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Unusual Cold Weather Takes Over Branford During The Weekend

Town Resurrects Its Red Flannels As Temperature Drops To Below Zero—Glassy Streets Make Driving Dangerous After Tuesday's Rain.

It has been cold in Branford since the last issue of the Review. Over the weekend period thermometers hovered between ten below and zero. Snow covered the ground and the selectmen brought out as many workmen as they could find to plow the main roads. Side road residents in some instances became impatient but the clearing job was done as efficiently as possible.

C. Hobart Page, selectman said this morning that laborers were difficult to find. On Saturdays some high school help is available.

Tuesday afternoon and evening rains carried off some of the top snow leaving the roads a glare of ice. Town roads were not so troublesome as state highways where, in numerous instances long lines of cars were held up.

Atop Snake Hill in Riverside cars crossed the road stopping traffic coming into Branford. For a full two hours thirty or more drivers sat at their wheels wondering what to do about it.

One of the drivers called the Review office this morning to ask that thanks be given to car owners or neighbors who ever the men were who mustered shovels, sand and ashes to relieve the situation so traffic could continue. "All the drivers were so courteous and helpful for the two hour period there must be a true Christmas spirit this season," another car owner said.

There is an unconfirmed report that a vehicle owner slipped while making a tire change and broke his leg. He was picked up by a passing bus, the report goes, and carried into a nearby inn.

There is another unconfirmed story this morning that a group of boys failed to make bus connections and remained for the night in a public garage.

Below zero had no ill effects on the New Haven Water Company's main pipe lines but plumbers played hide and seek with property owners for a couple of days. It was a case of "no rest for the weary."

Mrs. Hamre Heads Vasa Star Lodge

The annual meeting of Vasa Star Lodge was held Friday night in Svea Hall. Officers elected are:

Mrs. Karin Hamre, chairman; Mrs. Agda Colburn, vice-chairman; Helmer Holm, secretary; Hugo Johnson, assistant secretary; Mrs. Ingeborg Halden, financial secretary; Mrs. Alice Peterson, assistant financial secretary; George Hansen, treasurer; Axel Mickelson, chaplain; Knute Hansen, master of ceremonies; Howard Carlson, assistant master of ceremonies; Otto Anderson, inner guard; Fritz Peterson, outside guard; Ernest Johnson, trustee for three years; Joseph Erickson, auditor for three years.

A joint installation with Diana Berger Jarl Lodge of West Haven will be held in West Haven on January 22.

PAGE ONE NEWS

Sunday night in the bitter below zero temperature Bobby Fletcher and Norman Esborn walked two miles into the wind to "scan the skies."

When their motor failed to respond because of the cold the clothes laden lads left the car, grabbed a bus and went to the Yale Store at Indian Neck, anxious the while to be on time for the 8 to 10 shift at the observation post.

No passing motorist offered a lift, they were all at home trying to keep warm.

The skies must be scanned. It is no simple walk from Yale Store to Pawson Park on a night like Sunday's was, but the two lads were taking no chances on Hitler and his crowd.

Dimout Violated Says Director

The dimout requirements are being consistently violated by the large majority of stores, restaurants, barber shops, and similar establishments, Colonel Harold G. Storke, Director of Internal Security for the First Service Command, announces.

"As a whole, in the first two weeks under the new dimout regulations, excellent progress has been made by the public in general in complying with the newly-imposed restriction," Colonel Storke pointed out. "The early reports from our inspectors show, however, several points about which there seems to be serious misunderstanding in some communities within the dimout area. One of these is the question of the required treatment of show windows. This requirement is being consistently violated by the large majority of stores, restaurants, barber shops, and similar establishments."

In this connection local Civilian Defense officials and air raid wardens stand willing to give advice on dimout regulations.

Clarence Munger is blackout chairman and questions may be directed to him.

It is expected that state officials will soon tour this area for violations. Local officials are doing likewise.

Town Buildings Fuel Supplies Are Sufficient

It has been decided to close the town hall Friday and Saturday of this week and next week. This will give town workers longer vacations and lessen the drain on the oil supply which has been cut by 2000 gallons.

All of the schools and the police department operate on coal so no interruptions in schedules is anticipated. In addition the coal supply was taken care of during the summer months. This may be sad news to the youngsters but good news to townsfolk.

GUILFORD EDITOR NAMED STATE G.O.P. DIRECTOR

Curtis S. Johnson, editor of the Shore Line Times in Guilford and vice-president of the Connecticut Editorial Association, has been named director of publicity for the Republican Party, State Chairman J. Kenneth Bradley announced.

Mr. Johnson, who has been actively engaged in magazine, newspaper and publicity work for the major portion of his career, is a native of Meriden, graduated from Meriden Schools and from Wesleyan University in 1921. He served as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry during World War I.

Mr. Johnson entered the advertising business with Manning Bowman and Company in Meriden following his graduation from Wesleyan. He later joined the Matternach Advertising Agency in Hartford and left this post to become vice president of the Slix Company.

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NEW EDITOR BORN

As the Review went to press today word was received of the birth of a nine pound baby son to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Peterson of Short Beach in Grace Hospital. Mrs. Peterson is the editor of the Branford Review. Both mother and son are doing well.

KEEPING CHRISTMAS

It is a good thing to observe Christmas day. The mere marking of times and seasons when men agree to stop work and make merry together is a wise and wholesome custom.

But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas day, and that is keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you and to think what you owe the world; to see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy?

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and the loneliness of people who are growing old; to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than even evil, stronger than death? Are you willing to do these things even for a day?—Then you can keep Christmas. And if you keep it for a day, why not longer! But you can never keep it alone.—Henry Van Dyle.

Trinity Church To Have Candlelight Service Xmas Eve

A Candlelight Service will be held at Trinity Church, Christmas Eve, December 24th at 11:15 P. M.

A Carol service will be held prior to the candlelight services under the direction of Mrs. Harold G. Baldwin, organist and choir director. The services are as follows:

Carol Service 11:15 P. M.—Prelude: Berceuse; "Lovely Infant"; P. Kreckel, organ; Processional Hymn "O come all ye faithful"; Choir and Congregation; "Now the Holy Child is Born" Old French Carol arr. by K. Kelly; "Carol of the Bells" Ukrainian Carol, Leontovitch, Choir; "O little town of Bethlehem"; Choir and Congregation; "I heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Chambers words by H. W. Longfellow, choir; "It came upon the midnight clear" Choir and congregation.

Holy Communion 11:30 P. M.; Introit: "Silent Night"; "Holy Night"; Kyrie; Merbecke; Epistle; Sequence "Hallelulah"; Richter; Laus Tibi, Hall; Gospel; Gloria Tibi; Hall; Serman Hymn: "The First Nowell"; Serman, The Rector; Gloria, Barnby; Offertory, "The Shepherds"; Stoughton, Solists: Mrs. W. H. Crawford, Mrs. W. L. Rice, and Mr. W. H. Pratt, Jr.; Sursum Corda, Gilbert; Sanctus, Gounod, solist; Miss Alice Warner (Guest); Holy Communion Hymn: "Silent Night, Holy Night"; Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant; Nunc Dimittis, Bennett; Sevenfold Amen, Stainer; Recessional Hymn: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"; Postlude: "Silent Night"; P. Kreckel.

ELIZABETH WILLIAMS SERVICES THURSDAY

Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, widow of John Williams and mother of Mrs. John Gill, Miss Martha Williams and Harry and Austin Williams passed away December 31 at 37 West End Avenue.

Funeral services are scheduled to be conducted December 24 at 2 P. M. in the Emanuel Baptist Church, New Haven. Friends may call at the Keyes Funeral Home, 59 Dixwell Avenue, New Haven. Interment will be in Branford Center Cemetery.

CHILDREN UNITE IN STOCKING COLLECTION

Another salvage project has been undertaken by the pupils of the grade and high schools, that of collecting discarded stockings.

All pupils are asked to bring to school as many as possible to aid in the war effort.

It will be recalled that the pupils did a tremendous job in the scrap salvage campaign, attaining the second highest honors for the state.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

The Indian Neck Fire Company is planning a New Year's party at the firehouse to which members and guests are invited.

Company I, Connecticut State Guard will drill December 23 and 30.

The Board of Selectmen have appointed Frederick F. Osterholm of Harbor Street as a member of the Parker Memorial Park Commission.

The annual meeting of Branford Assembly, Order of Rainbow will be held January 7 in Masonic Hall. Officers will be elected.

Winter Schedule For Basketball Is Announced

The Branford high school basketball schedule is as follows:

January 5, Branford at Seymour; January 8, Milford at Branford; January 12, East Haven at Branford; January 15, Branford at Wallingford; January 19, Stratford at Branford; January 22, Shelton at Branford; January 25, Branford at Derby; January 30, Branford at Yale Fresh; February 2, Seymour at Branford; February 5, Branford at Milford; February 9, Branford at East Haven; February 12, Wallingford at Branford; February 16, Branford at Stratford; February 19, Branford at Shelton; February 23, Branford at Derby at Branford.

Seventeen players are on the squad with Captain "Tot" Owens leading. This year is only a varsity squad. All home games will be played in the afternoon starting at 3:15.

Teachers List Pupils' Record

Pupils having perfect attendance in the Branford schools from September to November 30 are as follows:

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Grade 7—Marilyn George, Susie Gordon, Kenneth Manford, Helen Molecules, John Pallas, Alice Richardson, Michael Nardella, Janeyce Smith, Sidney Ward, George Dwyer, Amerigo Farina, Walter Jackson, Francis Reynolds, Lorraine De Bernardi, Georgia Milne, Jane O'Leary, Steven Pinta, Gino Pacelli, Carol Crawford, Rommona DeBay, Florence Ghiorli, Angela Polasari, Adam Jurczyk, Joseph Sokolosky, West Smith, David Stevens, Donald Welch, Blanche Bedard, Joan Meglin, Lorraine Royka, Elizabeth Townsend.

Grade 8—John Davis, Raymond O'Connell, Ervin Barker, Jean Walton, Gertrude Daley, Janet Bartholomew, Leroy Altmannberger, Donald Courtland, Ernest Johnston, Ray Landos, Francis Ralola, David Samson, Alberta Kane, Joan Armstrong Carolyn Bombolski, Mary Palala, Arthur Boutillier, Charles Buell, Ronald Gell, Robert Rose, Joseph Titus, Cleo Carter, Katherine Molecules, Lorraine Prussick, Doris Bunnell, Barbara Sliney, Dorothy St. Louis, Reginald Brulette.

Grade 9—Jerome Garrity, Francis Palala, Herbert Shepard, George Tyler, Louise Blanchini, Geraldine DeBay, Eleanor Delgreco, Emily Nygard, Grant Briggs, George Costello, Salvatore Donadio, Ernest Pozzi, John Stannard, Jane Thompson, Douglas Welch, Marjorie Carter, Gladys Edwards, Mary Gordon Dorothy Harris, Viola Kopjanski, Eleanor Radzinski, Barbara Sciarini, Ruth Thompson.

Grade 10—Henry Armstrong, William Holcomb, Henry Olejarczyk, Louis Van Egghen, Jean Adams, Continued On Page Eight

Woodland Lodge, K. of P. will hold a meeting in Svea Hall Monday evening, December 28 in Svea Hall. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

The next meeting of Vasa Star Lodge will be held in Svea Hall on the evening of January first.

Plants Observe Christmas Day

War plants throughout the country will close Christmas but will operate on full schedule New Year's Day.

This was decided by Donald M. Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, and Lt. General Behron Somervell, Commanding General of the Army's Services of Supply.

Mr. Nelson, with the concurrence of General Somervell, stressed, "More than ever before in our lives, I suppose, we need this year to pause from our labors on Christmas Day and think deeply and humbly about the faith by which we live, in order that from the profound promise of this day we may draw the hope and the vision which we must have. On the birthday of the Prince of Peace we can and should rest from the production of the weapons of war."

Ashley Shirt will close Thursday night and reopen Monday morning giving employees a long holiday weekend.

Work at the Atlantic Wire Christmas will cease at 7 o'clock Christmas morning and continue again at the same hour Saturday morning, giving employees' Christmas Day with their families.

Nutmeg Crucible Steel employees may look forward to a full week end holiday the office there said this morning.

At the M. I. F. Co. the general plant will shut down Thursday afternoon and remain closed until Monday morning.

General Somervell emphasized that New Year's Day would not be observed as a holiday.

"All war facilities will, therefore, be expected to maintain full production on that day," he notified all chiefs of services and commanding generals of service commands, and, through them, to bring this to the attention of management and labor in war facilities subject to their jurisdiction.

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Fire Officials Warn Against Holiday Fire

Officials of the Branford Fire Department cannot stress too strongly the need of extreme caution with lighted candles and inflammable decorations on Christmas this coming Yuletide season.

"Many people lose lives through careless use of such material each year. It is the patriotic duty of each and every one to prevent fires from such causes.

"Heavy loss of property, worldly goods and often times loved ones meet with misfortune.

"Let's all do our utmost to make Christmas 1942, safe, sane and merry."

BRANFORD HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR SANG MONDAY

At the meeting of the Branford Rotary Club Monday noon the Branford High School choir, of 35 boys and girls sang Christmas selections under the direction of Miss Angella Carabelle. Others on the program were: Theodore Novak and Fred Ghiorli, accordion and clarinet duet; Audrey Schwanfelder to dance; Nancy Ann Strelch, Carolyn Wilcox and Faith Hooghkirk, vocal trio; May Lindberg and Betty Lou Lake, piano duet.

Thirty attended the meeting including Howard W. Dickerman, and Myron Brock of Hamden, visiting Rotarians.

LODGE ELECTION

At the annual meeting of Dorothy's Son Lodge held last Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for the coming year: master, Kenneth Schwanfelder; senior warden, George Hansen; junior warden, Ralph Hurder; treasurer, Clifford M. Cherry; secretary, Charles N. Baxter; trustee for 3 years, Edwin Maddern; incorporated trustees, M. A. Hugins and William Van Wilgen. The installation of officers will take place Wednesday, January 6, in Masonic Hall. Charles Baxter will be the installing officer.

Special Town Meeting Attracts But Handful Of Interested Voters

Gathering Monday Night Approves All Items Of Call—Business Of Interest To Police Department—Adopts Regulations For Town Ambulance.

Town Officials Will Make Tour Of Inspection

Branford fire officials will go on a tour of inspection of restaurants, lodge-rooms, taverns and dance halls of Branford soon. Such buildings will undergo a thorough and far reaching inspection for violations of state fire and safety ordinances.

Where violations are found to exist the proprietor or owner of such places will be given warnings and a reasonable length of time to make corrections before prosecution under the provisions provided for in such cases by the Connecticut State Statutes.

Treasury Asks Public To Buy

For the first 23 days of December, the Treasury asks the public for \$391,304,000 daily in its Victory Loan campaign to raise \$9,000,000,000 to help pay for the war. This amounts to \$19,304,000 every hour and \$272,000 per minute.

Returns for the first 11 days of the month on this day-hour-minute basis ran ahead of schedule, due largely to bank and insurance company investment. The 11-day total was \$6,000,000,000. This averages \$600,000,000 each day \$25,000,000 every hour and \$417,000 per minute. The 11-day subscription is the equivalent of 833 of the \$500 Victory 2 1/2 per cent bonds sold every 60 seconds.

CHRISTMAS ON THE AIR

An exceptional schedule of Christmas programs has been set up by the Atlantic Coast Network to be carried by the following stations: WNEW, New York City; WELI, New Haven; WNBC, Hartford.

Dr. William Lyon Phelps, Professor Emeritus of Yale University, will be heard exclusively over WELI when he will address the radio audience with his yearly Christmas message. He will be heard from 7:45 to 8:00 p. m. EWT, Christmas Eve, December 24.

The same stations will carry the Office of War Information's "Command Performance" from 11:00 p. m. to 12:00 midnight on Thursday. The program will originate in Hollywood and feature a notable array of stars.

A special Christmas Eve program direct from the Blessed Sacrament Church in New York City will be heard exclusively over this network from 12:05 to 1:00 a. m. EWT (Friday morning, December 25.) The Right Reverend Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen, professor of philosophy of the Catholic University of America, will give the sermon. Priest commentator will be the Reverend John J. McClafferty. Monsignor Keegan will say the Mass. Warren A. Foley, director of music and the famous boy choristers, will conduct the carols which precede the midnight mass.

HENRY BUTLER PASSES

Henry Butler died last Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Robbins of 185 Maple Street following an illness of several months. He was 72 years, and was born in New Haven. He was a member of St. Rose's church. Mr. Butler is survived by one sister, Mrs. Julia Mooney of 185 Maple Street, one brother, Frank Butler of New Haven and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held Monday morning from Slav Bros. funeral home, 128 Dwight Street, New Haven, with requiem high mass in St. Rose's church. The burial was in St. Lawrence Cemetery, West Haven.

Town Officials Will Make Tour Of Inspection

A scarce fifteen persons attended the town meeting at the Community House, Monday evening. Walter Palmer was clerk and T. Holmes Bracken moderator.

All items were passed and the only one discussed at any length was the acceptance of by-laws regulating the use of the town ambulance.

John Barnes rose, to object to complications which might arise through the use of the proposed by-laws.

George R. Hansen presented the first resolution regarding the building of a police garage.

William S. Clancy, chairman of the Police Commission presented the resolution regarding unexpended balances in the auto purchase account and C. Hobart Page, first selectman offered the third resolution and second selectman John S. Rogers the fourth.

Item one was to act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance that the sum of \$1250 be appropriated to build a garage upon town property now used by the Branford Police Department. The garage is to be for the purpose of housing the town ambulance and police cars, and the sum of \$1250 to be taken from unappropriated revenue.

It is understood that in addition there will be available to be used the sum of \$500 from police repairs building account and in addition the sum of \$500 from the ambulance fund.

Upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance item two asks that the unexpended balance of police auto purchase account of \$637 (1941-42 account) be carried forward to the 1942-1943 account.

The meeting was also asked to act upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance that two payments of the State of Connecticut for Town Aid Roads aggregating \$1501.08 be transferred to the Roads and Bridges Account.

The by-laws as accepted by the special town meeting are those published in the November 12th issue of this paper.

Scouts Conduct Awards Court

The Girl Scouts of Troop 98, held a Court of Awards at the Short Beach school last Friday night. Miss Betty Sheehan, assisted by Miss Marie Fasig made awards.

Joyce Lockyer was awarded her wings as a brownie fly up.

The following invested as scouts Evelyn Watrous, Dorothy Hawkes, Joyce Lockyer.

Awards for various scout achievements were made as follows: Junior Citizenship, Barbara Allen; First Aid, Pat White, Priscilla Delbert, Maurey McCleese, Louise Locke, Jean Walton, Swimmers, Pat White, Leona Peterson, Jean Walton, Maurey McCleese, Basketry Joan Armstrong, Needlecraft, weaving, Barbara Allen.

First Aid Hostess, Joan Gebel; First Aid, boating, home safety, design, Priscilla Delbert; Mostess, design, Shirley Bowne; Sports and games, bibliography, glass; Barbara Van Sands; second class, first aid, swimmers, drawing and painting, Maurey McCleese.

Home safety, home health, bibliography, garden flower finder, Carol Engelhart.

The Court of Awards was presided over by Mrs. Horace Van Sands, leader, and Miss Virginia Bracken, assistant, assisted by the troop committee, and parents as guests. Games were enjoyed after the court, under the leadership of Miss Fasig.

LIBRARIES CLOSE

Hagaman Memorial Library and Blackstone Memorial Library will be closed all day Christmas Day.

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NOT SO CRAZY
 Sunday was cold, dog-gone cold. Care froze, pipes froze, ears and toes froze. You nearly froze and so did I.
 After dimout shades were drawn, streets were deserted for folks were at home close to oil stoves. Only the insane ventured out to meet the off-season breeze across the meadows. Needy city drivers and workers discovered excuses to remain at the radiator or fireplace content to let the rest of the world roll by. It was insane to venture into sub-zero cold. Only a crazy man would do it, a beast or man with heart as cold as Sunday's snow.

There is no crazy man, a beast with no heart at all who might send adolescent kids across the ocean on a night like this.
 Two Branford youngsters were taking no chances with the German fiend.
 How can we expect anything but victory when two boys like Bobby Pfeiffer and Norman Behrman perform a voluntary service such as they did Sunday night?

They belong to us, those two boys, but thousands of other loyal trustworthy boys like Bob and Norman are found in every town of our country.
 Husky boys do not mind jobs like observing but we are not suited for that kind of work. Goodness knows we want to help the war effort but there are so many things to do not suited for our type. We're putting \$2 into bonds and when the household bills are all paid will ant up the 10% requested. Wish we could help toward victory in a more material way but C. D. work, Red Cross and observation duties just have no appeal.
 It's swell though of the other fellow to take an interest.

TALL TREES
 Tall trees look taller in December. Against a gold-green sunset, they stand like sentinels of earth that touch the sky with stately strength. Across the snow on moonlight nights, they cast a filigree of shadows with the magic patterns of a master artist, using skillfully his black and white. Swaying in the winter's winds, we hear the soul thereof, but cannot tell whether it is ethereal or whether it goes "th" souls of the tall trees that have weathered wars, survived hurricanes, sung Christmas melodies and budded in spring sunshine.
 Tall trees looking down on their offspring. An acorn growing. A winged maple seed sprouting. Generations of young trees reaching upward.
 Tall trees spreading their protecting branches over men's heads where this Christmas a little white candle in a window will glow softly beside a flag with a service star.
 Somewhere in Egypt, in Australia, or in Burma, the soldier lad may be hearing the tall trees singing of Holy Night, while he follows the star in the East—Christian Science Monitor.

CHRISTMAS 1942
 By Ruth Taylor
 On this, the second war Christmas, home circles are broken all over this land of ours. War has touched countless families throughout our nation. We are separated from those whom we love. We are face to face with broken homes, changed lives, changed lives. Christmas gaiety is far from the hearts of many of us. But we can still keep Christmas in our hearts. Christmas is not merely a time of rejoicing and good fellowship, important though that is. Christmas is the one holiday that cannot be celebrated alone. Christmas is not getting, but giving—not of mere material gifts but of ourselves.
 All over this world, on the battlefronts where the armies of right fight the battle of Him who taught "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"; behind the battle lines, in palace and in humble home, in crowded city and on lonely farm; deep in the conquered countries where every act of worship is watched with suspicious eyes, men are keeping Christmas in their hearts, praying that the Prince of Peace may rule on earth.
 We, the fortunate ones, in this land protected by our valiant forces from the onslaught of the aggressor, have the opportunity to answer the challenge and to share our Christmas cheer with all. We who have much to give, must give much to bring comfort to the desolate and happiness to the sick at heart. We may be lonely, we may be sad, we may be impoverished. But there is none of us who cannot give in some way. Only in giving can we keep the Christmas light burning bright. Only in giving may we follow the Star.

In another war Henry Van Dyke wrote the Christmas prayer for lonely folks. In his words let us say:
 Lord God of the solitary, Look upon me in my loneliness. Since I may not keep Christmas in the home, Send it into my heart.
 For His sake, give me cheerful courage to endure my lot, And inward comfort to sweeten it.
 Though I am poor, send me the carry some gift to those who are poorer. Some cheer to those who are more lonely.
 Teach me that I am not alone, But that many hearts all round Join with me through the silence, while I pray in His Name. Amen.

SUPER-SERVICE IS OUT
 No whipped cream. No cuffs on men's suits. No gift wrapping. No second pat of butter in some restaurants. One by one the frills of the superstandard of American living are being clipped: economy. Yet comparatively few persons have felt as yet the full impact of one of the latest Office of Price Administration orders. They will, and soon. Many retail store services long taken for granted are about to become part of the all-out war effort—and we mean it! Purchases on approval will be a privilege of the past, if merchants submit the new OPA authorization. No articles may be returned simply because the customer has changed her mind. Gift wrapping and gift packing will become a domestic chore and not a professional service.
 Free style shows, instruction classes, free concerts, free refreshments, and even air-conditioning are on the OPA store-services "blacklist."
 To most Americans this will come as a shock. Not that they would for a moment question necessary economies in times like these. But they've been spoiled. Spoiled by super-service. They remember what it was like without it—they hope—but they will

not have more appreciation of it, for they will be able to remember what it was like without it.—Christian Science Monitor.

WASHINGTON SNAPSHOTS
 BY JAMES PRESTON
 The new members of the Car family, Manpower McNutt and Foodpower Wickard, are going about with programs that will soon affect every U. S. citizen in a number of ways.
 Our armed forces now stunted on no less than sixty-five points on the world map are going to be fed, equipped and properly taken care of even though we have to do without a great many things we are used to having.
 The new Manpower program under the guidance of Paul V. McNutt, Chief of the War Manpower Commission, will soon whittle down from the present ratio of nine to one, a new deal which will put one man in the armed services for every five men in the civilian labor force.
 Principal points in the Manpower schedule which will have a great deal to do with the Foodpower job include:
 (1) Allocation of manpower to armed forces, war industries, agriculture and other essential civilian activities.
 (2) Efficient use of labor for war industries.
 (3) Mobilization of the nation's labor reserves.
 (4) Transfer of workers from less essential activities to activities essential to the support of the war.
 (5) Provision of labor needed for essential agriculture.
 While Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, now Food Power, has promised "any complete solution" to the growing shortage of farm labor, he pledged that the government would do everything in its power to alleviate this situation and give the farmers as much help as possible.
 From now on until the Axis is written off the volume of hand writing is going to be greatly reduced in this country. Sharp reductions in the volume of wooden pencils, fountain pens, and mechanical pencils, to be produced next year, was ordered recently by the War Production Board. Mechanical pencil producers will have to cut their output down to forty-seven per cent of 1941 production.
 The much discussed shovel in the hands of many public project workers will soon be a thing of the past. February 1, 1943 will see the end of all War Production Administration activities. The prompt liquidation of this great public burden will be a pleasant relief to the millions of tax payers who have been supporting this government activity for several years and who also are burdened with the necessary burden of the expense of this war.
 While our armed forces were moving in on the new African front, the Axis Armistice Commission was milking civilian stockpiles of goods required by the natives and by the invaders. Consequently Lend-Lease is sending five million dollars worth of sugar, powdered and evaporated milk, green tea, cheese, nesquik, kerosene, drugs, and copper sulphate to North Africa.

then have more appreciation of it, for they will be able to remember what it was like without it.—Christian Science Monitor.

CUT THAT ROPE!
 This man is not dead. He is just sleeping. And sleeping a little more soundly, perhaps, because there are still many Americans who are not putting at least 10% of their pay into War Bonds on a regular Payroll Savings Plan. How about you joining a lot of other fellows in giving the little paperhanger a rude awakening? How about you signing up with a Payroll Savings Plan today... to the tune of not 6%, or 7% or 8%, but 10%... and more if you can? LET'S TOP THAT 10% BY NEW YEAR'S!
WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:
 If you are...
 1. Already investing 10% of your pay in your own.
 2. Working in a plant where the Payroll Savings Plan hasn't been installed, talk to your union head, foreman, or plant manager—and see if it can't be installed right away. The local bank will be glad to help.
 3. Unable to get in on the Payroll Savings Plan for any reason, go to your local bank or wherever Bonds are sold. They will be glad to help you start a Plan of your own.



CHRISTMAS
 By Theresa Lomartira
 It was Christmas time in many lands
 The world was full of joys
 Rich and poor young and old
 Bustled about with bundles and toys
 'T was confusion in Toyland with Santa
 Who was busy filling his sleigh
 With his eight tiny reindeer waiting
 Ready to go on their way.
 But let's turn back the pages
 And go back hundreds of years ago
 When on a cold December night
 In Bethlehem, a small town we know,
 Two people walked along a road
 To seek refuge in a house.
 But the people were ungrateful
 And let in not even a mouse.
 They were weary with miles of travel
 And looked so piteous and forlorn
 But the people's hearts were not
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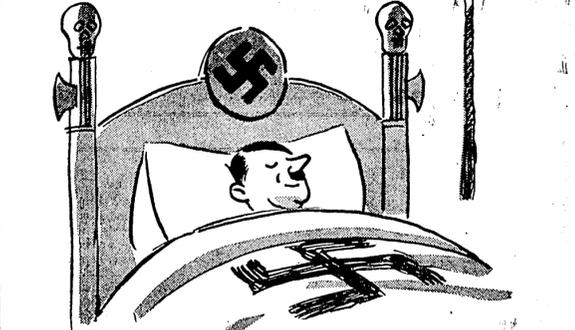
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THIS BUSINESS OF LIVING
 BY BUREAU THAYER
 "COMRADES OF THE FIRING LINE"
 When we think of war we usually think first of armies and navies and, now-a-days of course, of air armadas. Yet we know that back of every man in uniform are many more men—and women—in overall and behind every advance on the battle front are long days and nights of toil on the home front. But it took a great general to put this close connection between industry and our armed forces into ringing prose.
 General Douglas MacArthur, in command of our army on the other side of the world, with his headquarters in that grand "down don't under," cabled a message to the War Congress of American Industry which held its greatest convention in its history recently. There is no one in the world better fitted to realize the importance of what industry is doing today than this great American hero and he says should be an inspiration to every man and woman connected with war production today. I wish all the rest of the citizens of this country could read it, too, and ponder on it as we begin on our second year of war.
 The general's cable, which was read before a great audience of 4,500 people, mostly men, is as follows:
 "From out of Bataan and Corregidor, from our soldiers and sailors in the combat zone, from our Australian and Dutch allies, and from the souls of those who already have shown us how to die, anxious thoughts go to you who drive the wheels of war production. Without your help, blood at the front will avail little against an enemy rich in numbers, in planes, in guns, and in ships. Industry is an indispensable factor in war. There can be no line of demarcation between the man who uses a weapon and the man who makes it. If one fails, the other must perish. Behind manufacturing management stands the rank and file of labor. The responsibilities of the one are as decisive as that of the other and my appeal to you is collective. May God give you understanding of our needs, realization of our pride in you, proven capacity and leadership and inspiration to conquer the difficulties which beset you. We realize that you are not only our past redeemer but ourselves; we bless you for what you have already done for us, and for the future, we wish you Godspeed."

Plants Observe
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 "During this year of war there have been no full holidays in war production," Mr. Nelson announced in his statement. "With patriotic zeal, management and workers in our mines and factories have made even such traditional holidays as Independence Day and Labor Day days of steady unbroken production. It has been necessary to do this because of the overwhelming need to turn out more and more essential equipment in the greatest possible volume without delays or interruption, and the country has recognized this need and has met it."
 "Now we come to the Christmas holiday. I believe that this day should be the one exception to the rule which has been observed thus far."
 "More than ever before in our lives, I suppose, we need this year to pause from our labors on Christmas Day and think deeply and humbly about the faith by which we live, in order that we may carry the profound promise of this day we may draw the hope and the vision which we must have. On the birthday of the Prince of Peace we can and should rest from the production of the weapons of war.
 "Therefore, except for such maintenance and stand-by operations as are necessary for best productive efficiency, I hope that in all war plants where it can possibly be done Christmas Day this year will be observed as a full holiday. After the holiday, we must drive ahead with renewed energy for the increased production job of 1943—a bigger job than we have ever faced before."

Red Cross Notes
 Representatives of the local branch will attend the annual meeting of the New Haven Chapter to be held January 11 in New Haven.
 The Red Cross Gauze room in the library, closed during this holiday week will reopen next week at the scheduled hours.
 The annual meeting of the Branford branch of the New Haven Chapter of the American Red Cross will be held in the library January 8 at 3 o'clock.
 Anyone interested is invited to attend as many reports will be made by new department chairmen. Officers will be elected.

STONY CREEK
 Morgan Keyes of Buffalo, N. Y., en route to Boston stopped to call on his sisters the Misses Euphie and Helen Keyes.
 Frank Biagiarelli of Railway Avenue is a patient in the Hospital at St. Raphael. He accidentally shot his arm while hunting.
 Mrs. Mary Corbett and Miss Jean Marie Aliboni were awarded truck keys given this week by St. Theresa's Church.
 Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis, has completed a course of study in Washington, D. C.
 Miss Barbara Mills, daughter of Mr.

Festive Table for Holidays,



THE MARK of a good hostess is her ability to set an attractive dinner table. Her linen is spotless, her silver shining and her glassware is of matching design.

CHURCH NOTES

CONGREGATIONAL Mrs. George Hanson, Mrs. John Alfred, Mrs. William Rogers, Mrs. George Colburn.

FIRST BAPTIST Rev. A. W. Jones, Pastor Rogers Street Sunday School 10:00 Church Services 11:00

ST MARY'S Because of the dimout, Confessions have been changed from 3 to 7 on Thursday, Christmas Eve.

TABOR LUTHERAN Rev. Adolph T. Bergquist, Minister 9:30—Church School 10:30—Morning Worship in English

CHRISTMAS MATINS Friday, December 25th, 8:30 a. m. In English Carol Singing by the Choir

HOME FOR VACATION Alvin A. Lawrence has arrived at his home in South Montewese Street to pass the holidays with his parents.

BOYS' LIFE There is a tremendous need for a clean, wholesome and educational, yet entertaining boys' publication. This is the magazine you will be glad to give your son.

With The BOYS IN SERVICE

Cadet Charles Hudson Nott, Goodsell Road, began a nine week's post-flight course at Maxwell Field, Ala.

Edward Gatawaski has been home on a furlough after a trip to Northern Africa.

Pvt. Joseph Gatawaski has been transferred to Fort Custer, Mich.

When recently heard from Pvt. Albert Gatawaski was stationed in California.

Stanley Drwonkowski of North Ivy Street is a second class machinist in the Navy.

Harry J. Conway, East Haven town treasurer has entered the U. S. Navy.

Anthony Ruggiero of Foxon has commenced Army training.

Arnold Schoemann of Harbor Street has written news of his advancement to the rank of corporal.

PFC and Mrs. Norman Averill are with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Averill of Harbor Street for seven days.

First Class Seaman Dan Daly, son of Mrs. Daniel Daly, Harbor Street is home from Greentop, L.I. where he is stationed with the Coast Guard.

Lieut. Stuart Caney, North Main Street has been sent from the Boston Naval Base to the Armed Guard School, Naval Section Base, Little Creek, Va.

Cadet Eric Gunther Schoening of 204 Harbor Street, Branford, has joined the initial class in his training as a Naval Aviation cadet.

George Lehr of Granite Bay has joined the Navy. He left Monday for San Francisco enroute to Pearl Harbor. He will stop at Chicago to visit a few hours with his brother Paul.

George Colman and Arthur Marcus were given a party recently by members of the Indian Neck Fire Company.

Corp. Walter Clapp, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holmann, Averill Place, has returned to Gadsden, Ala. where he is with the chemical warfare department.

Pvt. Herbert Gale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Gale of Indian Neck who is with the Marines at Parris Island, South Carolina has been assigned to attend a school for air-ship sound detection.

Cadet Maurice Sarason spent week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sarason. He is a member of the U. S. Merchant Marine School of Great Neck, L. I.

White in Norfolk, Va. he recently met Pvt. Harry Roganson of Short Beach who had just returned from action in North Africa.

Another boy home on furlough is Pvt. John Mooney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Mooney, South Montewese Street. He has been transferred from Parris Island to Quantico, Va.

Lieut. Walter Paik of West Main Street is now stationed at the Casual Officers Detention Station at Jefferson, New Orleans, La.

Burton Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mason of Short Beach is home from the University of

Miss Earl Blake entertained at luncheon Thursday for Miss Jennie Walters, Mrs. Gordon Benson, Mrs. Walter Williams, Mrs. Arthur Hallen and Mrs. Loren Paradis.

Relatives here have learned that Carl Robert Malson of the U. S. Marine Corps has been transferred from Parris Island to Quantico, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John Colopy will entertain at a family party Christmas Day.

LIGHT LINES by R.K.

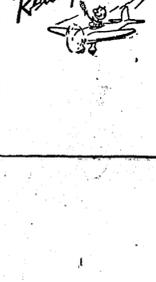


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NORTH BRANFORD

Services in the local churches on Sunday will be: Mass at 9:15 o'clock at St. Augustine's R. C. Church, Rev. John J. McCarthy, pastor, Miss Bernard, organist and choir director.

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 o'clock at Zion Episcopal Church, Rev. Francis J. Smith, Rector, Mrs. Paul R. Hawkins, organist and choir director.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock at the Congregational Church, Rev. Maurice DeVries, pastor, Mrs. Douglas B. Holbard, organist and choir director.

During Christmas week several religious exercises and Christmas festivities have been planned.

On Sunday evening a Christmas pageant was presented by the children of the Sunday School at the Congregational Church under the direction of Mrs. Burton S. Hall.

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on Christmas Day at the Zion Episcopal Church at 9:30 o'clock.

Masses will be celebrated at St. Augustine's Church on Christmas morning at 8:30 and 9:30 o'clock.

The annual parish party for Zion Episcopal Church will be held on Monday evening at the Rectory.

Jack F. Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lynch of Ivy Avenue, East Haven and Miss Margaret Kingston Howell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Howell of Washington, D. C. were married on December 5 in the Cathedral of the Assumption in Baltimore.

The marriage of Miss Lois Lively, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eberly Lively of Nutley, N. J., and P. S. Robert Osborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney V. Osborn, of 17 Wilford Avenue, took place Saturday, December 5, in the First Baptist Church, Delray Beach, Fla.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Richard Talmadge. A wedding dinner was served in the Colony Hotel. Mrs. Osborn will make her home in Delray Beach, as her husband is stationed at Boca Raton, Fla.

A holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Colby will be Miss Barbara Harvey of Hartford.

Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beaver of Short Beach is home from the University of Connecticut for the holidays.

EAST HAVEN

Miss Dorothy Fitzsimmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fitzsimmons, of 200 Main St., is on vacation from her studies at the Junior College of Physical Therapy in New Haven.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS Charles Tyler Holbrook, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Tyler Holbrook, 24 Thompson Avenue, East Haven, a member of the R.O.T.C. at the University of Alabama, School of Aeronautical engineering.

PARTY FOR CHILDREN All children of the Momaugun district are invited to be guests of the Bradford Manor Hose Co. at a Christmas party in the firehouse Sunday, December 27 at 2 P. M.

Howard Stepp and his daughter, Leona of Princeton, N. J. visited Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stepp, High Street.

EDMUND SWARTZ DIES Lorena, widow of Edmund Swartz and mother of Judson Swartz, 44 Kirkham Avenue, East Haven, passed away in East Haven, December 21.

Funeral services are arranged for Thursday morning at the W. S. Clancy & Sons mortuary home, 19 with music by the Junior and Youth choirs by the Momaugun Branch and Christ Church.

Rhoda E. Leshing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Leshing is on a vacation from the Yale School of Law, where she is a member of the Freshman Class.

Zeinman E. Leshing, son of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Leshing is home from the Yale School of Law, where he is a member of the University of Connecticut.

Miss Patricia Sarason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sarason, 43 Sidney Street, is home from the Traphagen School of Fashion, N. Y.

Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beaver of Short Beach is home from the University of Connecticut for the holidays.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE Christmas Eve at 10:30 P. M. Candlelight service and Holy Communion service will be conducted at Christ Episcopal Church.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS Navajo Council, Degree of Pocomontas, elected the following officers at its annual meeting Wednesday night and these will be installed at ceremonies to be held the first meeting in 1943.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE All who plan to attend the annual New Year's Eve dance and buffet supper at the Bradford Manor Hotel on New Year's Eve, December 31, are asked to make reservations at once through George W. Clark, chairman, or Mrs. Frederick Zentch, vice chairman of the committee.

Lanphier's Cove

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Peterson and their children plan to spend Christmas in Wallingford with Mrs. Peterson's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pierce and son, David of Hamden will visit friends here Thursday.

Miss Lillian Levine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Levine of Main Street, East Haven, is vacationing from Junior College of Physical Therapy in New Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bowie, and family, Rock Hill, N. C., are moving to Binghamton, New York on December 27. Mr. Bowie has been working there for the past month.

Miss Peggy Whyte's Monday dancing class in East Haven has its annual Christmas dance Monday the 21st. Most of her pupils are from Branford and East Haven. A lovely time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Clarence Lake and his Malley "Caroleers" have visited East Haven and Branford High School this season.

Mrs. Edward Dejon of Rockland Park, Short Beach and her son, Robert, are visiting in Texas. They plan to stay a week.

Mrs. Raymond (Gunkle) Beck of Georgetown, Short Beach is going to New York this week and try to pass her tests for the Waves.

The Girl Scouts of the surrounding communities, mainly New Haven, are to meet at the Arena in New Haven at ten o'clock on a large skating party on Monday the 28th.

The V wreath on the little house next to the school makes a very attractive door-piece. It is simple and very Christmasy.

Vacation for the Branford schools begins Wednesday, the 23rd, at noon. All the classes will be shortened.

It doesn't look like the war spoiled the Christmas tree either. Everyone seems to have gotten one, one way or another. Let's hope next year we won't have to worry about Christmas trees.

Happy Birthday Speaking of birthdays Mrs. Theodore Dahl, celebrates January 8.

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WHEREAS, ELIZABETH LYNCH, now or formerly of New London, Connecticut, whether...

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On top, stars appearing in lavish revue. Below, Jerry Colonna, featured star in new "Ice-Capades" on same bill at the State Theatre, Hartford, this coming Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

ing on the stage of the State Theatre, Hartford, this coming Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Also featured in the show are the 24 lovely Bomba-dears; Martin and Allen; Curly Van, and many others. On the screen with this grand holiday attraction is the New "Ice-Capades" Revue. It is sparkling with comedy, studded with thrills, and features Jerry Colonna, Ellen Drew and the Ice-Capades Company with internationally famous skating stars, including Vera Hruban.

There are two midnite stage and screen stows this week end, one Friday midnight and the other on Sunday midnight, both stage shows starting at 1:15 A. M. The shows Friday are continuous thru midnight, and patrons may come anytime. On Sunday, the doors for the midnight show open at 12:01 A. M. Tickets are now on sale for the New Year's Eve Midnite 3-hour

Aircraft Warning



Service

By Charlotte Pfeiff

Mrs. Ruth Evls, since acquiring her Arm Band, for one hundred hours service, has been a walking recruiting station. Several people have stopped her on the street and asked all sorts of questions about it. We hope she can bring in some new spotters with her efforts. We can use all we can get. Good work, Mrs. Evls.

Chief Observer Robert Cate spoke on the Aircraft Warning Service to the PTA at Indian Neck on Wednesday last week. Mr. Cate does not have enough to do so he has taken to public speaking. So long as he has put across the idea of our importance as the first line of defense I'm sure he will be a success.

Another of our observers who deserves credit for outside work is Mrs. Clarence Johnson of Short Beach, who has been donating her services for the past month at the Rationing Board in Branford.

We hope to be recognized in the next "Observation Post" issue with Bill Pratt and Ed Michaelson as the first men observers on the day shift to get any actual experience reporting planes.

There have been golf widows, mechanic's widows and salesmen's widows but there is now the Observation Post widow. Never mind girls we are all in the same boat, and a live observer is a lot to be thankful for just the same.

Sunday noon, ten below zero, called the post for news but it has been frozen. No one left any for me so I guess that it must be too cold to think. Just remember those days back last summer when we complained of the hot linoleum burning our feet? Boy, those were the days!

To the good old standbys scheduled for the Holiday shifts at the post. Don't shirk or be self sympathetic. Just remember that Hitler and Hirohito don't believe in a Christ who celebrates a Birthday this week and therefore they have no regard for humanity. Our thoughts will be with you on your tricks around the clock and may The Christ Child send you his very special blessings for your sacrifice made on this day.

The Chief Observer received a telegram of considerable length from the new Brigadier General Willis Tyler, stating in effect that, regardless of the gasoline situation, the observation post must be kept manned twenty four hours daily.

stage show. Apply at Manager's Office or phone Hartford 2-2652 or 2-2408 for reservations.

Teachers List

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Janice Baldwin, Nancy Bradley, Virginia Origo, Faith Hoogkirk, Betty Linsley, Clair Raiola, Barbara Ross, Florence Olzewski, Ruth Kelly, Alton Ceccorulli, Robert Adams, Vito DeNardi, Teddy Gumkowski, Geno Nardello, Joseph Polastri, Walter Williams, Helen Cusic, Alta Hagar, Mary Lou Miller, Norma Petre, Josephine Raiola, Victoria Rollis, Doris Skroza, Dorothy Chmielicki.

Grade 11—Gloria Acebo, Albert Altmanberger, Lois Altmanberger, Keith Bradoc, Jeanne Johnston, Vernon Kelsey, Eleanor Noble, Steven Pauk, Audrey Schwantler, Roland St. Louis, Herbert Brulotte, Richard Farrington, Bernard Sciarini, Anne Fitzgerald, Lois Holm, Elaine Johnson, Shirley Lyons, Angie Pozzi, Virginia DeBay, Gene Fullerton, Melvin Hagar, Geraldine Jannelli, Robert Mischer, Angela Randazise.

Grade 12—Regina Lillquist, Helen Stagina, Alex Szeske, Lura Ellsworth, John Maddern, Melvin Robertson, Clifford Swirsky, Ardis DeLeone, Adrienne Northam, Eleanor Skroza.

LAUREL STREET

James Andrews, Frederick Bliker, John Canner, Robert Donadio, Stanley Kustra, John Mongillo, Joan Austin, George Barron, Robert Burns, Francis Domarammo, Harold Levy, Thomas Purcell, Angela Cimino, Virginia Johnson, Paula Kacynski.

Grade 5—Ruth Johnson, Rose Naimo, Joseph Plinsky, Warren Hopper, Elizabeth Maddern, Thomas Vallette, Dolores Borzillo, Doris Hanson, Alice Bedard, Alfred Hansen, David Nygard, Jean Kaminski, Marilyn Donadio, Arnold Knowlton, Walter Kacynski.

Grade 6—Linsley Elgelow, Carl Bloomquist, John Kennedy, Robert Vishno, Arlene Cannon, F. J. Caruso, Lorraine Dohna, Helen Cross, Elizabeth Gumkowski, Virginia Thompson, Larry Donadio, Frederick Galdenzi, George Ghiroli, John Sokolosky.

CANOE BROOK

Grade 2—John St. Louis, Laverne Rodman, Grade 3—Wieslaw Dazuta, Joan Tobin, Grade 4—Ethel Johnson, Grade 5—David Sliney, Belle Rose Barba, Joyce Hanchuruck, Jennie Zebrowski, Grade 6—Francis Pavetti, Janet Ericson, Justine Ericson, Alice Struzinsky.

HARRISON AVENUE

Kindergarten—Donald Struzinski, Richard Toriani, John DeSarro, Linda Benson, Virginia Austin. Grade 2—Joanny Donadio, Ann Morton, Barbara Napoleon, Donald Ceccorulli, Francis Quinn, Burton Vishno.

Grade 3—Michael Bontalibus, Robert Branchini, Agnes Dudley, Kenneth Donadio, Robert Donadio. STONY CREEK

Grade 1—Anthony Domartra, Carl Olovson, Grade 2—Richard Williams, Marlon Atkinson, Mary Ann Lomartra, Patricia Walsh. Grade 3—Bruce DeBay, Charles Lomartra, William McLean, Barbara Mott, Grade 4—Gloria Santagata, Grade 5—John DeBay Edward Murphy, Miriam Magee, Marilyn Erickson, Grade 6—Kenneth Guenther, Anthony Consolo.

HARBOR STREET

Grade 1—Phyllis Saturno, Grade

WHAT NOTS

BY GITA ROUND

Stony Creek and Short Beach Schools unable to secure Christmas candy for annual school parties. Past Commander John J. Enright of Harry R. Bartlett Post has been appointed to the National Defense Commission for a three year term. The appointment is made by National Commander Roane Waring and is the first to be given to an East Haven Legionnaire. Merchants kicking because they haven't more stock to sell. Won't be much left to inventory. New England housewives are helping finance the war with spare pennies and nickles they receive in change while doing their daily marketing. During the first year of the United States' participation in the war, shoppers in the A & P Tea Company's New England Division stores took more than a quarter million dollars in war stamps instead of change. This was an average of \$21,000 a month.

PUBLIC ADVISED ON UNNECESSARY TRIPS

Anticipating heavy furlough travel of service men during the Christmas and New Year holiday season, which marks the last opportunity many men may have for reunions with families and friends for the duration, The New Haven Railroad appealed to civilians to avoid making unnecessary trips during this period so that service men may be assured of comfortable traveling conditions.

The New Haven plans to provide maximum train service during the holidays, directing every effort first toward accommodating thousands of men in the nation's armed forces. Service will depend on availability of equipment, and will conform to regulations of the Office of Defense Transportation.

Although commuter service will be somewhat curtailed each holiday, as is customary, trains serving war industry workers will operate on regular weekday schedules both Christmas and New Year days.

In view of the marked increase in passenger travel during recent months, the cooperation of civilians in refraining from making "pleasure" trips during the holidays, or at least limiting themselves to one such trip during this period—preferably starting at least three or four days before the holiday and returning as late as possible after the holiday—will make it possible for service men to derive the utmost enjoyment from their furlough travels during this merry season.

Woodeld laid up a day or two but not so sick but what he has town's fire safety in mind. Twelve members of Rotary Club are volunteer blood donors for Red Cross. Plumbers at a premium as cold weather apparently settled down to stay. Have you put your serial number on all coupons on your fuel oil rationing book—Like licking stamps it isn't 'the delivery-man's job. Clubs and organizations experiencing difficulty in getting members to accept office for coming year. All clubs, etc., cutting out practically all of their activities. Hurricane timber looks smart in fireplace this cold snap. Unusual Christmas greeting cards always catch the fancy. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson are sending out blue and silver sketches of Harry, Abbe, Marsh and the pup, Chapple. Drawings even look like the Johnson's. Then there's the penny pad sent by East Haven's George C. Kirkham. On the back is written:

I deplore the waste of Christmas cards, That one reads once and then discards. It never seems quite right to me As thrift's my middle name you see. Though I'm some Scotch and Yankee, too, I send this useful card to you. May the finest Christmas you've ever had. Go with this penny pad. George is wintering in Cocoa,

PERSONALS

Bancroft Cate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Cate, Montowese Street is home from Dartmouth for the Christmas recess.

Among those here for the past weekend was Ernest Genrich who is working in Patterson, N. J.

Mrs. Louis Lounsbury, past grand matron was among the invited guests at Madison Monday night when Grand Officers of Eastern Star paid their official visit.

Mrs. John E. Maher and daughter, Patricia of East Haven have moved to Salt Lake City, Utah to be near Lieut. Maher who is supervisor of physical education at an army air base there.

Ernest Genrich of Branford and Donald Knowlton and Jack Beaver of Short Beach are among the students home from the University of Connecticut.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

WARRANTY DEEDS
Levine H. W. to Robt. Mertz, et ux, Clarendon St.; Maturu, Mary to Catherine Drago, Main St.; Roberts R. J. Jr., et ux to Harry Taconis et ux, 27 Garden St.

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS
Bomster C. J. et ux to J. J. O'Meara, Private Rd; O'Connor, Mary F. to State, 2 pcs. Short Beach Rd.

MORTGAGE DEED
MacLeod, Carrie A. to W. H. Palmer, Highway.

RELEASE OF MORTGAGES
Bran. Fed. Sav. & Loan Assn to Hugh MacLeod, et al, highway; Goldberg, Jennie to Mary Sparico, E. Main St.; Goldsmith, C. B. et ux to H. C. Carsten, 2 pieces, Maple Hill Rd. (2); Maturu C. M. to Armand Thomas, Main St.

Order of Rainbow for Girls held a Christmas party Thursday in Masonic Temple. Members held a grab-bag and gave a gift for a shut-in.

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Now that we are forced inside to de-ice occasionally, it is a swell chance to catch up on the bulletin board.

The Chief Observer Robert B. Cate and his entire staff take this opportunity to thank the observers for their hearty cooperation of the past year and wish them all the joys and pleasures of the Holiday Season. In other words, "Merry Christmas to You All."

Those who listened to Rudy Vallee last week heard the new song "Eyes Aloft" written for and dedicated to the Aircraft Warning Service and its Observers.

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HOW TO FIX YOUR OWN PLUGS AND CORDS

THESE DAYS almost every housewife has to be her own repairman at some time. By making simple repairs on your own lighting plugs and cords, you can save the time of lighting service men so urgently needed for vital war work. Of course, it's always preferable to get new cords and plugs and to use new wire. If you can't, you can do a good job of patching up the old by following these suggestions.

1. RIGHT AND WRONG WAY TO WIRE A PLUG

WRONG
Wrong. Wires not put around the prongs first.

RIGHT
Right. Wires put around the prongs. When cord is yanked or jerked, pressure is put on the prongs.

2. CORD FRAYED IN THE MIDDLE

Clean away the frayed or crumbled part.

Tape up each wire separately, using electrician's tape.

Then tape wires together. Adhesive tape cures and cracks very quickly.

3. CORD FRAYED NEAR PLUG

Unloosen screws and pull wire out.

Cut off frayed part of the wire.

Reinsert wire in plug, and screw in place.

4. PLUG SHOULD FIT SNUGLY

Where "A" doesn't fit snugly into "B," plug "B's" springs may have lost their "resilience."

Bend plug "A's" prongs apart with your fingers. Just enough to get a snug fit.

Or bend out the ends of the prongs with a pair of pliers.

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