

STRICTLY LOCAL

PREVUES, VIEWS AND REVIEWS

BY PAUL H. STEVENS

THE PROBATE JUDGESHIP

East Haveners await with interest and anticipation the outcome of the Republican Convention in New Haven Saturday at which a candidate for the judgeship of the New Haven Probate Court will be selected. This interest is natural because the foremost candidate for the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Judge John L. Gilson is our own neighbor, leading member of the Bar, president of the local Rotary Club, and Judge of our Town Court for most of the time since its establishment, Clifford B. Sturges. Judge Sturges has the training, the experience, and the ability to fill this important post which will be decided at a special election in June which has been called by Governor Baldwin. For sixteen years he has been a clerk in the New Haven Probate Court where he has gained an insight into the unique problems which daily confront that important office. As an administrator of the law he has been highly successful in the opinion of his fellow lawyers. He is a man of understanding and wide sympathies. He is well and favorably known both inside and outside his party in the city of New Haven and in the towns which make up the Probate District. He merits the support which we believe he will receive.

THE LENTEN SEASON

The Lenten season which began with Ash Wednesday, February 14, and leads up to Holy Week culminating with the springtime festival of Easter Sunday, April 1, is always an opportunity for spiritual renewal and refreshment. The great religious faiths have always emphasized the need for such a period during the annual march of the seasons and in these times, amid a world at bitter war, few can deny the good that such a Lenten season can accomplish. In our own community our churches have provided many opportunities in the days leading up to Easter for services of contemplation, worship and instruction. It is our hope that they will be well attended. Those of us who find ourselves in the business center of New Haven during our noon-day periods may find it inspirational to drop in for a half hour or then at the services which have been arranged for those of the Greater New Haven area. Daily at Trinity-Church-on-the-Green, pastors, rectors and ministers of the several Protestant denominations, representing nearly a hundred churches, conduct a Lenten service under the auspices of the New Haven Council of Churches. Not far away, at St. Mary's church in Hillhouse avenue, hundreds of business men and women attend the Catholic Lenten services. Arranged by the Dominican Fathers, during Holy week starting with Palm Sunday, March 25, there will be a variety of services, outstanding of which will be the Communion Breakfasts and the Good Friday services. There is every indication all of these will and should draw large crowds this Lenten season.

CONNECTICUT TRAINED ATTENDANTS

Our Health Officer, Dr. Robert M. Taylor, calls our attention to the need for Connecticut Trained Attendants, a professional occupation which seems to us to hold a good future for young women who desire to train for these positions. Trained attendants are needed for work in hospital wards, in private duty, as field workers for visiting nurse associations, and in special hospitals. Salaries in this field are good, from \$65 to \$90 a month with maintenance in hospital jobs and from \$5 to \$7 a day in private duty. Advantages are a State License, lifetime occupation in interesting work, and good salary. It is also a field in which there is ample opportunity for real service. Requirements include residence in Connecticut, two years of high school, eighteen years of age, United States citizenship, and good health. The length of the course is one year, which includes three months in classroom instruction and nine months of supervised practice in wards of affiliated hospitals which include Griffin Hospital, Derby, and Windham Community Memorial Hospital in Williamstown. There are no fees for the course, and while in the hospital, board, room and laundry are provided and a small monthly allowance is given. The next entrance dates are June 4 and Sept. 5.

FOR ALL ART LOVERS

A distinct contribution to the cultural interests of this area is the annual Art Exhibit inaugurated three years ago by Dr. John L. Gregory and which will open next Tuesday (which by the way will be the first day of Spring) in St. Andrew's chapel in Fairmount. This event attracted many art lovers the past two years and an even greater attendance is anticipated this year. Exhibits such as this are to be heartily commended, emphasizing as they do the beautiful side of life. Even those who have only a superficial interest in the art find that interest increased and enhanced by a visit to an art exhibit. There is real joy to be had in art appreciation and more and more busy folk are finding a new outlet in the joys of creative painting. A visit to the Art Exhibit will be a real thrill not only to art lovers but to everyone. We are informed that at a program in connection with the opening Tuesday at 8 P.M. there will be an address by Prof. Halford E. Lucock of Yale, and a talk on art appreciation by Mrs. Ethel Stauffer, the well-known artist. There will also be an afternoon tea and program Thursday at which the speakers will be Rev. Albert H. Marion and Miss Edith A. Rowe. The public is cordially invited to attend, Dr. Gregory tells us, and the exhibit is opened to everyone without charge. Many East Haven, Fair Haven and Branford artists are exhibiting.

POST WAR PLANNING

GROUP MEETS TUESDAY

A meeting of the Postwar Planning Committee will be held Tuesday at 8 P.M. in the Town Hall basement. We will have three subjects of much importance for this year.

FIRST—Laurel street as a state aid road and to be classed as a Postwar program as recommended by Governor Baldwin in rebuilding routes thru and around urban areas.

SECOND—We will go deeply into the report of the School Department as this is a well written report and we as taxpayers must give it much thought.

THIRD—We still want a town

owned beach where young and old alike may go and not be crowded out by people from out of town. These subjects should mean a lot to the mothers and fathers of East Haven. G. W. Blanchard

S-SGT. OGILVIE VISITS AUNT IN SCOTLAND

S. Sgt. James A. Ogilvie recently returned from a furlough spent in Edinburgh, Scotland, at which time he visited with Miss Annie Ogilvie, formerly of Sanford street, familiarly known as "Aunt Annie" to her many friends of the Stone church. He found conditions in Scotland much more drastic than in the U.S. they being much more strictly rationed than we are. He

Ernest Hanson Named As Full-Time Chief

Announcement was made today by First Selectman James J. Sullivan that the Board of Public Safety has appointed Ernest Hanson as full-time chief of the Fire Department. Chief Hanson, who has been chief of the department for a number of years, has been previously working on a part-time basis. The salary of Chief Hanson will be \$2,700 under the new arrangement and he will also have an automobile allowance. The appointment is effective Monday, March 18. The position of full-time chief of the Fire Department has been an acknowledged need for a long time. Associated with the fire department for many years Chief Hanson is well known among fire fighting officials in this area. He is a mason contractor. In politics he is a Democrat. Announcement was also made by the Board of Public Safety of the resignation of George Herdell as a fireman at the Bradford Manor Fire company. He has bought a farm in Guilford and plans to go into the milk and poultry business there. The Board has appointed Champlain Henry to fill the vacancy.

S-Sgt. Pashynski Gets Meritorious Award

Bailey, Member Of Famous 4th Division, Now In States—Other News About Those In Armed Forces

BY WILLIAM E. FAGERSTROM
S. SGT. PASHYNSKI '38, nose gunner of a B-17 Flying Fortress, has been awarded a third Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal according to a recent announcement by the commanding general of the U.S. Eighth Air Force in England. SGT. PASHYNSKI won the award for "meritorious achievement" on a series of combat missions over Germany while flying with the 92nd Bombardment Group, oldest Fortress group in England. ROMAN entered the army in 1942 and won his aerial gunner's wings at Tyndall Field, Fla. He arrived overseas in October, 1944.

CHARLES BAILEY '39 took his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. After this training he was sent to Camp Campbell, Ky. CHARLES was also a member of the Ohio State Star Unit A.S.T.P. He received further training at Fort Meade, Md. and Fort Kilmer, N.J. It was from the latter point that Charles was shipped overseas in September, 1944. He was a member of the 53rd Armored Infantry—4th Division—that outstanding division that was sent to Bastogne to relieve the men there. In December CHARLES froze his toe and was a patient in one of the hospitals in England for two months. He is now in the Halleron Hospital in Staten Island.

KENNETH BISSELL '39 enlisted in the U.S. Army in February 1942. He was called to service on the 20th of the same month. After two months' basic training at Fort Eustis, Va., he went to Fort Macon, N.C. where as a member of the Coast Artillery he served as signalman in the signal tower for about two and one half years. KEN was married on July 29, 1944 to the former Miss Virginia Freer, a classmate of his at East Haven High School. In November of 1944 he was transferred from Fort Macon to Fort Story, Va. where he stayed only about two weeks going from there to Fort Monroe, Va. for another two weeks. On the sixth of December KEN left the East for California where he remained for about a month. On the 13th of February his family received a card from Seattle, Wash., and the next letter he sent home was mailed from Honolulu where he is at the present time.

Mrs. Louise Woodworth, former East Haven resident, writes: "When I talked with you on my recent visit to East Haven you asked me to write you of any news concerning the boys. I thought you might be interested to know JOE sailed from Shoemaker, Calif. some weeks ago and is now somewhere in the Pacific. He most likely is at a Base Hospital as he has a Neuro-psychiatrist Special Rating and has handled nothing but mental cases since he completed his special training. He has been at the Naval Psychiatric Hospital at San Leandro, Calif. JOE's address is PH M 1-c U.S.N. (207-33-87) Draft No. 2242 from Shoemaker, c-o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif., and will be very happy to hear from you."

MILITARY FUNERAL MASS
A military memorial mass for Pfc. Arthur William Faugno, son of Michael Faugno of Humphrey st., New Haven and nephew of William E. Faugno of Main street, East Haven will be celebrated in St. Michael's Church, New Haven, Sunday morning at 10:45. Pfc. Faugno was killed in action with the Infantry in Germany on Nov. 28. He had been in the service 5 months.

Mrs. R. S. Hewitt Heads Campaign For War Relief

Mrs. Ralph S. Hewitt of 12 Sidney Street, has been named chairman of the United National Clothing collection for war relief. Anthony Caruso of the East Haven War Council announced yesterday, he drive is nationwide, sponsored by the government, of which Henry S. Kniser has been named national chairman by the President. The collection of clothing of all kinds will take place during the entire month of April, and the local chairman, Mrs. Hewitt, in preparing for the campaign will call upon all organizations of the town, including fraternal, civic, religious and other groups, to assist in the work of collecting clothes for war relief.

Woman's Aid Easter Sale On March 22

And now comes another of the pleasant events in the march of the seasons—the Easter Sale sponsored by the energetic Woman's Aid Society of the Old Stone church. The date set is Thursday, March 22, and the women are making plans for a real springtime festival.

Mrs. Joseph Holt is chairman of the committee in charge and is being ably assisted by other women of the popular organization. Of course Easter Plants will be a feature at this Easter event but there will also be a variety of other interesting booths. Mrs. Howard Lewis and Mrs. Donald Childsey will have charge of the Apron booth. Mrs. Hervey Johnson will direct the sale of the flowers and potted plants. Mrs. John P. Barclay will preside over the white elephant booth with its variety of interesting and fascinating wares. Mrs. Robert Bowersfeld will have charge of the booth at which neckties will be the stock in trade. The silver tea will be under the direction of Mrs. William G. West.

A cordial invitation is extended to the townspeople to attend the Fair which will be held in the Parish House.

TOWN TOPICS

FROM OUR REPORTERS' NOTEBOOKS

First Day of Spring next Tuesday
Early robins already seen around town.

Peepers will soon be heard in nightly chorus along Farm River.

Saturday it will be "Top of the Mornin'" to Everyone, and there will be a lot of "Wearin' of the Green" in honor of St. Patrick.

We've been tipped off that something important is going to take place in East Haven on April 7 and we must admit we are all in a dither about it. We advise you all to keep that date—April 7—well in mind.

Red Cross campaign progressing, but not as well as it should considering our town has a \$10,000 quota to reach this month. That amounts to approximately one dollar for every man, woman and child here.

Co-chairmen Mrs. John P. Barclay and Mrs. William E. Fagerstrom met with workers for preliminary reports and less than \$1,000 had been collected to that date. The workers will meet for reports again this Saturday.

Additional workers announced this week are Mrs. Charles Larson, West End; Mrs. B. P. Reed, Saltonstall; Mrs. Gladys Slason, Prospect Place Ext.; Also Mrs. E. W. Montgomery and Mrs. Joseph Holt.

Starting today in the local theatre there will be collections for the Red Cross to continue for one week.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Lubov of Main street were called to New York March 8 for the funeral of Mrs. Lubov's nephew, Sgt. Milton Dombroff, following an injury while in the service which resulted in six months hospitalization in Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. Before entering the service Sgt. Dombroff had been an attorney a law in New York City and he was a young man of considerable promise.

Pvt. John Redman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Redman of 65 Frank street is now at the Connecticut University at Storrs where he is enrolled in the ASTP.

We are indebted to Mrs. Baker, mother of Mrs. Ray Gifford of Kimberly avenue for copies of her home-town newspaper, The Fairhaven (Mass.) Star. We enjoy looking over other home-town newspapers to see what other folk in other towns like.

Civil War cannon on the Green looks just grand with its new coat of paint. General Knox ought to be well pleased.

Lieut. William B. Ward of Westville who is home on a furlough following two years of service in the Air Force in the Pacific area paid a surprise visit to his aunt, Mrs. Cecel L'Hommiedieu at the Gift Shop. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ward, summer residents in the Mansfield Grove colony here.

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REMEMBER WHEN?

MARCH 16-22, 1920

Miss Edna Slade, operator in the local telephone exchange had accepted position with Connecticut company.

Primary department party largely attended in Stone church with Mrs. William Ritchie and Mrs. Lawson in charge assisted by Mildred and Marion Peck, Madeline Cooper, Doris Coleman and Dorothy Scoville.

Wallace Cornwall, U.S.A. married Miss Edith Hanson of New Haven.

Young married people enjoyed an assembly dance in town hall given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haskell and Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Hastings.

Rear door had been added to town hall auditorium on second floor of town hall leading to fire escape. Previously only one exit had been provided.



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Financing Our Schools

By Wm. E. Gillis, Superintendent of Schools

In the recent annual town report there is a graph showing how your tax dollar is spent. The largest portion, or more than 46 of the dollar is spent for administration and operation of the public schools. A second glance at the chart shows that there are additional expenses for bonds and interest on bonds. This brings the total to 53.4 of the tax dollar spent on the schools during the year.

Almost the entire income is derived from real estate taxation. Education is a function of the State, as regulated by the State and the schools are required by State law to teach various subjects. State mandating aid in maintaining the schools, however, is a very small amount. Our school expenditures are added to the extent of the tax dollar spent on the schools only 3% by State Grants. A community like ours with only small

homes as a source of tax revenue, must depend on the State for the bulk of its income. The State must provide the bulk of the money to maintain its schools at a good level. It is to equalize educational opportunities throughout the State and in order to transfer the source of revenue from real estate to other means of a State wide basis, a State Aid for Education bill is coming up for a hearing before the Legislative Committee in Hartford. Connecticut is one of the most backward states in giving state aid to education. The children in some townships possibly be offered the opportunities which can easily be given by wealthier communities. The purpose of the bill is to require at least a \$100.00 per pupil program each year. The local community will have to contribute at least 25% of the average tax receipts for education.

At present our average cost for each elementary pupil is \$77.00. The average cost for each high school pupil is a little more than \$144.00. The average for all pupils is slightly less than \$90.00 per pupil. State Aid as proposed would result in larger grants increased over a four year period. Our beginning grant would be \$27,000.00. This would be approximately 14% of our total cost or 4% times the amount we are now receiving.

The bill would result in more money being spent on education in the State but it would equalize the educational opportunities in the State. It would raise the standard of education in Connecticut. It would relieve some of the tax burden on the home owners. All of the increased grants and loans would not have to be spent on education after the minimum program was put into effect. East Haven would benefit materially from this measure. As we are one of the towns low on the list in reference to per pupil expenditures.

The bill on this Bill will be held on March 20th at 2:30 P.M. in Hartford. Plan to attend the hearing or get in touch with your local representatives in connection with this measure. Copies of the Bill will be furnished to those interested or questions concerning it will be answered if you will get in touch with our office.

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What's Doing At Town Hall

At the office of Building Inspector Frank H. Redfield, permits issued recently have included addition to dwelling of Police Viale at 458 Main street; addition to house of Marie Tomore at 47 Dodge avenue; and remodeling of five room dwelling of Phyllis Shulman at Silver Sands.

Town Engineer Charles Miller reports that work is progressing on the town's sewage disposal survey which was authorized by the Board of Finance in its budget for the current year. The various problems peculiar to East Haven are now being studied and the best methods of drainage and disposal are being surveyed, he said. A statement will be forthcoming to NEWS readers in the near future concerning the plans underlying for East Haven as a post-war project.

Some 97 pieces of property are now being appraised in the campaign being conducted by Tax collector James Ogilvie for the collection of taxes on premises upon which the taxes have been delinquent over a long period of years. Unless the properties are cleared of their tax indebtedness they will be taken by the town, a procedure having already been instituted by the collector. In most of these cases the property involved are small lots which were subdivided a few years ago and in which the owners cannot be located for reason of death, removal, or other cause.

In the session of Town Court Monday morning with Judge Clifford B. Sturges presiding and Asst. Vincent J. Pasano prosecuting the following cases were disposed of: Edward J. Ginty, of 861 Grand avenue, New Haven, operating a motor vehicle without a license, fined \$5; Jesse J. Richardson, 9 Talmadge street, New Haven, operating a motor vehicle without a license, fined \$5; Matthew Coppola, of 103 Wallace street, New Haven, charged with reckless driving as a result of a collision with Elizabeth Modena of 378 Yates street, New Haven, while both were driving on North High street, East Haven on the night of March 4, was fined \$24 while Miss Modena, charged with similar violation, received a discharge.

The women of Christ Church served a delightful supper. Wednesday night in the church hall under the direction of Mrs. George Munson, Mrs. G. C. Everts, Mrs. S. E. Page and Mrs. Harry Kurtz.

Rose F. Eagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Eagan of 371 Phoenix avenue, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps. Two brothers are in service, John J. in the Air Corps, and Thomas P. in the Navy. Miss Eagan is a graduate of East Haven High and St. Raphael's Training School of Nursing.

Items for THE NEWS are always welcome. Write or phone them early in the week.

Main street stores were busy Saturday the Easter shopping season began to get underway.

We have heard some talk about the possibilities of a branch bank in East Haven after the war. Seems to be considerable sentiment for such an institution here.

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MOTHER'S CHORUS GROUP AT LAUREL P.T.A.

Mrs. Henry DePalma, president of the Laurel School Parents and Teachers' Association is proud to announce the enthusiastic advancement of the Mothers' Chorus Group now well underway.

At the February meeting the Parents decided to start this Chorus Group with the intention of making a more pleasant atmosphere for the Parents. An added feature of this kind is highly mentioned by members of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The parents meet at the home of Mrs. DePalma every Thursday evening. New and old songs are being arranged and accompanied by piano, guitar and mandolin. The members of the Chorus Group are: Mrs. Henry DePalma, Misses Cecilia and Anne Polot, Mrs. Lewandowski, Mrs. Yeager, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Berner, Mrs. Charles Kronberg, Mrs. William LaPointe and Mrs. Edward Kronberg, the guitar and mandolin players are Charles DePalma and William Andrews. -M.K.

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CHAPTER IV
Present Elementary School Plant

Any plans for future buildings must be based on the present facilities. The present structures must be viewed with the question in mind, what changes are needed and can be efficiently made.

The rating of the East Haven schools was done by three educators by use of the Englishhardt score card. All elementary schools were visited and scored, mostly on the basis of the following factors:

None of the schools has an auditorium or gymnasium. The three center schools, at least, are large buildings. The whole child is not adequate to educate the whole child. When he attends school, the present philosophy demands a more comprehensive demand of the child. The Union School building, as can be seen from its score, is not conducive to effective education. Its site is too small to provide for adequate facilities. It is too close to adjacent buildings. The building itself is a fire hazard. Oil soaked wooden floors and stairways provide every opportunity for a conflagration. The one fire escape leads out from the rear of the second floor over combustible parts on the first floor. Lighting is poor, although every effort seems to have been made by the teachers to brighten the dingy interior. The basement is no better than the rest of the building. It has no windows. Union School has come frequently into the superintendent's annual reports, usually because of its overcrowded condition. The fact that the center of East Haven has almost continually been in session, South School building was also scored very low in the structure survey. There is but one point difference between its total score and Union's. There is no difference in this negligible difference. The school was visited only a few years because there were not enough pupils attending it to warrant keeping it open. The establishment of a new school, housing project nearby and the overcrowded condition at Momauguin School made it necessary to reopen. The school once more this year. Its use could only be excused by the impact of wartime conditions in East Haven. The South School site was scored lowest of all sites of elementary schools. South school has a complete lack of any necessary facilities for social activities except those which can be carried on in the formal classroom. The toilet facilities, although adequate in number are far from adequate in the teaching of good living habits. The combustible nature of the building is not to its credit. The building is such that the case of Union School, further repairs, alterations, or additions to it would be prohibitive.

Highland School, rating nearly 100 points higher than Union and South Schools, received its comparatively low rating because of its scattered arrangement. Successive poorly planned additions have been made to the front and rear of the building on its site in a piecemeal fashion, but such a substantial building cannot be changed at this late date.

Momauguin School, serving southern East Haven, has a long record of overcrowded conditions. The site was poorly chosen. It is too small and considerable dilapidation has to be done to improve the site. Unused adjacent land should be purchased at once to insure better conditions and opportunity for expansion. The building was originally put up to accommodate a second story if such should be needed. Momauguin can be made into an efficient school unit. In its present condition there is much to be asked. There is no kindergarten or adequate provision for special activities. Part of the basement was used for a classroom. Even though it was not the most desirable, it was probably as good as the facilities at South School which replaced the basement classroom.

Laurel School ranks fairly well in its score. Its lack of most noticeable in the absence of special activity rooms, which is a general criticism of all the elementary schools.

There is no special criticism of Gerrish School except that it

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Boys Pen Interesting Letters From Far Away

Mrs. Coe of Stone Church Servicemen's Committee Receives Many In Day's Mail

From far-flung out-ports of America's massive war-machine, Mrs. H. E. Coe, chairman of the Stone Church Servicemen's Committee, has received a number of interesting letters from boys in the "Broadcast" which is mailed out at intervals to those of the church who are in service. From her list of interesting reports from widely separated areas:

From Australia
Dear Mrs. Coe: I received the Old Stone Church Broadcast yesterday and was so very glad to get it. A small newspaper like that sort of brings good news from home right here in Australia.

Australia is a wonderful country and reminds me very much of New England. The town I am in is a town about like New Haven. The people are very cordial and like the Yankees better than the English. I am a member of the "Star Spangled Banner" and the people stand up through it.

How long we will be here. I hope we won't leave before Christmas. I would like to spend that day at sea. I spent Thanksgiving at sea. I had a very good time. I had a very good time. I had a very good time. I had a very good time.

Gen. Knox Says

Like a lot of you other East Haven folks I've been reading the report of the school survey that was made here in East Haven last year by an educationist from the Connecticut State Board of Education. I'm glad to see that the school is in such good shape. I'm glad to see that the school is in such good shape. I'm glad to see that the school is in such good shape.

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MR. BRINLEY'S COLUMN

"Make new friends, but keep the old, the first are silver, the latter gold." The East Haven Congregational Church is holding a series of classes for the young people. The classes are in English, French, and Spanish. The church is located at 100 Main Street.



William C. Thompson, graduate of R.I.I.I.S., 1938, is continuing his athletic prowess in the Army. Bill attended Milford Prep in 1939, where he played basketball, baseball, and football. In 1940 he entered Arnold College of Physical Education. In June 1942 he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He took his basic training at Miami Beach, Fla., in March, 1943. He then went to Buckley Field, Colo., where he received his Aircrew Armorer course of instruction and was graduated July 3, 1944. He is now stationed "Somewhere in Belgium" and still playing basketball in the U. S. Army Air Corps tournament.

Personalities

Frank M. Dooley One Of Town's Busiest And Best-Liked Citizens

We have hesitated for a long time to write about Frank Dooley as one of East Haven's personalities. We have hesitated because we doubted our ability to put in words just what Frank has meant to East Haven in the dozen years he has lived here, and the inspiration which he has been to so many of our townspeople old and young. This week, as we start the second half of our first year of editing THE NEWS, we will delay no longer in writing about Frank Dooley.

Sanitary Needs Cited In Better From "Lamira"

Editor's Note: Our columns are filled with reports on local topics from our readers. Letters must be signed as an evidence of good faith. Publication will be made only if the writer's name is given. We are not responsible for the return of unsolicited material.

Stone Church "Broadcast" In Mails Again

We are in receipt of Vol. 1, No. 5 of the Old Stone Church "Broadcast", which the Servicemen's Committee of the church, sends at frequent intervals to the men and women of the church who are in the Armed Forces. The editor, Mrs. H. E. Coe and her associates have presented much informative and interesting material in this latest "Broadcast", which comprises eight very well mimeographed pages which will unquestionably bring pleasure to the large number who will receive it. Considerable thought is included as are items of news about servicemen, those who have been honorably discharged, and those who are in the process of being discharged.

Floyd Newton Gives Talk On Safety Program

Members of the Men's Club of the Stone Church enjoyed their March supper meeting Tuesday night in the Parish House and Tuesday night in the Parish House and Tuesday night in the Parish House.

From Nigeria

Dear Mrs. Coe, Your letter and picture of the library arrived today. It was a great pleasure to hear from you again. It must keep you busy writing to everyone in the far corners of the world. Don't ever think of me as a burden. I am sure you can find a cure for all diseases sooner than the people can, or will be, educated to the fact that germs are everywhere and no one is safe from them. The Government, Laboratorians, and Clinics are spending vast amounts of money each year to preventative to kill or keep germs dormant; all which has availed us nothing. Why? He asks. Because the things will not cooperate with us. We are carrying on in the six branches of the work will also be a part of the Greater New Haven set-up.

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Foxon News

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UNION CHAPEL Rev. J. Edward Newton of Westville Pastor

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Acting upon that request, the Branford Rotary Club started the ball rolling by inviting clubs and organizations to meet in the town hall last evening for organization with Rotarians D. D. Blanchard and Rev. Frederic R. Murray.

In cooperation, Mr. Robert Richardson of the Branford War Council sent Mrs. Emil Nygard, wife of a Rotarian, as chairman to represent the council.

A goodly number of societies had representatives present and chose Mr. Murray as chairman of the meeting. Frank J. Kinney made a motion which was passed that Mrs. Nygard be chairman of the drive with Mr. Murray and Mr. Blanchard, vice-chairmen.

Mrs. Edward Garrity proposed that the campaign be conducted on a house-to-house plan using the customary town-drive zoning system.

Many attending offered to serve as captains or workers in their zones so this morning finds the three chairmen with pad and pencil arranging for captains to guide our town in doing its share of this very necessary humanitarian task which operates during the month of April.

This is to be a united effort for the relief of all nationalities in all war-devastated areas. Reports indicate that as many war victims have died from exposure and lack of adequate clothing as have died from starvation.

Next week there will be published a list of clothing most urgently needed—mainly—clothing of all descriptions.

MRS. LOUNSBURY TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

The semi-public installation of the newly elected and appointed officers of George Chapter No. 48, O.E.S., will be held Monday evening, March 19th in Masonic Hall. A short business meeting will be followed by the semi-public installation with Mrs. Evelyn J. Lounsbury, P.G.M. installing Worthy Matron assisted by Mrs. Esther D. Enquist, P.M., as Marsnal, Mrs. Carrie A. MacLeod, P.M. as Chaplain, Miss Alma V. Nelson P.M. as Organist, Mrs. Alice B. Wilson P.M. as Warder.

Officers to take office for 1945 and 1946 are: Mrs. Pearl W. Nelson, Worthy Matron; Mr. Norman V. Lamb, Worthy-Patron; Mrs. Beatrice G. Bruce, Associate Matron; Mr. Robert E. Bruce, Associate Patron; Mrs. Edna M. Wickstrom, Secretary; Mrs. Carrie A. Lounsbury, Treasurer; Mrs. Karen V. Hamre, Conductress; Mrs. Bessie W. Cassidy, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Esther D. Enquist, Chaplain; Mrs. Mildred A. Duncan, Marshal; Mrs. Ruth P. Hull, Organist; Mrs. Rosalie G. Pinkham, Adah; Mrs. Matilda J. Roth, Ruth; Miss Alice Louise Wilson, Esther; Mrs. Florence M. Lindberg, Martha; Mrs. Mildred B. Havens, Electa; Mrs. Rose K. Buell, Warder, Mr. Ralph H. Nelson, Sentinel.

URGENT NEED

Blood donors are urgently needed for Wednesday, March 21 at 2 o'clock. Arrangements may be made by calling Mrs. Robert Williams. Those who wish transportation will be picked up at the post office at 1:15.

EASTER LAMB

There will be a drawing for a Easter lamb at the North Branford Town Hall, March 23 sponsored by the North Branford Fire Department.

Avery Lecture Well Received

Miss Eunice Harriet Avery gave a "you-could-hear-a-pin-drop" lecture at the Community House Thursday evening developing the subject "Dumbarton Oaks—At the Cross Roads."

Miss Avery, a platform speaker of note came by arrangements of the Branford Study Group of the New Haven League of Women Voters.

The result of the lecture is best summarized in the words of the Rev. A. W. Jones, "Miss Avery has in two hours, given us a fine course in international government equal to a six months course and has stimulated us to know more."

She led to the background of the coming San Francisco conference giving the cause and effort behind the proposals. This is our last chance for world peace she said. Dumbarton Oaks is the only peace plan proposed, so it is that or nothing. Miss Avery mentioned inventions to back up her statement to the effect that a World War III would last but a few hours, so powerful would it be.

Mrs. Michael Carpinella was chairman, Mrs. Nelson Rostow, president, of the New Haven League of Women Voters introduced the speaker and a short musical program was given by Mrs. Raymond Pinkham, Miss Rosamond Hammer and Miss Mary Devlin.

Assisting at the door were Mrs. Paul Rinker and Irving Adams, Jeanette Hill, May Lindberg, Norma Petre and Mrs. Harold Mullen were ushers.

Societies Give To Red Cross

Mrs. Constance Myers, chairman of the clubs and organizations division of the Red Cross War Fund Drive, announces that to date the following organizations have contributed to the Red Cross War Fund:

- Widow's Son Lodge, AF & AM \$10;
- Home Makers Club \$5; Free Poland Group 2119, Z.N.P. \$10; Woodland Temple Pythian Sisters \$5; Associated Business of Branford \$10;
- Sydney Beach Auxiliary 11, \$5; Baptist Welfare League \$10; Junior Musical Art Society \$2; Four Comrades \$3.75; Italian Roma Society \$5; Boy-Scout Troop 1 Branford \$5; Ladies Roma Society \$5; Primary Department Congregational Church \$5; St. Hedwig Society \$25; Company 1 State Guard \$10; Hope Circle \$5; Vasa Star Lodge \$20; Thule Society \$15; Tabitha Society \$5; Hemett Society \$5; Georgia Chapter 48 O.E.S. \$50; Narpes Society \$5; Girl Scouts Troop 27 \$10; Local 1336 Steelworkers \$10; Branford Grange \$10; Pawson Tribe 61 I.O.R.M. \$10; Nashawena Council 36 D. of P. \$10; Comfortable Society, Congregational Church \$15.

In view of the great need of the Red Cross for funds, letters have been sent to 94 organizations here asking for donations. It is hoped that all 94 will contribute as soon as possible.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Pfc. John C. Meglin of Harbor Street has been wounded in action his family has been notified. The extent of his injuries are not known except that he has shrapnel in his leg. He was serving with the Infantry somewhere in France.

SEALS SELLING

Walter Palmer, chairman of the Easter Seal Sale reports that \$368 has been collected until noon today.

Post Votes On Business Items Of Importance

The regular monthly meeting of Corcoran Sundquist Post was held at the Armory Tuesday night and considerable business was transacted.

It was voted to make a \$25 donation to the Red Cross War Fund.

Joseph A. Donadio, Sergeant at Arms heads a committee consisting of Frank Dudley, Jack Ahern, Howard Wall and Stephen Bomboliski to make plans for a summer rally at which all discharged veterans of World War II will be invited.

Vice Commander Charles O. Beckett gave a full report on the recent meeting of the executive committee which was held at the home of J. McDermott in Granite Bay.

Legionnaire George Dunbar Jr., donated cigarettes to the Chaplain's fund for distribution among the local vets who are confined to their home with illness.

Chaplain Ernest Albertine was appointed chairman of the 1945 Legion Poppy Drive. Past Commander Robert Richardson was appointed liaison officer to Mrs. Emil Nygard's committee on the U.N.R.A. Clothes Committee.

Commander Eugene B. Rodney will act as chairman of the Post's Memorial Day Committee. He will soon meet with the Town Committee to discuss plans for the Memorial Day Exercises.

Virginia Levesh Meets Sponsors

The regular meeting of Mary Clap Wooster Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, was held Monday in New Haven Medical Association auditorium, with the regent presiding.

Three high school girls, sponsored by the chapter and chosen by their respective schools as Good Citizenship Pilgrims, for outstanding qualities of leadership, dependability, scholarship and patriotism, were presented to the chapter. They are, Miss Virginia Levesh, Branford High School; Miss Betty Tansey, East Haven High School; and Miss Norine Fitzgibbons, New Haven Commercial High School.

SON WOUNDED

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mason, Clark Avenue, Short Beach have been notified that their son, Cpl. Donald Mason was wounded while in service with the Marines at the invasion of Iwo Jima. He has been in service 15 months.

Sees Need Of Allocating Shoreline

Writer Sees An Immediate Need To Reserve Proportion Of Seashore For Public Access—States Tidal Shoreline Is 144 Miles.

The recent sale for residential subdivision of a well known Beach near one of Connecticut's coastal cities that has heretofore been available to the public by paid admission bring to the fore the immediate need of allocating a suitable proportion of our shoreline frontage (including lake and river as well as seashore) to public access and use. Experience has shown that once having been cut up as lots there is little chance of re-assembly.

The length of our Connecticut shore to an aviator flying in a straight line along the coast from New York State to Rhode Island is 98 miles; but following the main indentations we are considered by U. S. Coastal Geodetic Survey to have a tidal shoreline of 144 miles. As the latter distance figures out at the rate of five inches of seashore frontage per inhabitant of the State, not including any for tourist visitors from interior States, it is easily seen that every portion of this still available must be reserved for general public use, possibly some area for semi-private use. A little historical and statistical study will show the alarming trend toward the extension of limited private use of much of our seashore that formerly contributed to general public recreation and enjoyment.

Before the coming of the white man Indians used the shorelands in common. Adrian Blok, charting the shores of Long Island Sound and New Haven Harbor in 1614 found the Pequots and Quinnipiacs holding the hunting and fishing rights along the shoreline; but exchanging such privileges, or fish, with Interior Tribes for dried venison. Jane Shelton in "The Salt Box House" tells of a summer expedition in 1750 by settlers of "second and third tier inland towns" during which the families, after hauling, camped on Stratford Beach "to rake oysters, dig clams and catch striped bass, white perch and yellow fish." Reverend Charles Nichols of New Britain in his diary writes of such excursions in 1815, and Albert Sherwood in "Memories of Old Derby" (1865) describes similar seasonal trips to the "open shore."

Phone Company Question Users About Service

In order to plan more effectively for future improvements in telephone service, The Southern New England Telephone Company is sending a questionnaire to a number of subscribers in this section. The survey is being conducted among party-line users in selected areas throughout Connecticut, and seeks to find out just what features of the Company's service are most liked—and disliked—by the users. The results of the survey will guide telephone planners, both immediately and after the war, in their efforts to provide better service.

Among the questions are: Describe the quality of service you are getting. Do you feel the company is doing all it can. Do you have trouble getting the line. Do other people interfere on your line. Does amount of ringing bother you. Do you have difficulty hearing. Are you cut off while talking. Do you suggest any changes in the directory.

Reading Club Has Musical

The Half Hour Reading Club, with Mrs. S. A. Griswold presiding, met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. S. V. Osborn, Jr., of Wilford Avenue.

Delegates of the Connecticut Federated Women's Club attended and included Mrs. Halloway Kilbourne, Mrs. Edmund Male, Mrs. Paul V. Plummer and Mrs. William D. Borchard. The latter was formerly a resident of this town.

\$10 was voted to the American Red Cross.

Opening the program was an instrumental trio with Mrs. George Fouser, Mrs. Rosalie Pinkham and Miss Helene Whitaker. This was followed by a vocal trio by Mrs. William Crawford, Mrs. Irving Adams and Mrs. Esther Alexander; a piano duet by Miss Mary Devlin and Mrs. S. V. Osborn, Jr.; three vocal selections by Mrs. John Oliver; a violin solo by Mrs. Fouser and finally an eight hand piano quartette by Mrs. Thomas Murphy, Mrs. S. V. Osborn, Jr., Miss Mary Devlin and Miss Polly Dunbar.

Concluding the afternoon a tea was served with Mrs. R. F. Bailey and Mrs. Archer Knowlton, hostesses.

INVITED AGAIN

Miss Eunice Harriet Avery will speak here again May 11 using as her subject, "Russia."

Square Dance For Red Cross Next Thursday

Realizing the great need of the Red Cross for funds and wishing to contribute even more than the \$50 which was donated last year, the Aristonians voted at a recent meeting to hold a square dance for the benefit of the War Fund at the Community House on Thursday evening, March 22, from 8:45 to 11:45 with the total proceeds going to the Red Cross. It is anticipated from the advance sale of tickets that much more than \$50 will be realized but if not, the organization voted to take whatever amount necessary from the treasury to enable it to give at least the \$50 to the War Fund.

Mrs. Howard Carlson, chairman, has engaged Irving Hintz and his Farmer Boys to play for the dance, with Tommy Gambardella calling the numbers for the squares. This is a very popular orchestra, having a large following, which plays weekly at the Eagle's Hall in New Haven, at the Knight's of Columbus dances on Saturday evenings, and at the Ritz Ballroom in Bridgeport every Friday evening. This six piece orchestra specializes in waltzes and polkas as well as in the music for the old fashion dances.

Tickets are on sale at Collins and Freeman's and at the Book Store. They may also be obtained from any member of the club. Any person or organization wishing to help sell tickets, in order to make this benefit a success, which bears the name of the Red Cross but not of the Aristonians, are asked to call Mrs. Howard Carlson.

GATE TO SPEAK TO REPUBLICANS

The Women's Republican Club of Branford will hold their next meeting on the afternoon of March 19 at 2:45 in the home of Mrs. Winfield Morgan, at which time Major Robert Cate will speak on Veterans Adjustment and Re-employment. Major Cate is a field representative of the Connecticut Re-employment Commission and maintains close association with all the 160 towns of Connecticut concerning this vital post-war subject.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Collector C. A. Terhune, has released the following: taxes collected for month of February, List of 1943 (Current) \$904.16; interest, \$44.90, total \$949.06; Back taxes, \$102.12, interest \$9.86, liens, \$45, total \$156.98; Old Age, \$7,525; interest 4, total \$7,529.00.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Due To Attract Over 200 To Hear Lt. Gov. Snow

Local Democrat's Cut Program To One Speaker To Conform To Curfew Restrictions—Dancing Will Follow Program—Thomas Fitzgerald, Chairman

James J. Carney Acting Director At O P A Office

James J. Carney who came to Hartford last month at the request of the Office of Price Administration Regional Administrator to take over as acting State Director until such time as a successor to Mr. Anthony Arpaia was named has returned to his home in Montpelier, Vt.

Mr. Stanley Crute has been named to fill the position left vacant by Mr. Arpaia's resignation.

James Carney was born in Branford in 1893 the son of Mrs. Katherine Bowman and the late Peter J. Carney. He attended the public schools in Branford and after graduation from high school was employed for a time in the post office. He resigned that position to carry on some studies in New York in the Broker Accounting School and during the World War enlisted in the Navy, from which branch of the service he received an Honorable Discharge. Shortly after coming out of the Navy Carney went to Washington with the Treasury Department and from 1919 to 1925 served as an auditor from that branch of the service in both Vermont and Connecticut.

He went to Burlington, Vt. in 1925 to enter the clothing business with a brother-in-law and is, at the present time, financially interested in the clothing company Hayes and Carney, Inc. He is on leave of absence from that company in order to carry on duties with the O.P.A. He was one of the original sixty members of War Price and Rationing Boards in Vermont, serving in that capacity from January to June, 1942. In June of 1942 he was called to Montpelier to take over the position of State Rationing Officer and on February 27, 1943, became State Director, which post he has held since that time. The designation of the job at present is District Director as in some states there is more than one O.P.A. office.

In 1922 Mr. Carney married Cathryn Hayes of Burlington and makes his home at the present time in Burlington with his family which consists of his wife and three children.

TO AVOID ERRORS

The following memo comes from the post office: "Rural patrons can help their Postal Service, as well as avoid errors, by filling out their money order applications and affixing the proper postage to their envelopes before mailing. Your carrier will gladly supply you with money order application blanks and postage stamps."

GRANGE NOTES

A fine program was enjoyed at the Branford Grange Neighborhood Night with 125 attending. Guests were present from Guilford, Hamden, Foxon and Totoket.

Grangers will be guests of Guilford Grange on April 4 and will take part in the program.

First and second degrees will be conferred at the regular meeting here April 12.

At next Thursday's meeting there will be a musical program.

THEATRE AIDS DRIVE

The Branford Theatre will answer the Red Cross theatre call March 15-21 inclusive as part of the motion picture industry's country-wide effort to raise Red Cross funds.

The call starts this evening by uniformed members of the various local volunteer groups under the direction of Miss Eleanor Harvey.

Cornelius T. Driscoll who is the head of the committee to procure speakers for the second annual dinner and dance of the Branford Democratic Club has received a telegram from the Honorable Brian H. McMahon, U.S. Senator, stating that he will be unable to attend the St. Patrick's night affair because of the pressure of governmental business in Washington, D. C.

Owing to the present curfew hours, Driscoll has decided that there will be but one principal speaker. Lieut. Governor Wilbert Snow, Professor of English at Wesleyan University. The time which was to be given to the other speakers will be devoted to entertainment and dancing. The affair will take place in the Italian-American Club on Saturday evening and promises to be a complete sellout.

Democratic Registrar of Voters, Thomas Fitzgerald, is the general chairman of the event which promises to have an attendance of over 200. James Cosgrove, Jr., will be soloist.

Chairman Says Need Is Great

Mrs. Roger Benton, chairman of the Red Cross War Fund Drive, has made the following announcement in view of the fact that there seems to be some misunderstanding among the townspeople as to what the quota for the drive is and as to how great the need of the Red Cross for funds is this year. "The 1945 quota is \$14,600, the largest amount that Branford has ever been asked to raise," Mrs. Benton declared, "which represents an increase of \$1,100 over last year's quota of \$13,500. This increase was made necessary by the growing demands on the Red Cross in the battle areas, in hospitals, in the shipping of clothing and food to thousands of prisoners of war, in the care of servicemen's families, in the rehabilitation of veterans, and in the expanded educational programs of the Red Cross."

Mrs. Benton concluded: "It is vital that we all give all we possibly can so that the quota may be met. If we do this, none of the extensive services of the Red Cross overseas or on the home front will have to be curtailed."

ROTARIANS VIEW COMBAT FILMS

Thirty-seven Rotarians were present at the weekly noonday luncheon meeting of the Branford Rotary Club to view films of recent war activities in the theatres of combat and also a movie on the World's Fair. The showing was presented by Rotarian E. R. Hodgkiss of Wallingford and Hotchkiss Grove. Visiting Rotarians included Walter and Roger Hodgkins of West Haven, Donald Archer of Ridgefield, Frank P. Sullivan of East Haven, and H. A. Collier of New Haven.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Branford High School Basketball team for its victory last Friday night as Class B champions.

On the trophy winning team were: Gino Nardella, Charles Lake, Robert Geier, Henry Olejarczyk, David Clark, William Hinchey, Donaid Stevens, Jerome Garrely, Anthony Proto, Kenneth Erickson, Richard Whitcomb, William Mischler, Henry Dew, James Murphy and Coach Warren Sampson.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE

Yesterday morning at a meeting of the Visiting Nurse Association four members-at-large were appointed: Mrs. Norman V. Lamb, Mrs. Albert B. Plant, Mrs. W. Flinders Smith and Mrs. Richard K. Brewer.