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TOWN TOPICS

Youngful Tommy Moore, local Athlete at Notre Dame High, received a seriously cut wrist last week in a fall through a plate glass door at the school. Doctors regarded the injury as critical from the standpoint of the effect on the many arteries, veins and tendons that were severed. However, after proper care, Tom's hand is expected to respond favorably.

A basket of orchids in general Josie Orloff hosts at the Beach Head Restaurant, for her maternal interest and generosity in the convalescence of Bill Roberts, brilliant E. H. S. athlete, who is now on crutches following a recent knee operation for the removal of broken cartilages. Josie has taken over the convalescent care of Bill and reports that nothing an additional boy in the house is no strain, with 3 of her own for back.

Holly wood scouts should have been on hand last Thursday evening when Gerrish School P. T. A. was treated to the stellar stage performance of 12 year old Ed McCaul, son of Bill and Mary McCaul of Roy Street Billy had the star role in an Xmas play put on by some of the Gerrish Pupils, and drew the applause of the audience by his faultless portrayal of Martin, the shoemaker, during the time of Christ.

A fall in his home resulted in a painfully injured leg for John Glynn, Sr. of Frances Street (he's the dad of Jackie and Jimmy) last week. Diagnosed as badly torn muscles and ligaments, the accident caused M. Glynn to require hospitalization and treatment for five days, allowing him to return home on Wednesday, much to his joy. Papa Glynn says a hospital is no place to spend Xmas, let alone any other day.

Those neat looking cut-outs of the Holy Family, plus the usual candles, that adorn the front windows of Gerrish School, are the work of Mrs. Peter Motil, fourth grade teacher and art instructor. The little cut-outs have attracted plenty of favorable comment. Although this is not a column for advertisements, we'd like to pass on to the public a new idea for a winter answer to the question "Has the price of haircuts gone up?" The answer is "no". At least not for the present, we understand.

Town Jeweler's Christmas greeting, complete with these prices, is most unique. The irreplaceable Tony Marino says "Merry Christmas" 28 ways. Carol Spignesi visited her pop's new business on Main Street, Fred's was disappointed, seems as though she couldn't find a soda fountain. Incidentally New Year's reservations are going fast and only eighty couples will be accepted. Men's Bar will have the usual Open House arrangement.

E. H. Choristers Preparing For Spring Concert

"East Haven will go cultural next April 5. That's the date set for the state high school music festival. Fifteen hundred musical groups will be present from all over the state."

Must East Haven wait until then to go cultural? Culture is the result of the training of mental or moral powers as shown in intellectual, aesthetic and spiritual development, in other words, refinement.

Enjoyment of the fine arts, and in this case, music, is the result of a study begun in early formative years. The Kindergarten child made aware of music through group singing, rhythm bands and hearing good music.

As the child progresses through the grades he is introduced to more advanced music and music literature. He, who has special talent, is encouraged to further study, and to take part in the school band, orchestra and chorus or glee club.

Children, however, need also the encouragement of their parents, their neighbors, the citizens of the entire community. Preparing for a concert takes much practice, time and effort. What a disappointment, to face an audience of perhaps one hundred fifty.

In our fine town of East Haven the high school and grade school chorus and orchestra, the Junior and Senior Friends of Music offer privileges to active participants, as well as to good listeners. Some of our townspeople are active church choir members, others are members of orchestras, and a few attend the fine concert presented in nearby Branford and New Haven.

There is culture in East Haven, but we need to increase the number of culture-minded. Then by April 5, we shall be better able to appreciate the Music Festival.

This Christmas Season with its wealth of wonderful music revealing the age old story: "Glory To God in the Highest, an earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men," should inspire us and help us to enjoy the best in music.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



WRITER ASSERTS SCHOOL SITUATION IN RELAPSE; NEEDS VOTER ENTHUSIASM

A south end district resident likened the school building program in East Haven to a stricken patient, this week, when he deplored lack of action in a strong letter to the News.

The writer, Cosmo Di Vito, of 112 Vista Drive, declared that two crews, the School Building Committee and the Town Administration, were rowing the same boat in opposite directions and were getting nowhere. He asked all to attend the coming town meeting in the interests of better education in East Haven. His letter follows:

December 16, 1950

To you good citizens of East Haven, I would like to renew your acquaintance with a sick patient in our midst.

You met this patient (school problem) about three years ago to the day. At that time you, as good citizens, prescribed some medicine (School Building Committee) and at that time it seemed that progress was being made. But the patient is now in a relapse, that is the Town Fathers and the new Committee would work hand in hand. Politics and personalities should not have entered the picture.

It would be just as wrong for a person to row the boat with his hands behind his back because of difference of opinion as was wrong for the Town Fathers and the School Building Committee not to co-operate to their fullest extent for the best interest of East Haven.

The patient (school problem) has had a relapse.

Two years or more have passed and the poor patient is by this time clearly showing the ill effects of non-co-operation. The fact remains that through a Town Meeting that was called, the Board of Education, encouraged by the First Selectman, an attempt was made to remove the School Building Committee.

You can understand why up to now the boat never reached the shore. The occupants were rowing in the opposite direction.

The result of that meeting is known to everyone. By a very big majority the Building Committee remained in office.

To refresh your memory, the Town Meeting was called specifically to remove the present Committee, which Mr. Burton Reed is in charge. The basis for that action concerned the building of a new school in the vicinity of North Beach Road.

A word about this school. (It is a vital organ of that poor patient, the heart of the town which is con- ducting an operation, on you or your wife or your mother or child; or perhaps to buy a new car or a new home.)

Remember that whatever sacrifice we have made in the past, the suffering has not been forgotten and the new school will remain to do us honor. Attend the town meeting and hasten the day of realization for a new school and to help tired mothers.

Yours in the interest of East Haven,

Cosmo Di Vito,
112 Vista Drive,
East Haven, Conn.

some of you Citizens will make inquiries and find out for yourselves. Tragic as it may seem, three years have gone by and no school has been built. The School Building Committee, which consists of J. Vetrono, J. Rodensky, R. Pawlson, J. Bancroft under the Chairmanship of Burton Reed have done their best under. I would say adverse conditions.

At long last a Town Meeting will be called in the near future. But I understand that there will be many other items on the call for the town meeting. All of the other items are pertinent material.

However, to get back to that poor patient which is being treated by adding all the other items to the call of the town meeting I am very much afraid that the building of the much needed school will be again put on the stumbling block. The new school to be built in the heart of the patient and unless you citizens operate and install that heart in the forthcoming town meeting the result will be very tragic, especially to your children.

Your presence is essential to the next town meeting, first to alleviate the unhappy conditions in our school system and, secondly and equally important, to be sure that in the future there will be unity of action by all parties who are fit of our town. If they do not work for the best interest of East Haven they must answer to us who is East Haven and pay the bills.

To be sure, the operation for the building of the new school will be expensive, but who of you something to sacrifice for an operation, on you or your wife or your mother or child; or perhaps to buy a new car or a new home.

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TIDE OF TOYS CAMPAIGN STARTS HERE DEC. 26th

Commander John P. Morgan of Harry Bartlett Post, American Legion, announced this week that the second annual Tide of Toys will start in East Haven, December 26.

Harry (Bing) Crosby is the president of the drive which is conducted throughout the United States with the express idea of giving usable toys in good condition to European children. The gifts will be packaged by local members of the Legion.

Commander Morgan said that the inaugural year was tremendously successful here a year ago. Toys should be left in Herman R. Anderson's Auto Assessor store.

As a slogan for the coming campaign the Legion is using "A Toy for a Tot is Better than a Gun for its Father."

Phone 4-1707

If any person knows of any little boy or girl in need of a gift for Christmas, they are asked to contact Tommy's Furniture House, opposite the Green, before the holidays. D. Thomas Onofrio, proprietor, announced today.

The merchant said that he had a special wire to Santa's Headquarters and that he will see to it that Santa calls on the child.

His action is another reason why East Haven is the finest town in the world and why Christmas Greetings have a deeper meaning here.

Five Students Given Honors At Exercises

Five East Haven students were inducted into the Athenaeum Chapter of the National Honor Society in a special assembly held last Thursday in the school auditorium.

Sally Corbett, Joyce Freeman, Rhoda Howard, Marie Strandberg and Helen Cawley were the students accepted into the local chapter which has been in existence here since 1939. Miss Zita Matthews is the faculty advisor.

Students who received honorable mention were Raymond Montgomery, Sandra Semanran, Clifford Hackbart, Shirley Lupoli, Lorraine Casper and Barbara Kane.

Before receiving the honor accorded them the winners plus the student body heard the explanation of the basic qualities for admission. They are character, scholarship, leadership and service. The requirements were Dorothy Plasek, Marjorie Ahlberg, Mary Ann Sealise and Edward Gustafson.

President Nancy Callahan was the student leader and Patricia Chapman led the assembly in the Latin song "Ave Maria". High School Principal Carl Garvin conferred the certificates to the new members first explaining to the student body the high regard which the faculty holds in the splendid honor.

Donald Smith, vice president of the local society led the pledge before concluding the assembly.

Women's Club Helps Spread Xmas Cheer

Christmas season brought out the charity of the East Haven Women's Club. It developed at the annual Christmas party held recently at the Hagaman Memorial Library.

Two separate families in the area, will be given a basket of fruit and a complete holiday dinner, was planned by Mrs. John Pirapak, welfare chairman. Also, that toys and articles of clothing, brought by club members, will be distributed to the children of three different families.

Members of the club have volunteered their services at the daily Christmas party sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. The afternoon events started on Monday of this week and continued through Thursday during the afternoon hours from 2:30 until 4. The party will be continued Friday and Saturday, all day.

Volunteers for the remainder of this week are: Friday morning, Mrs. Willis Hendrick and Mrs. Albert Jacob-Friday afternoon, Mrs. Andrew Kmetz, Mrs. Theodore Freese and Mrs. George Kuhn. Saturday morning, Miss Helen Rourke. Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Ellsworth Brockett.

Others who assisted during the early part of the week were: Mrs. Robert Dorken, Mrs. John Gould, Mrs. Angus Rollo, Mrs. Donald Thompson, Mrs. Joseph Collins, Mrs. Jules Leghi, Mrs. John Leary, Mrs. Willie Hendrick, Mrs. Fred Wolfe, Jr. and Mrs. Robert Hartman.

Hostesses for the December meeting were Mrs. Joseph Collins, Mrs. Robert Hartman, Mrs. Frank Barker and Mrs. Ellsworth Brockett. Mrs. Andrew Kmetz was chairman of the refreshment committee and was assisted by Mrs. Kenneth Griffiths, Mrs. Maurice Sarason, Mrs. Eric Currie, Mrs. George Kuhn and Mrs. Donald McDonald.

NEW CLUB OFFICERS PRESIDE AT MEETING

Recently installed officers of the St. Clare's Men's Club look over at the first meeting of the new fiscal year at the December meeting held in the church hall on Monday evening.

The new officers were installed at the November meeting and are as follows: president, Jack Howard; vice president, Raymond Langlois; financial secretary, Harry Moran; man of the refreshment committee and was assisted by Mrs. Kenneth Griffiths, Mrs. Maurice Sarason, Mrs. Eric Currie, Mrs. George Kuhn and Mrs. Donald McDonald.

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Long Meeting On Schools Slated Thursday Night

CHRISTMAS 1950

"Unto you is born — a Saviour"

Never in all history has the world been so desperately in need of the Christmas message, backed by the fullness of the Word of God. We must take heart that in the Knowledge of God lies the healing of the nations. The era which began with the Birth of Jesus at Bethlehem, has not closed, and cannot be written off in defeat. God Lives—Bethlehem led on through Calvary to Easter—Triumph is the word. No matter how dark the horizons may be, let us take heart, put our trust in God and do all in our power to proclaim around the world the Angels' message:

"Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

May the Blessed Peace of Christmas be yours!

REV. ALFRED CLARK, Rector, Christ Church

Guild Presents Passion Play Act, Saturday

The Drama Guild of Old Stone Church is giving the first part of the Passion Play, "From Manger To Throne" at the Fair Haven East Carol Ring on Saturday at 4:30 P.M.

The pageant is taking place on the side hill of Blagov Woods at 900 "Quintin" Avenue between Grand Avenue and Route 80. The music for the carols will be the amplified pipe organ of the Little Chapel of the Glean, Chapel Swiss bells will usher in the program. Raymond L. Clark is the director. Wilfred J. Rafter is in charge of the cast and Mrs. Carl Rosenquist is arranging the authentic and beautiful costumes.

The following members of the Guild are taking part: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Simpson, Clifford Lewis, Robert Blunder, William Russell, George McCaul, Herbert Cheesman, Alton Redman, Jr., Ervin Applegate and LeRoy Wright. The Angel choir includes: Melvin Montgomery, Sonja Johnson, Carlene Rosenquist, and Marion Rowley.

In case of snow or rain the Christmas program will be given on Sunday at the same hour.

RAFTER URGES TAX PAYMENTS BEFORE JAN. 15

Pending expected tax receipts, December contributions to the tax will probably exceed collections over the past five years. Tax Collector Wilfred J. Rafter announced this week, "December is normally a slow month for such collections" Rafter said, but delinquent taxpayers have been advised by letter and telephone of their obligations before additional interest and penalties are assessed on their delinquent taxes.

Mr. Rafter urges those who have not yet paid their 1949 automobile taxes to do so immediately in order to avoid delay in removing their names from the delinquent list at the motor vehicle office.

January 15, 1951 is the deadline before liens are placed on real property where the 1948 tax has not been paid. If a lien is recorded a penalty of 3.75 must be charged.

Pupils Entertain At Christmas Fair

Members of the Gerrish Avenue P.T.A. were entertained by the pupils of the fifth and sixth grades as a feature of the Christmas Fair, held last Thursday.

The program, under the direction of Miss Carl McGovern and Miss Mary Cunningham was as follows: a Christmas play, "The Shoemaker's Guest," presented by the sixth grade; Christmas carols, fifth and sixth grade choir; a Nativity pageant, grade six. The following children participated in the program: June Verelle, Valerie Valenti, Zaida Knight, Joe-ann Hamilton, Susan Esposito, John Fryer, Vincent Santanello, William Bristol, William McCaul and John DeCaprio. Children in the choir were Elizabeth Blakeley, Linda Gaziardi, Judith Fogarty, Sandra Mikutis, Douglas Sperry, Salvatore Russo, Judith Holrichter, Ronald Gerrito, Anita

Fire Marshal Gives Final Yule Warning

On the eve of the celebration of the feast of Christmas, Fire Marshal, Ernest Hanson of the East Haven Fire Department today issued a final holiday safety message.

He said a spark and a Christmas tree, reduced to a Pennsylvania town to ashes last year, and "we do not want that to happen here." The fire marshal said the fire department does not want to be "kill joys," they just want to play safe. He said "Christmas trees do not want to burn without help, and if all residents keep ignition away from them everyone will enjoy the holiday."

He outlined the following safety rules which he said if followed implicitly, would make for a Merry Christmas.

Choose a small tree, it will be less hazardous.

Wait until a few days before Christmas to set it in the house.

Place the tree in the coolest part of the house, away from heat registers and radiators.

Do not use cotton, paper or other decorations, unless they are "flameproofed."

Do not operate "electric trains" around or under the tree.

Do not use candles if wiring is used on tree, be sure the wire is in good shape.

Do not plug in or disconnect wiring plugs under the tree.

Do not leave the lights of the tree when the house is unattended.

When needles start falling, take the tree down, and out of the house.

A tree trunk should be cut diagonal and the tree set in a tub or bucket of water to keep it as moist as possible.

STUDENTS HEAR XMAS PROGRAMS IN BUSY WEEK

In one of the busiest extra-curricular weeks of the school year, high school students heard a splendid assembly by the Drama Workshop assisted by the choral members of the seventh and eighth grades on Wednesday.

The Workshop presentation, "Under the Mistletoe" was well received and the carol singing, directed by Miss Hildur Svenson, easily surpassed previous holiday gatherings.

This morning the students were treated to an assembly conducted by General Motors, "Previews of the Program."

Friday another musical assembly is slated under the auspices of the combined Glee Clubs of the senior high school and the direction of Mrs. John Strandberg, supervisor of music in the high school.

Wednesday's play was under the supervision of Miss Eileen O'Neill, faculty director of the Workshop.

Marttoli, Patricia Morro, Mascala, William Anderson, Joan Flaskan, Martha Moecker, Fred Lombardi, Francis Celentano, Ralph Laurelio, Valerie Valenti, Frederick Knie, Andrew DiGiuseppe and Diane Milano. State helpers were Louise Gentile, Roy Franceschet and Robert Fanico. Program, Claire Clansell.

One of the longest town meetings on the records of East Haven is expected next Thursday evening in the high school auditorium when the taxpayers of the town will be asked to consider and act upon fifteen recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance.

In the nineteen point call issued today, the town will ask for fourteen appropriations totaling \$128,423.39, if the townspeople go along with all proposals.

In addition to lands sought for the building of a new South School, \$12,000 will be sought for the purchase of land from Michael DeCaprio for a future new Gerrish School and \$21,841 to cover an error in the Board of Education estimate of revenues from the state school grant.

All items to be considered will be along education lines.

The call proposes that the Board of Selectmen raise the necessary funds by negotiating at the interest rate of one and one-half percent a year, extending over eleven year period.

All items are subject to approval of the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen.

Several items of property not previously under consideration, are being proposed as a site for the new South School and, if accepted, will mean a substantial saving to taxpayers. The land is in the area generally known as Palmadoc Hill. Furthermore \$4,247.62 is sought for completion of the Union School remodeling project and \$22,384.40 for the completion of the Momaugwin School alterations and addition project.

Controversy will be red-hot over the South School issue since scores of parents in the South End are impatient for new school facilities for children in that area.

An appropriation for the new heating plant in Tuttle School amounting to \$5,452.05 is also being sought.

The complete call can be found on page four.

MAUREEN WAYAND IS VICE-PREXY OF FAIR ASS'N.

At the annual meeting of the New Haven County 4-H Fair Association held recently, Donald Clark of Orange was elected president of this association for the coming year. Young Clark has been a 4-H Junior leader in his own community and is at present enrolled as a student at the University of Connecticut at Storrs. Other officers elected were Miss Maureen Wayand of East Haven, Homemaker Vice President; Al Bishop of Guilford, Agricultural Vice President; Ruth Hine of Orange, Secretary; Edith Doelittle of Bethany, Assistant Secretary; Donald Norton of Cheshire, Treasurer; Levi Peterson of Orange, Assistant Treasurer. Charles Bishop of Guilford, Julius Yale of Meriden and Barbara Juniver of North Branford, directors for three years.

The group voted to hold the 1951 Fair on August 17 and 18. The site of the Fair will be selected after a committee has discussed the matter. This committee consists of Walter Hine, Orange; Edith Doelittle, Bethany and John Ross, Orange.

Featured speaker of the evening was John Brockell of Goshen. He gave a talk illustrated by colored slides on his recent trip to Switzerland as a member of the International Farm Youth Exchange Program. While in Switzerland John lived on two different farms in Switzerland and was accepted as one of the family and helped with their farm work. Theodore Wildholz, a Swiss boy, participated in this same International Farm Youth Exchange Program and spoke to the group.

Barbara Juniver of North Branford, President of the 1950 Fair is in charge of arrangements for this meeting. Nearly 100 4-H members, leaders and parents attended. Plans are in progress for the 1951 Fair.

Old Stone Church Plans Watch Hour

The Old Stone Church is planning a Communion Service from 11 o'clock to midnight on New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31st, in the church sanctuary. Afterward there will be a covered dish supper in the Parish House for those attending and each one is requested to bring a favorite covered dish. All members and friends of the church are invited.

IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson of Prospect Road are spending the Christmas holiday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Mintz of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Television Programs

(CHANNEL 6—WNHC-TV)

Sunday, Dec. 24
 4:30—Four Star Revue
 5:00—Western Theatre
 5:30—Hopalong Cassidy
 6:00—Chance of a Lifetime
 6:30—Groucho Marx Show
 7:00—Meet the Press
 7:30—One Man's Family
 8:00—Super Circus
 8:30—Bob Erwin's Show
 9:00—Fred Waring Show
 9:30—Paul Whiteman Show
 10:00—This is Show Business
 10:30—Toast of the Town
 11:00—TV Playhouse
 11:30—Celebrity Time
 12:00—Take a Chance
 12:30—Robert Q. Lewis
 11:15—Midnight Services

Monday, Dec. 25
 12:30—Lutheran Laymen League
 1:00—Joyful Hour
 2:00—Hansel and Gretel
 2:30—Uncle Miltie's Revue
 3:00—One Hour in Wonderland
 3:30—Lucky
 4:00—Time for Beany
 4:30—Sideshow Interviews
 5:00—Howdy Doody
 5:30—Sideshow Interviews
 6:15—Twilight Time
 6:30—Paye Emerson
 6:45—In the Public Interest
 7:00—Kukla Fran and Ollie
 7:30—Robert Quinlan
 7:45—Newsweek
 8:00—Video Theatre
 8:30—Concert Program
 9:00—Horace Heidt Show
 9:30—The Goldbergs
 10:00—Studio One
 11:00—Billy Rose Show
 11:30—Broadway Open House
 12:00—Newsweek
 12:15—News Bulletins

Tuesday, Dec. 26
 1:30—Garry Moore Show
 2:30—Fun With Food
 3:00—Robert Q. Lewis Show
 3:30—Meet Your Cover Girl
 4:00—Homemaker's Exchange

Wednesday, Dec. 27
 1:30—Garry Moore Show
 2:30—Robert Q. Lewis Show
 3:30—Meet Your Cover Girl
 4:00—Homemaker's Exchange

Thursday, Dec. 28
 1:30—Garry Moore Show
 2:30—Robert Q. Lewis Show
 3:30—Remember the Date
 4:00—Studio One
 4:30—Don Winslow
 5:00—News
 5:30—Little Show
 6:45—Jean O'Brien Entertains
 7:00—Sports Album

Friday, Dec. 29
 1:30—Howdy Doody
 2:00—Twilight Time
 2:30—Kukla Fran and Ollie
 3:00—This Week in Sports
 3:30—One Man's Family
 4:00—Super Circus
 4:30—Bob Erwin's Show
 5:00—Fred Waring Show
 5:30—Paul Whiteman Show
 6:00—This is Show Business
 6:30—Toast of the Town
 7:00—TV Playhouse
 7:30—Celebrity Time
 8:00—Take a Chance
 8:30—Robert Q. Lewis
 11:15—Midnight Services

Saturday, Dec. 30
 11:30—Acrobat Ranch
 12:00—Chester the Pup
 12:15—Ranger Joe
 12:30—Film Shorts
 1:15—Sport Shop
 1:30—Touchdown
 1:45—Football Game
 2:30—The Bigwin Show
 4:00—Frank Sinatra
 4:30—The Big Show
 5:00—Gabby Hayes Show
 5:30—The Big Show
 6:00—Film Shorts
 6:45—News
 7:00—Hank McCune Show
 7:30—Alan Young Show
 8:00—The Big Show
 9:00—Your Show of Shows
 10:00—Wrestling
 11:00—Wrestling
 11:30—Wrestling

Rev. Pike Deplores "Lack of Faith" in Rotary Address

Speaking in the absence of the Rev. B. C. Trent of North Branford at the Monday morning luncheon-meeting of the Rotary Club, Rev. J. Edson Pike, pastor of the Trinity Episcopal Church, cited a lack of real preparation for life in the world today.

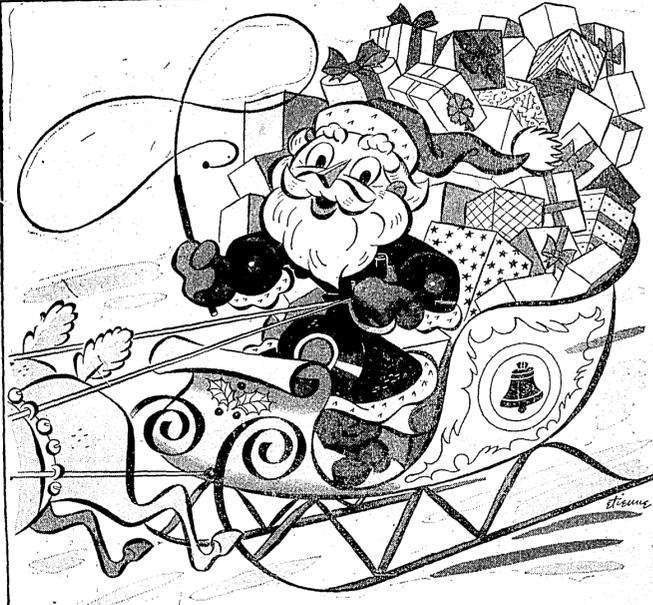
The world fails to account for the power of God and His love, the minister said in asserting that man has failed in preparations for peace and to rid himself of fear.

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Lowest rates apply from 6:00 P. M. Saturday



Calls to Connecticut points will usually go through without delay. However, to more distant places there will be some delays that we can't avoid, but we'll all be doing our best and you can trust us to keep on trying.

"Thanks a lot for your understanding, and a Merry Christmas to you from all of us."

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OUR COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

We who visit you all year around through these columns may pass this season partially unnoticed in favor of kin and friends seen or heard from only at Christmas.

It is but fitting that loved ones gather with you upon the day of Jesus' birth and that those far away who cannot receive special remembrance. We can bear your forgetting us for a little while for this cheer-laden reason.

We wish to take advantage of the congregation of your friends and family members from other neighborhoods to extend, by them through you, a helping measure of yuletide good will to every nook and corner of America.

Our first interest is this community, but its welfare is reflected with the good of other communities. Our town and county have a just store of the Christian and humane spirit that sustains man through daily life. They have enough left over for export.

Think how many distant hearts you may fill with the joyous holiday feeling if you give unto your Christmas guests to carry back to their home towns this, our special wish:

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE

Sunday Services and Sunday School are at 11 A. M. and are held at Withrop and Derby Avenues Wednesday evening testimonial meeting is at 8 in the New Haven Women's Club, 501 Whitney Avenue. The Reading Room is located in the Library Building, 132 Temple Street, and is open week days from 9 to 6:45 and Wednesday to 7:45. INVITED.

NAVY LEAVE

Donald Atkinson graduate of 1950 from Branford High School is home on leave from the U. S. Navy.

GETS ASSIGNMENT

F. A. Robert Gullans, U. S. Navy has been assigned to the U. S. Snyder, D.E. 145. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gullans, Hochkiss Grove Road.

GOT A NEW CAR?

Great - hope you'll enjoy the good driving you have ahead. But don't forget - just one accident can change your car into a pile of junk. Good-bye car - and you might be faced with crippling damage claims.

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OUR DEMOCRACY



ALL PEOPLE HAVE SHARED IN THE LEGENDS AND CUSTOMS OF CHRISTMAS

SANTA CLAUS IS A NATIVE OF HOLLAND

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS WERE FIRST FILLED IN BELGIUM AND FRANCE

THE TRADITION OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE GOES BACK TO GERMANY

THE CUSTOM OF SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS IS UNIVERSAL THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

AND THE GIVING OF PRESENTS AT CHRISTMAS IS, WE KNOW, COMMEMORATIVE OF THE GIFTS OF THE MAGI TO THE INFANT JESUS

But the great message of Christmas is of hope, of good-will and understanding of the eternal spiritual values which the Christ child brought to all of us - values which can well guide the peoples of the world to peace.

LET'S LOOK AT THE BOOKS
 with ALBA M. FRATONI

VALLEY FORGE

December 1777

By Van Wyck Mason (Doubleday & Co., \$1.25, pb 30)

One evening a few years ago I was doing last minute shopping with a friend who was a complete comic. He didn't believe in Christmas and didn't know he knew it. It was all a matter of money, he said. If you had enough, you went out and became a miser. If you didn't, besides, after you spent more than you had, you never received anything you really wanted. I tried to tell him that it wasn't a question of what you received, but the joy of reaching others receiving gifts that counted - because they knew they were remembered by those they loved. No matter what I said, I couldn't convince him of this, and as we walked I became aware of the sweet melodic strains of Silent Night. It became sweeter and more compelling with each step we took. I searched out the store window. One corner window was made into a miniature Jerusalem. The building was shining brightly, the angels were smiling down, and in the center stood Saint Mary cradling Jesus in her arms. I stood looking and listening. All this was for HIM. This was love, peace and happiness. There was all that man hoped for. My stance fell on two urchins who were drinking in the beauty of Christmas. Then I looked at my friend, and to my astonishment I found revealed in his eyes the same reverence I had seen in the children. "Merry Christmas," I said softly. He looked at me, smiled and said "Merry Christmas!"

This brings to mind a very short story by Van Wyck Mason, VALLEY FORGE, published by Doubleday & Co. in 1947. This is the story of two letters which were being written that Christmas Eve, December 24, 1777 was a bitter day for George Washington. He had conferred with his aides and they had advocated surrender, saying the men were near mutiny and George Washington sat down and began writing a letter - his letter of resignation to Congress. His heart was heavy. In the middle of it he reached others reading gifts that counted - because they knew they were remembered by those they loved. No matter what I said, I couldn't convince him of this, and as we walked I became aware of the sweet melodic strains of Silent Night. It became sweeter and more compelling with each step we took. I searched out the store window. One corner window was made into a miniature Jerusalem. The building was shining brightly, the angels were smiling down, and in the center stood Saint Mary cradling Jesus in her arms. I stood looking and listening. All this was for HIM. This was love, peace and happiness. There was all that man hoped for. My stance fell on two urchins who were drinking in the beauty of Christmas. Then I looked at my friend, and to my astonishment I found revealed in his eyes the same reverence I had seen in the children. "Merry Christmas," I said softly. He looked at me, smiled and said "Merry Christmas!"

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WHAT NOTS

With all the announcements of Christmas coming and folks making merry and such, find a few minutes of prayer for a small girl, Martina Petrillo, desperately ill at Wild Horse Ranch, Tucson, Arizona. Martina Petrillo, desperately ill at Wild Horse Ranch, Tucson, Arizona. Martina Petrillo, desperately ill at Wild Horse Ranch, Tucson, Arizona.

Play the holiday's with care! Fire and caution make you bare of joy - don't rush him.

Frank J. Kinney, Sr., passes 76th birthday. Jesse Dow celebrates 84th birthday Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hopper observed Golden Wedding Day, December 22. Home for Christmas means to Mr. and Mrs. Sal Petrillo. Police say that recently they look swell. Officer sent Christmas card to Edmer McCoy.

For twelve months past, we've had our say on town affairs, in work and play. We appreciate the favors done - Merry Christmas, everyone.

This is hardly a book, for it is only 30 pages long, but it is worth the reading for perhaps it will give a few of us a little more faith and hope. My hope for you of course is that you have the merriest Christmas. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

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ONCE UPON A LIFETIME

BY BILL AHERN

Years ago, a score or more, there was a great church basketball team in Branford. It was the Tabor Lutheran quintet, made up of assorted sizes and abilities but threaded by a unique spirit. That five had a pair of splendid set shots. They were brothers, Squint and Eddie Kamb.

The team built upon the town with a brilliant suddenness. Most of its players had been developed in the backyard of Nick Crier's Meadow Street home and then transferred to the armory when John Holmes and the Montellus brothers became fixtures in Branford's mid-winter scheme of things.

Suddenly they were absent from the regular Saturday night games. Instead they would hop a trolley car or hitch a ride and move to the M.C.A. and the age old church league.

For two maybe three years in a row, the Swedish church five capped the title, were accorded passing accolade, and then took their separate ways.

The Kamb brothers went back to the Tank Juniors, a misnomer since the club could and frequently did defeat the senior combine in practice and once had the thrill of seeing themselves beat the famed Alumni team, a week later. It was Squint who did the damage in that famed clash, for a half day and his hook shot was so devastatingly on his side shot so accurately as that night. Less brilliant but more stable was his brother Eddie, a backcourt guard in the days when a guard was meant to defend the basket. Eddie chipped in with a few neatly executed long shots to complete the rout.

But the win was not established on the merits of shooting, for few could match young Eddie Hart or Mink Switzer in that department. It was won on spirit, for the Riverside lads were determined to get the grade-as every team did in those days when the Alumni had the only complete basketball suits and their Community League opponents were clad in nondescript hand-down from the 1898 days of the Branford Battery through the Hustler era of 1910, and again through Battery days when Tom O'Neil, Merrill Taylor and others banded together to form the first Junior team, which was carried on by the Kamb brothers and Company.

But when the wins were accomplished, Squint would retire not to be heard of again until the next game while Eddie went around effecting a needle job and purposely irritating his opponents, although in good natured fun.

It was the same in the mid-thirties when the Malleaner Iron Pillings Company started its still remembered domination of the Branford basketball scene—and the still Industrial circuit. Eddie, by then working in the tapping room at the local concern, was on the first quintet, although his five foot, ten figure had assumed some of the rotundity which was to mark his physical decline in the days when a guard was meant to be well known. Soon he was a favorite with the crowd and got to be well known.

People sought him out. Some to learn his opinion on sports and some to jibe him on his size. About the only time he was asked for an answer was the summer day when a Branford milkman walked into a local restaurant with a smart looking telephone girl on his arm. He introduced her all around and when they came to Eddie, she asked, "Are you the fellow that plays the M.C.A.?" Eddie, in a moment of that was. She leaned over him and whispered to him. The big fellow blushed to the roots of his hair while the milkman roared in laughter. "Later when the couple had left someone asked him what she had said and again his face grew fiery as he replied, "She asked me why I didn't but a bra beneath my suit."

A year or so later, he cast aside his uniform but never lost his interest in the game. He was as apt to go to Johnny Knedht and tell him just how he was handling the team wrong as he was to a kid he might see practicing on the street. But he was quick to commend them for excellent performances.

Although few would realize it today, Eddie was a prime mover in getting softball started locally. He first took to the game when Al Clapp and others began playing with a mush ball. Later when Eddie came to do on pines, he insisted that the game be played wherever the shifts were held. Others grew to like his choice and eventually a Sunday morning league was formed with summer colonies taking an active interest. At first no cups or trophies were offered, but after the games the contestants would mingle together in camaraderie and good fellowship.

As the years grew apace, the participants now realize that those brief moments were more precious than the gilded metal; for trophies quickly gather dust in the attic of forgotten managers but every hand-clasp whose covers from memory of carefree days.

The Harding Avenue youth was an expert on outings and picnics. Each Saturday and Sunday from Spring until Fall, he knew where to go. The freshmen welcomed him; the shops welcomed him; the Legion asked for him; the Masons and the Knights of Columbus always had a place for him.

And his advice was sought. Some had great meals, some had good card games, some had fine beer and others were a bunch of great kids. But he was a homebody too. Until he became sick a few years back, he was seldom seen outside the shop from Monday until after work on Friday. He spoke kindly of his sister, Curie. He championed his brothers, Squint and Leonard, a Shelton resident for a score of years. And in his mind, as in the minds of many others, there was no one like his dad, lovable John Kamb, whose skill in making good steel knives was bested by his generosity in giving them away. His dad, too, loved Eddie. Never, publicly at least, was Eddie verbally whipped for his escapades, for he was never vicious.

When the war broke, Eddie went into the Army and was stationed at Indian Gap, Pa. There given a mental task, he performed it with the diligence of a front line assignment despite being held back for limited service. He weighed over two fifty when he went into the service and that was what he weighed when he returned, despite assurances by the brass that he would lose his weight.

JACKETS MEET TRADE SCHOOL FIVE IN LOCAL DEBUT FRIDAY NIGHT

East Haven's Yellow Jackets will play their first home game in the gym on Friday night when they oppose Branford High of Branford at 8:30. The school's Jay-Vee five will open their season against the Trade School's second array at 7. Coach Frank Crivato's quintet will be facing a zone defense for the third time in as many starts for the fall basketball season. The team will open their season against the Trade School's second array at 7. Coach Frank Crivato's quintet will be facing a zone defense for the third time in as many starts for the fall basketball season.

Compulsed with their height, the visitors have good shooters but are a little awkward and advancing which Christif is expected to take advantage of. The Blue and Gold will probably start the hours quietest which show off well against St. Mary's on Tuesday. Individually and collectively the players showed up to advantage against the Friars with Billy Bixby, Ron Fossett and Bud Maude hitting scoring standouts. Bud, Nick Peirce and the team's best player, Arnold College Gym. Tuesday night and then came scoring back to win 60 to 52 in the knockout lit.

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HORNETS UNVEIL NEW SHOOTING STAR IN B.T. WIN

A new star loomed on Branford's basketball horizon, Tuesday evening in the state armory where the Hornets' unveiling broke the game wide apart in the second stanza as the Hornets spurted to a half-time 29 to 16 advantage.

Loarrio kept the pace rolling in the third quarter when he turned in an astronomical 44 to 28 bulge and it remained for Blake Lohr to get in the final session to score hoops to completely break the opponent.

The Hornets hit for the opening basket but East Haven came back to take a short 5 to 4 lead before Shreck and Bourke got hot to close out the first period, 10-0. The Hornets' comeback was led by Shreck and Bourke who hit 10-0 in the first quarter.

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COLLEGE GRAPPLER

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4 P.M. I-A Club vs. Texaco Kids
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INDUSTRIAL CIRCUIT
The Texaco White Kids lost two of its three scheduled games to the Crucible 2 to 1, 2 to 1 and 2 to 1. The Texaco White Kids lost two of its three scheduled games to the Crucible 2 to 1, 2 to 1 and 2 to 1.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
In a higher match, the Texacos outplayed the Friars, 2 to 1 with Ben Garamelli taking high honors, scoring 111, 99 and 103 for a 310.

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COMMUNITY LEAGUE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
Sunday, December 24 1950
2 P.M. DeMolay vs. Stony Creek
4 P.M. I-A Club vs. Texaco Kids
Wednesday, December 27
7 P.M. Junior Neck vs. I-A Club
9 P.M. Texaco Kids vs. North Branford

COLLEGE GRAPPLER
Adrian (Doc) Welch posted 14 points as the S.H. Girls beat the Junior Varsity 44 to 1 in the opening game of the Industrial Women's program at the YMCA on Thursday night last. Joan Kaminski, also of Branford, performed capably in a prole role for the winners and Helen Boyle, a third Branford player, was impressive with the losing combine.

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TABOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Christmas Services this coming week at Tabor Lutheran Church will be as follows:
 Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 24, Morning Worship.

10:30 A. M. Christmas Eve, December 24, Festive Midnight Worship 11:45 P. M.
 Special Music: Duets: "Angel Voices Ever Singing", Old French; "Gesu Bambino, The Infant Jesus"; "Yankee Doodle", Williams; "Little Christ Child, Sweet and Holy", Williams.
 Solos: "Arlise, Shine", Maker; "On This Good Christmas Morn"; "A King Is Born Today", Williams.
 Solists: Mrs. Harold Damberg, Mrs. Frank D'Amico, Mrs. Robert Olson, Pastor Swanson, Organist; Mrs. Phillip Burchard.
 Christmas Day, December 25, Festive Matins, 10:30 A. M.
 Special Music: Solos: "People on the Road", French; "Hark! Even Now", French; "Cometh at Length the Age of Peace", French.
 Children's Choir: "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep", Old French.
 Anthems: "Little Christ-Child, Sweet and Holy", Williams; "Christ Was Born on Christmas Day", 14th Century German.

Stephen Zvonkovic Honored For Long Service With U. I.

Stephen Zvonkovic, Pole Inspector for the New Haven Division of the United Illuminating Company, was honored during a ceremony celebrated the completion of his 35th year with the electric company, this week. William C. Bell, U. I. president, presented Mr. Zvonkovic with a jeweled emblem in commemoration of his long service with the company.

Making his home with his wife, Robin, at 123 Meadow Street, Branford, Mr. Zvonkovic is the father of three children, Elizabeth, Stephen, Jr. and Ruth, all of whom are married.

The U. I. veteran began his association with the U. I. on December 15, 1915 as a line inspector. Ten years ago, on completion of his 25th year of service with the company, he became a member of the U. I. Jewel Club.

A former member of the National Guard, Mr. Zvonkovic is a member of the Red Men and the Branford Grange.

North Branford CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 Rev. B. C. Trent, Pastor
 Miss Ethel Maynard Organist and Choir Director
 11:00 Morning worship
 9:45 Sunday School
 9:45 Sunday School - Mrs. Rollin Whitney, superintendent.

ZION EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Rev. Francis J. Smith, Rector
 Edmund L. Stoddard Lay Reader
 Mrs. Paul R. Hawkins Organist
 Mrs. Edmund L. Stoddard Choir Director

9:30 a.m. Morning Service and Sermon
 Holy Communion, 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays
 Morning Prayer 2nd and 4th Sundays

Children of the Parish will attend church school classes at the Rectory at ten o'clock on Saturday morning.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S R. C. CHURCH
 Rev. John J. McCarthy, Pastor
 Rev. Felix Maguire Frank Frawley Organist and Choir Director
 Mrs. Charles Donadio, assistant
 Mass 7:00 - 9:15
 Mass 8:00 Northford Congregational Church

Classes in religious instructions will be held at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning in the church. Dominican Nuns from New Haven, Rev. Felix Maguire, and Miss Peggy Augur a student at St. Mary's Academy are in charge of classes.

A candle-light service has been planned for Christmas Eve at midnight in the North Branford Congregational Church. A cordial invitation is extended to worshippers to attend this service.

Mass will be celebrated at 6, 7, 8, and 9:30 o'clock in St. Augustine's Church and at 7 and 8 o'clock in Northford on Christmas Day. Confessions will be heard on Saturday afternoon and evening and on Sunday evening.

The regular meeting of the Holy Name Society was postponed from last Wednesday night until next Wednesday night to allow members to attend the special town meeting.

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STONY CREEK NOTES

Well; here it is Christmas week. The Rosary Confraternity held its Christmas party, Tuesday, Dec. 18, in St. Therese's Church hall. They presented Rev. Francis Breen with a Christmas Check and his mother, Mrs. Breen, with a lovely plant. The children's party was held Wednesday, with Santa Claus present. Buddy Rinker, a magician from Branford seemed to have the children hypnotized.

The Philonians held their Christmas Party Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Olive. The laughter heard from the house proved it was a successful party. "Just A Thought"

Remember, "Giving is better than receiving"

From all of us to all of you. A very Merry Christmas.

Solists: Joan Svanstrand, Ina Ashworth, Verne Ashworth.
 Holy Innocents' Day, December 28, Festive Children's Worship, 7:30 P. M.
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DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, December 5, 1950
 Estate of MICHAEL JOSEPH McDONALD in said district, deceased.
 The Executor having exhibited his administration account with said estate to this Court for allowance, it is

ORDERED—That the 21st day of December A.D. 1950 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate Office in Branford, be and the same is assigned for a hearing on the allowance of said administration account with said estate, and this Court directs Flora K. Goldsmith to cite all persons interested therein to appear at said time and place, by publishing this order in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said district, and by posting a copy on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford where the deceased last dwelt.

By the Court:
 Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk

12-28
DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, December 19, 1950.
 Estate of ALBERT R. FENN in said district, deceased.
 The Executor having exhibited his administration account with said estate to this Court for allowance, it is

ORDERED—That the 29th day of December A.D. 1950 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate Office in Branford, be and the same is assigned for a hearing on the allowance of said administration account with said estate, and this Court directs Flora K. Goldsmith to cite all persons interested therein to appear at said time and place, by publishing this order in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said district, and by posting a copy on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford where the deceased last dwelt.

By the Court:
 Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk

12-28
DISTRICT OF BRANFORD, ss. PROBATE COURT, December 19, 1950.
 Estate of JOSEPH LIPKOVICH late of Branford in said District, deceased.
 Upon application of Agnes Lipkovich of Branford praying that Letters of Administration may be granted on said estate, as per application on file more fully appears it is

ORDERED—That said application be heard and determined at the Probate Office in Branford in said District, on the 29th day of December A.D. 1950 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and that public notice be given of the pendency of said application and of the time and place of hearing thereon, by publishing this order three times in some newspaper published in New Haven County and having a circulation in said District, and by posting a copy thereof on the public sign-post in the Town of Branford, in said District.

By the Court:
 Flora K. Goldsmith, Clerk

12-28
 The meeting will be held in the Northford Firehouse.
 The Confraternity of the Rosary met on last Wednesday night in the Rectory. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Frank P. Doody, Vice-president, Mrs. John A. Hart, Secretary, Mrs. Carl Ericson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Leslie Hart; Treasurer, Mrs. Hudson Moore. A Christmas entertainment and grab bag was enjoyed. Officers will be installed at the January meeting and a pot luck supper will precede the installation.
 Local schools close on Friday of this week following a program and Christmas festivities. Schools will reopen on Tuesday, January 2.
 Several local young people are arriving at the home of their parents for the Christmas holidays from colleges and universities.
 The Atwater Memorial Library will be closed on Christmas Day. It will be open on Saturday afternoon but not on Saturday evening.
 Alfred Hazard, Branford businessman and coach of the Trinity Church Rifle team, gave an exhibition of his skill for the benefit of Company E, Connecticut State Guard at the armory last Thursday night. Hazard's team has the distinction of having never lost a scheduled match in competition.

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