

## G. Archer Quick Again Heads Fairmount Ass'n. Budget Set At \$64,126

Three Mill Tax Rate For Year—Report Given On Legislative Hearing Regarding Sewer System

G. Archer Quick, president of the Fairmount Ass'n for more than a decade, was unanimously reelected at the annual meeting Monday night in the Annex Fire Headquarters, which approved a budget of \$64,126 for the coming year, heard reports of the several committees, and set a tax rate of 3 mills for taxpayers, of the district for the coming year. The Association is the governing body in New Haven's 32nd Ward and maintains its own Police and Fire Department as well as providing other services to that large area which was once a part of the town of East Haven before annexation to the city.

The meeting, which was largely attended, was conducted in traditional New England "town meeting" style and harmony prevailed throughout. Of special interest was the report given by President Quick, Attorney Giannetti and others on the New Haven sewer bill which was heard before a legislative committee in Hartford late last month. The association, on behalf of the taxpayers, is fighting a \$4.80 front foot assessment for the proposed sewers. Speakers brought out that the 32nd Ward has the largest front list of any New Haven ward except Ward 1 which comprises the

New Haven business center, and that under its present lower tax rate it pays double the amount paid the city by taxpayers in any of the eight other wards to be included in the new sewer system. President Quick reported that the association has saved \$4,100 by its winning a recent suit filed by the city of New Haven for water for fire protection in the ward, and praised the taxpayers for their backing the officers in that litigation as they are now doing in the sewer matter. He praised the fine cooperation which had come from the city in the matter of roads and also from the fire and police officials. Through a pay-as-you-go policy, he said the association now has a fund of \$8,500 available for new fire equipment, as well as a surplus of nearly \$27,000.

He announced the resignation of Robert Merrill as Treasurer because of his removal to Washington, and in the election of officers, Malcolm Perrie, an employee of the Union New Haven Trust Co., was elected to that post. Other officers were reelected. They are: Archie Perrie, vice president; Edward Farrell, clerk; Robert Hoadley, tax collector; and Henry G. Griswold, member. *Continued on page four*

## Want Airport Bus Line Extended To East Haven

Residents of the section of East Haven in the vicinity of Dodge avenue, French avenue, Iyer avenue, Frank street, Deerfield street and lower Thompson avenue, are signing petitions which will be sent to the Connecticut Company asking that the Airport bus line be extended to the corner of Dodge avenue and Thompson avenue in East Haven. Representatives of some 100 or more families in that area are already reported to have signed up for the service.

The Airport busses now have their terminus at the New Haven Municipal Airport and operate through Townsend avenue and Fairmount to New Haven. The petitioners ask that the busses be continued through Burr street and Dodge avenue the mile or so distance to the corner of Thompson avenue and Dodge avenue. It is at

this intersection that the new War Memorial Park and Playground is now being constructed and it is contended that there will be much travel over such a line in the years to come. Already some of the Airport busses run on a schedule which carry them to the manufacturing plant of the M. B. company, about half way of the proposed new route.

Some East Haveners feel that if a change or extension of route is proposed that the busses continue through Dodge avenue to Hemingway avenue and thence to the new 250 home war housing project in the Short Beach road area where transportation is a pressing need. Others prefer a transportation set-up which would route all local travel through the Main street business center to facilitate travel to and from the East Haven shopping area.

## Urges Purchase Of Shore Front Park Property

Editor, East Haven News,  
Dear Sir:

I read with interest the remarks in your issue of May 3rd, 1945 given by "Gen. Knox." He expressed very definitely the feeling of members of the Cosy Beach Improvement Association.

Soon after the Sea Spray Bath House fire, our Association took steps to try and induce the Town Fathers of East Haven, to hold this piece of property and not sell it. A short time later it was learned that the Town of East Haven had a purchaser for this property and at a Town Meeting and with the help of many of the voters of East Haven, we were successful in having the town agree not to sell the property at that time.

Since then we have, on two occasions, checked into the property at Momauguin owned by the Connecticut Company and at a meeting of the East Haven Post War Planning Committee, and in behalf of our Association, I submitted a detailed map of this property which included the assessment prices for both land and buildings. At that time and through the hearty cooperation of the Connecticut Company, the property could have been purchased at a very reasonable price.

The purchase of this property for a Sea Shore Park by the Town of East Haven would in no way personally benefit the members of our Association because we already own summer homes with beach front privileges. However, we felt that it was a good thing for the year around residents of East Haven to have a location so easily reached by trolley or bus and there is ample parking space for automobiles. There is no doubt in our minds, that if it was purchased and operated as Town property, the charges for bathing and automobile parking would amply pay for its maintenance.

If there is anything our Association can do to assist the residents of East Haven in acquiring this property, for a Town Sea Shore Park, we are most willing at all time to cooperate.

Yours very truly,  
H. S. Griswold, Chairman  
Sanitary Board  
Cosy Beach Improvement Ass'n

MRS. CLARK TO SPEAK  
Mrs. Alfred Clark will be the guest speaker tonight at the meeting of the Junior Guild of Christ

## TOWN TOPICS

FROM OUR REPORTERS' NOTEBOOKS

The good news came.

V-E Day will be long remembered.

Occasion was one of quiet and solemnity.

Everybody had radios tuned in for announcements by President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill.

At High School boys and girls heard President during morning assembly program then most of them went back to classes.

A few decided to walk out and celebrate but they found things none too lively on streets with business places closing up for remainder of the day.

The boys and girls who walked out of the school classes made the churches of the town their first stopping places. In Christ Church they joined in the service of worship and in the others they knelt in silent prayer.

Group of youngsters procured an effigy of Hitler in afternoon and hung same to electric light post in front of Main street parking lot on site of old town hall.

In evening effigy was cut down and dragged to green where milling throng watched while gasoline saturated figure was hung from electric wire and burned.

Many servicemen home in town tonight, joined in quiet V-E Day observance. Now we look forward to end of war in the Pacific for a real hang-up occasion of celebration.

church at 8 in the church hall. The hostess will be Mrs. H. C. Kurtz, Mrs. S. A. Laine and Mrs. E. S. Richards.

### Hearing Called By Zoning Board

A hearing has been called by Charles H. Miller of the Zoning Commission for May 21 at 8 P.M. in the town hall. The petition of John and Jean Massaro for change from residence to industrial of lots 32 and 38 at the southwest corner of Rose and West streets in Foxon. Also to be heard is the petition of Rudolph Bernatz from change from residence to business of lots 207 and 210 on southerly side of Russo avenue between Gene and Florence street in Foxon.

The Board will also hear a proposed amendment to the regulations for the filling of plans and development of lands.

### Legion Post Making Memorial Day Plans

Final plans for the town observance of Memorial Day will be made tonight at a meeting of Harry R. Bartlett post, American Legion, earlier in the week. Commander Ned Angelo announced that Thomas McMahon has been appointed as marshal of the local Memorial Day Parade with Maurice Sarason as the chief of staff. Full details of the celebration will be announced in the near future.

### Col. Thomas Dies In Plane Crash

While visiting at the home of her family in Taylor avenue last week, Mrs. Barbara Stremiau Thomas received word from the War Department of the death of her husband, Lieut. Col. Robert L. Thomas, 34 years old, in a plane crash at Castero, Italy. He was killed April 20 while on a special mission abroad for the chief of staff in Washington. He had been expected home last Sunday. Col. and Mrs. Thomas resided in Virginia near Washington. The deceased was a native of Texas where his mother, Mrs. George Chase, resides. He also leaves a sister Mrs. William Melder and a brother, R. Frank Thomas of Alabama. Col. and Mrs. Thomas have a son, Robert Lee Jr., 16 months old.

Mrs. S. C. Strickland and Mrs. Stanley Shamp will be hostesses at meeting of Ever Ready Group Tuesday afternoon in parish house.

Big rummage sale planned by Ever Ready Group in Parish House May 17 from 9 to 4. Donations still being received. Call Mrs. E. B. Brown, Mrs. Frank Barker or Mrs. Lewis Borden.

Sunday will be Mother's Day and stores are showing fine assortment of gifts for the occasion. Floral offerings of the local greenhouses are at their best too for Mother's Day.

Peas making fine growth in the gardens and rain has brought about lush greenery. Now for a little warm weather to fill out the pods.

Tulip beds looking fine right now and some flower gardens around town are well worth visiting. Tulips in the Faith yard in Taylor avenue make gorgeous display.

Dog wood making its appearance along the country roads north of town and in the Half Mile.

New officers of Gerrish avenue school P.T.A. will be installed at the meeting tonight in the school; President, Mrs. George F. Kane; vice president, Mrs. Brent Barker; secretary, Mrs. Peter Lucas; treasurer, Mrs. Leon Monroe.

Ray Smith, chairman, chairman of town's collection in waste paper and rag collection Sunday was not at all up to expectations and that, in fact, the amount of waste collected was far below what it should have been. He urges a more general response to the appeals in the future. The tin can collection is set for Sunday.

S. Sgt. LeRoy Whitaker writes home from New Mexico that he is receiving copies of the NEWS being sent him weekly by his sister and that he enjoys reading the local "doings" and "thanks a million."

We were delighted to run into Almon C. Carlson, Fire Controlman 3-6, in Main street one day this week. His home after being wounded in the leg while serving aboard a destroyer in the Southwest Pacific. After his furlough he goes back to the West Coast, Almon is with his family, formerly of Dodge avenue, but now living at Indian Neck.

The Momauguin group of the Stone church invites the public to a card party Friday evening in the George street Fire House.

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### Down Memory Lane 25 YEARS AGO

MAY 11-18, 1920  
The electric street lights were turned on for the first time Thursday night and are a great improvement over the gas street lights which have been in use here for many years. The town does move forward!

The May meeting of the Mission Society was held in the home of Mrs. John Scoville in Forbes place. Dainty refreshments were served.

The Stone church choir enjoyed another delightful picnic in the town hall and enjoyed a fine program under the direction of Edna Forbes, Edna Slade, and Mary Andrews.

An addition was being built on the drug store and post office which had been bought recently by Mr. Metcalf from L. G. Currier. A garage was going to be built in the rear.

The new zoning plan of the Connecticut trolley company had gone into effect and many people found they were to pay more carfare than they had previously done. Business was picking up in the town court and Judge Frank Hartman disposed of a large docket of cases, mostly autoists.

## STRICTLY LOCAL

PREVUES, VIEWS AND REVIEWS

BY PAUL H. STEVENS

### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

The paper and rag collection held on Sunday was a failure. About one-third of the usual amount of paper was collected and practically no rags. Three and one half tons of paper were picked up and only 370 pounds of rags.

East Haven reached about 60% of its quotas on salvage items in 1945.

Thousands of tin cans and tons of paper and cardboard go to the town dump or are burned in East Haven each month.

The Armed forces are going to transfer millions of men from Europe to the Pacific. They cannot transfer the supplies now in Europe. New supplies must be packed and shipped. This means new and greater demands for scrap paper, tin and rags.

The Japs show no signs of quitting. They have made us fight for over two months for two small islands. In those two minor battles alone we used thousands of tons of supplies and have suffered over 50,000 casualties.

The war is NOT over and salvage demands are going to continue. It will take only a little effort to keep valuable items off the dump and lift East Haven out of the 60% class.

What are we going to do about it?  
The next paper and rag collection will be the first Sunday in June and a tin collection is due next Sunday, May 13. Save and put out materials for these collections.

### INTEREST GROWS IN SHORE PARK PROJECT

We are delighted to see many indications of increasing interest in the proposal made some time ago that East Haven acquire for itself, before it is too late, land on the waterfront for Park and Recreational purposes. Last week, in an open letter which we published, Robert H. Gerrish, chairman of the Republican Town Committee, and representative in the General Assembly declared himself to be very much in favor of a town-owned beach. This week we print a letter from Henry G. Griswold setting forth the views held by the Cosy Beach Improvement Association. Democratic party leaders had previously declared for a town-owned beach at the waterfront. It would appear now that such a needed recreational space at our East Haven waterfront is not only possible, but that it can be achieved, as "General Knox" so pointedly indicated in our last week's issue, in a non-political manner through community cooperation. We hope this will be one of the "firsts" in East Haven's post war plans. We would like to see early appointment of a non-political committee to inquire into the possibilities.

### OUR FRIEND, GARRETT STACK, RETIRES

It makes us feel we are getting along in years when we learn that our friend, Garrett Stack of Guilford, has retired from his long term of service with the State Department of Agriculture as its Market Reporter. Garrett, in case you don't know him, has been authoring the daily market articles and quotations of prices, which you have been reading in the daily papers these many years and which have to do with the prices of vegetables and fruit which are received daily, in season, at the New Haven Farmers' Market. His daily labors have been a boon to housewives for at least two decades. He also found time to write the Guilford news column in the New Haven Journal-Courier and some of the news items which he has dug up in Guilford's fertile fields have been whoppers. Clever with his camera, Garrett has also produced a large number of news photographs through the years which have found their way into the news papers. He also published the Shore and Valley Advertiser which for a time did a thriving business in the Shore Line and lower Connecticut Valley Towns, and not so long ago launched a Poultryman's Magazine to which we understand he plans now to devote his full attention. The best of luck Garrett!

## High School To Have Organ As War Memorial

Principal William E. Fagerstrom of the High school announced today that funds are being raised for a handsome organ which will be presented to the High school for a memorial to the high school pupils who have served or given their lives in World War II. The order for the organ has already been placed and the manufacturer will make every effort to have it installed in the school auditorium in time for the graduation exercises next month.

The school principal disclosed that \$600 has already been subscribed toward the fund. The sum of \$1,700 is required and this will be raised through gifts and through the efforts of the school children. Already the boys and girls have begun to seek odd jobs of all kinds which will bring in more dollars to the growing fund.

### MISS WILSON RESIGNS AS VISITING NURSE

The Visiting Nurses of East Haven report a total of 309 visits for the month of April. Twenty-four of these were TB visits, while 28 were infant visits. Well Child Conference was attended by 21.

The resignation of Miss Alice Wilson was accepted with regret.

## Big Crowd Expected At Oldsters Concert

The Old Folks Concert in the parish house Friday at 8 P.M. promises to be a sell out so great has been the demand for tickets. A program of old favorites has been arranged under the direction of Mrs. Carl Rosenquist assisted by Mrs. Leland Harrison and Miss Evelyn Lewis. Frank Long will be pianist and Stanley Shamp the choir master.

Ye young men who attend ye concert are prayed not to gaze upon ye women singers, when they do sing lest they be made to blush and tremble, and thereby make mistakes in ye parts when they do sing.

## Volunteers Needed To Make Bandages

East Haven is still behind in the 3,000 a week quota of bandages set by the Red Cross and more volunteers are urgently needed. For the remainder of May the sewing on Wednesdays in the town hall and in the Foxon Community House will be supplanted by the making of surgical dressings. The regular surgical dressing sessions will also continue as usual with it is hoped, many more women responding.

### RAIN DELAYS WORK

First Selectman James J. Sullivan said yesterday that excessive rain has caused some delay in the grading and development of the War Memorial Park in Thompson avenue.

## CACACE IN DRIVE FOR BERLIN

Freer On Iwo Jima—Reynolds In The Marianas—Other News Of Armed Forces.

By William E. Fagerstrom

Anthony Cacace '40 writes from Germany: "Let me tell you a little about my experiences. My Division left the States in June 1944 for England. After a six week stay there we left for France at which time we started into combat. We spearheaded the Third Army's drive through France and we sure were kept going—night and day with very little rest. I'm just a doughboy in the Armed Infantry and right up on the line all the time. The infantry, in my opinion, lives a life in combat that can't be expressed in words and I'm sure many other fellows will back me up on that. Finally we left France and went to Holland and fought there with the British Second Army. We were there a couple of months and had pretty tough going but I managed to live through that. From there we went to Germany with the Ninth Army when it was committed into action, but we were there only a couple of weeks because of the break-through in Belgium at which time we were sent down there like many other outfits to stop the great German offensive. There's where I left my company for two months. Now I'm back with my company and fighting Germany again. For the past nine weeks we've been spearheading the First Army's drive through Germany. Since it crossed the Rhine and it was just like going through France.

We're deep into Germany now and it won't be long now before we'll be meeting the Russians or be in Berlin. Well, sir, that briefly outlines my experiences so I'll be closing for now—give my regards to all the teachers."

Former classmates were saddened upon hearing of Tom Hanley's '44 death. We express our sympathy to the members of his family.

Jerry Freer Writes  
Sgt. Jerry Freer '41 of the U. S. Marine Corps; writes from Iwo Jima: "This is the letter that I have been promising myself I would write for weeks on end—so if I can continue to struggle along on this typewriter, I may be able to form at least a reasonable facsimile of one. I have received two school bulletins, since my arrival over-seas. The latest one which included the information on the 'Bill of Rights', certainly came in handy not only for myself but for general use of a dozen or more of the boys in my outfit. It reached me while I was at Iwo Jima, and although we didn't have much time on our hands, towards the end of the campaign I found time to really study the Bill. I haven't made any plans for myself as regards to continuing my education as yet—I don't feel that I am in a position to make any extensive plans for quite a while. From all the latest reports that I have had, our town seems to be ever increasing as a more closely knit organization. The addition of 'our own' newspaper is indeed a great improvement, and should help with the general wel-

fare of the entire town. Give my regards to your staff, especially to Messrs. Mayo and Murray. Well, I've done it! This should be a day of rejoicing for me for I have actually written four letters. And I might add—with good luck I will in all probability write again sometime within the next year."

Cpl. Ed. Reynolds, Jr., '40 writes from "somewhere in the Marianas": "I left Seattle, Washington on March 17th. It was a long but very pleasant boat trip. We stopped five days at Hawaii where I saw Diamond Head, Waikiki Beach, Pearl Harbor and Hickham Field. We stopped at other islands on the way down also. When we arrived at this 'Wonder Spot' all we had was a cleared spot in the jungle where we pitched pup tents and ate C rations for five days. Now we have two-man tents with cots and a regular mess hall. At present we are building up the camp, erecting permanent barracks of the prefabricated style, mess halls and showers. There are still Japs on the island but they are practically neutralized. The first few nights they bothered us by throwing rocks at our tents. Every so often a guard kills one trying to steal food but so far they haven't killed any around our installation. I went swimming last Sunday and the water was crystal clear and the sand snow white. The beach is still littered with pill boxes and wrecked landing craft. Well this is all the news I have for now so I shall close."

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**WEDDING-BARRA**  
The marriage of Miss Evelyn Carlisle Barra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barra of West Main Street to Edward Wedel, son of Sied Wedel of Main Street, took place in St. Martin's rectory Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The bride had as her attendant, Mrs. Dorothy Crouch of Milford, Tech. Sgt. George Wedel was his brother's best man. Following the ceremony a reception was held in the George's restaurant in the Annex and was attended by close friends and relatives.

Later in the day the couple left for a wedding trip to Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Nathan Zaffino and daughter have returned to Branford to live with Mrs. Zaffino's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Deol of Monticello Street while her husband is in the armed forces. At present he is at Camp Devens, Mass.

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Miss Marion Crandall, Killams Point was a week end visitor in New York.

Ensign W. Richard Carlson, Jr. has been assigned a ship and has left his home in Lanphier's Cove. Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDermott who have wintered at The Barn will return to Highland Park in June.

Mrs. Charles Lewis, Short Beach Road is seriously ill.

Gene Mortensen of Waterbury, brother of Mrs. Gustave DuBrell is improving at New Haven Hospital after an operation.

Mrs. Frank Miner and daughter of New Haven were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Peterson.

**SCOUTING**

Next week at the regular meeting of the Short Beach troop there will be an athletic meet conducted in the school yard in order that some of the boys can pass tests to receive merit badges in athletics. Much of this week's meeting was devoted to preparation for the June Camporee.

Ferry Giardino, former mate of the Branford Sea Scout Ship Flying Cloud, paid a visit to the ship's meeting Monday night and related some of his experiences while serving as an aviation machinist mate in the Navy. He is now home on a 30 day furlough and went through an extensive series of training programs before he was assigned to a Pacific area for combat duty, and in his line of work, in keeping Naval

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John Kaminsky—May 26  
Fred Mason—May 25  
William Dewey—May 25  
Pfc. Robert Thompson—May 27  
Judith Janick—May 25  
Mrs. Arthur Peterson—May 13

**CHRIST CHURCH SUNDAY**

A special V-E Day service of thanksgiving and prayer will be held in Christ Church at 4 P.M. Sunday with music by the combined choirs.

There will be Holy Communion at 2 and morning prayer and sermon by Rev. Alfred Clark at 11. Church school will be at 9:30. The service at Monastery will be at 9:30 with Holy Communion and church school at 10:45. There will be confirmation classes in the church at 3 P.M.

**Annex Fire Dept. Celebrates Its 50th Birthday**

Saturday night the Annex Fire Department of Fairmount which was organized April 30, 1895, celebrated its 50th anniversary with a party held at the Hejaz Grotto Hall in New Haven. Invited guests included Chief Allen Judson of Stratford, Chief of the Connecticut Fire Chiefs' Club, Chief Michael Lawton of Middletown, state coordinator, Chief Wesley Helms, New South Meriden, head of the County Fire Chiefs' Emergency Plan; Chief Samuel Poppe, Boston, president of the fire chiefs of the United States; Chief John S. Pacht of the Annex Dept., was toastmaster following the sumptuous dinner.

**Here And There At E. H. High**  
By "M.G."

The vacation week from April 27 to May 7 is ended and students are back to work for the few remaining weeks of school. Echoes of the school year are still heard. It was a great success and was enjoyed by a large audience.

The usual religious instruction were held in the High School on Tuesday morning after which all students assembled in the auditorium to hear President Truman's speech. Principal William E. Page, in a short address and then the students returned to their classes.

Plans are in the making for the Junior Prom which will take place on May 18.

Several visitors came in to the office to say "hello". Among them were: Bud Johns, Judson Moore, Alfred Hiss, Albert Bauer and Harry Lawler.

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**FAIRMOUNT**

Dr. and Mrs. George Courtney of West Hartford are receiving congratulations over the birth of a son, Steven Albertus, their fourth child. Mrs. Courtney is the former Miss Gladys Boardman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Boardman of Forbes avenue.

The official board of St. Andrew's church has postponed its meeting until May 14 because of the annual meeting of the Fairmount association last Monday night.

The three Cub Dens of Pack 1 met Friday night at the Short Beach school for a regular pack meeting. At the social hour which followed, Mr. Ben Critchenden, who lives in town, was presented with a brief case.

Scoutmaster Alfred Hazard of Boy Scout Troop 4, Indian Neck has appointed George Sebato and Thomas Ritzinger to be scout chiefs for the cub's den now being organized. Membership to Cubs will be open for a few weeks.

At a recent meeting of the scouts voted to give a sum of money to the Red Cross. All scouts have passed second class tests and are prepared to be presented to the next Court of Review. The troop and individual scouts have qualified for the General Eisenhower medal for collecting 8000 pounds of scrap paper.

**Quick Again Heads**

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ber of the executive board  
George Duncan reporting for the Public Safety committee said the Fire Department had responded to 63 fires. The sum of \$18,891 was appropriated for fire needs during the coming year. He also reported for the Police department investigation of 75 accidents, 72 arrests, 2 attempted suicides, recovery of three drowning victims, 7 cats and 13 dogs reported run over and killed, 7 persons bitten by dogs; 17 stolen autos recovered, 14 persons hurt in falls on walks; 5 emergency trips by ambulance, and a large number of other activities. The Police Department budget for the coming year was set at \$20,105.

John Enright for the Public Service committee reported improved bus service on Farmen avenue with more transportation improvements promised after the war.

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**With The BOYS IN SERVICE**

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Mass at 8:15 o'clock at the St. Augustine's Catholic Church, Rev. John J. McCarthy, pastor, Frank Frawley, organist and choir director.

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

Morning worship will be held at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning at the Congregational Church, Rev. Rogers Cummings, pastor, Mrs. Douglas B. Holabird, organist, and choir director.

Local churches were opened on Tuesday as an appropriate observance of VE Day. Holy Eucharist was celebrated at the Zion Episcopal Church at 11 o'clock and a special VE service was held at 4 o'clock. Both services were well attended and the church was open all day for private prayer.

St. Augustine's church doors were open throughout the day for silent prayer.

A special evening prayer service was held at 8 o'clock in the evening at the Congregational Church and this service was well attended by parishioners.

Assassination Day was observed Tuesday, Thursday, by Holy Communion at 9 o'clock this morning at which time the ladies of the parish offered their United Thank Offering to the Womens Auxiliary.

Totoket Grange met on Tuesday night in the town hall with Worthy Master Burton S. Coker presiding. The regular business meeting was followed by the Lecturer's hour. A diversified program was given with "Music" as the theme.

Interesting interpretations of the various types of music were given by men and women of the Grange, and included both instrumental and vocal selections. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frawley and Mr. and Mrs. Burton S. Hall were members of the committee.

Surgical dressings were made by a large number of Red Cross workers at the Atwater Memorial Library on Wednesday. Other work reported on Monday evening for a three-hour period.

Initial signs have been erected for the President's annual rally which will be held at the Athletic Field during the coming month.

All interested persons are cordially invited to the annual picnic of the New Haven Chapter, American Red Cross on Tuesday, May 15, at eight o'clock at Stratton Hall, Hotel Huntington.

War Correspondents permitted on the Western Front will make the address, Dr. James Rowland Angell, former president of Yale University will make the introduction.

Music week is being observed at the Atwater Memorial Library by the display of interesting books pertaining to music, and bulletins for free distribution. Among the volumes found on this table are "The Illustrated Book of Favorite Hymns," "Famous pianists of today and yesterday," "Home book of music appreciation," "Story lives of great musicians," "Story lives of great composers," "Study of the History of Music," "Concerto," "Music lovers almanac," "Walter Herbert," "Heard America Sing: story of Stephen Foster," "Treasury of Gilbert and Sullivan."

A clinic under the auspices of the North Branford Public Health Nursing Association will be held in the Center School on Friday afternoon, May 11, from 2:30 to 3:30. Mothers are urged to bring their preschool children at this time for inoculations against diphtheria.

Satisfactory protection against smallpox, diphtheria, and whooping cough, can be produced in infants and preschool children by the use of smallpox vaccine, diphtheria, or diphtheria-tetanus toxoids, also whooping cough preparations. Parents needing transportation are invited to call the nurse, Mrs. Wilhelmina B. Schuessler 467-13, from 8 to 9 A.M. or Mrs. Burton S. Hall, 6-2 during the day.

Mrs. George Leonard of the Home Economics Committee, announced

at the meeting of the Totoket Grange on Tuesday night that the drawings of the quilt will take place on Boosters' Night. Persons wishing to take chances on the quilt are urged to do so at once.

Warren E. Brockett announces that he will show moving pictures at the town hall on next Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Included in his program will be the Quilts and a Molly Moo-oo picture.

"The local Branch of the Red Cross wishes to thank all the Blood Donors who have been faithful contributors.

This work has involved considerable arrangements and clerical work and Mrs. Evans has our deep appreciation for work well done.

On Tuesday night of next week it is hoped to have a lecture by the Rev. Rogers Cummings on "The Quilts and the Blood Donors." This is being planned by Harry Juniver and his committee of the Totoket Grange.

A birthday party was given for Robert Myron Tuesday May 7 by his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stetson, of Long Hill Road, Quilford. Bob not only celebrated his birthday, but in years to come will remember the unconditional surrender of Germany on Monday evening on his six birthday. Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Myron of Route 60.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zawacki of Wilford Avenue had with them for a week, their son, Jack of Hampton, Va.

Mrs. Howard Carlson will be hostess to the Aristonians on Tuesday evening, May 22.

SHORT BEACH

Gall Bolter is confined to her home with mumps.

Short Beach School, which for March and April has participated in the sale of War Stamps, was enabled to buy the following items of military equipment, according to a letter received from Mrs. Raymond E. Baldwin, Chairman of the Schools-at-War Program Field Organ, 554-50; Walkie-Talkie, \$300; Rubber Life Raft \$65; Adjustable Hospital Bed, \$30; Air-chaute, \$85; Bazooka Rocket Launcher, \$19; Army mule, \$225.

A special treasury citation for the school was also enclosed with the letter.

Parents are invited to visit the Short Beach School this evening from 7 to 9 to see an exhibition of the pupils work. Murals will be on display based on geography and history lessons.

Sanford E. Semegen of Beckwith Avenue has accepted an appointment as editor of "Moose News" published in New Haven.

A grader has been working this week leveling the ground on the Hollywood property.

Branford members of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority held its last meeting at the home of Mrs. H. V. Krick in New Haven.

The Red Cross gaze room at St. Elizabeth's Womens Club is open Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. Workers are needed.

Short Beach Sunshine Club members will meet at the firehouse Monday at 1 o'clock for a covered dish luncheon.

Present in need to afford better protection.

Mrs. Aiden J. Hill, program chairman, introduced the speaker, Mrs. Frederick C. Carder of Chestnut, an honorary member of the club. Her subject was "Arrangements with Dried Material."

We always welcome Mrs. Carder, as she always brings us new ideas of flowers to plant and to arrange. Her bouquets of dried flowers were very unusual and beautiful. Simple and easily grown wild and cultivated grasses and flowers were most artistically arranged.

Mrs. Winchester Bennett recored secretary, read an appeal from the Branford Visiting Nurse Association. \$10 was voted for the drive. Letter from Miss Edith Stevart Smith, suggesting time, to visit the gardens. It was decided to make the trip in June and view the roses.

Mrs. Charles B. Hitchcock, flower and membership chairman, announced flowers had been sent to several members who are ill.

Members are reminded that at the June meeting, annual dues are payable to Mrs. Arthur E. Alling, treasurer.

The Yale monument plot will be replanted by Memorial Day.

The Hammer Bird Collection project was also discussed. A new project will be provided for the birds at

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Red Cross Notes

The surgical dressings group at Short Beach made a good start last week in spite of the fact that it rained hard on both work days.

St. Elizabeth's War Stamps Club room is opened for gauze work on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Wednesday evenings of each week. Many volunteers are expected when the weather is favorable.

The monthly report for April follows: The number of kit bags and garments made amounted to 438. This required 79 workers and 12 miles of thread. The total number of kits made was 10. The total number of kits made was 10.

Boys in camps and naval stations everywhere talked over the news with the folks at home. Mothers, wives and sweethearts told each other with laughter and prayers of relief their thoughts about loved ones "over there."

Germany is beaten, but the job is only half done. Now we must gather all our strength for the knock-out blow against the stubborn Japs.

The wartime strain on telephone facilities will still be great. Our fighters in the Pacific will still be calling for more and more telephone equipment. It will be some time even after final victory before telephone service can be completely restored to peacetime standards.

In the meantime, our first concern, like yours, is for the boys who still have bitter fighting ahead. The 6,000 men and women of The Southern New England Telephone Company hope and pray for their speedy victory.

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Local Plastics Plant

Boy Scouts of the Branford District of Quilford Council will hold their annual Camporee at Camp Morton June 8-9-10.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pope, Frank Pope, Clara O'Connor, of Derby; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pope, Ansonia, Mr. and Mrs. A. Altrina, Seymour, Mr. John Kimball, New Haven, Mrs. Francis Pope and Mrs. Irene Yokovick, Fairfield, Mr. and Mrs. James Cavallaro, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deonaramum, Mr. and Mrs. James Raloina, and family; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Raloina; Mr. and Mrs.

At the annual meeting of the Winter Club, Mrs. Douglas Compton and Mr. Benjamin English were awarded prizes for the doubles in badminton and Mrs. Bobbie Roberts for the women's singles.

The following officers were elected for the year: President, Milton Goss; vice president, C. B. Jackson; secretary, S. D. Brown; treasurer, Benjamin English; chairman house committee, Elmer Horton; entertainment committee, Jane Lang; membership committee, Shirley VanClee.

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# Branford's News — Review

## Branford Made Area Office To Supervise Price Control Work

Price Control Panels Of Five Towns United To Handle Details Under Direction Of R. Halstead Mills—Mrs. C. T. Neal, Clerk—Area Volunteers Listed.

Branford has been selected as the area office for Price Control. Until now the price control panel of the War Price and Rationing Boards of North Gullford, North Branford, Branford, East Haven and Madison operated in those towns and handled their own community problems of control.

The first meeting, under the new system was organized here Tuesday under the supervision of Jira Jennings from the State OPA. Present were John Sliney, Ration Board Chairman, Frederick Houde, office manager, R. Halstead Mills, chairman of the new panel, Mrs. C. T. Neal, clerk and Arthur Terwilliger and Mrs. Alice T. Peterson all of Branford. Roman Mercer represents the Town of Madison; Fred Wolfe, Jr., and Daniel Parilla, East Haven; Charles Simpson, North Branford, and Garrett M. Stack and Mrs. Clarence E. Norton, Gullford.

These panel members will meet here twice a month under the chairmanship of Mr. Mills to discuss and settle problems of the five communities of the Branford area in an added effort to keep prices under control. Questions may be brought to the attention of any member who will direct it into proper handling.

Work in the five towns will continue as in the past but the new set-up, now in effect, will act somewhat as a clearing house.

It is the intention of Chairman Mills to bring before the board, state officials of authority and experience to keep the area panel informed that it may best serve its purpose.

## Girls Glee Club To Give Concert Friday Night

The Branford Junior-Senior High School Girls Glee Club will present a spring concert under the direction of Miss Ruth D. Frischkorn, Friday evening, May 11 in the High School Auditorium.

The affair will feature choral singing by the entire group and will be aided by the appearance of Miss May Lindberg, pianist; Miss Dorothy Juniver, soprano; Robert Dew, violinist; and Theodore Novak, accordionist. Solist who will sing in assisting roles with the choral groups, are Hollie Sangree, Faith Hooghink, Edith Watrous, Emily Nygard and Jean Adams.

## Ellen Adams Dies In Short Beach

Ellen Levina Ward, 79, widow of David S. Adams passed away last night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leroy Altmannberger, Main Street, Short Beach after an illness of a month. She was born in Canada, but for 50 years lived in Branford.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Henry Blaney of the Church of the Nazarene, New Haven, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Center Cemetery. She may be seen Friday night at the Norman V. Lamb funeral home.

Other survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Albert Altmannberger of Short Beach, Mrs. Robert Altmannberger of Clinton, Mrs. Frances Farrell of New Haven; a son, Frederick Adams of this place; a sister Mrs. John Price of New Haven, recently of Branford; two brothers, John Ward of Canada and Thomas Ward of Branford. There are 17 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

### RECEPTION AT CHURCH

The Board of Administration of Tabor Lutheran Church, 51 Hopson Avenue, invites friends of the church to attend a reception in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Emil G. Swanson, Sunday, May 20 at 3:30.



LIEUT. A. MORSE CURTIS

(Contributed)

The host of friends of the late Lieut. A. Morse Curtis were stunned by the news of his death as reported "killed in action" when received here on March 20. While on his last furlough before leaving for overseas he had spent the day of January 29 visiting friends on Main Street and on February 10 left by convoy for the European theatre. He was killed in action on March 8. Letters received here during his brief time in England and France before his death were typical of his broad interests in life and people. Scotland in particular captivated him and he had hoped to return there sometime for a real visit. The day previous to his death was spent in writing letters to his intimate friends and family while resting for further advance in Germany. Attached to General Patton's army he had already seen action there. The immediate cause of his death has not been officially reported yet.

Entering the employ of the Connecticut Light & Power Company in late 1936 as a member of the office force he soon captivated all who met him with his warmth of personality and sincere greeting. As was once said of him: "He was the public service company's ideal man—he knew how to meet the public and made the public feel friendly toward his Company." His genuine friendliness extended to people of all ages and the informal but gracious manner of greetings as he went about the town made him one of the most beloved citizens of the community. As Club leader and Hi Y counsellor the boys idolized him and the imprint of his character on them will be lasting. He loved sports connected with the water, sailing being one of his most successful activities and for a number of seasons carried off the prizes in local competitions. He had all the graces of virile American manhood and in him is seen the tragedy of war, the cutting off of life in full flower when there was so much to share during a life time. The phantom of his friendly figure walking across the Green will be seen for many a day by those who knew him best.

The deepest sympathy is felt throughout the town for his wife Ruth Davis Curtis and two small children now residing in Meriden, a life time summer resident of Pine Orchard. Also to his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. Morse Curtis and brother Lieut. (J.G.) Marvin of Meriden who for many years have been summer residents of Indian Neck.

### TALK ON RUSSIA

Miss Eunice Harriet Avery will speak on "Russia to Date" in the Community House, Friday evening at 8 o'clock. She returns to Branford through the efforts of the Branford group of the New Haven League of Women Voters of which Mrs. Michael Carpinella is chairman.

## Seventh Loan Drive Starts Next Monday

Individuals Expected To Buy \$210,000 War Bonds—Wallace Foote Chairman Of Corporation Sales Last Week In June.

Individuals will be asked, commencing Monday, May 14, to purchase \$113,000 in E Bonds and \$100,000, various other sales during the Seventh War Loan Drive of which Reginald Baldwin, war finance chairman is chairman. He will have Mrs. John McCabe and Mrs. John Waters working on the woman's division to raise the \$210,000 total in Branford.

The drive will close June 30. From June 18 to June 30, a corporation and banks campaign will be conducted under the chairmanship of Wallace Foote. No amount for this group of bonds has been announced but all quotas are expected to be 60 percent higher than at any of the six previous drives.

Mr. Baldwin plans to call his volunteer workers together shortly to organize for sales.

## V-E Day Finds Country Needs Salvage Drive

Harold Tousey salvage chairman of the Branford War Council received the following telegram Monday from Seth Low Pierpont, chairman of the State Salvage:

"Here is the official position of the State Salvage Committee in regard to the continuation of our programs in the light of today's stirring announcement for which you have worked so long and hard. Waste paper salvage must be maintained at its present tempo for at least six to eight months to supply the vast tonnages of paper board and craft cartons necessary to re-pack and double pack war material for its long and weather torn journey to the Pacific front. Collections of tin cans will not cease until tin production is revived in the Malay Straits. This requires not long conquest of that area, but the rebuilding of dredges and other mining facilities and the recruiting of skilled technicians and laborers. As to the grease program it is expected that it must be continued until V-J day. Wiping rags will continue to be short for many months to come due to the heavy military demand on our textile production during the past three years and the fact that individual purchases of clothing have been generally restricted. As soon as it is possible that volunteer chairmen can be relieved of their responsibility for salvage collections of these items. Even through commercial collections will be continued. We hope to be the first to advise you. Meanwhile we ask you that you continue your enthusiasm in this phase of war production which has contributed so greatly to the victory announced today. We would appreciate your immediately calling your newspaper so that the public can be informed fully of salvage needs before any general air of relaxation is created."

## M.I.F. Office Force Has V-E Luncheon

Fifty-five members of the M.I.F. office force organized a luncheon party Tuesday to celebrate V-E Day.

A radio had been set-up in the office to hear President Truman give his Victory address and, as enthusiasm waxed high the M.I.F. Cafeteria was called upon to organize a luncheon party. At noon the group went to Rodin's Woods to enjoy hamburgers with and without, plus trimmings of coffee, ice cream, etc. Having thus enjoyed a surprise party employees returned to their desks and turned their efforts toward Japan.

## POP CONCERT

The Musical Art Society will conduct a Pop Concert May 15 with Miss Oles Pratt as hostess and Miss Audrey Rogers leader. Members may bring guests.

## Service Ribbons To Be Awarded Thursday Night

At the regular meeting of the Corcoran Sundquist Post American Legion held last night at the home of Sergeant at Arms Joseph A. Donadio, Fred W. Bowns, World War I veteran was elected to membership.

Past Commander Jack Ahern, member of the Town Memorial Day Committee outlined the plans of the Committee for the Memorial Day exercises.

Adjutant Clarence I. Bradley and Service Officer Frank Reynolds explained procedures for hospitalization at the Veterans Facility for veterans of World War I and II. Lt. Maurice Smith C.S.G., Co. I, invited the entire post membership to the Armory on Thursday night when Lt. Col. Roger A. Connolly, Commanding Officer of the 5th Battalion would award service ribbons to members of Co. I.

Chaplain Ernest Albertine announced that the annual Poppy Drive would commence on May 19. Legionnaire Henry L. McDermott submitted his tentative plan for a war memorial, which was acknowledged by the war memorial committee, C. I. Bradley chairman.

The Post gave a rousing vote of thanks to the Donadio family, for the excellent repast they served.

## Many Complain Against Dogs

The Review is constantly asked to urge owners of dogs to keep their pets under control, especially now that Victory Garden season has arrived.

There are many justifiable complaints against roaming dogs. Not only do they bite and terrorize little children, destroy shrubbery and gardens, but they also run after bicycles, frighten pedestrians and chase automobiles. More than two hundred dogs are injured or killed annually on the Connecticut highways. The deaths of many individuals have been directly attributable to dogs chasing cars. These tragic losses could be avoided.

Dog owners must realize how serious the situation is. If they fail to control their pets state legislatures and town councils will enact laws and ordinances which will require drastic control. If laws are passed for better control of pets the owners themselves will be responsible. Some cities already require that dogs shall be muzzled or on a leash at all times when on the streets. Those who permit their dog to roam without restrictions are hot kind to their dogs.

Too frequently the roaming dog is subjected to cruelty and abuse by indignant neighbors whose shrubbery and well cultivated gardens are destroyed.

A license is a vital factor in dog control. Every dog over six months of age is required by law to be licensed and should wear his license tag at all times as a means of identification. This is for the protection of the dog and his owner.

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### STOCKED WITH TROUT

The State Board of Fisheries and Game announces that 100,000 legal length trout were stocked in Connecticut streams before the opening of the season. Farm River and Branford River were stocked the week of April 30-May 4.

### TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

Tax Collector Charles A. Terhune has announced the following taxes collected for the month of April: List of 1944 (current) \$121,162.99; Back Taxes, \$639.88, Interest \$39.02, liens, \$101.25, total \$780.15; Old Age, \$90.29, interest \$29, total \$119.

The Branford Grange Dramatic Club will hold their regular meeting Wednesday, May 16 at 8:00 at the home of Miss Ella Closson, Featherbed Lane.

Grange No. 200 meets this evening in Sves Hall.

## Research Funds Are Necessary To Aid Victims

Edwin Meiss Gives Associated Business Three Uses To Which Cancer Drive Money Will Be Spent.

The Associated Business heard Mr. Edwin Meiss of Woodbridge speak on the current Cancer Drive when they gathered at the Howard Johnson Restaurant last Thursday evening for their monthly dinner and business meeting.

Mr. Meiss is the state director of the Connecticut Cancer society. He spoke of the co-ordination now being sought throughout the nation; To educate people to the symptoms and treatments of cancer; To institute clinics for the apprehension and arrest of cancer; To interest science and the medical profession in efforts to determine the cause and cure of the dreaded disease. Twenty clinics are now established in Connecticut.

The club voted a contribution to the cause. A donation was also given to the Visiting Nurse drive.

Reginald Baldwin reported on the four bills of Branford interest under consideration at General Assembly.

The next meeting will be annual guest night.

Another speaker was William J. Ahern who urged consideration of the erection of a public auditorium and sports gym. As a postwar "must" for Branford. "One," he said, "suitable for use every hour of the day, every day of the week."

## Civilian Defense Not To Disband

State War Administrator Henry B. Mosle, in a letter to Chairman Robert Richardson of the Branford War Council, requested that he take no action to disband any of the protective units until further notification is received from state headquarters.

"Plans for the period after V-E Day are being prepared now by the Protective Committee of the War Council," he said.

"It is desirable to maintain the protective division intact throughout the state in its present form until informed by the Protective Committee of the procedure to follow."

The protective forces include the auxiliary police, auxiliary firemen, emergency medical services, air raid wardens and other civilian defense volunteers.

Mr. Mosle's letter followed receipt of word that President Truman had ordered the discontinuance of the National Office of Civilian Defense, although the President added that there was still a need for volunteer Civilian Defense effort.

## House-To-House Canvass Made For V.N.A. Funds

Along with the routine work of the Visiting Nurse Association in the home and at the Health Center the staff found time last year to make 486 visits to 8 schools; 137 teacher consultations; 10 dental clinics; 443 children weighed and measured; 1135 children were given eye tests; with a total of 779 1/2 hours time spent on school work and 4438 hours spent outside of the school work.

The annual drive is well organized with a house-to-house campaign being conducted by Mrs. John Waters and Mrs. Flanders Smith and their many captains and canvassers.

### WOULD START NURSING COURSE

A six lesson course in Home Nursing will start in Branford as soon as 10 people register. This course, as offered by the Red Cross gives a short but concise study of the care of the sick. It requires three weeks, with two meetings a week.

Victory in Europe does not mean that there will be any let-up in the need for nurses in the Armed Forces; There remains a shortage on the home front. It is the duty of every family to have one member complete a home nursing course. To register for a 12 or 24 hour course call Branford 1055.

## Mother's Day Designated As Occasion To Unite In Offering Thanks

Schools And Business Places Close Shortly After President Truman's V-E Day Address On Unconditional Surrender Of Germany—Asks Country To Consider Sunday As Day of Prayer.

## Pacific Problems Will Be Subject At GOP Meeting

The next meeting of the Women's Republican Club will be held Monday evening, May 21, at 8 o'clock in the Academy on the Green. The speaker will be John E. Russell of Hadyme. He will speak on the topic, "The Problems of the Pacific War."



Mr. Russell, who is a member of the House of Representatives, was a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army Reserve Corps and went across in 1941, serving in the India-China-Burma theater of action, having served a total of 45 months overseas. He was also American Liaison Officer with the British Army under the commanding officer of the Suez Canal area.

## William McKee Was Constable For 52 Years

Funeral services for William J. McKee, 75, who died in St. Raphael's Hospital early Sunday morning, was held from the mortuary home of Norman V. Lamb Tuesday afternoon at 2. Rev. Frederic Murray officiated.

Mr. McKee, a lifelong resident of Branford, had been a constable in the town for the past 52 years and at the time of his death was chairman of the borough Democrats and was the attendance officer in the local school system. At one time he was an investigator for the state's attorney's office and has received many commendations for his excellent police work. He was a member of the Masons and the Trinity church.

For some years he was an employee of the Malleable Iron Fittings Co. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, and three grandchildren, Fireman I-c Leander Taylor, USN; Sally E. Taylor and Elsie L. Taylor.

Masonic services were held at the grave with W. M. Ralph Hurder, Widow's Son Lodge, A.F. & A.M. in charge.

### PLAN CARNIVAL

North Branford and Northford Firemen have announced that they will conduct a carnival at the ball field, June 14-15-16-17.

A \$50 and \$35 War Bond will be given away on June 17.

### NEW NAMES FOR ROLL

Associated Business has announced through its honor roll chairman, Solly Donadio, that additions and corrections will be made on the Branford Honor Roll by Memorial Day. Anyone suspecting that a friend's or relative's name has not been reported should address a post card to Associated Business with the necessary information. This should be done immediately.

Mother's Day seems the perfect occasion for observing V-E Day and taking note of the tremendous revival of interest in American family life. After President Harry S. Truman read his proclamation, Tuesday, family units began to gather and all day and evening Branford celebrated the end of hostilities in Europe by quiet gatherings with many attending church services. At eight in the evening the churches, on the Green were a picture to behold as family groups crossed the freshly cut grass to attend thanksgiving services in the church of their choice.

In accordance with plans formulated some weeks ago, Associated Business, closed for the day as did most of the town's business establishments. Industry stuck to the important matter ahead and remained in operation. Schools closed shortly after the president's broadcast at 9 o'clock.

Apart from a momentary thankfulness, that half the war is over, the average citizen knows its still too early to celebrate, so he turns this week to his family and his God.

Said the Commander in Chief: "I call upon the people of the United States, whatever their faith, to unite in offering joyful thanks to God for the victory we have won and to pray that he will support us to the end of our present struggle and guide us into the way of peace."

"I also call upon my countrymen to dedicate this day (Sunday, May 13) of prayer to the memory of those who have given their lives to make our victory possible."

In accordance with the president's wishes, Mother's Day is a day of thankful prayer and the churches bid Branford welcome.

## Cancer Campaign Off To Good Start

It wasn't until William J. Ahern was told that more persons have died since Pearl Harbor, of cancer than from military operations that Bill said "I will," and became local chairman of the National Cancer Campaign to raise \$5,000,000. Branford's share of which is \$805.

Frank V. Bigelow had his campaign among the factories well organized and treasurer Harrison M. Lang had mailed his first check to headquarters when Ahern came in to the picture as town chairman. He immediately appointed Mrs. Alice T. Peterson to canvass clubs and organizations.

Of the amount raised in Connecticut, the Connecticut Cancer Society has said that approximately 57 percent will be appropriated for research, prevention, clinics and aid within the state.

\$300 has already been collected here.

### TIN CAN COLLECTION

Tin cans will be collected Saturday to conform with the New Haven collection. They are badly needed and Chairman Harold Tousey asks they be properly prepared and put at collection depots as early in the day as possible.

Only prepared tin cans will be accepted in the collection and cans are prepared by washing thoroughly to remove paper labels; cutting tops and bottoms, tucking them inside the can; and then, depressing can by stepping upon it lightly. Since tin can collections are now held on a three months basis, this will be the last collection until August.

### FORGOTTEN CIVILIZATION

Branford Rotarians heard Prof. Ferris J. Stephens, curator of the Babylonian Collections at Yale University speak on "Restoring the Knowledge of a Forgotten Civilization" at the regular weekly session at the Oasis Town House Monday noon. Visiting Rotarians included Dr. J. W. Watt of West Haven; Clarence L. Clark of New Haven; and Frank P. Sullivan of East Haven.