinking artificially added fluorine.

The speakers Monday called for a flood of statements in support of fluoridation — by individuals and by organizations — because, they asserted, "we cannot get this thing down." The dentists said such statements of approval should be directed to the local Board of Selectmen, to the Board of Health and even to the New Haven Water Company itself.

# Packers, Mechanics, All Stars And Beachies Victors In Biddy League

The Paludet Food "Packers" continued their winning streak Saturday by downing the Tinarri Electric team, 46 to 37.

Bill Pete scored 28 points for the Packers while Jim Knapp and Dick Anderson scored 17 and 9 points for the Electricians.

P & R 40—Corner Store 33  
Bernie Sparski, of P & R Motors, and Eddie Torney, live-wire player of the Corner Store quintet, engaged in a scoring duel for a stand-off of 21 points each. That was before the Mechanics toppled the Packers by a 49-33 count.

Kendrick and Colantano scored nine and eight points for the Mechanics while Deer Cornors scored four points for the Packers.

All Stars 41—Metcalfe's 20

Chapple's All Stars trounced the Metcalfe Druggists by a score of 44 to 20. John Ramall leading the way with 20 points, Glenn Dineen kept the Druggists in the game by hooping 10 points, and was followed by Bill Reilly who netted six.

For the All Stars Melillo and Platt were next high scorers with eight and seven points, respectively.

The Druggists were handicapped by the fact that they were without the services of Joe Canavan and Jackie Carr. Both boys were out with the virus.

Beachhead 22 - High Ridge 21

In the most exciting game of the season so far, Beachhead Restaurant gained its first win by turning back the High Ridge team, 22-21. Al Weller drove in for a lay-up with 10 seconds left to play in the game to turn the tide in favor of the Beachies.

It was a "nip and tuck" affair throughout with High Ridge ahead 12-6 at the half, only to have the Beachies drive ahead to win. A Carbone followed Weller with six points, and was followed by White led for the Builders by scoring nine points.

# Acceptance By Peers Important To Children, Educator Tells E.H.E.A.

"Except for hermitages, the only place that people live in is groups," said Dr. Nelson Scott, addressing the Education Association at the Deer Run School last Monday. Speaking on "Understanding Group Behavior of Boys and Girls," Dr. Nelson continued, "The warmth, the satisfactions, the successes or the failures that people achieve are in group work. What we think of ourselves is based on what we think the group thinks of us."

"The New Britain Teachers' College professor" explained that "Whether we like it or not, children are a group. Unhappy children may feel inferior because they are not accepted by someone important to them. For the younger child, it may be the teacher; with older children who are part of a group, it is acceptance by his peers that means something to him."

Two Sources of Leadership  
Dr. Nelson explained also that leadership of a group may come from two sources; the true leader who influences them in their decisions and the "status people" who may assume leadership in activities in which they have special skills. "The question of leadership is something that's pretty shifting," he went on, "pretty flexible, but very important. The group functions in spite of you." He told the assembled teachers that the group will not necessarily function the way the teacher plans, and all your superior intelligence has been for naught.

He emphasized that "children want to do things," and "the secret is in learning what path they want to follow." He blamed some juvenile delinquency on the fact that "people are trying to lead them down a path where they don't want to go."

Heart Goes Out To Parents  
Dr. Nelson said that the fault may not necessarily lie with the parents and added, "My heart goes out to parents. They have done the best they can. Whether they have done well or not, there are to teach." He warned the children we have been hired mentors that children aren't like "bottles; that you 'can't' unscrew the top and pour things in," or discard them "if they don't hold as much as you want them to."

The average parent wants his child to become a "happy, well-adjusted citizen," Dr. Nelson admitted, but cautioned that a teacher could not relax because a child is "happy." "That's very dangerous to the quality of teaching and you may not be doing

things in a good, professional, womanlike way," he pointed out. Dr. Nelson closed by saying, "A good teacher is the teacher that does what she can do well, and doesn't just change because some new fat comes along. Group dynamics isn't a cure-all for the problems in education, but it helps very much."

A business meeting was conducted by President Ernest Marzullo prior to the school hour. Miss Harriet Gester, elementary school supervisor, introduced Dr. Nelson who is a professor at the New Britain State Teachers College.



# Films Best Sunday School Teacher Hamden Men Learn In Study

Visual education — a growing trend in everyday school instruction — should be stepped up in usage in Sunday School at church according to a Hamden man who has directed a three-year project which took samplings in thousands of area homes to determine the effect of movies on Sunday School youngsters. A child who watches religious movies in Sunday School is better informed than one who must rely solely on teachers and the printed word says the Rev. Everett C. Parker of 21 Skiff St.

Motion pictures are given a slight edge over older forms of religious education in a 77-page document reporting the first major study of the use of films in church. The study was conducted by the Communications Research Project of the National Council of Churches and was directed by the Rev. Parker, Lecturer in Religious Radio and Television at Yale.

Two other Hamden men took part in the project. The overall report was filed by Mr. Parker and by the Rev. Linton Pope of 80 Santa Fe Ave, Dean of the Yale Divinity School, along with one other associate, The Rev. Paul H. Vieth of 50 Mountain View Terrace was a member of the planning and supervisory committee for the project.

The use of films in 102 area churches of various Protestant denominations was surveyed as part of the project. The report shows that films open doors to children and make them more receptive to the Christian religion.

However, project researchers found that churches must still rely on person-to-person contact to develop in children a sense of Christian dedication and service. Class discipline, a problem that has plagued many teachers, was greatly lessened by the use of films, the report shows, and both children and teachers said they greatly enjoyed movies and found them helpful.

The survey also developed these facts:

1. Children receive a more vivid mental image of Jesus and other Biblical figures from movies than from Sunday School book illustrations.
2. Despite the fact that use of religious films apparently is a firmly-established practice, few churches make any attempt to use films as part of the regular Sunday School curriculum.
3. During one year of the survey, 38 films were shown in New Haven churches. Of these, 294 (54.6 per cent) were classified as religious films and 245 (55.5 per cent) as non-religious films, such as travelogues and industrial pictures.

4. Twenty-one per cent of all films used, and 38.3 per cent of the religious films used were produced by Cathedral Films of Hollywood, Calif., an independent, non-church related organization. Fifty-three films used were produced by the Broadening and Film Commission of the National Council of Churches.

5. The churches used films produced by the denomination to which they belong almost two and a half times as frequently as films produced by another denomination.

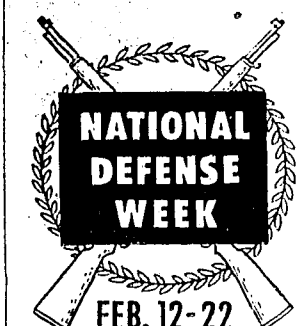
6. There is a correlation between the size of the church membership and the use of films. Churches with a membership of more than 1,000 showed the highest average of film use — averaging 14 films each year. Those with memberships of 500 or more used an average of 10 films yearly while churches with between 100 and 500 members used only 5.8 films a year.

7. No significant correlation was found between the theological position of the church and the types of films used.

Mr. Parker said the artistic quality of religious films is generally low, "too many," he declared, "suffer from poor scripts, lack of good direction and mediocre performance."

"In some cases Biblical stories are distorted and too often tend to stereotype the prophets and apostles as aged characters with long beards and stooped shoulders, instead of portraying them as they were — vigorous, active human beings. Christ is made to appear effeminate and artificial, and therefore, to today's children, unconvincing in what He says and does."

Pastors of the 102 New Haven churches, the report continues, expressed belief that motion pictures should be planned to fit programs of local churches in order to help train church school teachers and other lay leaders. They also urged films that deal with family problems, boy and girl relationships, vocations, citizenship and problems of youth and old age.



Palmieri Foods	4.1
P & R Motors	4.1
Metcalfe's Drug	3.3
Corner Store	2.3
Tinarri Electric	2.3
Chapple's All Stars	2.3
High Ridge	1.4
Beachhead	1.4

**Schedule For Saturday**  
The game schedule for this coming Saturday is as follows:  
At 10 a.m.—  
P & R Motors vs Chapple's A.S.  
Beachhead vs. Corner Store  
At 11 a.m.—  
Tinarri Electric vs. Metcalfe's  
Palmieri Foods vs. High Ridge

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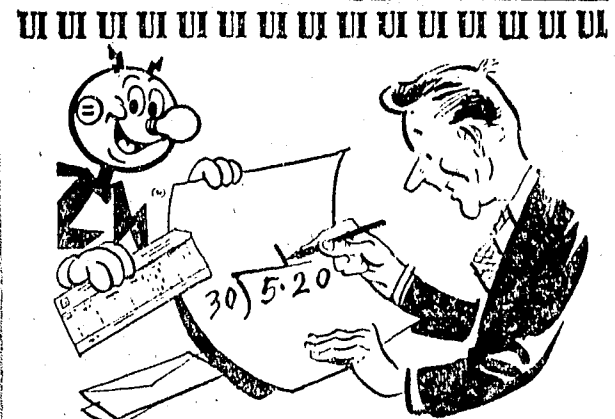
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