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## Best-Trained Cellar in Town



(News Photo)

MAKING SURE all's in order for the next run, Edward Demarest of Hamilton Road makes an adjustment on one of his model trains. The miniature railroad takes up half the Demarest basement.

## Only 2 Drivers Called to Court

Nobody has taken a survey yet to determine whether motorists driving through Franklin Township are really becoming more safety-conscious, or whether the stiff penalties imposed for violations in Magistrate Vernon D. Hagmann's court are having an effect.

Whatever the reason, only two cases of traffic violations came up in court Monday night.

George Kolesar, who knocked down Mayor James G. Maher's mailbox on Amwell Road on Jan. 3, was fined \$7 and paid \$5 costs. He agreed to fix the mailbox as soon as weather permitted. Police Chief Edwin Voorhees issued the ticket.

Police Lt. Russell Pfeiffer signed two complaints against Mrs. Marjorie Hart of Bound Brook. She pleaded guilty to charges of driving too close to the police car on Easton Avenue, Jan. 2, and of refusing to show her license when Lt. Pfeiffer asked for it.

Lt. Pfeiffer said Mrs. Hart was driving so close he could not see her headlights. When he stopped her, the woman put up an argument. She was fined \$7 and \$5 costs on each charge.

## FIREMEN ANSWER CALL, BUT FIRE'S IN TRASHPILE

Middlebush, sleepily going about its business in the gray light of a rainy afternoon, had its somnolent state interrupted Tuesday by the harsh walls of the siren on the Middlebush Firehouse.

A firetruck and six firemen raced down the wet roads to the property of John Lauer on Cedar Grove Road. They had to stop and look for the fire, and, finding it, weren't sure that this was what they were seeking.

The fire was in a pile of garbage in back of the Lauer house. Mr. Lauer said he did not know who put in the call for the firemen.

There's a fully equipped railroad running on Hamilton Road.

If you haven't seen the trains whizz by, or heard the horn on the diesel engine it's because the railroad is confined to the cellar of the home of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Demarest.

The railroad, which has 18 cars and two engines, is the special hobby of Mr. Demarest, who devotes almost all his spare time to it. Started six years ago because "when I was a little boy I always wanted model trains and it's only now that I can afford them," Mr. Demarest estimates the set-up is worth from \$500 to \$800.

The trains, which run on approximately one-quarter mile of track, speed past a model village called "Demsville," which includes a supermarket, police headquarters, a "Dairy Delight," a hardware store, diner and drive-in bank, to list a few of the buildings. From there one of the trains can be routed onto a trestle bridge, which Mr. Demarest built himself, and past a vacation resort, complete with leaf-skating pond. The train also passes a hospital and a nurses' home.

### "Country" Route

The other route goes past the village under the trestle and past a dairy farm, with cows and chickens waiting to get into the barn.

Nor is the railroad complete yet. Mr. Demarest intends to knock through one of the walls in the cellar and build a model freight loading yard where he can switch engines off and on. The model train engineer, who is a landscape gardener in Summer and who works for the Highland Park Fuel Company in the Winter, has already purchased a loading platform which moves cows from freight cars into the yard.

The railroad is a favorite with neighborhood residents, both old and young. "The adults," he says, "just watch without speaking for hours and hours."

## TO ORGANIZE AREA MARINE RESERVE UNIT

Young men interested in joining a proposed area Marine Corps Reserve unit are invited to meet in Manville Municipal Building Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

## ARE YOU A COMMUNIST? ANSWER QUIZ TO FIND OUT

Are you a communist? Or aren't you? One way to determine for yourself is to answer 17 questions in this week's "Microscope on Communism" by Dr. Alexander Balinsky, Rutgers expert on Russian affairs. You'll find his column every week on the editorial page.

## 'Peeping Tom' Report No Clue To Rape Case

A Peeping Tom who uses the telephone to broadcast his acts gave Township police Monday night what they thought was their first real clue to the identity of the man who raped a 52-year-old Township woman on Dec. 29.

Patrolman Charles Petrillo and Karl Falger investigated after a nurse in the Hamilton Nursing Home on Hamilton Street reported that someone called her saying he had been looking into the bathroom while she was in it a few minutes earlier.

The nurse, who had reported to work only 10 minutes before, said she had not noticed anyone lurking outside or on the fire escape which provided a view of the bathroom. She commented that the man "sounded young."

The policemen, who thought there might be a link between the caller and the man who assaulted the Township woman after she returned from Christmas shopping in New Brunswick, were unable to find proof for their suspicions.

## Shade Tree Commission To Be Set Up for Township

### Hinrichsen Heads Community Unit

Lawrence Hinrichsen is the new president of the Community Volunteer Fire Company & First Aid Squad.

Assisting him for 1956 will be Jack Taylor, fire company chief; Robert Eicken, squad captain; John Panca, vice-president; R. J. Kelly, secretary; Thomas Delcastle, secretary; Joseph Bekarian, sergeant-at-arms and Stephen Strora, assistant sergeant-at-arms. Mr. Eicken is also the chaplain.

Other officers are Mr. Kelly, assistant chief; Angelo Rossi, second assistant chief; Robert Miller, captain; Peter Preszlock, first lieutenant; Raymond Trelmes, second lieutenant; Mr. Bekarian, assistant squad captain; Peter Hart, first squad lieutenant, and William Calvo, second squad lieutenant.

Edmund Jenkins and Casimiro Calvo were elected to the board of trustees.

### NEW MAYOR'S MAILBOX DOWNED BY MOTORIST

Newly-elected Mayor James G. Maher's mailbox had a run-in with an automobile recently.

It was knocked off its post on Amwell Road by George John Kolesar of Cedar Street, who also struck a tree when his car left the road. Police Chief Edwin Voorhees, investigating, found Mr. Kolesar intoxicated and gave him a summons for careless driving.

The newly-elected Township Committee will get the new year rolling at its meeting in Township Hall tonight with the first reading of an ordinance creating a shade-tree commission.

The commission, according to Mayor James G. Maher, will provide "rules and regulations to keep the Township from turning into a barren wilderness" as a result of people tearing up shrubbery for building purposes.

The ordinance will only set up the commission, the members appointed to the group to develop the regulations. The commission will "make available to Township people the necessary nursery stock for planting," the mayor declared.

### Industrial Commission

Township Attorney Robert Gaynor, who is preparing the shade tree ordinance, also is working on a code to create an industrial commission. This commission probably will be composed of "real estate men, industrialists and a cross-section of the community," Mayor Maher said.

The ordinance is scheduled for introduction at the Township Committee meeting on Jan. 28th.

Tonight's meeting is slated to start at 8 p.m.

### COUNTY CANCER DRIVE CHAIRMAN NAMED

Charles Grummon of Newton will be chairman for the April fund-raising crusade of the American Cancer Society in Somerset, Sussex, Warren, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, and Morris counties.

## Board of Education to Present Structo School Construction Plan to State

If all goes well at the State Department of Education hearing Tuesday, Township residents may soon have a chance to vote themselves into education history by passing a referendum to build the first two Structo Corporation schools in the United States.

A public meeting to adopt a resolution on the schools for presentation at the hearing will be held Monday at 8 p.m. in the Hamilton School, at which time the board will have price estimates from Structo.

The schools, utilizing a new, expandable "floating" panel construction developed after 10 years research by the Boston architectural engineering firm of Anderson-Nichols, can be built within five to six months, instead of the year required for standard construction, according to claims made by Structo.

At a brief meeting last Thursday between Board of Education president Dr. C. Rexford Davis; the executive vice-president of the Structo Corporation, William J. Deegan, and architect Albert Micklewright of Micklewright-Mountford, the three men discussed the construction of the buildings.

Mr. Micklewright, architect to

the board for the design of the schools, told The News early this week that "there is no question of approval as far as the materials go." The Trenton architects are currently designing the two schools the Township requires to conform with State building requirements. The plans, utilizing Structo components, were presented to board members Tuesday evening at a closed meeting in Pine Grove Manor School.

Dr. Davis, explaining the situation to The News, said that "no official business was transacted at Tuesday's meeting. The board members told me they had to make the final decision and they would like to discuss it among themselves first."

With preliminary plans approved, Dr. Davis continued, "the next step is to get price estimates from Structo on their materials." The estimates will be presented to the State department along with a request to conduct a referendum.

### No Prices Until Bidding

Louis Loeb, a member of the planning board of the Lay Advisory Committee, the group which first introduced Structo, told The News that no final

prices can be given "until actual bidding begins."

Bids can not be called for, however, until after the State approves and the voters pass a referendum calling for the school construction.

"If, at that time," Mr. Loeb continued, "Structo's prices are higher than the ones they've given us 'off the record,' the current plans will have to be discarded and new ones adopted."

The question of where to put the new schools also has to be resolved before the Trenton hearing.

The Township Planning Board, meeting last week, approved a tract of about 23 acres on Elizabeth Avenue between Beatrice and Marcy streets. The tract, for which a 20-classroom school is proposed, is about seven-tenths of a mile from the South Bound Brook line and is municipal property.

Land which the board wishes to purchase for an eight-room elementary school is a 16-acre site on Franklin Park Road, between Laird's Corner and Lincoln Highway, owned by Roy Ewers. Negotiations are still in "the discussion stage," Dr. Davis said.

### Lois Ann Merrill's Engagement Told

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Merrill of Middlebush have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lois Ann, to Apprentice Seaman Victor Bernard, son of Mr. & Mrs. E. L. Bernard of Griggstown.

Miss Merrill, granddaughter of Township Relief Administrator Mrs. May Hobbs, attended Middlesex Girls Vocational School and is employed in the Sweet

Shop, Middlebush. Her fiance, inducted into the Navy on Dec. 28, attended Princeton High School and is now stationed in Bainbridge, Md. The couple will be married in March.

### - Births -

In Princeton Hospital  
Dec. 31—A son, to Mr. & Mrs. John J. White, Washington Street, Rocky Hill.

### With the PTAs

The Hamilton School PTA and the Pine Grove Manor PTA will hold a joint meeting Jan. 24th in the Pine Grove Manor School at 8 p.m. to hear speeches by Board of Education candidates.

The Hamilton PTA will hold a card party in the school on Feb. 24 at 8 p.m. Mrs. Angelo Endrizzi is chairman, assisted by Mrs. Anthony Casale.

The executive board meeting of the Phillips PTA called for Jan. 8 in the home of Mrs. Vance Dunn, president, was cancelled because a quorum was not present.

At Tuesday's meeting, members heard Robert Kessler of the Middlesex Vocational School speak on "Vocational Education."

The PTA is sponsoring two hours of "youth dancing," including one hour of instruction on the first and third Thursdays of each month, recreation committee chairman Mrs. Grace Flako has announced. Young people wishing to register for the classes, conducted by an instructor from the Stardom Dance Studio in Manville, can call Mrs. Dunn, VI 4-2686; Mrs. Fisko, CH 9-8695; Mrs. Roy Brookes, KI 6-3156; Mrs. Martha Widener, CH 7-8107, or Mrs. F. K. Buckley, VI 4-2882. The charge is \$3 for 10 lessons.

The Middlebush PTA, meeting Friday in the home of Mrs. Samuel Pillsbury, made plans for a dinner dance to be held in the Middlebush School in Febru-

ary. Mrs. Leonard Bardsley is in charge of arrangements, which include a spaghetti supper from 7 to 8 p.m., dancing from 8 to midnight. Assisting Mrs. Bardsley are Mrs. Peter Hutnick, Mrs. Louis Loeb, Mrs. William Bird, Mrs. Irvin Yellen, Mrs. Salvatore Pappalardo and Fred Brown.

host to members of the East Millstone PTA on Feb. 1, when both groups will hear speeches by Board of Education candidates. Mrs. Pillsbury is in charge, with Mrs. Yellen in charge of the Founders Day meeting on Feb. 15.

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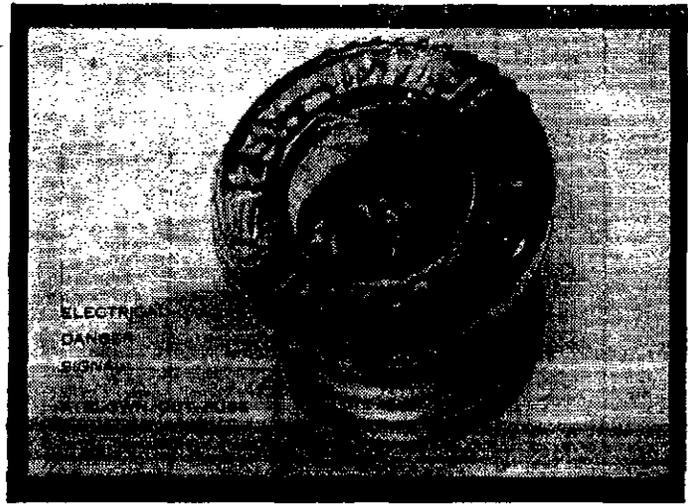
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It looks like Somerset can expect large chunks of planning in 1956.

Two recent developments in the news indicate that the all-Republican County Planning Board will be forced to go in for something more than politicking this year.

At this writing, it looks like Chimney Rock reservoir will be up for serious consideration again in '56. Another ancient issue—an east-west thruway between Somerset and the Raritan Bay area—has been approached from angle No. Zillion.

The Legislature's engineering consultants seem to have come up with another kick to make things uncomfortable for Washington Valley folk.

As for the reservoir, the slide rule boys from Manhattan are suggesting that the Legislature add a few cents to New Jersey's tax revenue and thus flood the valley with general funds. This will circumvent another nasty referendum—because only bond issues must go before the voters, which is how the '55 'Rock' referendum got slaughtered.

Rock the smokers another penny or two for their butts, they say, and hit the horse players a little harder on the tax side, and there can be a Chimney Rock reservoir without bothering with a complicated bond issue. In brief, Tippets-Abbott-McCarthy-Stratton, the Legislature's engineers, refuse to concede defeat.

The chances of finding a sympathetic ear for this proposal in the Legislature are better than good. Up-country lawmakers like Wes Lance of Hunterdon, Wayne Dumont of Warren, and the gang from the lakeland counties would see nothing more harmful in this than another reprieve for Round Valley and Lake Hopatcong.

And now, have a sequel to the story above. . . .

Last weekend, the State Highway Department announced the appointment of a private engineering firm to review the east-west artery through the industrial belt of Somerset and Middlesex counties.

This is another one of those

dreams, which like Chimney Rock has been cuffed around for an embarrassing number of years.

It took one New York engineering firm to make the Chimney Rock issue explode. Thus, anything can happen with this new situation—especially if the results of the study come out at the height of another political campaign.

Where will the Freeholders and the County Planning Board sit while this one is being studied? These two bodies, we are told, were among the few who were not consulted by the Chimney Rock engineers.

In order that this might not happen again, it might be clever of the Freeholders and the planners to use a little imagination and consult the engineers this time. And these same gents might look into the test gimmick of the reservoir engineers.

Somerset has much to gain and/or lose by Chimney Rock and the east-west highway. Now's the time to sit up in our rowboats and get an oar in the drink. Maybe the boys in the Administration Building are already working on these problems, but, if they are, the public has no way of learning about it.

Tellya why.

The dream of newsmen that a new "open door" polley might be initiated with Harry Fetherston at the Freeholder helm was dashed on the rocks Friday.

Right smack in the middle of Harry's first regular meeting, he politely tapped his gavel and announced to reporters and several

spectators that the meeting would be recessed while the three Freeholders sneaked upstairs to meet in secret with the Planning Board.

Closed door meetings are old hat in the Freeholder room. Newsmen have grown to accept the after-meeting conferences with little more than a cynical shrug. Six-minute meetings for the public are easy to write about, but the best stories are the ones which develop in the other room—out of earshot of taxpayers and reporters.

The Freeholders apologized Friday that the planners had requested the closed meeting, but there was no invitation to the newsmen or the citizens-at-large to attend the confab.

This all takes us back a year or so, when the planning board was first selected.

It took Frank Politano and two insistent Democratic campaigns in recent years to convince the Freeholders that a planning board was needed in a county such as this, where population was sprouting and where industry was eyeing our resources both natural and human.

We got the best men in the county, the Freeholders insisted last year when they made their choices known. They were probably right to a great extent. With the exception of a few, all the appointees had distinguished themselves on their respective municipal planning boards.

Somehow or other, however, one fellow up in Basking Ridge was overlooked. He was William E. Sutherland, not only a municipal planner but a man who has been honored with memberships in several professional planning associations on state and national levels. Mr. Sutherland, however, votes Democratic.

The Planning Board's request for a professional staff to handle the workaday chores of planning was met with surprising accord by the Freeholder budget boys last month.

It was a lot of dough to spend, but for one thing—it gave the Freeholders and other GOP leaders half an excuse for firing Frank Hamler as county engineer.

Originally, the planners asked for a professional director, an assistant director, a draftsman and a working secretary. The whole package came to about \$200,000 a year. Apparently, the Freeholders will go along with most of the requests. Hamler will become a combination draftsman and assistant director at about \$4,000, the same salary he drew as county engineer.

The planners probably will get the gal they want to handle the humdrum clerical tasks, plus the professional director.

On the strong shoulders of this sturdy Republican planning board will fall the responsibility of meeting regularly to make decisions.

Foremost in the running for the director's job is William E. Roach, now working in the planning section of the State Department of Conservation & Economic Development.

Roach, who has spent several

years educating backward municipalities about the need for intelligent planning, should find fertile soil for his trade here. He undoubtedly will contribute much if he is allowed to speak up. We're told he knows what he's talking about, and the board will have made a fine catch if they land him.

**READERS MUST HELP KEEP PRESS FREEDOM, EPW TOLD**

The reader's responsibility to help maintain freedom of the press was the topic of an address given Monday night before the Business & Professional Women's Club by Edward Nash, editor and publisher of Nash Newspapers. The dinner-meeting was held in Somerville Inn. Mrs. Mildred Everett is president of the group, Mrs. Kay Woolston in charge of programming.

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The East Franklin Volunteer Fire Company moved into its new home on Pine Grove Avenue on Jan. 5.

The move was made from the company's outdated home on Hamilton Street, sold to William Terreski last Fall. At the meeting that evening, members made plans to complete work still remaining on the building.

John Loy, recording secretary, reports that the interior decoration is yet to be finished with the installation of permanent lights and heating also on the agenda.

The new \$29,000 building was begun in September. Except for one masonry contract, all the work was done by members of the company.

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## Let's Punish the Parents

Probing into possible cures for juvenile delinquency, a New Jersey Bar Association committee last month recommended that the state enact a law permitting teachers in public schools to use corporal punishment when necessary to enforce discipline. As expected, the report caused the raising of many eyebrows.

One person who takes issue with the association's recommendation is Maurice W. Roland, superintendent of New Brunswick's school system. According to a recent news report, Mr. Rowland does not agree with the current statute, which prohibits teachers from putting a hand to pupils, but he also is opposed to the recommendation which would make corporal punishment a matter of course in the public schools of New Jersey. Such a law as that proposed, he stated, might lead to abuses by some teachers. It was this abuse of a privilege by a few which led to the law prohibiting corporal punishment, he pointed out.

The bar association's proposal might work, Mr. Rowland declared, if the administration of punishment is granted only to the school principal with a teacher in attendance. But he also declared: "Speaking as an educator, I'm opposed to it, opposed to all corporal punishment, but I'm practical enough to know that sometimes we have to have it. I would like to emphasize that the average youngster in school doesn't need corporal punishment."

At first reading, it might sound like Mr. Rowland is dealing with a serious problem while sitting on the fence, but this is not so. Confronted with a delicate condition and a dangerous antidote, he seems to be groping for a more tangible solution than that provided by a smack across the face.

Though he offers no solution, there's much more substance in Mr. Rowland's approach to the juvenile problem than that provided by the bar association.

Apparently, Mr. Rowland feels that corporal punishment should not become closely associated with the public school function, and he has many supporters of this kind of thinking.

Rather than permit corporal punishment in schools, it would be to the state's advantage to seek and cure the disease at its root. And the root of such social disorder usually can be found in the home of the young delinquent.

Corporal punishment should be the responsibility of parents, not teachers who already are overburdened with duties and overcrowded classrooms.

As for the juvenile delinquent who tangles with law, let the State provide punishment for the parents who neglect these children, rather than for youngsters who have not been guided properly.

If the bar association feels punishment is required to reduce juvenile misbehavior, let the learned counsellors recommend that the parents of a delinquent serve a jail term rather than sending a youth to the reformatory. Even delinquent parents may take a new look at life after realizing they will be punished for an offspring's crime.

### A LETTER TO THE EDITOR MUST HAVE WRITER'S NAME

The News welcomes letters of comment for publication, whether they disagree or agree with this newspaper. However, no letter will be published unless it carries the name and address of the writer. Pseudonyms will be published, but only if correct names of writer, and address, are submitted.

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## Microscope

on

## Communism

By Dr. Alexander S. Balinsky  
Rutgers Specialist in Russian Affairs and Economics

How much of a "communist" are you? To find out, take this self-administered quiz which appears below. Before doing that, however, a few words and cautions are necessary.

Ever since 1848 (when Karl Marx published his famous Communist Manifesto) communists have been bombarding us with their propaganda. For more than 100 years they have been trying to influence our thinking and action. It would be naive to assume that none of us (however unwittingly) has fallen prey to at least some of their ideas. This test is designed to show ourselves the extent to which we have accepted those ideas or those beliefs which the communists would like us to have.

This test is valid only when you administer it to yourself. It has not been devised as a way by which one person can test another on his communist "sympathies." The usefulness of this quiz depends entirely upon the extent of your honesty with yourself.

### The Quiz

Just answer each question True or False:

1. Both the Republican and Democratic parties of the U. S. are tools of only one class—the capitalists.
2. In trying to win the Korean War sooner, the U. S. employed germ warfare.
3. American foreign aid is designed primarily as a way to increase American profits out of international investments and trade.
4. Religion is the opiate of the people.
5. Trotskyites are more loathsome than capitalist reactionaries.
6. Depressions, which must recur under capitalism, will become worse and worse until capitalism destroys itself.
7. The Soviet Union is a People's Democracy because it offers its people free education, job security and vacations with pay.
8. America and England delayed declaring war on Hitler Germany, hoping that Hitler would make a crusade against communism and the USSR.
9. Norman Thomas (former head of the Socialist Party in the U.S.) is and was a tool of the forces of reaction.
10. The American Communist Party is an independent political party which reaches its own decisions in matters of policy.
11. America is building up its military forces in order to unleash a preventive war against the Soviet Union.
12. Zionism is an unfortunate development which is both unfair to the Arabs and detracts from the spread of a true People's Democracy.

### Being Exploited?

13. All the efforts of the A.F.L. and the C.I.O. combined will not, in the long run, save the American worker from being exploited by industry.

14. Even Marilyn Monroe (whose salary may be more than

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## January Blizzard



## Of Books, Plays & Sundry Things...

### The Army and Billy Mitchell

Gary Cooper's latest film, "The Court-Martial of Billy Mitchell," raises interesting problems. Both the hero, Col. William Mitchell as played by Cooper, and the United States Army, as represented chiefly by Charles Bickford as the president of the court which tries Mitchell, are in impossible positions.

The film tells the true story of a flier who deliberately sacrifices his career in order to gain public attention for the plight of the United States Aviation Service, then but an unwanted branch of the Army Signal Corps. During the period immediately following the First World War, the airplane was considered nothing more than a military toy of no real value as a combat weapon. Even more serious was the fact that, since the service unit had no money, it was forced to use planes which did not meet even the loosest safety standards. Technically, much better planes than those being used could be built, but there were no appropriations with which to pay for them.

Mitchell invited court martial by issuing a statement to a magazine calling high ranking Army officers, who were hampering the Air Service, guilty of incompetence and indifference, and in a very real sense, treason. Fantastic Predictions

At the trial, Mitchell claimed that those who ignored the potential of the airplane as a weapon were leaving the United States wide open to enemy attack. As a matter of fact, Mitchell predicted in fantastic detail that an eventual attack on the United States would come at Pearl Harbor. He told just how this attack would be accomplished, and he added that it would be launched by the Japanese. In those days Japan was nothing but another backward Oriental nation groping toward the west and modernism, and Billy Mitchell was laughed at.

He was dropped out of the Army, which had been his career. He could not promise not to misbehave again. He loved the Army, but he loved his conscience more. He felt that if being a good soldier meant being a stupid one, if it meant shutting one's eyes

to danger and injustice, then he could not be a good soldier.

Billy Mitchell had managed to call attention to the need for humanitarian safety precautions for fliers. But he died only a few years after his trial, long before his startling predictions about supersonic air travel and the fate of Pearl Harbor came true.

He would have been happy to see jets travel faster than the speed of sound, but the Second World War would have made him weep, for perhaps he could have prevented it. If his policy had become the policy of the United States military, no one would make a picture about Billy Mitchell today. He would be lost among the founders of a strong air force. But he was not heeded, and his predictions came true. Like the ill-fated Cassandra, he was doomed always to prophesy the truth and never be believed. Disciplines the Theme

And yet, even if they had believed Mitchell, the Army could not have acted but as it did. In part they did believe him. Certainly the negligence of Army officers for the safety of airmen was clear. But the truth of Mitchell's claims was not the point at issue. The question was whether or not he had committed a serious breach of Army discipline, and of course, he had.

The Army simply cannot afford to let every colonel who feels that a mistaken policy is being pursued sound off. An Army must run on discipline if it is to win battles, which, after all, is its purpose. If in the process of stifling many fools, it stifles a few Billy Mitchells — well that can't be helped, or so the Army must figure.

But we civilians can't help sometimes wondering if it's worth it.

—Barb

Among the legends surrounding the origin of the American flag is the one which says the stars and stripes were suggested by the coat of arms of George Washington's family at Sulgrave Manor, England. The tale, which has no basis in fact, was suggested by an English writer, Martin Tupper, in 1850.

## TICKLERS

By George



"Growling"

**DEATHS**

**FRANK MALYSKA**

The funeral for Frank Malyska of 39 Brookline Avenue was held yesterday from his home, with interment in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Mr. Malyska, who died Sunday in St. Peter's General Hospital after a long illness, was a 40-year resident of this area. He operated Malyska's Tavern in New Brunswick.

Survivors beside his sons include his wife, Mrs. Mary Nowaczyk; three daughters, Mrs. Louis Koller, Mrs. Frank Leony and Mrs. Jack Eckert, all of New Brunswick; three brothers, Anthony of New Brunswick and John and Andrew in Poland. A sister, Stephanie, is also in Poland.

**MRS. CARLINE AUSEKLIS**

Services for Mrs. Carline Auseklis of 15 Lawrence Street, who died Monday in the Middlesex

General Hospital, will be held from the Anderson Funeral Home at noon Saturday. Interment will be in the Glendola Cemetery, Glendola.

Mrs. Auseklis, who was a resident of the community for five years, is survived by her son, Ludwigs. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. tomorrow.

**MRS. EMILY CHAPMAN, 73**

The funeral for Mrs. Emily Chapman, 73, of 126 Easton Avenue, will be held today at 8 p.m. in the Quackenbos Funeral Home. The Rev. Rufus Cornelisen, pastor of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, will officiate. Private interment will be in the Rosehill Crematory, Lingen.

Mrs. Chapman, who died Monday in Roosevelt Hospital, is survived by her son, Township resident Louis W. Weaver; her brother, Louis Jonas of New Brunswick, and sisters, Mrs. Anna P. Bailey and Mrs. Perry Moore, all of New Brunswick, and three grandchildren.

**VISIT IN NEW YORK**

Mr. & Mrs. John Van Middleworth and Miss Marjorie Burdette of Anwell Road visited Saturday with Mr. & Mrs. David Torrans in Westchester. Mrs. Torrans is the Van Middleworth's daughter.

15. American newspapers generally print gross distortions about life in the Soviet Union.

16. It was a mistake to kick Tito out of the Cominform.

17. If an end or an objective is good, then any means for the attainment of that end is therefore justified.

Now that you have answered all seventeen questions, here is how to score yourself. If you have replied "true" to all 17 questions, you can bet your last ruble that you have been completely taken in by the communists. Only a communist could answer "true" to all 17 of the above statements. Those who have said "true" to

10 to 16 of these questions may be good material for communist recruitment. You believe more than half what the communists want you to believe.

If you have replied "true" to between five and nine of these questions you may simply be an independent thinker with certain views of your own. Independent thinkers are not wanted by the communists.

Finally, if you replied "true" to five or less, you have done well in resisting communist propaganda. You are among those who want to preserve our system of free enterprise and democracy.

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State, County and Municipal Bonds ..... 1,823,179.57	Surplus 250,000.00
Federal Reserve Bank Stock ..... 18,500.00	Undivided Profits 152,677.85
Loans on Bond and Mortgage ..... 3,104,498.78	<b>\$ 702,677.85</b>
Collateral and Other Loans ..... 682,200.40	Due to Depositors
Bank Building and Fixtures ..... 64,585.34	Checking Deposits \$ 4,648,013.46
Other Resources ..... 6,798.12	Savings Deposits 5,475,060.87
<b>\$16,274,561.84</b>	<b>\$9,526,074.33</b>
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