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IEWS, REVIEWS AND  
PREVIEWS OF THE  
EAST HAVEN SCENE  
BY PAUL H. STEVENS

### SCHOOL GROWING PAINS

As East Haveners prepare to expand the town's school plant by the erection of a new seven room grade school building and the complete renovation which amounts practically to the rebuilding of two other buildings, they can take consolation in the fact that ours is not the only community that is suffering the pangs of school growing pains. One has only to scan the suburban columns of the New Haven newspapers to see what other towns are worrying about in their attempts to provide for the increase in school population now being felt from the tremendous crop of war babies now reaching school age. Exchanges coming to our desk from all parts of the state show that this business of school building now is something which all communities have in common.

But providing new buildings and new class rooms will not be enough. A report has come to us the past week from the State Department of Education, well illustrated by charts which have been drawn by the experts, which points up the dire need which will exist during the next decade for new teachers.

The Department says that we must not only provide more schools in our communities but we must: 1. encourage able, resourceful, intelligent young people to enter the teaching profession; 2. provide buildings and equipment for teachers' colleges; and 3. add additional personnel, experienced and thoroughly trained, to the faculties of these colleges.

To meet the crisis, we learn that the State Board of Education has adopted a 10-year program of development and expansion of teacher-training facilities. This program awaits approval in the 1949 General Assembly.

The rising tide of births which began around 1940 has brought about a school problem of the highest magnitude, one which must be faced in every community and by the State itself, because during the next few years these youngsters as they go up through the grades and high school are going to tax not only all available space and facilities, but the taxpayer's pocketbook as well.

Here in East Haven we have embarked upon our school expansion program none too soon. We must also see to it that there is a supply of teachers during the years ahead of us.

### THE NATIONAL BUDGET

The Boston Globe remarked the other day: "All that keeps the national debt from searing us to death is the happy fact that none of us can understand such big figures." And about the same thing can be said about President Truman's proposed budget of 41 billion, 858 million dollars for the fiscal year beginning next July 1.

We look on Washington as being a long, long way from East Haven, and it is. But a portion of the tax money that will go to reaching that proposed budget will come right out of our little terrain straddling Farm River and reaching from the Half Mile to Long Island Sound. The Connecticut Chamber of Commerce recently attempted to explain what the national budget means in Connecticut terms by showing what taxpayers of the Nutmeg state will be called upon to pay in direct and hidden taxes. According to the breakdown of figures in the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce analysis the New Haven County burden would be 200 million 789 thousand dollars. The Connecticut share of the cost, it says would be almost seven times the amount of property taxes collected in the local communities in 1948.

We don't know how much the Federal take from East Haven would amount to but if we multiply the 360, which the State Chamber estimates is the average cost of Federal Government for each person in Connecticut, by our 12,000 population we reach a figure too high even to suggest.

Wayne B. Dickerson, executive vice president of the State Chamber says: "People here at home must realize that they themselves have to foot the bill for the services rendered by the Federal Government. The money handed out so lavishly by Washington comes from the people in the states, minus, of course, the political brokerage of the bureaucrats."

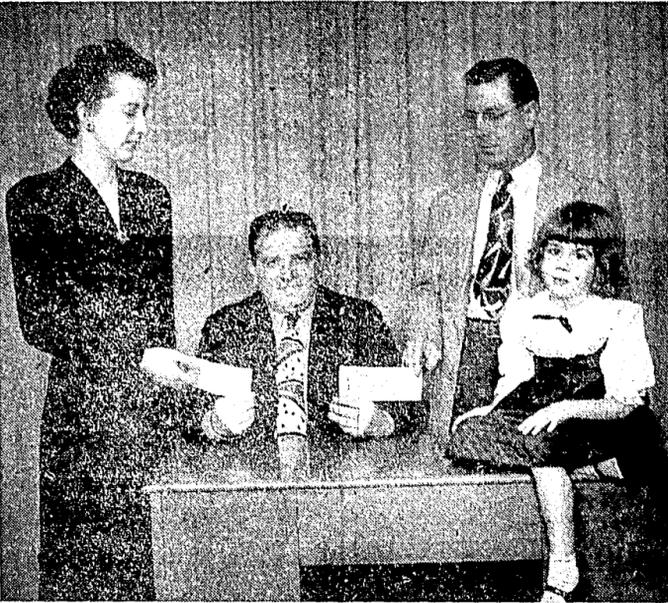
### SPORTS NEWS ALWAYS WELCOME

We print elsewhere, this week, a letter of criticism from one of our East Haven News subscribers. His protest is one which, from his point of view and that of other sports fans, is fully justified. We, as editor of the East Haven News, find it difficult to give an answer which will satisfy. It is one of the unfortunate circumstances which arises because of the fact that the East Haven News and the Branford Review are published together. Except for the front pages, each issue is the same for East Haven and Branford subscribers. Certain of the seven pages are given over to Branford material and certain others are given over to East Haven. This is a situation which must be faced. Otherwise our weekly community newspaper would not be feasible.

It is unfortunate to sports fans that the Editor of the East Haven News knows so little about sports affairs. He has often lamented the fact, and has always refrained from writing sports news. On the other hand Bill Ahern, the Branford Review editor, has not only majored in sports writing, but is about tops in his field among weekly newspapers. His sports column and his sports articles are read with avid interest. But his field is Branford and he views the sports field with Branford eyes. We do not want to drop his page from our jointly occupied newspaper.

However if our East Haven sports fans really want to help in putting their sports events on the map through coverage in our columns, they can easily do so. Much of our organization and other news is written by publicity chairmen who are a tremendous help to us each week. We know many sports fans who have had writing experience at the High School who could get the material into writing and in our hands sufficiently early so that East Haven sports could get the break they deserve in our columns. Better yet write-ups sent direct to Bill Ahern care of the Branford Review would cheerfully find conspicuous place upon the back page which is particularly his. A little cooperation will solve these kinds of gripes.

## First Checks Received In Parade Of Dollars



In the photograph above (by Lucas Studio) Miss Eleanor Sieman of the East Haven Players is shown presenting a check for \$173.10 to Mathew Anastasio, general chairman of the Infantile Paralysis campaign. The check, the receipts from a play recently given in the Foxon Community Hall, is presented as a memorial to Mrs. Miller Williams, East Haven woman who died in California last fall after an attack of infantile paralysis. Also shown above is Joseph Mancino who presented a check in behalf of Elaine Mancuso (sitting on table) who is now recovering from the disease.

## Plans Being Discussed For Sports Group

It was learned this week that plans are being discussed by a group of East Haven and vicinity sportsmen looking toward the formation here of an East Haven hunting and fishing club. Interest in the movement is running strong and there are a surprisingly large number of Nimrod and Waltonians, welders of the gun and rod respectively who would like to see such an organization formed here.

The center of activities has been Graves Sport Shop in Main Street where hunters and fishermen are wont to gather often to discuss their prowess and tell tall stories. Proprietor Roland Graves, Rotarian and Legionnaire, who entered the sports good business because of his inherent love for sports activities of all kinds, tells us that a notice can be expected in the not distant future which will summon fish and game fans together to take steps toward formal organization. There are many things that such an organization could accomplish. The New Haven Sportsmen's Club which has many local members will hold its Annual Banquet, a venison supper served by Casper Cummings, on Feb. 19 at the Masonic Hall in Centerville. Tickets are available at Graves Sport Shop.

**LADIES' NIGHT**  
The Men's Club of the Old Stone Church is making plans for its annual Ladies' Night supper and program to be held in the parish house starting at 6:30 P. M., Tuesday, Feb. 8. The committee is obtaining a guest speaker and a program of entertainment to be followed by dancing.

## Laurel, Foxon And Highland Schools

Buildings In Northern Part Of Town Have Ample Room For Expansion

Recently there has been much talk about the increase in enrollment in some of the schools in the center and along the shore. Concern has been shown also because of the conditions in the high school which have been caused by putting the seventh and eighth grade pupils in the building for the purpose of easing the elementary crowding. A partial solution has been found to the problem by transfer of seventh and eighth graders who come from Laurel, Highland and Foxon to the building for the purpose of easing the elementary crowding. At present this is felt primarily in the lower grades, but as the pupils move along the problem will become more acute.

Fortunately the schools in the northern section of the town at this time have enough extra space to take care of the two grades mentioned. The trend toward increase in enrollment apparently will not

### REPORTED MISSING

M. M. 3-c Robert Connors of the naval cutter Eastwind, was reported missing following the collision of the ice cutter with the big tanker Gulfstream, off New Jersey coast early Wednesday morning, according to a telegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Connors of 90 Forbes Place, from the U. S. Navy today.

M.M. Connors was one of eleven reported missing but naval authorities held some hope that he might be aboard another ship which has not reported yet. Ten were killed and nineteen injured in the sea crash which occurred in a heavy fog. Connors was nineteen years old and a graduate of East Haven High School in 1947. He entered the service shortly after his graduation, his parents said today.

### HASSE RESIGNS POSITION AS TOWN TREASURER

William F. Hasse, Jr., of 37 Childsey Avenue, has submitted his resignation as Town Treasurer to take effect February 1, he announced yesterday.

The press of business affairs, he said, had made it impossible for him to continue to devote the time necessary for the town's business. He was elected first in the biennial town election of 1945 and was re-elected to a two year term in 1947. His term would normally expire at the end of the town's fiscal year next fall.

Mr. Hasse is connected with one of the New Haven banks and is also lecturer on banking in three educational institutions. He has made a study of banking history in the

## Town's Record Books Outgrow Old Quarters

An example of how East Haven is growing by leaps and bounds in these post-war years, was seen in the office of Town Clerk Margaret Tucker this week where space was being found in the big fire-proof town vault for additional metal roller shelves to house the new record books.

The record books which contain the records of property transfers and other such data accumulated throughout the years go back to 1785. Volume 1 is a small book containing the first land records entered after East Haven had been separated from the Town of New Haven of which it was once a part. The books remain small for years afterward and until comparatively recent time would have not crowded the facilities of an ordinary office safe.

Now there are 126 big volumes accumulated and these must be kept where they are easily accessible to little searchers. During the past decade the annual transfer of property has increased enormously, so much so that all available shelf space has been outgrown and new shelves obtained to house the new volumes and those which will accumulate in the next few years.

### PLAN STAG PARTY

The Baraca Bible Class and the Brinley-Burgess Class of the Old Stone Church School are combining to hold a stag party on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 8 P. M. in the Ladies' Parlor of the Parish House.

New Haven area and is author of a book published some time ago on the History of Banking in New Haven. He is a Republican.

### Explanation Is Given For Transferring 7th And 8th Grades From High School

is room enough for such a long period that no thought will be needed in this district for a long time to come. There is a great deal of available land home building but the high rate of home fare from New Haven is apparently a factor which will retard development in this area. The school has a capacity of 140 and at present there are only sixty-four pupils in attendance. With the eight grades here next year there will be seventy-three enrolled.

The first part of Highland School was built in 1917. This was a small building and had to be increased in size in 1922 and in 1929. At one time it was thought that another school would be needed in this district but enrollment leveled off and then decreased. Last year saw the beginning of an increase again and this will move steadily on until the building will be comfortably filled. The above condition is very fortunate because it would be too costly if it became necessary to add to schools in all sections of the town at the same time.

## TOWN TOPICS

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

Winter moving along!  
Half way mark only two weeks away.

But plenty of cold, ice and snow can be crammed into next six weeks.

Ben Franklin's birthday last Monday, America could use more men of his kind today. We've always felt he was born about 200 years too soon.

Supt. of Schools William E. Gills gave a talk to faculty of all town schools Wednesday bringing teachers up to date on new school building and improvement program so they can be in better position to answer questions asked by parents.

Abel Jacobs does get around. Last we knew he was in California. Now cards come telling of his arrival in Florida.

Mathew Anastasio tells us first of the week mail brought in excellent response to letters sent out in Parade of Dollars campaign for Infantile Paralysis fund. This is a good cause, much money is needed because 1948 was a bad polio year, and gifts should be generous.

We hear that Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clancy of Kirkham Avenue are down in Washington D. C. this week for President Truman's inauguration.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in the Legion rooms in Thompson Avenue this Friday night at 8 and all members are requested to be present.

The Women's Democratic Club of East Haven will meet Tuesday night at 8 in Red Men's Hall in West Main Street.

One of our readers suggested this week that it would be a good idea if a supply of Federal Income Tax returns were available in East Haven, possibly at the Town Clerk's office or the Post Office.

Another reader remarking about the little piece we wrote about town street name duplications reminds us that we have two River Streets and two Maple Streets in East Haven.

Also wants to know why recently opened southerly end of Gerrish Avenue is known as Gerrish Avenue Extension and not considered simply as a part of the Old Gerrish Avenue.

Town highway crew did a nice job of sweeping up Main Street this week, removing the accumulation of sand and other stuff which had accumulated after last month's snow storm. Cleaning up of streets, especially in the center always makes for a better appearance.

High praise should go to the East Haven Council of Parents and Teachers for taking the initiative in the matter of a proposed Dental Clinic. Meeting held in the Hagaman Memorial Library Tuesday night to which representatives of various organizations were invited to hear Dr. Ira Beebe, department head of the state dental clinic, and Dr. Morton Lora of New Haven. Project is an ambitious one but one which could do much good in improving general health of growing generation.

From Tangerine, Florida, comes a picture post card from Harold Hall who tells us that he with his wife and son arrived Jan. 8 after a nice slow trip down the seaboard. The weather on the day the card was sent was "ideal," says Harold, "temperature high 81 and low 59." Larry started school Monday.

One of our Main Street advertisers who read the little piece we wrote about advertising last week gave us this clipping from Fortune, December, 1947, when we called on him Saturday:

"If you whisper down the well about the goods you have to sell you will not make as many dollars as the man who climbs a tree and hollers."

Advertising in the News is like climbing a tree and hollering.

Miss Ruth Youngerman of 60 High Street has moved to 81 Dodge Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schmidt of Henry Street left last week for Miami, Florida, for the remainder of the winter.

## Dates Ahead

Dates Ahead must reach the Editor by Monday evening.

Pequot Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, each Monday at 8 P. M., Red Men's Hall, 458 Main Street.

Star of Victory Lodge, No. 63, O. S. of E. First and third Tuesdays, Red Men's Hall.

Rotary Club each Thursday 12:15 noon, St. Vincent De Paul's Auditorium, Taylor Ave.

Navajo Council, No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas meets first and third Wednesdays, Red Men's Hall.

Princess Chapter, No. 70 O. E. S. Meets second and fourth Mondays, 8 P. M. in Masonic Hall.

Harry R. Bartlett Post, American Legion, meets 2nd and 4th Thursday 8:30 P. M. Legion Buildings.

East Haven Assembly, Order of Rainbow for girls meets first and third Friday, Masonic Hall 7:30 P. M.

South District Civic Association meets second and fourth Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m. 83 Vista Drive.

Saltonstall Civic Association, first Tuesday of month 8 P. M. Momaugun Lodge, No. 138 A. F. A. M. Stated Communications 1st and 3rd Mondays except July and August.

Amerigo Club meets last Sunday of each month at 4 P. M. in Club House.

Narketta Council, No. 27, Degree of Pocahontas, second and fourth Wednesdays, Red Men's Hall.

Pequot Junior Council, every Thursday, Red Men's Hall.

St. Vincent DePaul's Ladies Guild meets second Tuesday, 8 P. M. Church auditorium.

Legion Auxiliary meets Third Friday 8 P. M. Legion Building East Haven Democrats, Second Friday, Red Men's Hall.

East Haven Fire Co. No. 1, meets first Wednesday 8 P. M. Fire Headquarters.

Public Health Nursing Ass'n meets first Monday 8 P. M. Town Hall.

American War Mothers, East Haven Chapter, meets first Friday, 8 P. M. Hagaman Memorial Library.

Christ Church Men's Club meets

first Tuesday of each month 8 P. M. Church Hall.

Half Hour Reading Club First Thursdays, 2:30 P. M. Hagaman Memorial Library.

Bradford Manor Hose Company meets every last Monday of the month at the Bradford Manor Hall.

St. Clares Guild meets every second Monday of the month in Bradford Manor Hall.

East Haven Boys Scout District Committee meets first Wednesdays at Stone Church 8 P. M.

Cub Pack Committee meets third Tuesday at Stone Church Jr. Women's league of O. S. C. 1st Wed. of every month at 8:00 P. M. in Parish House.

Junior Guild of Christ Church meets in Church Hall fourth Thursday in each month.

Women's Republican club meets third Thursday at clubrooms.

Garden Club meets fourth Wednesday in Hagaman Memorial Library.

Bradford Manor Auxiliary meets at the Bradford Manor Hall every first Monday of the month.

Woman's Aid Society, Old Stone Church second Thursday, 2 P. M. Parish House.

Junior Friends of Music, Third Thursdays 3:30 P. M. Hagaman Library.

Jan 21—Annual Meeting, Old Stone Church.

Jan. 22—25th Anniversary dinner Bradford Manor Hose Company Carzeville's Colonnade.

Jan. 25—Well Child Conference 2 P. M. Town Hall.

Jan. 28—Zoning Board of Appeals 8 P. M., Town Hall.

Feb. 8—Annual Ladies Night Dinner and entertainment, Men's Club, Parish House 8:30 P. M.

Feb. 10—Union School P. T. A. meeting at the school at 8:00 P. M.

Feb. 14—East Shore Community Concert, High School Auditorium.

Feb. 22—George Washington Birthday Dinner St. Andrew's Chapel, Grannis Corner.

Feb. 28—American Legion Variety Show 8 P. M. High School Auditorium.

March 18—East Shore Community Concert High School Auditorium.

Momauguin News

MRS. JOSEPH O'CONNOR, Masses at St. Clara Parish, Momauguin are 8:30 and 10:30 courses. Confessions every Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Psychiatric Services Cover New Haven Area

BRANCH OF MENTAL HYGIENE SOCIETY OPERATES THROUGH SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY CHEST. By John Donald Collins.

Letter Urges Support For Polio Fund

The following letter asking funds for the 1949 infantile Paralytic campaign was sent out this week by Matthew Anastasio, East Haven campaign chairman.

RAINBOW GIRLS WILL INSTALL FRIDAY NIGHT

East Haven Assembly No. 17, Order of Rainbow for Girls, will hold a regular meeting Friday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 P. M. at the Masonic Hall.

WHAT NOTS

FEEL UP NOW, DON'T YOU BOAST? You don't live out on the coast. Where there's very little sun. Gosh, ain't you the lucky one.

BRANFORD POINT NEWS

Mrs. Carl Bloomquist of Goodsell Road is ill in St. Raphael's Hospital. The Auxiliary of the Veterans of World War II Organized, held their regular meeting Wednesday evening in the club room at Branford Point.

NORTH BRANFORD

ST. AUGUSTINE'S R. C. CHURCH. Rev. John J. McCarthy, Pastor. Organized and Choir Director. Masses 7:00 & 8:15.

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Union School Supper Was A Big Success

The Union School P.T.A. covered dinner supper, which was held in the High School cafeteria last Thursday night, was a tremendous success with over 200 people attending.

Town Topics

We were notified this week that the Board of Selectmen have decided to attend concerts as follows this season: Feb. 14, East Haven High School, Chilton Opera; March 18, East Haven High School, Edwin Steffen, vocalists; April 15, Wallingford High School, Carroll Steffen, vocalists.

Sterling Range & Fuel Oil Co.

ANTHONY BRUNO SALES & SERVICE. 90 FRENCH AVE., EAST HAVEN. PHONE 4-1514.

OLD MILL ANTIQUE SHOP

Restoring Antiques Wanted. Niels Ahlberg, Salford Place and Main St., Phone 4-2610, East Haven.

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SOLD - ELECTRIFIED - PURCHASED - REPAIRED. THE NEW HOME - DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES. Vincent Federico AT NASH INC. 301 Main Street, Home 4-2304 - Business 4-2530, East Haven.

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Designers and Manufacturers of Living Room Furniture. All work done right on our premises. PHONE 4-1679, 228 MAIN STREET, EAST HAVEN.

BENDIX automatic Home Laundry

Bendix Automatic Dryer gets clothes fluffy dry in 15 minutes. Heated air blows the clothes dry.

NOW OPEN PARILLA'S Service Center

356 MAIN STREET, Cor. Bradley Ave., EAST HAVEN. SHELL STATION. Gas - Grease - Oil - Washing - Tires. Tubes - Batteries - Accessories. Road Service. Cars Called for and Delivered. No Extra Charge.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Rev. William M. Whaley, Curate. Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00. Confessions Saturday: 4:00-6:00 - 7:30-9:30.

ST. STEPHEN'S A. M. E. ZION

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TABOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Emil G. Swanson, Pastor. The Rev. Paul H. Swanson, Pastor. 7:30 Adult Conferences, 9:00 Confirmation Class meets, 9:15 Sunday School.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. A. W. Jones, Pastor. 10:00 Morning School, 7:45 Evening Service, 7:30 Fellowship.

CHURCH OF CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. J. Edmund Walker, Pastor. 9:30 Church School, 10:45 Divine Worship, 10:45 Church Time Nursery and Kindergarten.

UNION CHURCH

Rev. J. Edmund Walker, pastor. 9:45 Sunday School, 4:00 Home Sing, Informal everyone welcome.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE

First Church of Christ Scientist, Winthrop and Derby Avenues. Sunday services are at 11 A.M. and 5 P.M.

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# THE WILL TO WIN

BY BILL AHERN

They unwrapped the jeweler's cotton from another gem at the University of Connecticut recently. The occasion was the mid-winter banquet for the staff of the Campus, the bi-weekly school paper. When the last morsel had been devoured and speeches were being read, they announced the results of elections and there—like a sodium bleach after a heavy meal—was the satisfactory promotion of Edward Martin to the sport editor's post.

In addition they gave the Chestnut Street youth the Walter Stemmons award for the greatest contribution to the school paper by a member during his first semester. Two other awards; one to the honorary journalist fraternity, Sigma Upsilon Iota, and the other, the Campus key, were heaped upon the lad in the most surprising of all nights.

But in all the honors granted him, the paper missed its most thrilling story. It's a bit unusual because it relates unusual determination.

The early days of Ed Martin's life was spent in the Branford armory. His grandfather, Jim Redding, was caretaker there and Ed's immediate family made its home with Jim and his wife. The quarters were spacious. During those years, those never to be forgotten days of basketball when the Branford Tanks, the Laurels, the Big Five, the Alumni, and especially the almost routine years of Branford High School championships, a tall kid, more arms and legs than body, spent hours tossing a basketball at the drill shed hoops. In time he gained a measure of proficiency in rimming the sphere but never matched his eye with his floor game.

Athletes were his idols. He brought the water to thirsty players and wiped their sweating bodies with towels. Once he reached the halls of Branford High School, he constantly associated with the musclemen and went after and became a manager of the sport teams.

He, with the two Birbarie brothers, Ted and George, constituted a trio of student overseers which seldom is equalled in high school circles. An expression of desire on the part of Coach John Knecht brought his wish to culmination as the three, in different years, worked unflinchingly for the honor and glory—and believe this—there was considerable glory.

Eddie developed a close attachment for players like John Yustevicz and Vic Lukawsky, Harding Avenue neighbors, who following their scholastic days entered the University of Connecticut together. Martin was a frequent visitor of theirs.

Saturday visits to games in which they played became week-end respites with chances to meet other athletic heroes of other schools and colleges. Ed, particularly enjoyed it when the pair were welcomed into a fraternity, an athletic one, on the rolling terrain of the campus.

In company with others of this town, he was in mind's eye, a college student. Each monthly edition of Esquire was scanned not so much for the eye filling allure of the Petty Girl and later the Varga Girl, nor the racy reading of the stories within its pop-eyed guardian's covers but to the fashion pages where styles of college men were prominently forecast.

Thereafter he would travel to New Haven to the big men's stores oftentimes in the company of Wink Van Wilgen or Frank Page and treat himself to the latest fad. Clothes did not become quantity with him but quality. He brought the Windsor knot to Branford. Was among the first to reincarnate the bow tie. Stripes one season, polka dots the next, always he was ready for Dame Fashion's dictates. It was his joy to appear on the Uconn campus and have his sartorial elegance approved by his friends and their friends.

But through all those visits, his gaily cloaked a fervent wish. He would have worked in the barns which house some of the country's finest live stock, if he could go to the University.

Once again his way was blocked by the ill advice which allowed him to select a Commercial course in high school. He had no hope of passing college entrance exams. Thus his trips were heartaches too.

Yet he glided in the success of both John Yustevicz and Bob Donnelly and eventually in the good fortune of Angle Verinis, a New Haven friend. He watched and profited in their example. No student on the campus was more vociferous in the team's support and weekdays in Branford, none sang more loudly, the individual achievements of his friends.

But in 1941 a war broke out. The trio of Uconn athletes had entered the air force. Vic, who had dropped out of the college, also volunteered for air duty. Soon it was Martin's turn. No heart in these United States beat more thrillingly than did that of the Chestnut Street youth when he was accepted into—the U. S. Army Air Force.

Donnelly and Yustevicz missed their pilot wings but were transferred in armament where each attained a major's rank. Verinis became co-pilot on the famed Memphis Belle. Lukawsky, the most natural aviator of all, he piloted a pursuit ship, was grounded for the war's duration for stunting, a reflection of his devil may care attitude. But the non-college man became one of the crew of a Flying Fortress. His foreign station was Italy. He followed the air pace set by Verinis although in a different area and capacity.

Ed Martin probably had the widest range of pen pals of any Branford youth. He kept up his association with his Blue Devil quintet, a collection of semi-pro stars, from this town, whom he managed and frequently played with.

His mother kept him constantly informed through the medium of a certain newspaper which weekly winged its way to his quarters. Off duty hours were spent in writing to all who assisted in keeping alive his favorite game in the old home town.

He dreamed by night of a basketball quintet which he intended to organize once the war's years were spent. Stan Petela, John Yustevicz, Verinis, Donnelly and Lukawsky, were on the Morpheus moulded five and even in dreams the famed Renaissance must bow to the Bunyon-esque ability of his personal idols.

Once home, the dreams fell into discard. Yustevicz stayed in the army. Donnelly prospered in his new found friends in the mid-west. Verinis aside from one abortive year on the court withdrew from competition. Petela went to Michigan State after one year at Storrs and Lukawsky pegged his toes for all time when he built his Branford Plating Company in partnership with Lowell LaMotte.

Like the "Ten Little Indians" now there was one. That one had the G. I. Bill of Rights. Ed Martin gave his smoldering desire a bit of air when he entered New Haven's Junior College of Commerce. The embers burst into flame when he was accepted at Fort Trumbull's branch of the University of Connecticut. It was a roaring conflagration when he reached the regular campus more than a year ago. It was a wild scene that was pictured in his brain as he courteously stepped to the dais and accepted his honors the other night. He had achieved a goal.

However most goals once they are reached become only milestones in the path of life. So too it is with Martin.

For the first three years of his college life, he was going to be a reporter. He went so far as to be reasonably sure of a post as a foreign correspondent with a large New York daily.

But he reckoned without his marks. Ed Martin had become a student. He hit the dean's list, rivaling Donnelly's achievement before him. Friendly professors are repeatedly urging him to go after higher attainments in educational fields. He has been offered a fellowship in two other universities. He believes now that he will accept one. His chosen major will be English. Most folks hereabouts believe that he will eventually be an instructor in that subject.

He is married now to the former Barbara Carr. They have one son, Peter. He lives away from the campus down the road toward Will about three miles. His palace is a trailer. There the midnight oil burns constantly, because a married man has responsibilities. There also he has distractions—diapers still have to be changed.

The opening sentence is a steal. It was taken from one of Ed Martin's better stories. But it is prophetic. They did unwrap the jeweler's cotton and they did uncover a gem. It may turn out to be the greatest for the prettiest diamonds take the longest polish.

He was nearly overlooked for Thomas Grey put it rightly when he wrote, "Full many a gem of purest ray serene, The deep untrathomed caves of ocean bear. Full many a flower is born to blush unseen and waste its fragrance upon the desert air."

But the story is still the best, untold at the Campus banquet.

# LEAGUE'S TOP RIVALRY RESUMES FRIDAY WHEN EASTIES MEET HORNETS

Branford High School has a cheer which the yell queens call the double "B". Tomorrow night in the state armory on Montrose Street, East Haven High will call for its own version of the double "B". Its "Beat Branford". Impartial fans of both towns figure the game a toss up for as is the case in most Branford-East Haven hoop games, once again seasonal records are cast to the winds and wild and woolly net meshing dating back to the Jim Glynn-Paul Ward days are in the offing for the nine hundred fans expected to pack the spacious drill shed.

The tiny mascots of the Hornets and Yellowjackets will not be high on flying, stinging insects but for this one tilt, the court will become a pit with the rosters on all four sides watching into pit bulldogs in a real dog fight for basketball supremacy.

Fortune may smile on overdue East Haven which was doubly treated in Wallingford on Tuesday when a last minute Bielak basket gave the defending state class M champs a 44 to 43 over the more deserving Yellowjackets. Certainly the keen shooting eyes of Joe Donofrio and Steve Narracci are overdue to bash the mainmast of some victory seeking vessel from the no-tilt areas, now of 1949 Housatonic League basketball.

Branford rooters pointing with pride at the upsurge of team play against Darien this Monday past view that they will not strike their victory flag before the stoutly armored Eastie ship. The Hornets will ask no quarter and expect none, they claim. Lou Locarno will front for the Branfordites, they expect, in the scoring column and will get able help from the riotous, non-lukewarm and co-footballeer Blake Lehr will be able to tie in the loose ends, it is expected.

Both teams are not expected to present many substitutes although coach Sampson, of the Hornets, will have Dick Dolan, Dick Coleman and Addison Long and Bob Boutellier ready for spot duty.

Kirsbaum, f. 7 1 15  
Lehr, f. 0 1 1  
Coleman, f. 2 3 7  
Sobolowski, c. 1 0 2  
Sobolowski, c. 6 2 14  
Chandler, g. 1 1 3  
Vishno, g. 6 3 15  
Totals 23 11 57

Darien  
Kirsbaum, f. 1 0 2  
Belcher, f. 1 0 2  
Frate, c. 5 3 13  
Morris, g. 1 1 3  
Hilow, g. 2 0 4  
Samis, g. 6 4 16  
Totals 16 8 40

State at half: Darien 18, Branford 17.  
Non-scoring substitutes—Branford Long, Darien: Duffy and Curtis.

# Frank Kinney Council Head

Officers elected at the recent annual meeting to the Community for 1949 are as follows: Frank J. Kinney Jr., president; Thomas Suda, first vice president; Nicholas Weted, second vice president; Robert Beach, third vice president; Frank Kinney Sr., secretary; Flinders Smith, assistant secretary; John F. Zvonkovic, Treasurer for three years; Edward B. Loneragan, trustee for two years; Frank J. Kinney Sr., trustee for one year; William Adams and Edward A. Driscoll, Auditors; George Hugo, Community director.

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# SPORTS IN REVIEW

by Bill Ahern

Last week's summary of the type of ball played by the schools of the Housatonic League was not meant to cast any aspersions on any type or school. All have their strong points and are recognized brands of ball. Each coach can have his style reflected in the play of the professionals and in the colleges. Probably the best criterion of the mentioned methods of instruction can be found in the repeated upsets of the Housatonic League which is enjoying its best year in many basketball moons. It takes material to make ball players. The good coaches change their style to suit the material. Juvenia of Seymour, one of the wildest of the circuit mentors, continually changes his style each season and continually is the big question mark for league fives to hurdle. His teams are never easy although many, many times his material is inferior.

Milford bears out the prediction that its is going to be tough on its home court. Its height cannot be ignored. Shelton had a bad scare at the hands of the Indians but a do or die rally in the last quarter finally brought Ted Vincent and his pace setting cohorts into the victory column, 39 to 34.

Class M basketball are going to have to fetch out for classy Shelton again this season. The Whalers are on the way back after a year in basketball limbo.

Speaking of the latter town, Ernie Ozanne, hot shot long distance of the Shelton five two years ago, is enrolled in the University of Connecticut. His basketball has not been sensational this year at the Fort Trumbull branch but come Spring the lad will be a campus standout in the eastern section of Connecticut as an outstanding hurler.

Billy Loos of New Haven will report to the Phillies direct from the Uconn campus in February. The big portlander's father was one of the laurel enemies back twenty odd years ago when he was a member of the East Rocks.

Jim Murphy continues his merry way along the win trail of the Uconn freshmen. His eight points while playing less than half the games against the Hartford Branch was not as effective as his play making. The pups won 72 to 34. Both the varsity and the freshmen will take a rest now until February 5. Exams are slated until next Saturday and the mid-winter vacation will round out the second week. The pups seem slated for an undefeated season although three major

# Hornets Gain Victory Over Darien 57-40

Branford High reached the half-way point of its scheduled games in Darien on Monday afternoon and put on a blistering second half rally to down a stubborn Westshore quintet 57 to 40.

Still in ebullient after an early season of successes, the locals had to go all out to defeat Johnny Maher's five which had a halftime 18-17 lead.

A return to form by Dick Dolan gave the low flying Hornets an atomic hypodermic after the intermission and a 21 point attack while Darien was scoring but three, gave the Sampsonmen a lead which was never threatened thereafter.

Sammis, a crack guard with a neat scoring eye led the scorers of both sides with 16 counters but Lou Locarno and Bob Vishno were only a point off the pace with fifteen apiece. Center Bob Sobolowski netted fourteen. The hottest streak of the night was Dolan's. The ace forward, in a thrilling exhibition, garnered seven all in the last frame.

Branford lost Locarno when referees, Penders and Shanbron, thumbed him out with five personals in the final canto and the home club also lost the services of a star performer when Morris was ruled from the contest on the same infraction.

# GIRL'S QUINTET TAGS ST. MARY'S

Coach Virginia Moessmang of the High School Girl's basketball team used a total of twenty two players in defeating St. Mary's High School Girl's aggregation 15 to 11 on Monday afternoon.

Captain Leona Peterson lead the scorers with six points and was tied in that department by Youngerman of the visitors. Mary Jones and Pat Kennedy each bracketed a pair of goals and Branford's other point came on a foul attempt by center Jane Austin.

Used in the tight game were the Misses, Jones, Donadio, Peterson, Kaminsky, Kennedy, Stevens, Austin, Emelita, Mischler, Holsenbeck, Reynolds, Johnson, Zurovski, Boyle, Tousey, Vishno, McClees, Pope, Vitczak, Hartgen, Harrison and Adams.

DIRECTED ACTORS HERE The County Director of the March of Dimes, J. Frank Bean, once directed the Community Players of Branford in the Yale Drama Tournament.

games are in the offing against the freshmen teams of Rhode Island, Brown and Yale.

# SILVER DOLLAR BOWLING LEAGUE

	W	L
Indians	33	15
Athletics	29	22
C. F. U.	28	23
Sinners	26	25
Pot Belles	26	25
Red Sox	25	26
Moaners	22	29
Aces	19	38
Individual High Single, Walty	148	
Individual High Triple, Alec	382	
Teach High Single, R. Sox	632	
Team High Triple, C.F.U.	1653	
Team High Triple, R. Sox	1641	

# SENIOR LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
C. F. U.	9	0	1.000
East Sides	6	3	.666
Carver Club	3	4	.428
Stony Creek	3	5	.375
Indian Neck	3	6	.333
Big Five	1	7	.125

# SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 19—  
7:30—Stony Creek vs C. F. U.  
8:30—Indian Neck vs Carver Club  
9:30—East Sides vs Big Five  
Sunday, January 23—  
2:00—Big Five vs Stony Creek  
3:00—East Sides vs Carver Club  
4:00—Indian Neck vs C. F. U.  
Wednesday, January 26—  
7:30—East Sides vs Indian Neck  
8:30—C.F.U. vs Big Five  
9:30—Stony Creek vs Carver Club  
Sunday, January 31—  
2:00—Indian Neck vs Carver Club  
3:00—East Sides vs C. F. U.  
4:00—Big Five vs Stony Creek  
Wednesday, February 2—  
7:30—Stony Creek vs C.F.U.  
8:30—Carver Club vs Big Five  
3:00—Stony Creek vs East Sides  
4:00—C.F.U. vs Carver Club  
Wednesday, February 13—  
7:30—Carver Club vs East Sides  
8:30—Indian Neck vs Stony Creek  
Sunday, February 16—  
2:00—Carver Club vs Big Five  
3:00—Elimination Tournament

# HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
St. Marys A	3	0	1.000
Stony Creek	2	1	.666
Crusaders	2	1	.666
North Branford	2	2	.500
Boys Club	2	2	.500
Denofay	2	3	.400
St. Mary's B	0	2	.000
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