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## STRICTLY LOCAL

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PREVIEWS OF THE  
EAST HAVEN SCENE  
BY PAUL H. STEVENS

### LOCAL VS. WASHINGTON FUNDS

Here in East Haven this spring we have been watching a vast and highly interesting engineering project. Enormous pipes, extending from far out in New Haven harbor, miles away, have been carrying harbor-bottom mud into the extensive salt meadows west and south of the Town Dump at the foot of Hemingway Avenue and extending to the town line and beyond. The pumping of harbor-mud into East Haven's swamps has been a small part of a vast project of deepening New Haven harbor at a cost so far to the Federal Government of close to three million dollars. Now another half million or more is needed to carry the work further into the inner harbor channel, and we are willing to bet a new Easter hat that this money will be forthcoming from Washington.

Now do not get us wrong. We believe in progress. We believe that a city, located, as is our neighbor, directly on seaboard, should have the advantages of water transportation. We believe that Arthur H. Gosselin, chairman of the New Haven Harbor Development Committee, has done a swell job in successfully fighting for a program which may again make of New Haven an important seaport.

The point we want to make, however, is how come it is so easy to get millions out of Washington when it is well nigh impossible to get thousands out of our own close-at-home town and city treasuries for needed public improvements. For years and years many communities, and we don't have to go far to find them, put off necessary projects such as sewers, new schools, recreational areas, and so forth, because they seem to be unable or unwilling to provide the money from tax funds raised in the local communities, where we, the voters have control of them. Yet at the same time there is an ever-increasing amount of federally-raised tax funds rolling across the land to be poured out into projects over which the local communities have little or no say.

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

This week, ending the forty days period of Lent and ushering in the Easter festival on Sunday, is being observed universally as Holy Week, one of the most solemn periods of the year in the calendar of the Christian Church. Coinciding as it does with the Passover season of those of the Jewish faith it has become one of the most significant religious observances of the entire year. As Christmas has secular importance also, so also has the Easter season, marking as the latter does the coming of spring, the putting aside of somber winter for the gay and brighter period of spring and summer.

In East Haven the stores have been busy during the days leading up to Easter. Buying has been active and business men report that this has been one of the most successful shopping periods they have experienced. It is a pleasant time for children who are looking forward to the visit of the Easter Bunny with gay Easter baskets and other seasonal gifts.

Numerous activities, most of them of a religious nature, are taking place this week. At the Old Stone Church Holy week services this Friday and Saturday evenings point up to the Easter Festival Sunday when there will be three separate services of morning worship with special music and sermons. The St. Vincent de Paul's parish, St. Clare's Parish, and the Church of Our Lady of Pompeii in Foxon, are busy this Holy Week and have special masses arranged for Easter Day. Christ Church and its Momauguin Branch have notable services arranged for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

The traditional Easter Sunrise service over the town line on Beacon Hill at Granniss Corner will draw many from the East Shore Communities at dawn. Rev. Louis Duane Hatfield will be the speaker and Harry Brinley will be present with his accordion to provide music for the hymn sing. This Thursday night in St. Andrew's Methodist Church a motion picture, "Golgotha" is being presented as a contribution to the Holy week program.

### FOR THE COMMUNITY

We have received from the Greater New Haven Community Chest a colorful and picturesque booklet which gives in graphic form the highlights of how Chest funds were expended the past year. We are pleased to see on the front cover, among a number of thumb nail sketches of institutions sharing in the community chest, a drawing of our own East Haven Town Hall, typifying the Public Health Nursing Association which has its headquarters in this building.

What your Community Chest and Council of Social Agencies did for thousands of people in Greater New Haven last year is dramatically portrayed in this attractive booklet. A liberal use of candid photographs illustrates all of the Red Feather agencies in action. The photo depicting the work of the local Public Health association shows the senior nurse, Mrs. Lillian Morgan caring for a patient, and the caption reveals that East Haven Public Health helped 625 persons during the year. The booklet states that the East Haven health nurses provided bedside nursing care, health supervision for infants and pre-school children in East Haven homes, and gave health instruction and assistance to expectant mothers and to families with invalids. In 1948 the public health nurses served 400 East Haven families.

The 1948 report, most ambitious annual summary ever published by the New Haven Chest is available for free distribution to all interested. Anyone can receive a copy by writing or telephoning the Chest Public Relations Office at 397 Temple Street, New Haven, 8-6161.

If you have wondered what happens to the money you give you will be interested to know that the chest dollar is distributed on the following basis: youth activities, 29.3 percent; family welfare, 18.8 percent; public health nursing, 12. percent; hospitals and clinics, 16 percent; administration, 7.2 percent; Council of Social Agencies, 2.5 percent, and U. S. O., 1.3 percent.

Just stop a minute to examine these figures. Actually, more than 40 per cent of your Chest dollar supports activities dealing exclusively with children. In addition, children are a major concern of many other agencies, such as hospitals and clinics, family welfare and public health nursing. So you may conclude that between 50 and 75 per cent of the money collected during the campaign is spent to insure the health, happiness and welfare of boys and girls of this community. By comparison, the 7.2 per cent allotted for Chest administration is a small investment indeed.

## Proposal Made That Business Group Be Chamber Of Commerce

Committee Will Investigate Possibilities And Poll Membership On Suggested Change—Seek Limited Parking In Front Of Post Office

A proposal to change the East Haven Business Association into a Chamber of Commerce was discussed at some length at the April meeting of the association held Tuesday night in the Town Hall. It was decided to name a committee headed by President Vincent Gagliardi to explore and investigate the possible change and after ascertaining some of the details involved to poll the full membership as to their opinions upon the proposal.

It was pointed out that Chambers of Commerce have proven successful in every community in which they have been organized and that such groups of public spirited citizens have been able to accomplish a great deal for the civic, business and industrial benefit of their localities. In Branford recently the Business association of the town has taken such action. The association also authorized a committee to confer with town officials concerning the rescheduling of parking of automobiles in front of the Post Office to 15 minutes, action deemed necessary with the opening next week of a super market in that block.

Members will also be informed by letter of the association's policy concerning program advertising which has shown a noticeable increase in recent months.

## Dawn Service Easter Sunday At Beacon Hill

The twenty-sixth annual Community Easter Sunrise Service will be held Sunday morning at 5:07 o'clock at the summit of Beacon Hill at the head of Beacon Avenue at Granniss Corner. The service will, as usual, be held within the area that was once Fort Webster.

The speaker at the service will be the Rev. Louis Duane Hatfield, pastor of the Old Stone Church. The scripture reading will be by Carl N. Hanson. The song leader will be Henry W. Behler and music will be furnished by Harry W. Brinley on his accordion. Hymns will

## Work Goes Ahead On Drive-In Theatre

Work is progressing rapidly on the new Post Drive-In Theatre being put up on the Frank Sullivan property north of the Route 1 cut-off on the east end of Peat Meadow. The large acreage has been filled, large drain pipes laid, and now the huge screen is being put together. The Sullivan Company storage quarters will be shifted to the Kimberly Avenue side of the property.

## Super Market On Site Of Tyler House

Site Of First National Has Been Landmark In East Haven Many Years

The handsome new First National Super Market, which opens next week, stands, together with the other block of nearby stores developed by Martin Olson, upon the site of the John Tyler homestead. This one time landmark on Main Street was demolished in 1945, and was one of the oldest houses in the town.

It is interesting to note that when it was razed its valuable interior panelling and wood work, including mantels and stairways were carefully removed and used in construction of colonial reproduction work in New Jersey.

According to Donald V. Chidsey, History of Old East Haven Houses the John Tyler house was built in or about 1715 by Samuel Bradley. Until its sale it had never been outside of the family of Samuel Bradley's descendants.

The house was a fine example of early colonial architecture, the chimney leaving the roof behind the ridgepole as is the case in the oldest Connecticut dwellings. There were four handsome fireplaces on

## Special Town Meeting Will Be Called Soon

A call will be issued in the near future, it was stated at the Town Hall this week, for a special Town Meeting in response to a petition calling for a vote on whether or not a new voting district will be created in East Haven. The town is already divided into three voting districts, Center, Momauguin and Foxon. The proposal would set up a fourth district taking in the western part of the town known as the West End.

The calling of a town meeting on this subject is by agreement of both Republican and Democratic parties. A bill presented by the Democrats is now before the General Assembly in Hartford calling for the creation of the new voting district and it is understood that it has been agreed that the action of the town meeting will decide the issue.

First Selectman Sullivan said that the call will also include a proposal for action upon the site for the new South School. The School Building Committee has been making negotiations toward securing the Schutsky property in Short Beach Road. Counsel for the owner of the property and Town Counsel Benjamin Reynolds have been conferring regarding terms and other details, all of which will be placed before the voters at the special town meeting. It is expected the meeting will be held shortly after Easter.

## New Building Being Completed At Center

Work is under way on a new building of concrete block construction adjacent to the present building of the East Haven Service Station at the corner of Main Street and Thompson Avenue. The structure is 28 by 41 feet and one story high, so constructed that another story can be added later.

Pat Florio, manager of the East Haven Service Station, states that the new building will be used as a new car sales room and for offices for the Savoll Company.

Include "Holy, Holy, Holy" "The Church's O. Foundation", and "Christ the Lord is Risen Today." The prayer will be given by Rev. William H. Kirkland, pastor of St. Andrew's Methodist Church, and the benediction will be by Elder C. C. Sears, of the Reorganized Latter Day Saints. The announcer will be Archie M. Perrie.

The Beacon Hill Easter Service which is undenominational is sponsored by a committee composed of the following: Clarence S. Bremner, Calvin C. Sears, William Applebeck, Henry W. Behler, Henry J. DeVita, Miss Betty Doyle, Albert H. Duenkel, Carl N. Hanson, John Johnson, Edmund Milcowski, Archie M. Perrie, F. Sydney Sansone, Paul H. Stevens and Miss Dorothy Watson.

## Star Studded Cast In Blue & Gold Show

The star studded cast of this year's Blue and Gold Variety Show will debut on the stage of the East Haven High School Auditorium the evenings of April 21st and 22nd at 8:00 o'clock P. M. Marilyn Elliott and her crew of usherettes, Barbara Clark, Nancy Harrison, Mary Lou Carneve, Lillian Lewandowski, Delores Vergati, Linda Prann, Helen Colley, and Ann Englehardt will escort the milling crowds down the aisles. Don Streeter and his stage crew will raise the curtains, dim the lights and the 10th Anniversary production will be on. Three colorful scenes, Fiesta, Stardust, and Television will be chock full of old and new talent such as Ivory Picklers, Sally Esposito, Ann Davison and Pat Charman, dancers, Phoebe Hain, Carl Rosetter, Marilyn Miller, and Barbara Wilson, acrobats, Jack Stempick, Carmen Pellegrino and Alice Syglet; vocalists, Muriel Andrews, Anita Fiondella, Lucy Ritch, Pauline Tierney, Marian Tansy, Mary Joy, Fay Gaylin, Gloria Clark, Gloria Albano, Andrew DePino and Frank Volardi plus xylophonist David Watrous.

The singing groups performing this year are the traditional Singing Seniors who will open the Television Scene, the Stardusters, a Junior group, and the Singing Sophomores. To have on the production the Florida Boys; Fred Esposito, Harry Neff, Bob O'Connor, Roger Merrill, James Gamberella, Buddy French, and Arnold Ryder may prance and cavort about the stage in their costumes. Brightening the Fiesta Scene is a group of Tambourine dancers; Elaine Barbary, Joan Dillman, Rachel Brooks, Claire Hagerty, Barbara Brewer, Fay Garvin, Lucy Ritch, Ann Kelleman, Marilyn Miller, and Ann Ogilvie. Couples walking in the Stardust scene are Andrew DePino and Gloria Albano, Donald Carafino and Muriel Andrews, Carl Weller and Jane McGuire, Dick Myers, and Laura Atwater.

## Junior Guild Card Party, April 19

The Junior Guild of Christ Church will have a dessert card party in the church hall on Tuesday, April 19, at 8 o'clock. For reservations contact any of the following committee: Mrs. Frank Laine, chairman; Mrs. Alfred Wells, Mrs. Fred Swanson, Mrs. Harry Ly, Mrs. Harold Levine and Mrs. L. A. Herman.

STAINER'S "CRUCIFIXION" Stainer's "Crucifixion" will be presented by the Adult Choir of the Old Stone Church at the Good Friday Service in the church this Friday night at 8 o'clock. Last night at the Maudy Thursday service, there was reception of new members, and Holy Communion.

## Green Gets Going Over

It was clean-up day in East Haven last Saturday, although not officially announced, and First Selectman Jim Sullivan had a large force out all day giving the town a real going over. A crowd of high school boys started in early and stayed late and by the time they had finished the Town Green looked neat and trimmer than it has in many a month. It was a good job well done.

## Ancient Salt Box Dwelling Remained In Same Family Since Erection In 1715

When it was demolished a huge hoghead was found in the attic and this, judging from its size must have been built when the house was erected as there was no means for its being removed, it having been too large. Tradition says that the family hid the silver and treasure in this hoghead at the time of the British invasion of East Haven on July 5, 1779. The valuables were placed in the hoghead and then covered with grain, so the story, handed down from generation to generation, has it.

The original builder, Samuel Bradley, was a locksmith. He married Sarah Robbins in 1715, and the house was built. When Bradley died the house passed to the son, Simeon, who lived there his whole life long. His wife was Abigail Dennison. Their daughter, Mabel, married John Tyler of Branford in 1786. The Tylers occupied the house and passed it on to their son, William Tyler, who married Julia Thompson. The son of this couple, John Tyler, was born in 1837 and he too, lived to a ripe old age in the homestead and when he died the

house was passed on to his widow, who was Jane Thompson. When Mrs. Thompson died her sister, Miss Nellie Thompson the last inhabitant of the house lived on for a number of years alone. When she died she was the oldest living member of the Old Stone Church. John Tyler the last male inhabitant of the house, was first selectman for several years, and also one of the town's most active men of his period.

For a total of 230 years the ancient salt-box dwelling looked out upon the changing East Haven scene. It was there when Connecticut was a chartered colony of the King. It was there when the British invaded the town in Revolutionary times. It predated the Old Stone Church by more than a half century.

## TOWN TOPICS

A bit of news, a bit of gossip, a bit of Fun, Gathered on our Saturday afternoon stroll.

Happy Easter!  
Let's hope for pleasant weather.  
So everyone can join the Easter Parade.

This will be one day in the year when all the churches will be filled.  
We note that the Forsythia is flowering around town, the daffodils are a riot of color, and the other plants and shrubbery are getting ready for blooming.

The handsome magnolia tree on the Russell place next to the Old Stone Church on Main Street is ready to burst into full bloom any day now.

Clean-up time has been keeping the firemen on the jump this week attending to grass fires which have gone out of control.

We have been watching the State Highway Department's advertisements lately but haven't seen any call for bids for the new Hemingway Avenue pavement. Let's hope it will not be long delayed. New road is much needed.

The dredging of Tuttle brook has progressed very well and makes decided improvement in West End of town by lowering the ground water level there.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Caruso of Elm Court leave this Thursday to spend Easter with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Bancroft, and Mary Ann and William Junior, in Indianapolis. Mr. Caruso is chief clerk in the East Haven Branch Post Office.

We enjoyed a pre-Easter visit to the J.A. Long Co. greenhouses in Dodge Avenue Saturday and found The flowers, and there is a vast variety of them, including great masses of fragrant Easter Lilies, were never more beautiful. It is a real flower show, these days at Long's and the public is cordially invited. A record harvest of carnations is being groomed for Mothers' Day.

The kiddies at the Nursery Department of the Old Stone Church Sunday School are looking forward to Easter Egg Hunt Saturday at 3 P.M. on the High Street side of the church buildings. Misses Marion Rowley and Arline Weber, co-supervisors of the department are in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Brusseau are visiting with relatives in California for the month. Mr. Brusseau is the assistant at the East Haven Branch of the First National Bank. His work is being done in his absence by Burdette Meyer of Branford assigned from the main bank in New Haven.

East Haven Boy Scouts joined the Council Saturday in the "Gold Hunt" in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the original gold find at Sutter's Mill in California.

Miss Elaine R. Homer, R.N. of 243 North High Street, who has been doing infantile Paralysis nursing in Santa Barbara, California, vacationed in Tijuana, Mexico, last week. Miss Homer did police nursing in Salt Lake City before transferring to California.

Foxon Famine declares that a smile is understood by all nationalities.

And Momauguin Minnie claims that it's because virtue is its own reward that so many folks are good for nothing.

A Scout Court of Honor is scheduled for this Thursday evening in the Old Stone Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reinwald of Kimberly Avenue enjoyed a restful stay with relatives in Washington, D.C., where they made visits to many interesting places in the nation's capital. Their visit coincided with cherry blossom time and they were enthralled by the gorgeous display of the beautiful flowering trees.

## Dates Ahead

Dates Ahead must reach the Editor by Monday evening.

- Pequot Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, each Monday at 8 P.M., Red Men's Hall 195 Main Street.
- Star of Victory Lodge, No. 63, O. S. of B. First and third Tuesdays, Red Men's Hall.
- Rotary Club each Thursday 12:15 noon, St. Vincent de Paul's Auditorium, Taylor Ave.
- Navajo Council, No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas meets first and third Wednesday, Red Men's Hall.
- Princess Chapter, No. 70 O. E. S. Meets second and fourth Mondays, 8 P.M. in Masonic Hall.
- Harry R. Bartlett Post, American Legion, meets 2nd and 4th Thursday 8:30 P. M. Legion Buildings.
- East Haven Assembly, Order of Rainbow for girls meets first and third Friday, Masonic Hall 7:30 P. M.
- South District Civic Association meets second and fourth Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m. 83 Vista Drive.
- Saltonstall Civic Association, first Tuesday of month 8 P. M.
- Momauguin Lodge, No. 138 A. F. A. M. Stated Communications 1st and 3rd Mondays except July and August
- Amerigo Club meets last Sunday of each month at 4 P. M. in Club House.
- Narketta Council, No. 27, Degree of Pocahontas, second and fourth Wednesdays, Red Men's Hall.
- Pequot Junior Council, every Thursday, Red Men's Hall.
- St. Vincent dePaul's Ladies Guild meets second Tuesday, 8 P. M. Church auditorium.
- Legion Auxiliary meets Third Friday 8 P. M. Legion Building East Haven Democrats, Second Friday, Red Men's Hall.
- East Haven Fire Co. No. 1, meets first Wednesday 8 P. M. Fire Headquarters.
- Public Health Nursing Ass'n meets first Monday 8 P. M. Town Hall.
- American War Mothers, East Haven Chapter, meets second Tuesday, 8 P. M. Hagaman Memorial Library.
- Christ Church Men's Club meets first Tuesday of each month 8 P. M. Church Hall.
- Half Hour Reading club First
- Thursdays, 2:30 P. M. Hagaman Memorial Library.
- Bradford Manor Home Company meets every last Monday of the month at the Bradford Manor Hall.
- St. Clare's Guild meets every second Monday of the month in Bradford Manor Hall.
- East Haven Boy Scout District Committee meets first Wednesdays at Stone Church 8 P. M.
- Cub Pack Committee meets third Tuesday at Stone Church.
- Jr. Women's league of O. S. of B. 1st Wed. of every month at 8:00 P. M. in Parish House.
- Junior Guild of Christ Church meets in Church Hall fourth Thursday in each month.
- Women's Republican club meets Fourth Thursday at the Annex House.
- Garden Club meets fourth Wednesday in Hagaman Memorial Library.
- Bradford Manor Auxiliary meets at the Bradford Manor Hall every first Monday of the month.
- Woman's Aid Society, Old Stone Church second Thursday, 2 P. M. Parish House.
- Junior Friends of Music, Third Thursdays 3:30 P. M. Hagaman Library.
- April 15—Good Friday
- April 17—Easter Sunday
- April 17—Easter Sunrise Service, Beacon Hill.
- April 19—Booster Club Social, Town Hall 8 P. M.
- April 19—Derrest Card party, Junior Guild, 8 P. M. Christ Church Hall.
- April 19—Highland School P.T.A. Covered dish supper.
- April 20-21—Musical Show, Benefit Church of Our Lady of Pompei, Foxon Community Hall.
- April 21—Momauguin Well Child Conference 2 P. M. Momauguin School
- April 21-22—Blue and Gold Variety Show 8 P. M. High School
- April 22—E. H. Well Child Child Conference 2 P. M. Town Hall
- April 27—Card Party and Fashion Show, Bradford Manor Auxiliary Bradford Manor Hall.
- May 13—Harry Bartlett Post Military Ball, Branford Armory.
- May 20—High School Junior Prom, Pine Orchard Club
- May 22—Annual Spring Concert Junior and Senior Friends of Music.
- May 26-27-28—T.B. C. Chest X-ray Clinic, Town Hall.
- June 7—Flower Show, East Haven Garden Club, Town Hall.





### Military Ball To Have Music Of Army Band

The 51st Annual Military Ball will be held at the Branford Army Station on Saturday evening, April 23, 1949. Music will be featured by a 12 piece orchestral section of the 102nd Army Ground Force Band under the baton of Warrant Officer Joseph T. G. ...

### Valerie Morawski Names Attendants Of Nuptial Party

Miss Valerie Morawski, who will be married to Mr. Donald C. Erickson on Saturday morning, April 16, at St. Mary's Church, has announced the attendants in her nuptial party.

### Class Of 1950 Has Elaborate Plans For Prom

The class of 1950 will hold their Junior Prom in the Pine Orchard Country Club on May 21. It was decided following the recent balloting in the junior home-coming at the Pine Orchard Country Club.



New Double Duty Table Water Heater

### TICKET SALE STARTS FOR MAY CIRCUS

Advance ticket sales for the New Haven Junior Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Hamilton Circus at the New Haven Arena will begin on Saturday, April 16.

### Jeannette Peterson To Be Wed In May

The coming marriage of Miss Jeannette M. Peterson, daughter of Mr. Fritz Peterson and the late Mrs. Stanley Peterson of Palmer Road, to Mr. Stanley Dworkowski of Branford, will take place on Saturday, May 28th.

### Barbara Stegna Given Party At Hotchkiss Grove

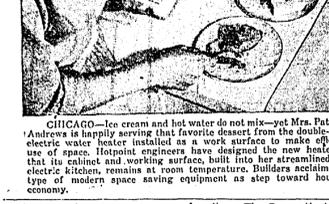
A birthday party in honor of Barbara Stegna was recently held at the home of Richard Baldwin in Hotchkiss Grove. Games were played and dancing took place after which refreshments including a birthday cake were served.

### Former Resident Will Be Married Sunday Afternoon

The marriage of Miss Carol Ann Gervich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Gervich of Stratford, N.J., formerly of Branford, to Edward T. Dwyer of Patterson, will be solemnized Easter Sunday, April 17, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church in Prospect Park, N.J.

### BRANFORD STOPS ARE AFFECTED BY NEW SCHEDULE

Harold W. Quinn, passenger traffic manager of the New Haven Railroad, announced yesterday that the new schedule for the New Haven train will affect the Branford stops.



Patricia Marie Hammond

### Harbor Street P.T.A. Planning Food Sales

Harbor Street P.T.A. will hold a food and used clothing sale Friday, April 22 at ten o'clock in front of the Santa Maria Fabric Shop on Main Street.

### SAMMY KAYE leads the "Easter Parade" in his smart ADAM



Adam Hats

### Area Parents Of Afflicted Will Organize

Connecticut parents of youngsters afflicted with cerebral palsy are organizing to get better care for their children.

### NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmitz of Maple Street announce the birth of a son in St. Raphael's Hospital on Friday, April 8, at 10:30 P.M.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Services will be held at the Congregational Church on Sunday, April 17, at 11:00 A.M.

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Classified ad rates: 5c per insertion of twenty five words or less. For ad over twenty-five words, 10c for each added five words.

### Health Officer Warns Of Rules

Health Officer, Dr. A. S. McClellan, yesterday reminded residents of Branford of a local ordinance, adopted in December 1941, which is for the purpose of preventing the spread of disease.

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### Motor Vehicle Registrations Increase Here

Motor vehicle registrations in Branford increased from 333 in 1947 to 360 last year. The greatest increase was in passenger cars, according to State Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Blister S. Watson.

### Red Cross Offers Nutrition Series

Many women here who have a real eagerness to have our local Red Cross sponsor a series of nutrition lecture, demonstrations. At the same time, however, it is necessary to have a few more women signed up as interested in the course.

### Sophomore Class Readies For Its Annual Hick Hop

The Hick Hop, the annual sophomore class party, will be held at the high school gymnasium on Friday evening, April 22, at 8 o'clock.

### Little Boy's and Girl's Easter Coat and Hat Sets

All wool coat and hat sets that mean happy Easter parading for the web crowd. . . . and a happy day for your budget.

### How's Your Furnace?

Send in this coupon for a FREE furnace check-up. HENDRICKS HEATING CO. INC. 376 LOMBARD ST. BRANFORD, CONN.

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### There'll Always Be a "Gawker"

"Harry the Hermit," as he's called, came down town last week and, as usual, caused quite a stir. He looks like a cross between Santa Claus and Daniel Goober.

Advertisement for 'THE FRIENDLY STORE' located at 266 MAIN STREET, BRANFORD, CONN. Phone 8-1664.

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Advertisement for 'The John T. Scott Co.' located at 281 MAIN ST., EAST HAVEN. Representatives: Robert J. Neal, Tel. 4-2730; Madison Representative, Robert L. Dee, Tel. 560.

Advertisement for 'Hotpoint' automatic electric dishwashers and disposals. See how Hotpoint's Automatic Electric Dishwasher and DISPOSALL Banish Kitchen Drudgery!

Advertisement for 'WALL PAPERS' featuring a variety of designs and colors. Located at 1111 MAIN STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Advertisement for 'STEVE PRUSSICK GARAGE' equipped to repair all makes of cars. Located at W. Main St., Tel. 8-3155.

Advertisement for 'FOR SALE NEW HOUSE' with 6 rooms and bath. Located at Mon Ave., Branford Hills. Contact: ANTHONY POMPANE, Tel. 8-2738.

Advertisement for 'MODERNIZE YOUR KITCHEN' with baked-on white enamel metal cabinets. Located at 1730 State St., New Haven, Conn. Tel. 7-0294.

# SWAP SHOP

BY BILL AIHERN

Up at University Heights in Boston, a powerful lad is asserting himself in spring football practice. He is Edward Petela, brother of a host of greats in the Branford world, particularly sports.

His job, to crack the varsity pigskin combination, has been a tough one and he still is faced with much trouble before he makes it.

Big, rugged and possessed of much grey matter between his ears, his should be a great story.

Ed has been somewhat lost in Branford sports through the constant halo of sports supremacy which encircled other personalities in his own families. His brothers, Fritz (Frank) and Stanley were standouts in the gridiron game and the basketball court respectively. Standouts is a small name for it for they were box office attractions whose appearance guaranteed a top gate.

Frank has long since deserted the ranks of football and boxing and Stan, because of a cracked vertebrae, is sidelined at the Michigan State University where he was on the varsity squad earlier this past season.

But the halcyons on the Petela mast are even now slapping against a flagpole of athletic destiny as the clan once again prepares for another pennant of achievement to wave its colors, not only in the Branford breeze, but in the more rugged gales of the collegiate football world.

Yet there was a time when it appeared as if Eddie was going to stay in the factory where he worked following his laudable service in the U.S. Maritime during the recent war.

While on his tour of duty with the men of the victory ships, Eddie, who is an inveterate reader, got hold of books of athletic and communitistic leanings. On his leaves he expounded the theories of both so cleverly that his parents and friends became alarmed lest, in his course of study, he veer too far from the right and be lost in the maze of ineptitude which a lack of belief in the Deity must present.

Because of his parents' fear and the concern of his friends, he allowed himself to be dissuaded from an almost certain course to the left in public life to a college career where he might gain further enlightenment on all subjects.

His life might have been strengthened in the beliefs with which he was beginning to spend increasing time or it might have gone back to the more universal belief—in God.

But Ed did not have the money to enter college. He wanted to trade a fancied ability in football and a burning thirst for knowledge, of any kind, for satisfaction of the latter desire.

His fancied ability was just that for although he had a fine pigskin record in high school, he did not play ball in his senior year and rarely, since he graduated, had he an opportunity of sharpening his play.

That his thirst for knowledge had to be sated, his friends recognized, for in his own handpicked sortie, he had acquired enough to be dangerous. For in the brashness of youth, there was only one side to the story—his.

Yet that same boldness was a boon.

Three years ago, this time, he boarded a train for Boston. There he met Tot Owens who took him to see Denny Myers. Myers asked him to do a uniform for a tryout. Eddie did and impressed the big Boston College mentor with his speed and love for rough going.

In a talk after the game, Myers expressed hope that big Ed would enter the school and sent him to see the registrar where he blurted out a simple statement. "Father, I want an education and I'm willing to play football for it." His forthright manner won a way to the good padre's heart but he was warned that he must be proficient in his studies.

That stipulation was right enough for Ed for in his graduating class, he was the valedictorian and he felt that cracking the books would be easy enough despite the fact that his shipboard reading was far removed from the equations of college learning.

His coldness to study soon warmed, however, as the lessons of his Branford High teachers flooded his memory once the cobwebs of disuse were washed from the fount of memory.

And week by week as he returned home, his old ideas became spaced with more sober thoughts. Once again his keen mind functioned with arguments pro and con on his old stand but the danger of radicalism was past.

But not so is his career.

Ed made a great name as a fine prospect when he was a member of the freshman class nearly two years ago. His torrid running ability placed him in a class by himself in the accolades of the Boston journals. Unsung he was supposed to be another Mike Halovak, a one time Boston College great, who athletically, at least, earned a right to talk to the Lodges and the Cabots. He even had a lucky day one practice and spaced placement kicks over the crossbar with uncanny regularity despite the fact that he never had been halled as an extra point kicker around these parts. Eager newsmen watching the exhibition praised his prowess with the same enthusiasm that they expressed over his running.

They failed to consider that Ed's eyes are not 20-20. Not by a long shot. They did not consider that the evils of war had rusted his promised ability in line smashing. Or—that Branford's decision to forego high school football in his senior year gave him a tremendous handicap by cutting down his experience in the formative years. The days when a youth can throw his body with reckless abandon against a foe and through practice can become correct in the details of perfectness before the stiffness of age makes each block a matter of precision or injury.

Thus though he was halled as a surefire hit, saner heads should have realized that Ed still was off the pace of varsity play. He might have gained the needed momentum had he been able to get in on the fall practice but a twisted knee while he was running himself into shape in Branford, sidelined him during those important weeks when a team is learning assignments, particularly timing.

A college football year evolves around those fall practice sessions. In big time football, a lad who misses out on those occasions sees mighty little service since a top notch aggregation must perform with a cohesion that comes only with practice and teamwork.

But this spring, it has been different. No less an authority than the big boy, Denny Myers, has proclaimed to the squad that it is possible that Petela will run from halfback as well as fullback this fall.

And Ed is ready for it.

A little known fact of Ed's athletic career has been his ability with his fists. Recently, in an intramural boxing bout, he made the instructor look so bad, that the word was noised around the Hub City. Johnny Buckley, former manager of Jack Sharkey, looked him up and asked him to enter the game professionally. The lad, who throughout the war sparred continually with Lee Savold, while both were aboard ship, and previous to his service had worked out frequently with Herman Badger and Julie Kogan of New Haven; with his brother Fritz, once the state's heavyweight champ and Danny Cosgrove, who a decade ago, fought at Maxie Grove; and with Johnny Corbett, once a promising middleweight in this town, refused.

He refused because this thing called knowledge had gotten under his skin. The brazenness with which he traded his football ability for an education had been replaced with an almost pathetic desire to finish his college days.

And he will—for his marks are bordering on the dean's list.

But more than that.

Today, Ed Petela is humble with his knowledge of God and christianity. Even at the close of his sophomore year, he has learned to think clearly on both sides of the picture.

The Red dominated maritime days of his war years are gone—though the experience lingers. In the hearts of his family, parents and friends, there is a joyfulness which matches the frivolity of the dance of the Easter morning sun. And, in his own mind, the big footballer, boxer, ex-radio operator, is glad, too. For he knows that he's getting the better value in his own experience with, the Intercollegiate Swap Shop.



Mel Allen starts his fourth year as the Voice of the New York Yankees on WINS when the official 1949 baseball season gets under way with the Yanks meeting the Washington Senators on April 19 in the Yankee Stadium.

## HIGH SCHOOL TO FIELD CLASSY NINE DESPITE CURTAILED SCHEDULE

Forty two candidates for Branford High's 1949 baseball team reported to Coach Warren Sampson this week in an effort to make the first nine of one of the most promising teams in the state. Unfortunately for the fortunes of the nine, the schedule will be one of the shortest in record in the history of the school with only seven games listed.

The squad is the largest numerically ever to report for diamond duty, Sampson, and all spots will be open although many veterans with experience are returning. Three outstanding prospects are listed in the pitching department with Ad Long, Mason and Vin Casanova taking the coach's eye. The latter is a southpaw holdover from Stony Creek and was a stand-out until he sustained a broken hand early last season and was lost most of the play. Ad Long has a powerful frobal and good control. He failed to play high school ball last year but pitched well for the Pre-vues during the summer months. Mason, a Granite Bay youth, has excellent control and a good curve.

Two classy catchers are in the making. Sampson said, with Branford's high scoring basketball forward, Lou Locarno, slated for first string receivership although he is being pressed for the position. A beautiful fight is in the making for the shortstop berth where Tommy Purcell and Blake Lehr are staking out claims for the red hot territory. At second base, the veteran Dick Dolan has first call on the keystone duties. Dolan performed with the Town team in the Greater New Haven League last summer and appears to be in great shape for the scholastic campaign. He and outfielder, Joe Chandler, have been named co-captains of the aggregation.

At a meeting Monday night in the Community House the following teams were entered in the Community Council Softball League: East Sides I A Club, Stone Wall Restaurant, Carver Club, Old Timers, Stony Creek, Forty Niners, Meadow Restaurant, and Short Beach. There is still room for more teams, but all teams must be entered by Friday April 20. Bernard Page Jr. was elected League Commissioner by unanimous vote of all managers. Jr. High Baseball League Organized Through the cooperation of Coach Sampson of the High School, an eight team baseball league has been organized. The games will be played under the supervision of the Community Council the first games were played this week.

Lost and Found Has your boy or girl lost some article of clothing this year? Probably he has and probably he lost it at the Community House. We have six sweaters, three red plaid shirts, four pair of mittens, four caps, and other articles too numerous to name. The phone number is 8-1189.

The Musical Art Society will hold a card party in the Academy on the Green on Wednesday evening, April 20th, at 8 P. M. There will be door prizes and refreshments. Highly polished stainless steel lures for trolling and casting even during long periods of idleness in the tackle box.

The Allies had Dutch snorkels during the war, but did not use them as the Nazis did late in the war. It was not needed then, but is now the "new look" for U.S. Navy Submarines.

Derby Falcons Seek Ball Games The Derby Falcons, who are fielding a baseball nine for the 23rd consecutive year, are anxious to play any team in the vicinity. The Falcons have won numerous city championships in semi-pro ball, and are ready to put another outstanding team on the field, as in the past.

Arrangements can be made by writing to the Polish Falcons of America, Nest No. 208, Derby, Conn., Attention Mitch Mazur.

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## BASEBALL ARRAY FOR LEGION PLAY IS PLANNED HERE

Branford will enter a team in the American Junior Baseball League, it was announced following a meeting of the Corcoran Sundquist Post in the state armory on Tuesday night.

The team will be jointly sponsored by the Legion and the Wilson Auto Sales of this town.

Boys who had not reached their seventeenth year on or before January 1 will be eligible for the competition which will be composed of teams of this district. The winner of the district title will then go through an elimination series to find the Connecticut champion who will then compete for the national title.

An effort will be made by the Legion to secure Joe Orsene as coach of the team. Orsene has been highly complimented for his work with the youngsters in the Community League a year ago and the members of the local post thought the ex-Navy man would be a natural to lead the boys. Full particulars will be announced at a later date.

## Dick Farrington Awarded Numerals

Richard Carvel Farrington of Home Place, Pine Orchard, received his numerals in trashy football at a recent presentation dinner for 52 athletes held at the Harvard Union. Delmar Leighton, Dean of Freshmen, made the awards and praised the men so honored for their achievement. Mr. Farrington is a graduate of Branford High School.

## Boy's Club Signs Young Pitchers

The Short Beach Boys Club this week signed a new hurler, Frank Velardi to its roster of pitchers for the coming season. Velardi is well known throughout East Haven where he performed as a member of the Community Leagues there for the past two seasons.

Three practice tilts have already been played for Coach Roger Thompson is driving his men in preparation for an opening game to be played on Sunday afternoon probably against Stony Creek. Membership in the organization is limited to boys between the ages of 10 and 18 and those who wish to join are advised to be present at a meeting Thursday night in the Short Beach Scout house.

Coach Thompson has released the following roster: Pitchers: Levy, Burhans, Mason, Velardi; Catchers: Corning and Wayland; Infielders: Kenerson, Bauer, Blake Lehr, Lorin Lehr, Dendas and Hayward; Outfielders: Hutchinson, Corbett, Johnson, MacArthur, and Peterson.

## TOMORROW'S TRAIN IN ELM CITY TODAY

General Motors' Train of Tomorrow, now on its nationwide tour, is coming to New Haven.

It will be open to the public without admission charge from 3-9 P. M. Thursday, April 14 and 2-9 P. M. on Friday, April 15, and will be located at the east end of the New Haven Station at the foot of Meadow Street.

The train comes to New Haven after having been shown in the Chicago Railroad Fair last year and in 149 of the principal cities of the nation. To date, more than four and one-half million men, women and children have gone through it. Many millions more have seen it from the outside.

Main feature of the new train is the Astra Domes, atop each of the four cars. These are glass-enclosed penthouses, seating 24 persons, and giving them an unobstructed view of the landscape on all four sides and the sky overhead. The glass used in the domes, and throughout the rest of the train as well, is known as special railroad Thermopane. Basically, Thermopane comprises two panes of glass, treated to absorb heat, reduce glare, and withstand the impact of any abject such as flying stones.

The train is powered by a 2,000 horsepower Diesel locomotive provided by the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors. The cars, with their countless innovations which increase the pleasure of travel by rail, were designed by the General Motors Styling Section and built under its direction.

Other advanced features include individual Diesel-electric generating units by Detroit Diesel Engine Division and Delco Products Division under each coach; individual Frigidaire air conditioning equipment built into each car; roller bearing journals by the Eycatt Division; light-jet couplings which eliminate jolts when starting and stopping; car doors operated by compressed air which open at the touch of a finger, and a new type of car suspension which greatly increases the ease of the ride.

Women will be interested in the "housekeeping" feature of the train. These include the first all-electric kitchen on any train; the 11 refrigerators in the kitchen; stainless wall coverings; shades which cannot be jammed; stain glass ware, used for the first time on any train, because of the smooth riding qualities, and the pleasing combination of colors employed throughout the train.

General Motors, its spokesmen point out, is not in the railroad car building business. Yet, they say, its interest in the improvement of all forms of transportation is historic. It designed the train and ordered the cars built as a contribution to increased comfort and safety in rail transportation. Al-

ready, the train's Astra Dome design has been adopted by some railroads and placed in regular service. Other railroads have similar equipment on order.

## Jim Bowman To Talk At Breakfast

James (Jim) Bowman, former All American football center of Holy Cross College and a wartime member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will be one of the speakers at the second annual Communion Breakfast of St. Elizabeth's Holy Name to be held at the Talmadge Hotel on Sunday morning, May 1.

Other engaged speakers will be Congressman John A. McGuire and Town Clerk Frank J. Kinney, Jr.

Chairman of the committee, Richard Butler, this week announced that Frank Smith of Cox, Smith and Crimmons will be the toastmaster.

Bowman, who will talk sports at the event, has won wide reknown as a scout for the National Professional Football League and once made an All-Star football team which was coached by Jim Crowley, late of Fordham University, and gave summer long exhibitions in Europe.

He is widely sought after as an after dinner speaker.

Tickets for the affair are going fast, committee members reported last night, but the supply is not exhausted as yet. They may be purchased from Mr. Butler or any of the following:

John Ward, Phillip Dahlmeyer, Walter Lynch and Walter Harbske-wicz.

## Vaughn Monroe Was Sport Star

Sport fans, who also go for music, may be interested to know that Vaughn Monroe, radio, movie stage and recording dance band favorite, whose folks live in West Haven, comes to the N. H. Arena on Tuesday, May 3 with his entertaining troupe to play a benefit variety Show and Dance.

Monroe was an all-around athlete during his high school and Carnegie Tech days. He's a Golden Gloves booster, has his own airplane, and a built-to-his-specifications cycle. How he finds time for it all is unknown, but he also does a regular turn at golfing, swimming, tennis and horseback riding.

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