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Miss Beth Taylor c/o Hagaman Library East Haven, Conn.



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The regular annual meeting of the

FOR CANCER FUND Two baseball games will be played under the high-powered lights at West End Stadium Tues-day at 8 P.M. for the benefit of the East Haven Cancer Fund. The games will be Marlin Fire-arms vs. Laurel A.C. and Col-umbia Auto Body vs. Page Mo-tors, Mrs. Lillian Johnston, Can-cer Fund Chairman, announces that tickets which are 75 cents are on sale at Graves Sport Shop and at Metcalf's and Holcombe's.



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June 12—Men's Communion Breakfast Christ Church.
June 13—Benefit Movie "Crusades" Fairmont Theatre, St. Andrew's Chapel Fund.
June 14—Well Child Conference 2 P.M. Highland School.
June 15—Strawberry Shortcake Supper, 6:30 P.M. Foxon Community Hall.
June 16—Well Child Conference 2 P.M. Momauguin School.
June 18—Anniversary Garden Party, Christ Church Rectory Lawn.
June 22—East Haven Women's Club. Hagaman Memorial Library. Club, Hagaman Memorial Li-brary. June 25-St. Andrew's Church School Picnic Lake Compounce. June 25-Christ Church Sunday School and Parish Picnic. June 28-Confirmation, Christ Episcopal Church June 28-Well Child Conference 2 P.M. Town Hall. July4-9-Bradford Manor Hose Co. Mardi Gras. July 8-Hunt Brothers Circus, West End Stadium. July 14-15-16-East Haven Sales Days "Shop Main Street-East Haven."

The Dedication BY BILL AHERN

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In that out-moded ediface, there was a huge study hall. Ninety seats were available to restless students for study and most of them were filled. One teacher, and only one, was forced to handle that group. The ordeal was a dreadful one for in every class there is a hellion. Yet, the McGrail gal, had a way of getting teachers to take that assignment. Whenever someone had broken a hard and fast teaching rule he 'or she was banished to that Siberian outpost...to pay the penalty for the mission. Once when a male instructor, who later became a major in the link of the study hall, Rip Van Winkle". She tolerated no nonsense but was manifestly fair to all. Her code of ethles was dominated by one express quality: comment winkle". Not once did she failtor as she strolled through her career for the strong the penalty for the study hall, Rip Van Winkle". Not once did she failtor as she strolled through her career for the strong that the school she met him at the door and in her mest authoritive voice commanded him. "Off to the study hall, Rip Van Winkle". Not once did she failtor as she strolled through her career for the study and most for the study hall, Rip Van Winkle".

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Once Laurel Street school planned a big celebration for Arbor Day. Permission was secured to plant a tree on the library lawn. Youngsters she had ever had in her life. spent much time, outside of school, learning pieces such as, "Woodman, Spare that Tree" and others. The supervisor of music, Frank J. Coyle was an orchid; a flower made more delicate and more beautiful be worked hard on the children to perfect their singing of Joyce Kilmer's, cause her every act was nurtured in the soil of memory. ect. Came the day of the great event

while he was in school. Many of them were unique in their methods. would also add......"but in this day a good buildozer helps". But a few stand out in the three generations of her teaching.

They had their peace but only for three days and then the lad showed to artists, to writers, to horsemen, to farmers......and to God. up in school, his foot in a cast. Even his mother found him a trial. In those days, the classes marched from one room to another to take their studies from the teachers and this boy was situated on the second floor. After the passing bell, he tried to get to his next class on the first floor and started down the stairs by the simple expedient of sliding on the seat of his pants. He had scarcely started when Miss McGrail stopped him, "Where are you going"? The youngster replied, "To my class". "Get back to your home room and stay there." was the directive. "Yessum", the lad answered meekly. A teacher passing in the lower hall noticed the scene and asked the principal why she had not let the boy do as he was doing. Then came Miss McGrall's classic retort, "That boy is bad enough but can you imagine him with splinter in his bottom?"

Such was the homespun philosophy of the home town teachers. Nearly ten years ago she retired. The town gave her a reception on the stage of the high school auditorium. Seated with her were many promiment former teaching associates and pupils who had attained a neasure of success in the world. Former Superintendent of School Herman S. Lovejoy was delightful in his simple accolade. Milton Bradley, banker, reminisced over the teaching life of the West Main Street woman. But the highlight was in the vivid travel down memory lane with which Postmaster Joseph H. Driscoll verbally carried all present through her years of teaching not forgetting his own Harbor Street days and the gang's attempts to best the splendld character. But Ella T. McGrail was not outdone that night and completely turned the tables with her introductory remark, "And I once whipped a postmaster, too".

AMERICAN LEGION CALLS Branford High PRE-VUES GAIN DUKE SATURDAY PRACTICE FOR Splits Bill In Oil lamps flickered in the Gaylord Opera House sixty four years ago when high school graduation replaced grease paint and seven pupils walked serencely across the stage and received their diplomas. ASPIRING BASEBALLERS Shelton Games

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benefit of the townspeople. They gave her an orchid the

Although her praises are sung from all quarters, the most concrete

Nevertheless the pupils were herded across the street and gathered strappings. He said that of all the teachers he had Ella McGrail made in a circle to witness the ceremonics, Watching the proceedings un- the biggest impression. They were talking of modern methods of con derneath a dripping umbrella was Miss McGrall. When Mr. Coyle whipped out a pitch-pipe to sound "Do", the wise lady snapped, "Put that thing away and stick that branch in the ground and lets be rid of that his son was not being taught by the once great faculty memthis foolishness". Thus passed weeks of preparation-but the tree grew. ber and then added this choice bit of philosophy. "Like all others Every how likes to consider the trouble he caused the teachers Miss McGrail would teach that 'faith can move mountains', but she

Yes, there have been no bad youngsters in Miss McGrail's life a few stand out in the three generations of her teaching. Yes, there have been no bad youngsters in Miss McGrall's life. The grand lady will wonder over this one but there was a beaut Her big delight, today is to meet former pupils and chat of the old a few years back. He and his brother were in very conceiveable form times with them. Thus it will seem puny next week when a graduating of mischief and some maliciousness. Come the day when the in- class dedicates a book to a deserving teacher to realize that once i evitable happened and the youngster broke his leg. Unsaid but fervantly, the history of the local schools, there was an old time teacher who breathed was the sign of the teachers, "Now we can have some peace." dedicated not a book but a life-to doctors, to lawyers, to politicians,









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Laila G. Birch, Executrix Address: 24 Cedar St. Branford, Conn. 6-9

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In Branford, many years ago, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Dunn, because they were childless, reached into an "Orphan Asylum" and adopted a boy upon whom they spent much time and lavished much love. Later they found that lad's brother and again spread the arm of their affection to include him. But the third brother had been already spoken for and lived in Danbury. But that tight circle, called a family had again been re-established for the first time since the boys were seven.

The Branford residents were the oldest and the youngest brother and the lad, who lived in Danbury, was the middle-aged youth. Their youth had been a succession of being let out to various farmers and the oldest lad was to make three different institutions his home before the Dunns brought him permanently here.

Because the grand couple owned a plumbing business, they allowed him to become an apprentice in that trade. Because he could sing they allowed him to take lessons and because they were God-loving and God fearing, they insisted upon his regular attendance at church. In all three classifications they were wise in their choice.

Eventually the eldest brother met and married one, Sarah Loretta Keough, of the Bradley Street Keoughs, and the couple began their own adventure in life. One that bore three sons and a daughter. Probably because his own life had been so fitful and trying, no children ever in the town had a more pleasant father.

His wife, even now, recalls how he would wake in the early hours of the day and walk to the bassinet or crib and play with the bables, if they were awake, or just watch them in their sleep-surprized at the mechanics of life which eventually brought him the serenity of his own family life.

In the early years the family moved about considerably. The first boy was born in Fourth Ward on Bradley Street. The second was born in the political domicile of Pete Carney and Mike Rice, on Ivy Street. The third was near the library dividing line between the uptowners and the downtowners. He first saw the light of day, according to the data on file by Dr. Arthur Tenney, on the first floor flat of the Harrison Avenue house, then owned by Mrs. Mary Creem, now the property of Joe Chuldini. Eleven years later, the girl was born and just to give further locale to the picture, she decided to pitch her first C above high C, from the second story apartment of the same house. The childhood years were wonderful.

Living next to the schoolyard, Pop (for by now you must recognize the character) used to have a circus umpiring baseball games from the kitchen window.

In those days the Harrison Avenue schoolyard was widely used as a ball pasture among the kids, despite the fact that it was once lined with stately pine trees. Boys would be playing ball morning, noon and night and often the sessions were heated ones. Many times, just before principal Ella McGrail would sound the old brass bell, ending the noonday recess, the window would fly up and an argument with some juvenile umpire would get underway to establish whether or not a youth stealing home had legitimately counted. It got that the players would have Pop

call them from the window, probably because his voice was the heaviest. We kids always had a ball and bat and sometimes on a Saturday afternoon, Pop would bat them out to us. Once, one of the Zesner boys was playing shortstop and Pop drove one to his right a few feet. The lad waved to it as it went past, within fielding distance, and Pop asked him, "Where were you on that one?" "Its no use mister," the lad shouted wearly as he disgustedly strolled after the pill, "its no use".

He watched Pete Naimo become a fielder in that yard as the kid tried vallently for ground balls and predicted that he would become one of the town's better ball players. Too, he watched Walt Brannigan pltch for the uptowners against the downtowners on the same rockstrown surface. Previous to both of their rises into the athletic sun, he used to watch Vin Carney spend hours on his hitting and fielding.

Like all other sports followers in the town, he was a great admirer of Frank McGowan's ability and many times visited the old Weiss Park to watch the "Beauty" play.

In 1921, when they give him a day, previous to his, embarkation on a big league career, he assisted to the extent of helping to raise the purse and then going to the Elin City to watch him cavort both at the bat and in the field.

He didn't take his oldest son on that memorable day, the lad was only ten, but thereafter he brought him to the games; at Purcell's lot where the Laurel's baseball team played; to Sliney's lot where the same green clad warriers got their start in football under the able reins of Bob Kelly. Later to Hammer Field and the ball parks about the old Middlesex circuit to glory in the pitching exploits of Bill Clancy, George Fair Klinky Klarman, Harry Noyes, Pinky McTrottes.

The oldest son watched and listened to the arguments on Crisman's old bus. Even now, he recalls that fine bit mimicry, John Van Wie used to give, when he imitated the old style radio and its static as the able hands of Alton Crisman steered the creaky vehicle to and from the visitor's parks.

Thus it was that a love of baseball, indeed all sports, came to the son and Pop would be careful to point out after the game what he thought the mistakes were. A bit enviously, the lad watched young Frank Kinney keep the score for the big team. It was always right the first time and neatly done in ink. Even the oldtimers used to ask June what his decision was on certain plays and were satisfied with the answer.

On Sundays, he used to be headlinesman at the Laurel games, in the days before they became a big cog in the pigskin wheel of the state. He started first at Sliney's lot when Art Dahl and Mickey Banko were aiding blossoming stars like Dave Hylenski, Mikey Cooke, Bearcat Kelly and other gladiators.

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TWO HUNDRED RECOGNIZED FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AT ANNUAL' AWARD ASSEMBLY

An award assembly was held Fri-day morning, June 3rd, in the high school auditorium for the Junior and Senior High Joan Pratt was student leader. The following awards.were presented: 2The D. A. R. medal presented to the boy and girl of the eighth grade for attitude, service, honor, and scholarship was made to Beverly Bigelow and Bruce Collopy by Miss Madolin Zacher in the name of the Mary Clapp Woosted Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolu-tion.

y Madolin Zacher in the näme of the Mary Clapp Woosted Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolu-tion. Miss Ruth Frischkorn, music sup-ervisor, presented letters and plins to the following Glee Club members con Betty Palaia, Pat. Reynolds, and Betty Palaia, Pat. Reynolds, and Betty Palaia, Pat. Reynolds, and Donadio, Louise Pond, Ronald Mary Barbara Jones, Jo-Ann Donadio, Louise Pond, Ronald Magee, Lillian Ferrelli. To the fol-lowing students for active service of 3 years in Glee Club and participat-in gone concerts and assemblies Joan Wright Adams. Three years in Glee Club: Betty a Norris, Dorothy Spadoni, Alice Hornet Staff members were envarded letters by Mrs. Harold Barker, faculty supervisor. Elmer McCoy for 4 years service. Three Johnson, Ann Anataslou, Barbara Modian, Jennie'Zebrowski, and Jany Wolf. Two years service Virginia A Johnson, Ann Anataslou, Barbara For Zyears service Virginia A mand. Rose Harrison, Arinee Smith, Mocoy for 4 years service Virginia And members received letters for 2 years membership. The letters Band members received letters Band members received letters Band members received letters Mand Cluon, Fred Smalley, Elizabeth Maddern, Mary Barbara Jones. For 2 years membership. The letters Mand Maddern, Mary Barbara Jones. Band members were: Donald Mary Barbara Jones. Jo-ann Kaminsky, Barbara Jones, Jo-ann Kaminsky, Barbara Jones, Jo-ann Kaminsky, Barbara Jones, Jo-ann Kaminsky, Barbara Jones, Jo-ann Kaminsky, Barbara Pepte, Carolyn Kapolito Rosselli, supervisor of Mr. Kapha Bolter, Anna-Rose Harrison, Mallous, Bethard Murpy Anni Band members were: Donald Brewer in the absence of Mr. Kapha Bolter, Anna-Rose Harrison, Mange Clarence C. Townsend Band Members were: Donald Barlend Members, Rever Donald Wart, Ballou, Joseph Fetela, Donald Wart, Ballou, Joseph Petela, Donald Wart, Ballou, Joseph Petela, Donald Wart, Ballou, Members, Rever Donald Brewer in the a

Reinhard Monghilo, Lewis Bracken, Ralph Bolter, Anna-Rose Harrison, George Ghiroli.
Principal Clarence C. Townsend presented the Service squad letters as follows to sentors: Robert Anders son, Betty Gumkoski, John Nygard, Joseph Ambrulevich, John Am-brulevich, Anna-Rose Harrison, Alice Struzinski, Merrili Blake. Letter and one strip: Janyce Mall-foux, Justine Erickson, Janet Erick-n, son, Helen Meshako, Leonard Page. Letters and two strips: Robert Ander.
To Juniors: letters; George Prout, Wilbur Washington, Robert Polastri, and two strips to Jennie Zebrowski.
To Sophomers: Letters and three strips, Jack Com-function Meshako, Leonard Page. Letter and three strips. Robert Polastri, m Wilbur Washington, Robert Polastri, and two strips to Jennie Zebrowski.
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To Sophomers: letters; For participation a Jacket is presented the smalley, David Kmetz, and Jo-Anni e Nygard. Letter and Joan Austin. Girls Athletic awards were given d Akinson and Joan Austin. Mary Barbara Jones; senior; volley Long, Edmund Markleski, and bult, Janet Erickson, senior; and Vincent Casanova. In one sport: Once or twice a year, there would be large family parties at the house. Then the ping would be large family parties at the house. Then the ping would be large family parties at the house. Then the ping would be large family parties at the house. Then the ping would be large family parties at the

Once or twice a year, there would be large family parties at the house. Then the piano would ring to accompany numerous singers, mostly professional, and jig, for the dancers, mostly amateur. After they were over it was a nostalgic feeling which pervaded the house for it was a shame to see such a grand time end.

Its been nostalgic for years, for once he passed on, the gatherings seldom reached the height to which he could promote them. And though she seldom says so, I know that Mom is lonely-for all her youngsters are married now.

If he were alive next Sunday, he would be getting necktles just like so many fathers will. He would want that the to have a lot of color. "Somberness is for the aged," he would say. He would wear that splash of color against a white shirt tucked within a blue suit. Then he would climb the choir loft to sing. He would be in pretty good voice, he alon holiday And 11 n the out-of-towners would look up in the choir loft to hear the blg time volce and without knowing it they would be happy. But the old timers in Branford could tell them, were they asked. They would say that a man who sang like that bore, "Malice toward none" It may be because of that quality, he will solo somewhere in the infinity, on Father's day. If he does his necktie will be a riot of tender nemories. The celestial ones will smile because of the quality of the little guy's great booming voice sending a message of courage to those below. And all fathers will be happy as they take a colorful silk nonstrosity from its wrappings-for through he is recognized but one day, a family is his charge.



Doinn. Robert Sobolewski and Robert Vishno were runner-ups for the 'sweater awards. Their point total was computed between 600 and 700 points. Joseph Petela, Richard Mongillo Richard Murphy, Leonard Page, John Neldjewski, Rubin Taylor.

Joseph Ambrulevich, Robert Bahn-



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Dr. Newell R. Kelley, M.D. of Wethersfield, will be the speaker Arena Grill Mon. at the charter ceremonies of the

The C. F. U. Meadow Restaurant softfall team wil meet the Arena Grill, considered by many to be the top softball aggregation about Hammer Field on Maonday night at 6:30. The lock of the Generation State S

The locals will send either the Exchange Club.

Croatians Meet

Visiting members throughout the, state will be in attendance.

The locals will send either the veteran Joe Resjan or newcomer Zip Massey, to the hill in an effort to stave off the red-hot counter at-traction, big Wally Adams, believed to be the state's top hurler of the oversized pill. oversized pill. Appearing with the visitors will be such old favorites as Red Lucari and Joe St. John. Branford will use its regular line-up. Matt Markleski, catch; Paul Ward. first base, Wille Proto, second base; Anthony Yasavac, shortstop; Ben Mezleski, third base; Frank Yasavac, centerfield; Stan Lubeski, left field and Larry Czapileki, right field. Going

Anthony Everich, Prop.

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In all his years of lining the ball with the yard markers, he never blew his whistle to call a penalty. He merely warned the offenders and let them know that they did not fool anybody.

But most of all he loved to sing. He was not only a good singer, he might have been a great one had he not had a sense of allegience which kept him in Branford. His voice has been heard in solo at New York's famous Carnegie Hall. With the O'Brien girls, he took lessons from Mrs. Franz Milcke of Wallingford and aside from the satisfaction of voice culture, gained the confidence one gets with public experiences.

He was soloist in St. Mary's Church, here, for many years and self confessed critics who attended Sunday services used to weigh the quality of his voice one week against another. Many and many an Irish woman would vow that Billy was going to sing to her funeral services but most were wrong for he preceded many of them to a grave on the hilltop of St: Agnes cemetary.

He was a man who could wake up singing.

Indeed, before his sons were ten he had them singing the chorus work of Glibert and Sullivans' operetta, "The Pinafore". We kids, sued to dress before the oven door in the kitchen and as we trooped out of the bedroom,seeking the warmth of a good coal fire, he would lift his voice. "Sirs good morning". "Good morning". Pop: "I hope you are quite well" Kids: "Quite well, and you sir?" "I am very, very good, and I want it understood, I command a right good crew" etc.

But despite pleas to have Mom take the part of Buttercup, sho she never would consistantly.

Then Helen was born and he was sure that she could do the part once performed by Annie O'Brien in the show at the old Music Hall. But he grew ill before she was old enough to solo-and by then the boys were grown and the domicile had been shifted to Palmer Road.

We kids, used to have all sorts of fanciful ideas when we awoke at night after hearing the fire siren calling Branford's volunteer hose and laddermen to their civic duty and sleep was always easier when he returned safe from any probable harm.

Once when an orphan boy was picked up at Hannifords (the old Kelly homestead) after running away, he expressed the wish that he had found the boy because before he was returned to the home that boy would have a day that he would never forget.

Somehow Pop always had an extra buck when he grew older and we lads began dating. Always he invited the other boys and girls to the house for intermission gatherings at the Battery Ball and Junior Proms. Always, 'too, there were refreshments for everybody,

A father once told me so





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