

Charter Blue-Print
Commission Form Gov't.
Operation Is Analyzed

Previous articles have discussed the mayor-council and council-manager forms of government, both possible for adoption by the Town of Belleville under the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1950. The commission form, under which Belleville presently conducts its town business, is the third form provided under the charter.

The commission form of government was first used in Galveston, Tex., in 1900 when a tidal wave created conditions which could only be handled by quick governmental action. A new form of municipal government was conceived

\$301,000 Damages
Sought In Fatal
Auto Accident

Seeking to collect \$301,000 in damages, Mrs. Lorraine Ryan, formerly of 690 Mill Street, has filed suit in a New York federal court, charging a truck driver and his employer with responsibility for the death of her husband, Joseph, in an accident last November. Mrs. Ryan asks \$300,000 for her husband's death, and \$1,000 for his wrecked car.

The widow, who now lives in East Orange with her six children, named the Rompage Trucking Co., of New York City, and truck driver Vincent Murabito, of Goshen, N. Y., in the court action.

Ryan, who was 38, was killed in a "chain-reaction" crash on an icy hill in Thompson, N. Y., on December 22. Harry Lipsig, New York attorney, who represents Mrs. Ryan, said the defendants were negligent in failing to establish adequate road conditions and other devices to warn approaching motorists.

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Albertine Hits
Commission
As Inefficient

Declaring that "25 years of interrupted rain" by a group of politicians has brought municipal government in Belleville to a new low, Mrs. Albertine last night opened his campaign for the Town Commission by attacking the efficiency of his supporters. At the same time he announced that Mrs. Albertine would be his campaign manager, with headquarters at their home, 652 Jaramila Street.

His campaign statement follows:

"Not a single one of the many vital problems affecting the people of Belleville are any closer to solution today than they were a quarter of a century ago. 'Since the assumption of office by the political junta that has run Belleville with an iron fist during the past twenty-five years, taxes have risen in a straight line, and education, which is fundamental to the development of good citizenship and to an enduring better life of our American way of life, has become a political football which has been kicked around."

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Santy To Wear Class Gift
On TV Show; Goes On Tour

Santy Josel, the 14-year-old Belleville High School freshman, who won an important role in the Broadway production of "The King and I," will appear in a record-breaking 1 1/2 hour television show, "Rogers & Hammerstein Cavalcade," over two major networks this Sunday night — and on his wrist he will be wearing a silver identification bracelet given to him at a going-away party by members of the school's two choral groups, with whom he has sung.

The youthful operatic tenor and actor left Monday for Hershey, Pa., on the first leg of a nationwide tour with the original "Cavalcade." "The King and I," but will return to New York Sunday for the big television broadcast. After the TV show he will fly to Cleveland, which will be the second stop in the road tour.

The boy's father, Santy Josel, of 185 Passaic Avenue, said the boy had been signed to appear in a motion picture version of the musical.

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Tully Inspired
Attack on Him,
Golden Declares

James R. Golden, candidate for the Town Commission, this week charged that a public statement by the Belleville Civic Association which criticized Golden's position on the 1954 municipal budget, as well as other matters, was directly inspired by Mayor Tully. He also said that Francis McCoy, an employee in the mayor's revenue and finance department, was the "go-between" man.

To this the mayor replied that Golden's charge was "too ridiculous" to make serious comment on, and said that he had nothing whatever to do with the Association's statement. McCoy made a similar denial.

Commissioner Elmer Hyde was also criticized by the Association in the same statement, but he had not yet made any reply.

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Tully Sees Governor on Parental Home
"Addition For School No. 7
Only Solution To Crowding"

Growing pressure for increased public school facilities found expression at this week's Board of Education meeting when parents of school children in the School No. 7 area appeared before the board to protest proposed re-districting which would shift to other schools about 125 pupils now attending School No. 7 at Passaic Avenue and Jorammon Street.

The delegation, which included members of the P. T. A., proposed construction of additional classrooms at No. 7 as the only satisfactory solution, but board members explained that such a project requires a special referendum vote for a bond issue to pay the costs.

One member of the board estimated that if four to six new classrooms were built, the cost would total from \$120,000 to \$180,000, or about \$300,000 for each classroom.

Under the re-districting plan, which had been suggested as one way of relieving overcrowding at the school, 85 students would switch to School No. 3 on Union Avenue, while 40 others would attend No. 5 school on Adelaide Street, beginning with the September term.

The parents argued that the plan would subject their children to greatly increased traffic hazards in going to and from school, as well as endangering them emotionally because of their attachment to their present school.

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School Boy Receives First
Pal Jr. Citizenship Award

Thirteen-year-old Arthur Neilan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Neilan, Jr., of 35 Prospect Place, has won the Police Athletic League's first Junior Citizenship Award, Public Safety Director Sullivan, president of the Belleville P.A.L., announced yesterday.

The commission, who presented the boy with a plaque in a ceremony at the police headquarters, said Arthur had acted quickly and courageously recently when he discovered a situation which might have resulted in injury or death to several other boys if he had not intervened. The details are a matter of record, but were not released for publication.

Commissioner Sullivan said the Citizen's Award would be presented annually to that boy in the community who performs an outstanding deed of civic importance.

In awarding the plaque to Arthur, the commissioner said that Arthur had "you have earned this by your intelligence, initiative, and courage. By your intelligence you recognized the existing danger by your initiative you promptly took the proper steps and by your courage in going to the police you averted what might have been a very serious situation. You have shown yourself to be a good citizen co-operating for the public good. I know you will grow up to be a fine man, for you have the qualities we need in our future leaders in the community."

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CO-CAPTAINS — Jack McCabe and Joseph Mignon, both half-backs have been chosen as co-captains for Belleville high school's football team next season, it was announced this week. The two are pictured here with Edward Bertolini, head football coach. Mignon is also a champion trackman, while McCabe was a catcher last year's baseball team. He is expected to make the varsity this year.

Photo by Konrad

Waters Out; Petitions For
Noll and Mrs. Ken Smith

With Public Works Commissioner Patrick A. Waters, announcing his withdrawal as a candidate for re-election to the town commission, nine aspirants remained in the running this week, with petitions being circulated in behalf of Mrs. Kenneth D. Smith, wife of the deputy police chief, and Louis Noll, former commissioner.

All petitions must be filed no later than April 1. Explaining that his doctor had warned him it would be highly dangerous for him to take a political campaign because of his poor health, Waters revealed his decision in a statement read by Ralph Reed, his campaign manager, at a meeting of the Town Commission Tuesday. He will have completed 38 years as a commissioner this May.

The petitions for Mrs. Smith were being circulated by friends of Deputy Chief Smith, who had originally announced that he would be a candidate, then had withdrawn when Public Safety Commissioner Sullivan advised him that he could not run under police department regulations which forbid officers to seek political office.

Reports continued to circulate that Smith might still decide to run, but he has refused to make any comment.

Three of the incumbents have announced that they will be candidates.

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Photo by Konrad

Please Give! Red
Cross Drive Ends
This Wednesday!

This is a final appeal 'The Belleville Red' Cross drive ends on Wednesday and chairman Isadore Padula asks that all volunteers complete their canvass and turn in their contributions and kits by that date.

He urges all division captains to contact the workers and make a final check of the returns to that a complete report may be drawn up. He further requests that local business concerns to send in their annual contributions as soon as possible.

The fund receipts since March 22 have totaled only \$7,051.88, nearly \$2,800, less than last year's.

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No. 1 School To Stage
Super Musical April 9

Cinema, 3D and cinema-scope will be on its knees after the star-studded extravaganza the No. 1 school is producing April 9. Principal Paul Brennan announces it is the most mammoth undertaking in his experience. Folks who see the production are expected to go home and kick their TV sets. More than 230 students are in the cast of this colossal musical. Scenery, costumes and props are being bought up as many tickets as they can, so hurry! Hurry!

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Joseph King Will
Seek Sixth Term
On Commission

After serving 20 years as a member of the Town Commission, Public Affairs Director Joseph King last night announced that he would seek his sixth consecutive term in the May election, and indicated by the tone of his statement that he would conduct a conservative campaign devoid of noise and fireworks, and based largely on his record. In addition to his many years in office, he has been a business executive for more than 40 years in the building and banking fields.

Before his election as commissioner, King served for four years as an Essex County Freeholder, and is credited with the construction of the Essex County (Soho) Isolation Hospital. For the past 16 years he has served as chairman of the Essex County Highway Right of Way Commission, which has acquired 1,000 acres of land.

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2 Bound Over To
Grand Jury On
Lottery Charges

Michael J. Cerino, 38, and Frank Restaino, 46, both of Newark, were bound over to the Essex County grand jury on lottery charges when they were arraigned before Magistrate Edward J. Abramson yesterday. Both were released under \$5,000 bond each.

The two men, who operate the Interstate Press, a job-printing plant at 15 Washington Avenue, were arrested Saturday in a raid on the plant led by Police Chief Spatz, with Detectives Holly, Mariano, and Haight.

They said they found Cerino and Restaino locked in a room, ready for printing, and 15,000 sheets of paper on which could have been printed 270,000 individual lottery tickets.

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Mass Meeting To
Further Plans Of
New Synagogue

A mass meeting of all members of the Jewish faith will be held at the Ahavath Achim synagogue at 8:30 p.m. on April 8 to discuss plans for the new \$200,000 synagogue and community center on the next few months, it was announced yesterday.

The building, which is the most important project undertaken by the Jewish community in many years, is to be located on Academy Street, near Washington Avenue. A campaign to raise funds has already begun under the direction of Chairman Charles Rosenberg.

Kidde Is Sunday School
Week Guidance Chairman

John P. Kidde, president of the Essex County Board of Christian Education, was named as guidance chairman of the Sunday School Week observance, which is being held in all faiths, churches, synagogues and mosques.

The laymen's national committee have chosen as their slogan, "To build faith in our children, take them to Sunday School." The week of April 12 through April 18 has been set aside to observe Sunday school week.

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Commissioner Joseph King

Over-riding the strongest kind of objections from Belleville's Town Commission and many civic groups, the Essex County Board of Freeholders revealed late yesterday that it intended to build the new \$1,300,000 parental home on the grounds of the County (Soho) Isolation hospital on Franklin Avenue, facing Branch Brook Park. The announcement immediately set off a chain of explosive reactions.

Mayor Tully announced, among other steps, that he had arranged for an appointment with Governor Meyer at 3 p. m. this afternoon to ask for his assistance in preserving for Belleville what he called "the basic principle of home rule in American government."

He also said that he would confer with the executive board of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, of which he is a member, and that members of the board would accompany him on his visit to the governor. The mayor declared that he would also meet soon with the newly organized Essex League of Municipalities, of which he is president.

Announcing that he would meet every organization in the city together for a concerted fight against the project, Mayor Tully said:

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Adopt \$6.33 Tax
Rate; Two Points
Less Than In '53

Mayor Tully's drive for a lower municipal budget for 1954 ended for him in final victory at Tuesday night's Town Commission meeting when the commission voted in the budget after a public hearing which produced little opposition.

On the basis of appropriations totaling \$1,586,000, the tax rate would be 6.33 cents per \$100 of assessed value, or two points lower than last year.

When the original budgets for the departments were first introduced by the commissioners, Tully declared the total was too high, and appointed a Citizens' Budget Committee to seek out. Committee members conferred individually with the commissioners. The cuts then effected totaled about \$140,000.

Mayor said that the reductions were made without damaging the town's services to its residents, and declared that the treasury was "sound and solid." Dun and Bradstreet has commended the municipality for its financial position.

James R. Golden, a candidate for the commission, was critical of the figures, saying they constituted "an election year budget," and declaring that "its shortcomings may be reflected in an increased budget in later years." He discussed each commissioner's individual budget, but his verbal changes with them were mild, and other than the excitement created by the announcement, the meeting was one of the quietest in recent weeks.

Golden questioned the adequacy of depending on anticipated revenue estimates in making a budget, but was assured by Mayor Tully that this is a universal practice. The mayor said tax collections last year were a fraction over 97 per cent, but that the 1954 budget had been estimated on the basis of 95 per cent collections, allowing a safety cushion of a little less than 4 per cent, which he termed more than adequate.

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Teachers Shortage Serious
Problem In Local Schools

Twelve school teachers have resigned from the Belleville school system in the last several weeks, effective June 30, replacements have become a difficult problem, Superintendent H. Thomas, superintendent of schools, told the Board of Education at its meeting this week. So far, only four new teachers have been engaged, he said.

The teacher shortage problem now is more serious than it has been in many years partly because of the difficulty of finding teachers in many schools, and that many more teachers will be required. Additional classrooms are to be constructed in Schools No. 3, 5, 8, and 9, and many more teachers will be required for the high school English department.

"Whether we want to or not," said Superintendent Thomas, "we are going into next fall with the necessity of employing more temporary teachers and out-of-state certified teachers than we have ever before."

"We shall have to cling to our present crop of 'permanent' substitutes and find ourselves undermanned."

"Our permanent substitutes are made up of two classes: (1) Experienced teachers who have been teaching after a lapse of five, ten, or 15 years during which they raised their families. Most of them have permanent elementary teachers' certification without a degree. (2) Experienced teachers with a degree, and out-of-state certification."

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C. M. Nutt Fleet Sales
Manager Of Boss Motors

Winfield L. Boss, president of Boss Motors, Inc., Dodge and Plymouth dealers of Belleville, has announced that he has been named as fleet sales manager for Nutt of 27 Reservoir Road, which has become associated with the firm as fleet sales manager.

Nutt has been a resident of Belleville for 30 years, having spent much of his time in the trucking and building materials business. He is connected with the DeWitt Savings & Loan Association as vice-president, and is chairman of the local committee for DeWitt's annual office.

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Assessment

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able burden upon the home owner.

"I have insisted upon the burden upon the taxpayer be assessed, and it can be done by a proper assessment of all properties."

"While it is true that we have all been faced with the inflationary spiral of increased costs, the fact remains that the public is unaware how the town money is actually being spent. The Budget is adopted does not itemize the various expenses."

of the constabulary, fought for the taxpayer in this regard and previously, attempted to get the Essex County Tax Board to reconsider the assessment of the Town of Belleville to reappraise the assessment practices of our Town.

The Essex County Board of Taxation by spot check substantiated by previous charges that there was inequity in assessments. Upon election I will be in a position to correct many of these inequities.

The question today is, do you want good competent, capable, clean government; knowledge of where your tax money is going; proper Municipal Planning; competitive bidding; proper youth guidance; proper administration of the Town; proper distribution of Town Departments; adoption of new Building Code; proper use of Town and properties; enlargement of recreational facilities for children all over Town.

"If so, then I believe I am one of the candidates who can give you what you want and need."

"I am a lawyer and have been since 1925 when I was first sworn in as an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey. I am interested in the welfare of the people, in lower taxes. I am interested in a father of four children in a proper, clean, well planned and well conducted community. I, too, as a father, am interested in good schools, good playgrounds and recreational facilities for children all over Town."

"I was instrumental in preparing Assembly Bill 385 on behalf of the School Improvement Association which was adopted by the 1951 Legislature, under which the people of Belleville will vote at this election to determine if they want an elected School Board. When they vote, the Board members under Commission Government, harmonious, proper and efficient government can be secured. I refuse to work harmoniously with the others. Government is only as good as the individuals elected to office."

Books

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By Charles Wohlrich, Joseph Gutknecht, from School No. 3, Belleville, and from the Cornwallis surrender at Yorktown. Joan Pellman, in modern

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Call JOHN FORTLE
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quired many millions of dollars in property for a road improvement program.

"My experience in business and government speaks for itself," said campaign statement, declared, "I believe in my record of fair and honest administration, and the careful consideration of every Belleville voter. My only campaign promise is that, if elected, again, I will continue to render this service to the citizens of Belleville to the best of my judgment and ability."

Commission

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mission and outlines its powers and responsibilities. Five commissioners are elected to four year terms; nomination and election must be on a non-partisan basis. A majority of the commissioners must be removed through the recall procedure after they have been in office at least one year. Regular meetings of the board of commissioners must be held twice monthly, with special meetings held when necessary. A majority of the commissioners constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

At the first meeting of the Board after election, the board of commissioners elects one of its members as its president, and one as its secretary. The president presides at meetings of the board and represents the board in all matters requiring its attention; he has a vote in the decision but has no power to veto any measure brought before the board. Legally, he is only the chairman of the commission while it is exercising its legislative role; he has no authority over his fellow commissioners in the administration of their departments. He may have some executive powers not shared by the rest of the commissioners. In Belleville, he appoints the members of the board of education but has no authority over their term of five year term of office.

The board of commissioners determines the powers and duties to be performed by each department and its head. After election the board, by majority vote, while it is exercising its legislative role, is extending its authority to each commissioner. Changes may be made whenever the public service would appear to be benefited by the action of any commissioner does not insure that he will be in charge of the same department, nor is it certain that a commissioner will head the department he is best suited to administer by training and experience prior to election.

Each commissioner is in full administrative charge of his own department, but he remains in full responsibility for the determination of policy and the method of fulfillment. He prepares the budget for his department in accordance with the needs of the policy he has developed. After the adoption of the budget, he has full control of the expenditures, although the board of commissioners must approve the total budget by majority vote. The commission also determines the number of employees necessary to carry out the policy, and the annual salaries, and determines them as required, subject to civil service merit limitations when applicable.

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tion hospital was originally established years ago. Before the road improvement program was started, nearly 100,000 cars were passing through the town.

"We are going to fight this thing through to the finish before, during, and after the election," said Mayor Tully. "This is a non-political, non-partisan question, and we can all join together in solving this encroachment on our rights."

Commissioner King's post as director of public affairs encompasses the welfare of the town, the health, the board of health, and the board of education. During his term in office he has also served as public safety director.

He is president of the De Witt Savings & Loan Association, which has grown to a \$1,500,000 institution. He was president of the Development Company, and for 25 years was a director of the First National Bank, now the Fidelity Union Trust Company.

During his 45 years as a resident here, he has watched Belleville grow from a town of 5,000 people, and as a builder and developer played an important part in its physical growth.

Commissioner and Mrs. King live at 18 Maple Avenue. They have one son, a newspaperman, who lives in Montreal.

\$301,000 Damages

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Francis Williams of Birmingham, N. Y., added over an embankment on Route 17, while trying to avoid a car stalled on the covered highway. The truck dropped 40 feet, but the driver escaped injury.

Marshall, driving the Van Rensselaer truck, pulled its heavy wheel over the side and got stuck in the mud.

Belleville man Ryan, driving a car, saw the truck stuck in the mud. He saw the driver trying to get out, and according to a report of the accident, put the brakes to avoid a crash. His car skidded and struck the truck, building by being.

Marshall had just managed to drag Ryan's body from the car and put out the fire, with a third of the truck skidding down and rammed into Ryan's car, slamming it against the Van Rensselaer truck. The driver was injured.

Surviving Ryan in addition to his widow are four children and two sons. They are Rosemary A. Patrick, 11, Lawrence 11, Anna B. 10, and Margaret 1.

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said that building inspector Thomas Greco meanwhile had been ordered to stop the work on the school building.

Greco had previously refused a permit to build the school building, and the town on the grounds that the 4-1/2 acre site

School

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Arthur, a student at St. Peter's parochial school, has been elected president of the school's student body. He is 12 years old and is a member of the school's basketball team.

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Teachers

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tion not fully recognized without additional prescribed Jersey-recognized courses.

"There is a third group, of which we have none at present, but whom we may have to employ next fall. These are degree-holding candidates, totally inexperienced, and with no professional training beyond a minimum of six hours of professional study. In this category are those we should definitely not try to employ unless necessity demands. It is obvious they are less qualified than our existing teachers with degrees and successful teaching experience."

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Boiler Burner Units

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service. The appointment was confirmed by the Town Commission.

"Recently, new state legislation created the post of Municipal Disaster Control Director, and I was named to this position. It is not only possible but it is necessary, to introduce the sound business principles of good management. The people of our town are fed up with the present ineptitude, inefficiency and questionable practices that now prevail in the running of our civic body. They are fed up with the smugness and complacency shown by some of the incumbents, who by their actions give evidence that they are only concerned with extending their term of office to the detriment of the town."

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between 12:30 and 4:30 p.m. The double sessions system would mean that children would use an hour of instruction early because of shortened classes, and although the length of instruction would still be within the legal minimum limit set by state law, parents would have to consider whether they wanted their children to lose this class time.

Members of the parents delegation appeared relieved that the restrictive plan had only reached a preliminary stage, nor did anyone come forward from the group to support the double-session plan.

Consensus of opinion, as reflected by statements made by members of the P.T.A. delegation, was that both plans were merely "stop-gaps," and that a building of additional classrooms was the only satisfactory solution.

Some of the parents took the position that the Board of Education should have begun long-range planning for adequate school facilities more than 10 years ago. Only one of the present members of the board, Robert Kelly, has been on the board for as long as four years, and Kelly pointed out that the present Board had begun plans to build the proposed senior high school a year and a half ago.

Among those who spoke for the Parent-Teacher's was John Zepka, executive vice-president of the group, who lives at 466 Almon Street, and Victor Call of 10 Springer Street.

Zepka said Joramlen Steel, along with the children, would have to travel to get to school if the re-districting plan is adopted. He said that the proposed plan would have to be a disaster in town, and that furthermore the students would have to walk for blocks upon their way home.

Call said School No. 7 was overcrowded because a number of children who had formerly attended No. 10 school were now attending No. 7 because of a previous re-districting move, and more mother suggested that perhaps these children might now be returned to No. 10. However, Zepka said that there was no room for them there.

Another citizen complained of the traffic hazards offered to pupils in the vicinity of school No. 2, Mill Street. He declared there was wholesale violation there of the traffic laws, and that motorists pay no attention to stop signs, parking signs, "or any other kind of signs." He asked that more attention be stationed near the school during school hours.

"After this I don't care," he said. "Confont me on this. It's a case of everybody for himself. But we should at least protect our children." The board said it would consider the matter and the attention of the police.

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SPOTLIGHT on SPORTS

By Bob Gorlin

Little League Geographical Territory Revamped

Boys between nine and 12 years of age aren't wasting any time for the baseball season to officially open. With most of the Major Leaguers getting in their pre-season drills under the sunny skies of Florida and the remainder out west, Belleville youngsters, not to be outdone by the pros, have been seen for the last three weeks on most empty lots practicing in mud several inches deep as they look ahead to the Little League campaign.

This year the entire Little League program will be completely revamped. President Warren Knight and his staff of volunteer officials have set up a new geographical alignment with Joramelon Street serving as the dividing line. Youngsters residing north of Joramelon Street will form one, four-team loop and candidates south of Joramelon will compose a rival circuit. The Silver Lake section will also be split in half with the Erie Railroad being the boundary.

With the new alignment taking place all candidates will have to appear at the screening sessions since it will be impossible to carry the players on the same squads as last year if they're living in the wrong district. Application blanks will be distributed through the schools next week.

For those who aren't sure if they're eligible, the National Association ruling states that if a youngster has not passed his 13th birthday before July 31, he is eligible to play in the Little League program.

Little League officials have announced a series of try-out dates with screening periods to be conducted at three different sites. The initial session starts tomorrow. All morning tryouts will start at 9 a. m. and all afternoon screening periods will get underway at 1:30 p. m. as Little League volunteers prepare for the start of actual loop competition in early May. The screening schedule follows:

Time	District	Place
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March 27 a.m.	Schools 3 and 8	Clearman Field
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March 27 p.m.	Schools 5 and 7	Clearman Field
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April 3 a.m.	Schools 2, 10 and St. Peters	Clearman Field
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April 3 p.m.	School 4	Memorial Field
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April 10 a.m.	School 1, 9, Holy Family and St. Mary's	Passaic River Park
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Attended Recreation Conference

Recreation Director Bob Cook attended the annual Middle Atlantic District Recreation Conference conducted in Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, last week. The four-day conference started on Wednesday and continued through Saturday with more than 150 directors present from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland. The district conference was sanctioned by the National Recreation Association.

The conference had for its top speakers, Joseph Penner, executive secretary of the National Recreation Association and John W. Faust, district representative of the N. R. A. The daily program was held in the morning and continued until midnight with an hour's break allowed for lunch. The different periods averaged a little more than an hour each. During the sessions the recreation directors listened to the many different problems encountered with the solution given for each. At every period the members took part in an open discussion with individual directors expressing their personal views.

The prime purpose of the conference is to keep up with the latest trends and developments that have popped up in the directing of a recreation program. Cook, after the four-day convalesce, returned to Belleville with quite a few answers to different problems and also learned of new ideas that are now taking a firm foot-hold in different areas.

Seniors Receive Varsity Club Oscars

More than 140 of Belleville's avid basketball supporters attended the Varsity Club's eighth annual Basketball Banquet, Saturday night, at O'Hara's Riverside Grill, Arlington, to help honor the dribbling squad and four seniors who played their last game in a Blue and Gold uniform in the Essex County Tournament. The entire Belleville varsity were guests of the sports minded organization. Chairman of the banquet was Art Bloemke, while Art Leadbeater served as toastmaster. The invocation was given by Rev. Peter Deckenbach, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church.

Highlight of the successful program was the presence of Jerry Mulloy, noted basketball official. Mulloy kept the hoop courters early in his speech as he delved into Hoboken politics. A true comedian, Mulloy fired the jokes in shot-gun fashion as he talked amusingly about his home town where he serves as director of the Department of Recreation. Mulloy also attended the District Recreation Conference with Bob Cook last week in Pennsylvania. Turning to the serious side for a part of his speech, Mulloy also spoke on juvenile delinquency.

Varsity Club member Harry Metz presented individual trophies to Pat Grosso, Gary Burman, Bob Taylor and Rocco Cafone, all graduating seniors. Other members of the sports present were: Andy Leyble, Richie Veith, Howard Taubin, Joe Prieto, John Bartel, Ronald Kabot, Frank Puleo, Joe Long and Vincent Dente, manager.

Seated at the head table along with B. H. S. principal Hugh Kittle, Jitty Wische and staff, was Charley Travers, of the championship 1500 lb. weight class, who was a junior at Seton Hall. Also invited to be on hand were Jim McConnell, of Niagara, and Bob Dilworth, of Maryland, but traveling distance and college studies prevented their presence.

A surprise guest was Dave Broffman, Nutley High School basketball coach.

CAMPUS CORNER

Named to the dean's honor list at Milwaukee-Dowder college is Joan Gorman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Cavanaugh of 92 Tappan Avenue.

James A. Skidmore, Jr., of 50 Mt. Prospect Avenue, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Skidmore, will be graduated in June from Muhlenberg college in Allentown, Pa. Skidmore is majoring in economics and will receive his A.B. degree in June. In 1953, he was

SPOILERS TAKE 2 OLD TIMERS BOW

The Spoilers regained the lead in the Foxworth bowling league as they took two from the always tough Hilltoppers, while the Old Timers dropped two to the Cubs.

In other games the Farmers and Muffins swept their series with the Business and Area respectively.

Over 200 games were rolled during the week by Swartz 209 and Campbell 202.

Team	Won	Lost
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Spoilers	44	28
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Old Timers	33	39
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Hilltoppers	38	34
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Cubs	35	36
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Business	35	37
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Farmers	31	41
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Muffins	30	42
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School Happenings

Three graduate students in the curriculum department of Columbia University, coming to Belleville, Delaware and Canada — Miss Mary A. Doughty, Mark Atkinson and Charles Elwell — visited Belleville schools last week as part of a study being conducted by the New Jersey Curriculum Co-ordinators group.

Others interviewed were Charles Schultz, president of the curriculum council of the workshop; Carl Hensinger, assistant to the high school principal; Miss Blanche McDonald, Henry Miller, Raymond Smith, Miss Pauline Loefer, Mrs. Viola Spry, Joseph Gross, Mrs. Mayme Martinelli, Mrs. Ann Forrester, Miss Ethel Williamson and Mrs. Claire Carver.

The three visitors praised the cleverness and enthusiasm of the Belleville teachers and the workshop program for curriculum improvement. The team also showed great interest in the plan of all-school, all-parent conference, "Shop Talk," teachers' professional publication; the professional library for teachers; the plan of cooperative rating used by principals; and the progress being made in democratic administration of schools.

Robert Kwik, Belleville High School student, has won an individual award for history study from the New York Journal-American. He was presented with a Defense Bond. Robert took part in the newspaper's annual United States History competition, which features picked candidates from schools throughout New Jersey.

Principal Hugh D. Kittle also received a letter congratulating Belleville high school for "being represented by students who demonstrate such academic excellence."

The 3A class of Passaic Avenue School, under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Phyllis Cupparo, presented a variety show in three parts, in the school auditorium.

The first part of the program consisted of several recitations among which were such favorites as "My Shadow," "Ded in Summer," and "The Land of Cornucopia," by Robert Louis Stevenson.

In the second part of the show Jane Richlan danced, Christine Edwards played the piano, and Stephen Martin and Christine sang a duet.

In the closing portion of the program the following children presented four folk dances which they had learned in their music classes: John Angileri, Arthur Barnes, Joseph Celso, Richard Melito, Joan Mimeo, Gail Pooler, Frances Reale, Josephine Ricca, Jane Richlan, Carol Tiffany, and Sharon Simon.

The third grades under the direction of Mrs. Anne Ciccone and Mrs. Mary Southard presented a safety play titled "Detective for a Day."

Janet Bocchino was the announcer, while Thomas Dente, Robert Rivers, James Bule, Adrienne Hase, Jane Thier, and Janet Bocchino took part in the play.

Judith Brady tap-danced and Adrienne Hase danced the Charleston. Joan Conklin closed the program with several selections on the accordion.

The Week's Calendar For Reform Church

The week's schedule for the Belleville Reformed Church will be as follows: Sunday, 9:45 a. m. church school, classes for all ages; 10:30 a. m. morning worship, sermon by Dr. Stroupe on "Living for hope over fear"; 7:30 p. m. chapel group meets for singing and social evening.

Tuesday, 7 p. m. Girl Scout meet at the church; Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Ladies A. A. S. meet at the church; All women invited to refreshments planned.

LETTERS To The Editor

In Appreciation

To The Sports Editor:

From all of the comments we have heard, the annual banquet for the Belleville High School basketball team, Saturday night, at O'Hara's, was one of the best of the many sponsored by the Varsity Club since its inception back in 1946.

Credit for this belongs to the parents, teachers, coaches, alumni and friends who gave us such solid support in toasting "the boys."

I want to thank all of those who helped and who proved once again that teamwork in a worthwhile community cause provides fine results.

A special "thank-you" is due the members of the Committee in charge: "Lefty" Kintzing for securing such an entertaining speaker as Jerry Mulloy, Norman Leach for handling the ticket and financial end, President Ralph Casale, Bob Harvey, Jim Apple, Al Amodeo, Joseph Forbert and Bill Chapman for general assistance and selling tickets, and Art Leadbeater for his capable handling of the toastmaster's chores.

Also Harry Metz for his participation in the program; Jerry Bonavita for the handsome trophies, Vic Pomponio for the floral decoration, Ernie Stafaneli and National Grid Year for the financial support, and all the other Varsity Club members who assisted.

Arthur B. Bloemke, Chairman

GRUBIN WINS CASE IN STATE SUPREME COURT HEARING

For the first time since the inception of the present state supreme court, the court has unanimously agreed on awarding compensation benefits in the case of a heart attack victim—and the attorney who won the award was Robert C. Grubin of Belleville.

Mrs. Sophie Mergel of Jersey City, widow of Albert Mergel, was originally granted \$9,000 and \$250 in funeral costs from the New Jersey Conveyors Corp., by whom he was employed. The award was granted by the Workers' Compensation Bureau. The employer took an appeal to the county court, where judgment was reversed, and the widow denied benefits.

Grubin appealed to the appellate division of superior court, and the supreme court certified the case on its own motion and took it out the appellate division. It then decided in Mrs. Mergel's favor. Heretofore, the supreme court has denied benefits in such cases by a 4 to 3 vote.

The Belleville attorney has argued half a dozen other cases before the supreme court and appellate divisions in the past year.

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In The Armed Services

Henry A. Bergamini, engineer, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bergamini of 42 Columbus Avenue, was among the 34 New Jersey men serving aboard the USS Batou, which took part in NATO's five-day anti-submarine exercises off the southeast coast of the United States.

Donald Bridge, IC3 (SS), son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bridge of 34 New York Avenue, is serving aboard the U.S.S. Batou. The Batou has been employed in extensive shakedown and training exercises with air and surface units of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

Army Cpl Lawrence A. Centanni, son of Mrs. Ann Centanni of 62 Harrison Street, was recently transferred to the 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

Centanni, who arrived on the peninsula last June, had been serving as a rifleman with the 45th Infantry Division which is being returned to the U.S. He will finish his tour in Korea with the 7th Division, now undergoing training to maintain combat efficiency.

The corps entered the army in December, 1952 and completed basic training at Fort Dix.

Richard H. Roeloffs, fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roeloffs of 33 Parkway Avenue, is serving aboard a U.S. destroyer, one of the four ships of Destroyer Division 182, which has just returned to its Newport, R. I. base after completing a round-the-world cruise.

Four Belleville men are taking part in Exercise Ski Jump, the Army's current mountain and cold-weather training maneuvers in the Colorado Rockies. The men are serving with the 511 Airborne Regimental Combat Team's 3d Battalion.

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GODINA SPEAKER AT COLONY CLUB

The Belleville Colony club, a civic group which held a luncheon last Tuesday at the Franklin Casino, had as its principal speaker Samuel Godina, who was introduced by president Thomas D'Avella, lives at 16 North 9th Street, is a graduate of Belleville high school and is now working towards a Ph.D. in psychology at New York University.

He is a member of many fraternal and social organizations, among them El Circolo Italiano and the Independent Voters League. His topic, "Our Social Heritage," stressed the pride which our Western civilization should take in its cultural heritage, and the need to educate the public in the philosophic concepts which have developed from that heritage.

Godina followed along the lines of a quotation from a 12th century French philosopher, that "we are dwarfs standing on the shoulders of giants."

He held further that our strongest weapon against totalitarian forces is the concept of individual dignity, an ethical achievement from centuries of human thought.

"To forget what man has worked out in this field is to slip backwards," he warned, and concluded with the thought that "we are our heritage as a tool for promoting the best growth of the rising generation."

Dance Tomorrow Night At Legion Post No. 105

The American Legion Post No. 105 will hold its monthly dance Saturday evening at the Legion Home, 621 Washington Avenue. Come and swing your partner to the lively music of the "Wackies" and the direction of William Strassburger.

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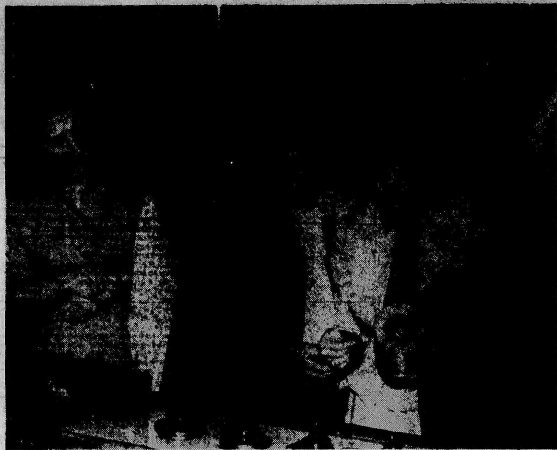


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DEMONSTRATION — As part of a school program to help teachers become better acquainted with Belleville's resources, many of them visited various plants recently. In the above picture, Joseph J. Parker, personnel manager of the Eastwood Neely factory, demonstrates to five teachers how wire is annealed and drawn through machines to get the texture and size desired. Left to right, Mrs. Margaret Giamette, No. 3 School; Miss Virginia MacGillivray, and Mrs. Bernadette Colanari, both of No. 8 School; Miss Carmella Venezia, No. 6 School.



MODELS — The local belles above agree that modeling is an ideal occupation but add wisely, "If we could only keep the clothes!" They took part in the recent fashion show at St. Peter's school, under the auspices of the Catholic Daughters, Court Santa Maria, No. 61. Pictured from left to right they are Miss Madeline Travers, Mrs. James A. Schliefer, Mrs. Catherine Mattis, Miss Peggy Frey, Miss Pat Bell, Miss Mary Harold, Mrs. John Sheridan, chairman of the show, and Mrs. John Connolly.



Van Dyk Firm Has Election

Mrs. Samuel Iermann was elected president of the Van Dyk Company at the stockholders' meeting last Friday. She is the widow of the late Dr. Samuel Iermann, a co-founder of the company. Other officers elected were Howard Iermann, vice-president and treasurer; Walter Mueller, vice-president and sales manager; and Miss Helen V. Shanahan, secretary.

Established at the turn of the century, the Van Dyk Company was a pioneer in the development of synthetic aromatic chemicals.

Wesley Methodist Youth Group To Hold Cake Sale

Do you like cake? If so, come to the cake sale given by the Wesley Methodist church. The sale will be conducted next Sunday in the Boston store, 558 Washington Avenue, at 9 a.m. It's for sure you'll find something among all these luscious homemade cakes to pamper that sweet tooth.



ANNIVERSARY — The Belleville suburban chapter of De Molay celebrated the 35th anniversary of the founding of the society. Pictured above, from left to right are Robert Bartlett, senior counselor; William A. Chapman, master counselor and Lawrence Kester, junior council. Mayor James Tully, seated, is shown as he signed a proclamation honoring the event.

Waters

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idates. They are Commissioners Elmer S. Hyde, Joseph King, and Harry J. Sullivan. Mayor

Tully has made no announcement, but he is certain to seek reelection.

Other candidates, some of whom have sought the office before, are Isadore J. Patula, Robert C. Grubbin, Michael V. Albertine, James R. Golden, Mrs. Cornelius Griffin, and A. J. Brienza. In announcing Commissioner Waters' decision not to run, Rissell declared that the commission-

er had definitely made up his mind only two hours before the commission meeting. He said that as late as Sunday Waters had decided to continue in the race despite the fact that his doctor had advised him he could not be responsible if the commissioner insisted on taking the step. More than 2,000 names had been collected on petitions for the commissioner's candidacy, Rissell said. Waters' statement declared: "For the past 28 years, I have served the people of Belleville as Commissioner and as Acting Mayor."

"During these years of service, I have tried to give the taxpayers an honest administration, and have always tried to protect the best interest of our community. It has been my earnest hope and desire to serve Belleville for an additional term, knowing that my experience in office would be conducive to a high-grade and

proper administration for the benefit of our citizens."

"However, I have just been advised by my physician that my health would not warrant a campaign nor the rigors of attending Commission meetings and devoting full time to the operation of another term. In all fairness to the citizens of Belleville and because of my health, I hereby respectfully announce that I will retire at the end of my present term and will not seek re-election this May."

"In conclusion, I wish to thank my employees who have served so faithfully with me. I thank the citizens of Belleville for their confidence; they have continually placed in me by keeping me in office these many years."

Waters' brother, John H. Waters, was Belleville's first mayor under Belleville's commission form of government. He was elected in 1914 and died in office in 1922.



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FEWSMITH PASTOR TO EXPLAIN THE PROTESTANT CREED

The Fewsmith Presbyterian church will hold a Lenten service on Wednesday evening at 8. Dr. James K. Morse will discuss "distinctive Protestant beliefs" and will consider as part of his talk the recent "Letter to Presbyterians," a brochure adopted by the General Council of Presbyterian churches in America.

"Letter to Presbyterians" deals with the role the Presbyterian church must play in preserving American ideals of truth and freedom. "... the structure of American society is in imminent peril of being shattered ... by dangerous developments taking place in our national life. ... Some Congressional inquiries ... begin to constitute a threat to freedom of thought in this country. Treason and dissent are being confused. Attacks being made on citizens of integrity and social passion are particularly alien to Protestant religious tradition."

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Fewsmith will participate in the "One Great Hour of Sharing," sponsored by the National Council of Churches. It is the sixth annual appeal to raise about eight million dollars for relief of the world's needy and homeless.

V. Zurillo Completes Tile Setter Training

Vincent Zurillo, of 145 Garden Avenue, has just completed the training program for clay tile setters conducted by the Essex County Vocational and Technical High School.

Zurillo began the course last year to supplement on-the-job training as a tile helper. The course is sponsored by the Tile Contractors' Association of Northern New Jersey. Tile Helpers Local 77 of New Jersey and Tile Setters Local 52 of New York. Instruction in the program is under the direction of veteran tile setter William Cadmus of Nutley, who has been in the trade 34 years.

Dr. Frank Durkee Guest Speaker At P. T. A. No. 1

The P.T.A. of School No. 1 will meet on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Dr. Frank Durkee, guest speaker, will discuss school curriculum, and a display of the children's work will be on exhibit. A business meeting will precede Dr. Durkee's address.



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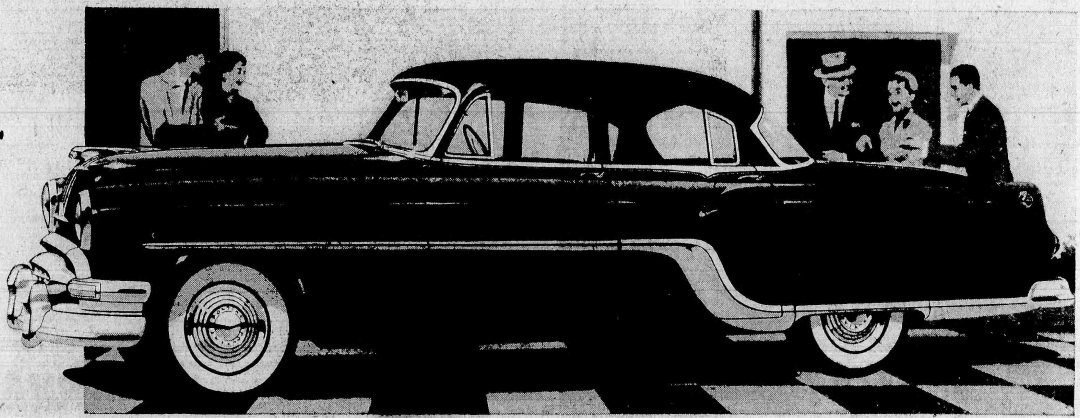
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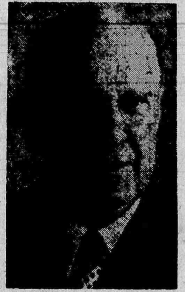
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SUPPLEMENT FOUR Golden Comments

W. S. GRAY MADE DEFENSE LEADER

Sworn In As Essex County Coordinator For Defense And Disaster Control



Walter S. Gray, Essex County Supervisor, was sworn in Monday as County Coordinator for Civil Defense and Disaster Control by District Court Judge Walter H. Conklin, to have jurisdiction over Nutley and other Essex suburban towns and Newark. Curtis C. Colwell, County Engineer, was sworn in as Deputy Coordinator.

Gray's appeal to local government heads for support and cooperation in getting up an efficient county disaster control unit brought an immediate assurance of Nutley's full cooperation from Mayor Harry W. Chomowich and other Essex suburban towns and Newark. Gray said the county disaster control unit is absolutely essential that it is absolutely essential that an efficient and practical set of plans and procedures be established at a county level to coordinate the operations of municipal units in the event of a disaster.

"If each municipality attempted to act as an independent unit, the result could be complete chaos and confusion."

"It is my earnest hope that all of the municipalities in the county will assist me in developing a disaster plan that will assure the people of Essex County a minimum protection should a disaster occur."

PURIM FEAST AT B'NAI ISRAEL

Jews Celebrated Memory Of A Brave Hebrew Queen And Holy Man

Purim, or the Feast of Lots, which was celebrated Friday, at Temple B'nai Israel, dates back to the early history of the Jews in the land of Persia and Media.

The story of Purim, as told in the Book of Esther, is well known to the plot of the wicked Haman to destroy the Jews of the country, and how the pious Mordecai and Queen Esther saved them.

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the day, enabling the Jews to defend themselves and to turn the threatened massacre into a victory. Since that time, the thirteenth day of the Hebrew month Adar has been celebrated as Purim, meaning lots, for Haman had chosen the date for the annihilation of the Jews by casting lots.

Purim is the most festive of all the Jewish holidays. The people celebrate with exchange of gifts and donating gifts to the poor, family feasts, carnivals and balls, to express the confidence that they will outlive every Haman or evil despot that may persecute them.

The Purim family feast which characterizes the holiday is served with certain symbolic foods, such as the three corned cakes, or Hamantaschen. Purim games and charades and other entertainment adds to the fun of the occasion.

In the synagogue, the Megillah or scroll, containing the Book of Esther, is read in the evening and the following morning. Schools, clubs, Centers and synagogues present plays, arrange mask-balls, and hold indoor carnivals. In Israel and particularly in Tel Aviv, Purim is observed as a large outdoor carnival, in addition to the traditional customs.

Purim annually bids the Jews have courage and hope. It is made clear, however, that they must not depend on miracles such as the one that saved the Jews of Esther's time. Instead, they must fight evil on every front, by working for peace and democracy in the world, by rebuilding Israel, by helping the victims of persecution to find new homes, by improving and strengthening Jewish life in every home and every community, and by performing their duties as citizens loyally and intelligently.

This year the children of Temple B'nai Israel's Religious School conducted a service followed by a carnival on March 14, and the Sisterhood sponsored a Purim Frolic and dance on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Thomas Gambling

Mrs. Florence E. Trick Gambling, of 272 Hornblower Avenue, widow of Thomas H. Gambling, died Sunday in Passaic General Hospital after a brief illness. She was 80.

Born in New York, Mrs. Gambling lived in Nutley 25 years before moving to Belleville seven years ago. She was a member of the Women's Guild of St. Paul's Congregational Church, Nutley.

Mrs. Gambling is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Shirley O. McEligot, of the Hornblower Avenue address; two sons, Everett T., of Detroit and Charles, of Norman, W. Gambling, USN, stationed at San Diego, Cal., and four grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Manger Home for Funerals, 381 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, with Rev. John H. Elliott of St. Paul's Church officiating. Burial was in East Ridge Lawn Cemetery, Delaware.

35 Candles On Birthday Cake For Post No. 105

The American Legion, Post No. 105, celebrated its 35th birthday last night with a grand party at the Legion Home, 621 Washington Avenue.

The party was planned by the Legion Auxiliary Unit and Mrs. Grace Weiss, chairman, was assisted by Mrs. Leona Kolinsky, Mrs. Sadie Koury, Mrs. Edna Kant, Mrs. Belle Johnson and Mrs. Gladys Smith.

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Away from home, I always cling
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And on a festive day of spring
I freed a bird from its steel cage.
And now I am again at peace.
Why should I cry against my plight,
When I had power to release
One creature into freedom's light?

Alexander Pushkin

Why Is A Communist?

In a letter to the editor, a puzzled reader asked: "Why is a Communist? Why are so many Americans so easily led into Communism?" Both questions are keen and timely, the first being much easier to answer than the second.

The term "Communist" — of French origin, dating to the revolutionary Paris Commune of 1871, incidentally, and not of Russia's conception — is used variously to describe one who follows the Socialist dogma of Karl Marx as interpreted by Lenin, and, in his succession, by Stalin and Malenkov. He is a conscious member of a world conspiracy directed by "Cominform" which handles the export side of the Russian revolution for the Kremlin. He may be sincere, he may be a deluded idealist who has turned to Godless Communism or he may be an opportunist. It is hard to believe that the average Communist, inside or outside of Russia, believes honestly, that Communism is dedicated to peace, to brotherhood and to social equality and class justice.

The second question is difficult to answer because the American Communist does not have the same reasons to join the world conspiracy that a Russian or a Chinaman, a Bulgarian or a Yugoslav would have. It would be best, perhaps, to recognize that there is a difference, a considerable distinction between the European and the American Communist.

Standards being what they are, Com-

munist has been able to offer more than could Capitalism in the Russian parts of Europe — to the proletariat, at least. In Balkan lands, Communism demolished the barrier between classes. There is less reason for Communism in the non-Slav portions of Europe; there is no reason for Communism in the United States where Marxian Socialism can add nothing to our moral, material or social standards.

For an American to be a Communist requires a considerably greater emotional, intellectual and moral wrench than for most Europeans or Asians. An American who prefers the Communism of Malenkov to the Democracy of Eisenhower can be motivated only by gullibility or by an inferiority complex which borders on defeatism. Surely there is no choice between the moral and social structure of American Capitalism and the tyranny of Communism, unless there is a pathological reason for a maladjusted American turning on our freedoms, our equalities and our morals to express a preference for the absolute dictatorship, the atheistic immorality and the leveling of all social life to the proletarian masses in Communism.

Whittaker Chambers and other who were drawn into Communism, even at the cost of betraying their own country, have indulged in introspection and come to the conclusion that they were gullible. It was easier for the maladjusted and idealistic American, during the depression years of the 'thirties, to drift into Communism than it is today. So little was known about Communism a quarter of a century ago. So much has been learned since of the aggressive ambitions, the sedition, the treachery, the persecution of Communism that for an American to accept Communism today there must be more reasons than a theoretical belief in the dogmas of Karl Marx.

It is our contention that Communists, like dope addicts and alcoholics, must be healed, not merely punished. An American who spies for Soviet Russia must, indeed, be a sick American. His problem is pathological, not political. He is more to be pitied and protected than punished. That, in our opinion, is a basic reason why the Communist Party should be barred by an act of Congress — for the protection of those American who need healing. R. E. H.

One Man's Opinion

Ratification Of EDC Treaty And Creation Of European Army May Not Be Completed When West Meets East At Geneva On April 26

By RALPH E. HEINZEN

The Saar, a tiny, "Pittsburg" on the map of Europe may be the stumbling block which will delay, if not doom the creation of the European Army which is foreseen in the European Defense Community treaty.

The French Parliament's insistence on settling the Saar's future before debating ratification of the EDC treaty would appear to make it unlikely that when the Western Powers sit down with the Red Russians and the Chinese at Geneva, on April 26, in keeping with a promise wrested from our diplomats by Molotov, the European Army treaty will have been ratified. At Geneva, as at Berlin, it will be Molotov's strategy to prevent that ratification ever taking place and thus render cadet the European Army plan.

For both the Bonn Germans and the French, the Saar is the key to the formation of the European political community which is the basis of our foreign policy. Chancellor Adenauer will agree to ratify EDC only if the Saar is completely Europeanized and attached to France. France will debate EDC ratification only once it is assured that the Saar production of coal and steel will complement its own. Thus France wants economic ties, if not political possession.

The Saar's economic good fortune and its political misfortune is that it sits on one of the richest beds of coal in the whole world — its coal reserves being conservatively estimated at 9,000,000,000 tons. On top of that hidden wealth, the Saar's small surface — 743 square miles — is cluttered with steel mills, blast furnaces, chemical plants and glass factories, all of which consume her coal in their processes. Mile for mile, the Saar is richer than Pittsburg and it is the control of that great natural wealth which has provoked the envy of France.

Agree To Revamp

When Adenauer went to Paris on March 9 for Saar talks with Foreign Minister, Georges Bidault, little was said, over very short private agreement they reached to scrap or seriously revamp the Saar Statute governing the Saar. Marthinus van der Goes van Naters is the Dutch Socialist who submitted a proposal for the Saar's future to the consultative assembly of the European Defense Community last year.

Bidault wants to amend the Van Naters plan to insure a continued economic union between the Saar and France, Adenauer, reflecting the German popular demand that the Saar not be "sacrificed," wants to increase Bonn's cultural ties with the Saarlanders. The French want the steel and coal, Bonn wants economic ties.

Chance On Tuesday

Adenauer and Bidault will meet again next Tuesday in Brussels, where a pre-Geneva meeting of Western foreign ministers will be held, and it is not unlikely that if the French and German technicians will have an agreement ready by that time, Adenauer and Bidault will seal their agreement as to the Saar. If that agreement is reached, Bidault can then return to Paris and demand of the French Parliament that it speed up the EDC ratification debate.

In Parliament, even if he lays a Saar agreement on the desks of the French Senate and Chamber of Deputies, Bidault will run up against a strong hostility to ratification until after the Geneva meeting. French Communists are vigorously fighting ratification. The Socialists and Radicals argue that ratification before Geneva might make the Russians and Chinese stubborn about ending the war in Indochina. The Deputies are opposed to the rearming of Germany on any terms.

Thus, directly or indirectly,

the Saar has become a kind of symbol of all the fear and distrust the French feel toward Germany, and of their profound reluctance to accept the long-pending new deal for Germany which a previous French Government helped to negotiate and finally signed.

The French are insistent that the Saar must remain in their currency area so that the two to three million tons of steel produced there annually shall be sold in French currency and in this sense counted on the books as French steel. On this basis French steel output is less out of balance with West Germany's. This steel is not in the French tariff zone, for since the European Coal and Steel Community began there are no tariffs on steel or coal. This single market removed some of the economic importance of the Saar's attachment to France, though the French do not admit it.

French Sought Ruhr

The French sought after World War II the Ruhr from Germany and, having failed to do so, they cling to the idea of detaching at least the Saar. This was sought in lieu of reparations, which everybody agreed were justifiable but hard to collect from a half of a shattered Germany.

However, for the French it is a moral issue and one of prestige, as it is also on the German side. It is hard for the Germans to give up German territory, and Dr. Adenauer recently suggested to M. Bidault that for the sake of form the French should give up a bit of Lorraine and add it to the Saar. Consequently, behind the slow and hesitant approach to the Saar question are deep emotions on both sides which are far more important than the economic issues.

Points Of Dispute

West Germans, including members of Dr. Adenauer's party, accused the French of trying to annex this completely German territory by having German parties in the recent election. This campaign increased the fears in France that the new Germany of Dr. Adenauer was not much different from the old, which had caused them so much suffering.

It increased the French doubts about the new deal for Germany and the treaty that would put German and French soldiers in the same army. The presence of German soldiers on French soil is too recent for the aggressors.

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sive record of Germany to be forgotten or for French bitterness to be greatly attenuated.

On the German issue and the treaties that embody it the French are painfully split. On one hand is the doctrine personified by Robert Schuman, former Foreign Minister, and Jean Monnet, originator of the Coal and Steel Community. This doctrine holds that the age of nationality is past and that Europe can revive and survive only in union; that the time has come, as Sir Winston Churchill put it, for France to take Germany by the hand and lead her into a new era of partnership that would wipe out the past.

German Recovery Swifter

Chancellor Adenauer has seemed to favor such a partnership, but in some ways West Germany has moved forward so much faster than France as to get out of reach of the hand that France might have desired to extend.

At the other extreme are the De Gaulles and other French nationalists who contend that Germany can never be trusted and should never be rearmament with a European army or otherwise.

Between the two extremes stands Bidault, who pretends to believe in the European army if guaranteed by the United States and Britain. But he shies away from the political community that was to go with the army. This political structure was to provide a new supranational authority or Pan-European Parliament encompassing both the army and the coal and steel pool and paving the way for an extension of a single market from coal and steel to other commodities.

France Stands Divided

As always in France, there are many shades of opinion between the two extremes and many French are divided in their own minds as how far France dare stretch out a hand to her long-fearing neighbor.

It might be true to say that, on the whole, the French fear the Russians more than they fear the Germans. At least, they have had more costly experience with the Germans as a basis for their fears.

The French used to look upon Russia as a logical ally against Germany and before 1914 French policy was based on an alliance with the Czar which Raymond Poincaré went to Moscow to negotiate only a fortnight before World War I broke out.

Something of this traditional view was also represented by the French-Russian mutual assistance pact against Germany signed by Stalin and General de Gaulle in 1944 and recently cited by Moscow in propaganda to detach France from the other Western powers.

There was no mourning in France when the failure of the recent Berlin conference doomed Germany to partition for an indefinite period. If that suited Moscow, it also suited the French, who share with Moscow a deep fear of the Germans.

That common fear of Germany

does not put France on Russia's side but it often makes her feel uneasy about her own allies. Bidault has expressed the fear that United States officials wanted a European army to permit an American guarantee that American troops would stay in Europe as a counterweight to German forces and an assurance of German adherence to the treaty. The United States effort to build up a German force awakes apprehensions in France that to this time have not vanished.

Mrs. Frank Fiore

Mrs. Helena Gallo Fiore of 53 Lake Street, wife of Frank Fiore, died Saturday at her home after a long illness. She was 69.

Born in Italy, Mrs. Fiore came to the United States about 45 years ago and had lived 38 years in Belleville. She was a member of First Italian Baptist Church. Surviving, besides her husband, are two sons, Pat of West Or-

ange and Joseph Fiore of Nutley; two daughters, Mrs. Louis Ostello of Monclair and Mrs. Louis Ceppozzi of Belleville, and 11 grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at First Italian Baptist Church with Rev. Benedetto Pascalle, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Glendale Cemetery, Bloomfield.

Mrs. Nicholas Rasp

Mrs. Anna Mueller Rasp of 962 Broadway, Newark, widow of Nicholas Rasp, died Friday at her home after a brief illness. She was 60.

Mrs. Rasp was born in Newark and lived there all her life. She operated a grocery and meat market for 25 years at the Broadway address with her husband, until his death in 1924.

She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Charles Hollogg, at the home address, and a brother, Charles Mueller of Ascadero, Cal. Services were held Sunday at the William V. Irvine & Son Funeral Home, 276 Washington Avenue, Belleville.

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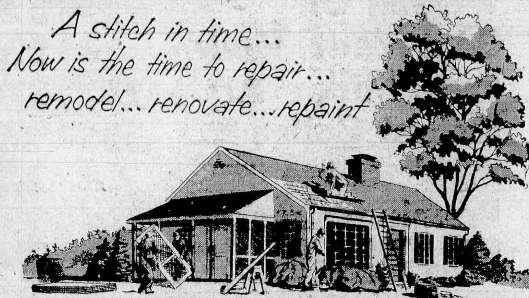
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Draft Board Deferment Test To Be Given In April

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The testing centers available to Belleville students are located at the following schools:

Upsala College, East Orange;
Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken;
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Drew University, Madison;
Newark College of Engineering, Newark;
New Jersey State Teachers College in Montclair, Newark and Paterson;
Rutgers University, Newark and New Brunswick;
Princeton University;
Fairleigh Dickinson College, Rutherford;
Seton Hall University, South Orange.

Colonel MacGrath pointed out that a score of 70 on the Selective Service test does not mean a student answered 70 questions correctly nor does it mean 70 per cent. A score of 70 on the three-hour Selective Service test indicates about the same level of ability as a score of 120 on the Army General Classification Test.

A student deferment is not an exemption, Colonel MacGrath explained. "A deferment is a delay or postponement," he said, "and in no way cancels the duty of the registrant to serve two years on active duty. In fact, it automatically extends his age of liability to 35 years."

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