

## STRICTLY LOCAL

PREVUES, VIEWS AND REVIEWS

BY PAUL H. STEVENS

### LET US PROVE WE CARE, BY DOING OUR SHARE

During our work during the past fifteen years as a health inspector whose duty it has been to visit the homes of many of the so-called under-privileged in the tenement houses on the "other side of the railroad tracks", in our neighboring city, we have been able, as few have, to learn at first hand, some of the fine work being done by social welfare organizations largely financed by the Community Chest. In depression times the work they did was such as to attract attention. In good times, however, the work is perhaps not so striking, but even more important. The various character-building and health agencies need funds now more than ever, with rising costs and help difficulties. A large proportion of our East Haven people depend upon New Haven business and industry for their livelihood and for that reason are responsible, in a measure, for the financing of those agencies which share in the Chest funds. But not all that we give stays in New Haven. Our own Public Health Nursing Association whose work is well known among our own people is one of the beneficiaries of the fund.

In war-time we have had an added incentive to give liberally to Community Chest solicitors. It is through this money-raising campaign that we can all give to the War Fund which provides money for a large number of services and relief societies for our fighting men, and Allied Relief agencies.

Let us prove we care! Let us do our share!

### TODAY WE HONOR A GREAT ITALIAN

Much has been said and much has been written about the discoverer of America, Christopher Columbus. His life is familiar to every school child. Today, the greatest nation in the great new world he discovered, does homage and honor to him as one of the renowned men of all time. October the 12th has been set apart on our calendar as Columbus Day. It was on October 12, 1492 that the little sailing boats, Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria, came to the sandy shores of the western world. They had been forced on across the unknown seas, not by the unfavorable winds or the tidal storms, but the undaunted will and perseverance of Christopher Columbus. He it was who had dreamed of a western voyage to reach the east upon a global world. In spite of all, he sailed on and on through forbidding seas, and in so doing became the discoverer of this continent.

Christopher Columbus was an Italian, a member of a nationality and a race to which civilization owes much. His was the land of Dante, of Michael Angelo, and a host of others. His is a proud race of friendly people. Columbus was the first of a long line of pioneer Italians who found the new world.

Today hundreds of thousands of American citizens are justly proud that in their veins runs the warm blood of Sunny Italy. In Connecticut men and women of Italian parentage and descent have risen to high place in the political, business, industrial and civic life of this state. Italian immigrants and their sons and daughters have played no small part in the development of our own town, East Haven.

To call the roll of those of Italian descent who have made and are making East Haven a better town for all, would be like reading from a Who's Who of our town. Italian names stand out everywhere along with those of Native Americans and the others who have passed through our melting pot.

There is no real agreement as to who the first Italian families were to come to East Haven but we can narrow them down to the Tomros, the Carusos and the Streets, all here before the turn of the century. Market gardeners they were, and they made the soil of East Haven, particularly the previously neglected mucklands, blossom like the proverbial rose. As the early years of the century came and went more families of Italian origin came to make their homes among us, and little by little complete new villages grew up where not even farms had been before. Typical was the Foxon Park development in the rough wooded lands between Foxon and Fair Haven. There the late Paul Russo of New Haven carved a "city" in the wilderness, and peopled it with stalwart families from New Haven. These new neighbors, stalwart and thrifty, were a boon to our town and now the second and third generation are among our community leaders. And so it is in other sections. Those of Italian descent have forged ahead in all walks of life. We find them in the professions, in business, in education, in industry. On this day set apart to honor Christopher Columbus, the discoverer, it is fitting that we honor, too, our fellow Americans who are of his blood.

### ALFRED E. SMITH AND WENDELL WILLKIE

Two great Americans, Alfred E. Smith and Wendell Willkie, came to the end of useful lives the past week and within a few days of each other. Both had in their time received the votes of hundreds of East Haveners for the highest office in the gift of this nation, that of President of the United States. Each had fallen short of that honor. Smith lost out to Hoover in 1928 and Willkie to President Roosevelt four years ago. Today, as they join the departed great men of the ages, we know the world has been made better because each has lived and left his impact upon it. Both men were true Americans of the noblest type, the one reared on the sidewalks of New York, the other whose fame from a mid western farm. Both were outspoken and fearless. Each personified the hopes and aspirations of America and the World.

The Sage of South End says he read somewhere that Hitler lost the war because he never had enough planes. The Sage opines it wasn't planes but brains.

## Chest And War Fund Drive Is Underway

East Haven people have accepted the challenge. They are proving they care. They are giving their share.

That is the word from Community Chest Headquarters as to East Haven's part in the big Community Chest and War Fund Campaign which began Monday and will continue until October 23. East Haven gives as a part of the Greater New Haven campaign and will share in the various agencies which participate in the funds.

Mrs. J. P. Barclay heads the East Haven Division in this big civic enterprise, and is receiving the wholehearted support of the workers who have enlisted in the campaign here. They are working with enthusiasm to roll up East Haven's quota in record time.

Mrs. Ellsworth W. Cowles and Mrs. Paul G. Cook are each captaining teams which are soliciting the business firms and individuals who are not otherwise listed as givers to the chest through their places of employment. Carl H. Gar-

vin captains the team which is at work in the schools and his associates are William E. Fagerstrom and Mrs. Laura I. O'Connor.

Mrs. Cowles' team is composed of a group of public spirited men and women eager to bring in every subscription possible in record time. They include Matthew Anastasio, Harold W. Doolittle, Arthur B. Haesche, Mrs. Roy E. Holchik, Bertel B. Klockars, Mrs. Charles H. Miller, Walter B. Mills, Harold F. Nash, Mrs. Ernest L. Pemberton, Mrs. Elmer H. Sprenger, Paul H. Stevens and Mrs. Robert L. Wall-dorf.

Mrs. Cook's team likewise is composed of diligent and willing enthusiasts, many of them also veterans of previous campaigns. Team members are Joseph F. Adams, Mrs. Joseph F. Adams, Ernest M. Antonis, Roger C. Brown, Mrs. Roy E. Burwell, Mrs. Donald V. Chidsey, Mrs. Wilfred M. Dion, F. Leroy O'Neal, Mrs. Michael Rogoff, Alvin P. Sanford, Mrs. Alvin P. Sanford and Clifford L. Weaver.

## Army Bad Boy Subject Of Talk By Col. Redding

The Men's Club of the Old Stone church opened its 1944-45 season Tuesday night with a supper-meeting in the Parish House at which Lieut. Col. James P. Redding of Morris Cove, gave a most interesting talk on his experiences at the First Army Command's Rehabilitation Center in Massachusetts, where the "Army bad boys" are restored to usefulness. Col. Redding came home from active duty because of serious leg injuries some time ago, but his experience as one of the officers in command at the Center, gave him a valuable insight into personality problems and their correction.

The new president of the club, Bernard Kennerson, presided at the meeting at which the several committee chairmen reported on plans for the coming year, and three representatives, Stanley Shamp, Bob Johnson and Mr. Moody were named to the Inter Organization Post War Planning Committee.

A thoroughly enjoyable old-fashioned New England Boiled Dinner consisting of ham, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, turnip and all the fixings, and topped off with pumpkin pie, was served by the Ever Ready Group under the direction of Mrs. Joseph Holt and Mrs. Howard Lewis, assisted by Mrs. Edwin Brown, Miss Julia Thompson, Miss Carrie Taylor, Mrs. William G. West, Miss Elsie Hanson, Mrs. Lewis Borden, Mrs. Carl Olson, Mrs. Leon Dube, Mrs. Stanley Shamp, Miss Betty Shamp and Miss June Dube.

After citing the work of the Rehabilitation Center and problems encountered, Col. Redding summed up his talk by saying the technique at the center is not a "short cut" to teaching a man to live his life in a socially acceptable way. It is a way of getting him to "think things over" in a friendly, helpful atmosphere; an attempt to lead him to the socially acceptable outlook rather than drive him from it. That the rehabilitation actually works, he proved by cases where "Army Bad Boys" have become fine army men, some of them even rising so high as to gain commissions.

## Armed Forces

What's New Among Our Boys And Girls In The Service.

BY WILLIAM E. FAGERSTROM

We are now beginning our second month as correspondent for the Service people of East Haven High School and are gratified to note that correspondence is increasing and that many townspeople are giving us information regarding these boys and girls.

ED CAREY '42, writes from S. S. Billy Mitchell that he is still in good health and learning much he would have missed had he stayed in civilian life although he does admit he would not like to begin the same grind all over again. He says he has been in France, Scotland and England on this trip.

GORDON MEAD '44 is taking his boot training at Sampson, New York. He is working very hard but seems to enjoy it. His pet peeve is the physical training and he says when he remembers how he hated the few drills he had to take in high school, he has to laugh.

HARRY BELL '43 writes another most interesting letter thanking us for the addresses contained in our last school bulletin. He is not far from Balboa and is having a fine time swimming, fishing and hunting. He tells of his album of pictures which must be very valuable since it contains all kinds of pictures of native life in the different parts of the country he has been stationed. At this time he has about 360 pictures.

JOE LENOCE '43 writes that after ten months in the army he has finally reached New Guinea. He is situated along the coast and has a grand time swimming. He says he is in the best equipped hospital in that part of the world and feels he has gotten a break. He tells us that DAVE CUNNINGHAM '43 should be on his way home from England and we hope to see him when he arrives.

I talked with JIMMIE MINAHAN '44 a few minutes about a week ago and found him well. In his recent letter he says that his school halls have become passage ways and the stairs have become ladders. He is at the Navy School of Music.

I have had word from his Commander that LOUIS REID '40 has been promoted to a Corporal. He is an aircraft mechanic in a Depot Repair Squadron of the 15th Air-

## Personalities

NO. 4 IN A SERIES

Alarm clocks are hard to get these days, but at least one person in East Haven doesn't need an alarm clock. Why? Because day in and day out, promptly at 9 A.M. "Tony" Caruso, our letter carrier stops on the porch and as the letters go in the box, a person inside the house gets out of bed. Scores of other East Haven residents set their time-pieces by "Tony", so regular has his postman's beat become. "If you are a minute late, it's strange," he says, "how you hurry along to make it up." "Tony" who pounds "Ole Mother Macadam" 14 miles every day when most of us are afraid to trudge one, joined the New Haven Post Office Department back in 1920. He worked out of Station "A" at Grannis Corner for 19 years and took over his route here in February, 1938. Everybody likes "Tony", they can't help it. His good natured grin means friendliness.

Anthony J. Caruso was born in North Adams (Mass.), Oct. 7, 1893, the son of Domenico Caruso and Angelina Fiorentina who were natives of Cuscutta, Italy. His parents were among the first of the Italian families to settle in East Haven. When they first came to East Haven, Thompson avenue provided acreage for cow pastures and watermelon patches. Tony was educated in East Haven public schools and worked at Sargent's and National Folding Box for nine years. He is a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

On April 17, 1917, he enlisted in the U. S. Yankee Division, saw service in France, where our boys are fighting now, won the Purple Heart and was honorably discharged in 1918. Anthony Caruso, the veteran, revisited the scenes of conflict in 1927 at the Tenth Anniversary Convention of the American Legion in Paris. All of the excitement was not over because the Sacco-Vanzetti trial was at its peak in Boston and radical sympathizers in France tried to blow up trains upon which the legionnaires were traveling. "It was an exciting time and we were guarded during much of our stay," Tony recalls. Tony is a past commander of the Harry R. Bartlett Post, No. 89, in East Haven. After Pearl Harbor "Tony" was appointed chairman of our highly successful Civilian Defense Council, which enrolled 500 or 600 persons in its 28 departments. While the work of the Council has slowed down considerably of late, members of it were on the spot to aid in the September hurricane. It also supervises the salvage collections that are so important to speed the day of victory.

On February 14, 1936, Anthony Caruso married Jewell Ferguson. One step-daughter, Ann, is married to Lieut. William Baneroff and another, Kathryn Alice, is attending college in Cleveland, Ohio.

force Service Command. He is the recipient of the good conduct ribbon, the African-European Middle Eastern Theatre Ribbon and has been awarded the bronze star for battle participation.

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### REMEMBER WHEN?

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Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Johnson announced birth of a daughter. Miss Hilda Chidsey hostess at Silver tea given under auspices of Princess Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

Mr. E. A. Cooper elected superintendent of Sunday School of Old Stone church at annual meeting. Messrs. Arthur Leete and Chauncey Upson reelected deacons. Annual report by Rev. Daniel J. Clark, pastor, showed 283 pastoral calls for year, six weddings and 26 funerals.

Troop 13, Boy Scouts, gave handsome American flag to Old Stone church.

Plans completed for reception night to East Haven soldiers returned from World War service. Affair to be held in town hall.

## TOWN TOPICS

FROM OUR REPORTERS' NOTEBOOKS

Indian summer days make it easy on the oil tank and the coal bin.

Community Chest and War Fund Drive off to a good start.

Mrs. Charles F. Donadio home again after pleasant trip to former home in Washington, Indiana for wedding of her sister.

Roger Chamberlain of First Beach Battalion home for furlough.

Important meeting of Harry Bartlett post scheduled for tonight in Legion Building.

Mrs. John L. Gregory entertained New Haven Methodist Ministers Wives at St. Andrews' parsonage, Grannis Corner, Monday.

Stanley Strickland, of French avenue is spending a furlough with his folks. Mr. Strickland is stationed at Maxwell Field, Alabama.

Robert Lorenzen of Peluxent River Navy Air Camp, in Maryland, is visiting his parents.

Milton Anderson of Tuttle place is visiting his parents, on a short furlough this week. Milton is a

Navy Cadet, at Amhurst College, Massachusetts.

Leroy Schrupp of Burr Street, who is stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla., is on a furlough, and is enjoying a visit with his parents.

We are glad to see Mrs. H. P. Johnson around again following a two-week illness with a throat infection.

The regular stated communication of Monnaquin lodge of Masons will be held Monday at 7:30 P.M.

Bernice A. Hall of the high school attended a meeting of the New England School Librarians association at Bulkeley High School in Hartford on Saturday. She reports that school librarians will have to participate actively in the rehabilitation efforts in the post war world.

Selectmen and town clerk will meet Saturday in town hall to make new voters.

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I'm the guy who looked at you from a U.S.O. poster some time ago. I'm the guy for whom you and millions of others gave and gave so generously. I'd like to tell you what was done with your money.

The money you gave last year helped give the boys the tonic of entertainment... a personal appearance by Jack Benny in Africa... by Gary Cooper in the South Seas... and by lovely women stars in remote places where just the sight of a feminine face is enough to make up for weeks and months of loneliness and isolation.

Your dollars made possible the U.S.O.—in addition to many other great services at home and abroad—3,000 U.S.O. clubs and U.S.O. Camp Shows.

The job is bigger this year... much bigger. Won't you be bigger than ever this year, too, and give generously?

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SHORT BEACH

ST. ELIZABETH R. C. CHURCH Pastor, Rev. William O'Brien...

UNION CHAPEL Rev. J. Edward Newton of Westville Pastor...

BOOK COLLECTION Books for servicemen will be collected Sunday, October 15...

SCOUTS ON HIKE Troop 98, Girl Scouts of Short Beach held their regular meeting...

Investigative ceremony will be held at the next meeting Wednesday, October 18...

Troop 1 is going strong as always. Some of the boys, by working hard...

Red Cross Notes



A meeting of Red Cross volunteers was held at the Chapter headquarters on Monday, Oct. 10...

CHAPLAIN WORKER ELEC Short Beach Chapter Workers held its annual meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clarence Manger...

Remember to mail all Christmas packages by Saturday night to our men overseas. The following articles are sure to please...

EDUCATORS TO SPEAK "Facts of Interest to Parents Concerning the Branford School System" will be brought before the P.T.A. at a meeting Monday night in the school by Raymond E. Pinkham...

dines, can opener, fountain pen, Boy Scout knives, trousers hanger, nice soaps...

"The lives of more than 60 per cent of the wounded American soldiers who got first aid treatment on the Normandy beachhead are being saved..."

General Major A. W. Kenner mentioned penicillin, sulfa drugs, whole blood and blood plasma...

From the Camp and Hospital Service Committee, Mrs. C. A. Williams, chairman, comes the request for new popular Western and Detective stories for the patients at Avon Farms Convalescent Hospital...

Miss Madolin Zacher attended a meeting in Meriden Tuesday of the State D.A.R. Narpes Society will hold a rummage sale next to Branford Bank on Friday, October 13...

Prussick's Service Station TEXACO GAS AND OIL Havoline Oil in Sealed Cans Lubricate Cars...

Complete Home Furnishers Furniture Bedding Ranges Draperies Rugs Radios Electrical Appliances...

BULLARD'S Elm Street New Haven Corner Orange

Bank Statement

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE BRANFORD TRUST COMPANY OF BRANFORD, CONN., A State Banking Institution...

ASSETS Loans and discounts (including overdrafts) \$ 85,200.03 U. S. Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed 495,861.80...

LIABILITIES Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations \$1,124,648.27 Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations (except savings deposits) 1,720.00...

Total Assets \$1,477,289.74 Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts \$1,477,289.74

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HELP WANTED—Male or female, for fountain, cleaning, room or kitchen work. Experience unnecessary. Apply Howard Johnson's Restaurant.

FOR SALE—Baby Carriage. Used less than one year. Good condition. \$15. Cash new \$39.50. Box 47 Branford, Conn.

WANTED—Building plots for low cost homes. New Security Homes, Inc., 12 E. Putnam Ave., Greenwich, Conn.

NOTICE The Selectmen and the Town Clerk of the Town of Branford will be in session on Saturday, October 14, 1944 at the Town Hall in Branford...

FOR LOCAL NEWS READ THE BRANFORD REVIEW

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NORTH BRANFORD

Services in the local churches on Sunday will be: Morning Worship at 11 o'clock in the North Branford Congregational Church, with a guest preacher from New Haven...

Mass will be celebrated at 9:15 o'clock at St. Augustine's Catholic Church, Rev. John J. McCarthy, pastor; Mrs. Genevieve Bernard, organist and choir director.

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock at Zion Episcopal Church, Rev. Francis J. Smith, Rector. The Bishop will make his visitation on that day and rites of the church will be administered.

The North Branford Volunteer Fire Department held a business meeting at the Atwater Memorial Library on Wednesday evening.

The residents of town may call by phone the local public health nurse, Miss Janet Thomson, who has her office in the William Douglas School in Northford.

The young Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Congregational Church is sponsoring a public dance and Halloween party at the town hall on Tuesday evening, October 31.

The Confraternity of the Rosary will assist with a public dance to be held for the benefit of St. Augustine's Church at the town hall on Friday evening, October 27.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of October, 1944. JOHN BIRCH, Notary Public My commission expires Feb. 1, 1945.

FOR THE BOYS COMING BACK Now that our Women's Clubs are serving their year's programs under way, there's a very important project to consider seriously...

Notre Dame football game with \$25 expense money will be given away. Tickets may be secured from any family in the parish.

Mrs. Hazel S. Hill of Toloket Road attended the meeting of the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut at the Experiment Station in New Haven on Wednesday.

The Red Cross workers met on Wednesday at the Atwater Memorial Library to work on surgical dressings.

Pupils attending schools in New Haven received a holiday on Thursday in observance of Columbus Day.

Representatives of Zion Episcopal Church attended the meeting of the New Haven Architecture of the Women's Auxiliary held at Trinity Parish House in New Haven during last week.

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How? By giving even more generously than before to those American institutions which are doing a million acts of kindness for our boys in uniform, and for our heroic Allies and neighbors in the war torn lands.

WE CAN'T LET THEM DOWN NOW! Give to the Connecticut War Fund STATE AFFILIATE OF THE NATIONAL WAR FUND

First, every town should set up a service center as a focal point. Then there should be a central employment agency, with the dual function of first finding out about the job possibilities of the area, and then filling the men to the work.

Another service we can give is to be able to refer ex-servicemen to somebody trained in evaluating and pressing disability claims. And also to guidance workers who can start the ball rolling and enlist cooperation of other clubs and the men's organizations.

Used clothing for a missionary box was contributed by members of the Ladies Aid Society at their meeting in the chapel on Wednesday.

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War Prisoners Aid, United Seamen's Service and 19 other great relief agencies supported by the Connecticut War Fund also are ready for the increased demands which will be made upon them.

All that's needed to bring these plans into full action is your support. You'll give generously, we know, when your neighbor calls upon you for your gift to the War Fund.

Let's keep on giving wholeheartedly to a great American institution—the War Fund—so that its even greater future task can be done the right way—the wholehearted American way!

USO, United Seaman's Service, War Prisoners Aid, Belgian War Relief Society, British War Relief Society, American Relief for France, Inc., Friends of Luxembourg, Queen Wilhelmina Fund, Russian War Relief, United Children, American Relief Trust, U. S. Committee for the Care of European Children, American Denmark Relief, Inc., American Relief for Italy, Philippine War Relief, Inc., United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America, American Field Service.

Capitol Theatre 281 MAIN ST., EAST HAVEN THURS., FRI., SAT., OCT. 12-13-14 DRAGON SEED with Katherine Hepburn SUN., MON., TUES., OCT. 15-16-17 SEVENTH CROSS ALSO KANSAS CITY KITTY Wednesday, October 18 ONCE UPON A HONEYMOON ALSO BACKGROUND FOR DANGER THURS., FRI., SAT., OCT. 19-20-21 MARINE RAIDERS ALSO SONG OF THE OPEN ROAD

SCHOOL DAYS FOR GROWN-UPS

LESSON NO. 2 Eyestrain picks its victims young! One school child in five, on the average, has defective vision. Four college students in ten are victims of eye troubles.

TONIGHT'S HOMEWORK Check your home lighting tonight. Look at the lamp under which your children study their school work.

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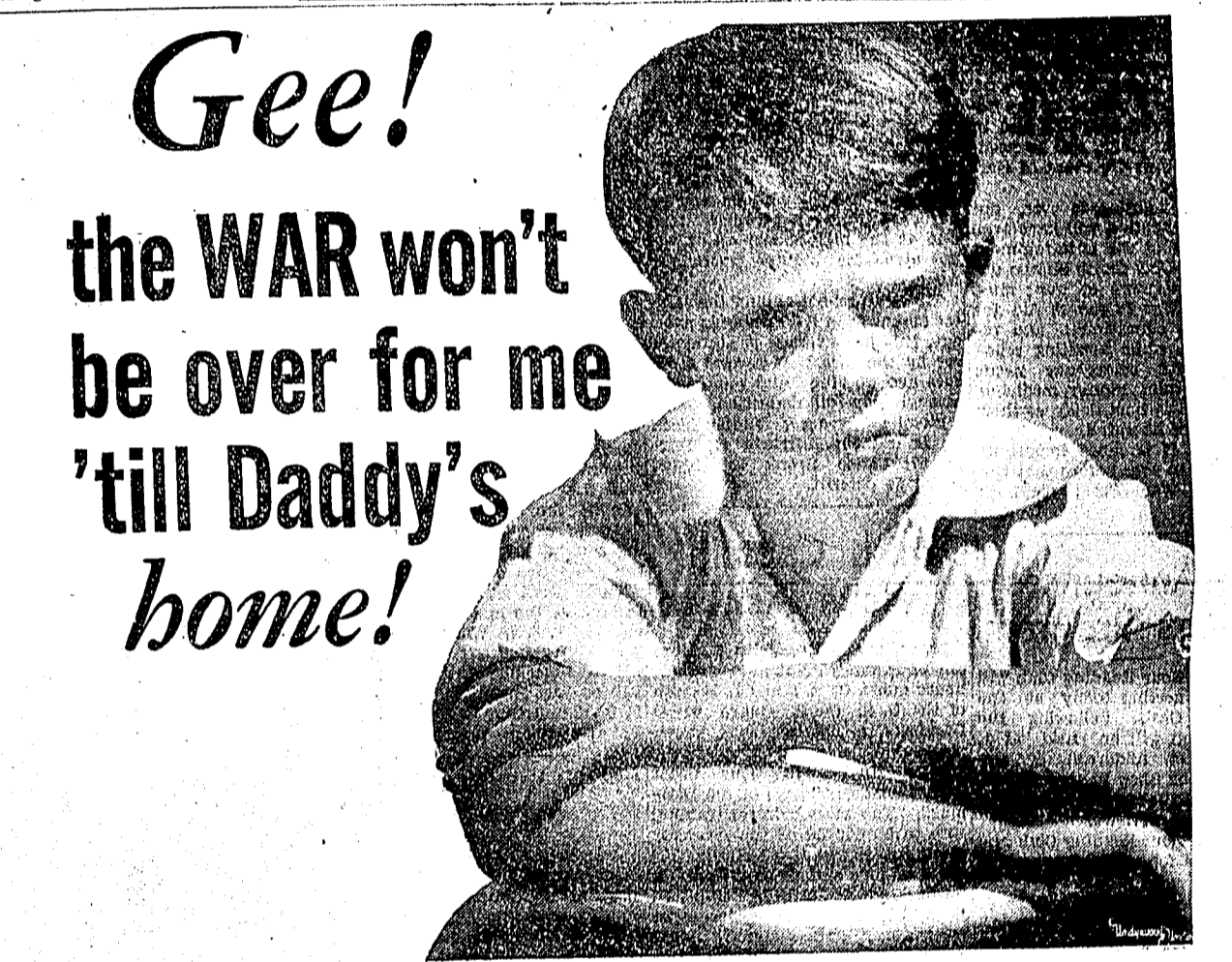
Speaking of the War...



Three Connecticut Telephone Men Flown to France

Flown to France in Army planes, these veteran cable splicers of The Southern New England Telephone Company are part of a corps of Bell System men who will help to rebuild the French telephone system for the use of our armed forces.

In peace and war we serve THE SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE COMPANY



Gee! the WAR won't be over for me 'till Daddy's home!

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