

## Municipal Employees Announce Retirement



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## Three Long-Time Town Employees Announce Their Formal Retirement

Town Treasurer Russell Sargent, Town Engineer Clifford Faust, and Public Health Nurse Miss Mary F. Miller Represent 78 Years Service

Three familiar faces around Belleville's Town Hall have announced their retirement this week. T. Russell Sargent, town treasurer for the past 30 years; Clifford Faust, town engineer who has been connected with Belleville government since 1934; and Miss Mary F. Miller, public health nurse for the past 26 years.

In all, the three represent a total of 78 years of service to the community.

Although their retirements were submitted officially at Tuesday night's Town Commission meeting to take effect March 21, the three have indicated that they will take their annual vacations and leave their posts before that time.

**Sargent Is 65**  
Sargent, 65 years old, was born in Rochester, New York. He attended high school there, and later studied mechanical engineering at Mechanics Institute in Rochester. He also attended Northwestern University where he studied business administration and accounting, and he later earned a certificate from Rutgers University for a course in municipal finance.

His first job was as about the third oldest public official in Belleville in length of service and that he is one of the municipal officials in the state who holds a registered accountant's license.

He has been appointed eight times to the four-year post of town treasurer, beginning with the first appointment by late Commissioner Edward Nelson in 1926. His most recent appointment came two years ago by Mayor Isadore J. Padula. Between those times he was also appointed by former commissioners James Gibson, William H. Williams and James J. Tully.

He has been in Belleville since 1910, having worked as a bookkeeper and accountant for Cluett-Peabody Co., Newark, before becoming town treasurer.

**Likes To Travel**  
Sargent says he has no special outside interests. He intended to feel his way around travel, and take some trips, he said. "I would like to be in every state in the country, and I've been in about half so far. I've probably seen more of Nova Scotia and Canada than the United States."

He is past president of the Municipal Finance Officers Association.

**Local Driver Gets License Suspension**  
Frederick J. Gassart, Jr., Director of Motor Vehicles, has announced the revocation of the driving license of Joseph A. Rinaldi, 25, of 11 Anne Street. The suspension was made under the point system. Rinaldi was charged with a stop sign violation, passing a red light, and two speeding violations. His license was taken for four months.

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## Your Children - - - Your Schools

### Curriculum, Maintenance Problems Also Confront Board of Education

During the past few months, a series of ten articles has appeared discussing the condition of each of Belleville's ten schools. The following article is a summary of the overall picture as presented in the individual articles.

**ENROLLMENT:** There are 5,324 children in the Belleville Public Schools. Reasonable capacity of the schools totals 4,536. Due to new houses in town and the high birth rate during the last few years, the crowded situation is going to become worse as time goes on.

**CURRICULUM PROBLEMS:** Belleville's young people must compete with those of other communities. Therefore, our schools must be just as good or better. Every youngster should have a chance to try his hand at many things. This "experimental stage" usually occurs in the seventh, eighth and ninth grades in schools where manual training, science rooms, shops and home economics facilities are available. These useful arts are most necessary to the boys and girls who leave school before graduation.

**LOCATION OF SCHOOLS:** Schools 1 and 9 are located in primarily industrial areas. The areas surrounding schools 2 and 4 are primarily residential. Schools 3, 8, and 5 have heavy increases in enrollment because of new housing, while school 7, near the stadium, is snarled under with children from the many new developments surrounding it. School 10 is in a fairly stable residential area. The High School is located on a main thoroughfare at one

## PADULA APPOINTS ARTHUR ACKERMAN TOWN TREASURER

Moves Up From Assistant Position; Francis H. McCoy Named Assistant Treasurer

Arthur S. Ackerman, currently serving as Assistant Municipal Treasurer, has been appointed to the position of Town Treasurer by Mayor Isadore J. Padula, head of the Revenue and Finance Department. He will fill out the unexpired term of T. Russell Sargent, who announced his retirement this week.

Ackerman has been granted a leave of absence from his present municipal post so that he may assume the treasurer's position without losing his Civil Service status.

To fill the vacancy occasioned by the promotion of Ackerman, Padula has named Francis H. McCoy to the position of Assistant Municipal Treasurer. McCoy is presently serving in capacity of Head Accountant.



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**RIVIERA PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION AGAINST VARIANCE**  
Group Will Support Citizens Opposed To Industrial Site On Washington Ave. Property

Property owners opposed to the proposed zoning variance that would make the site now occupied by the roller skating rink at 630 Washington Avenue into an industrial site were today assured of the "full organizational support" of the Riviera Park Civic Association in their fight against a change in the present zoning law.

Announcement to that effect was made by Eugene Hess, of 230 Linden Avenue, the new president of the Riviera Park Civic group. Hess declared that at a full membership meeting over the past weekend, his group had "unanimously decided to throw its full organizational support" behind a campaign to combat the proposed change in the zoning law and to enlist the aid of civic organizations in other parts of the town for that purpose.

The change in ordinance, if adopted, would make the property, heretofore classified as a business section, available for industrial purposes. Objections have been raised by homeowners whose properties are adjacent to the site because they feel location of an industrial plant would lead to a material deterioration of all property values in the entire neighborhood. William Miskind, of 40 Berkeley Avenue, owner of the roller skating rink and originator of the petition for a zoning variance, said:

"I am a firm believer in the merit system and the promotion of career in government. I shall always seek the best man for any job, and honor him with approval."

Ackerman is a graduate of the Belleville public schools and has taken courses in municipal finance at both Rutgers and Princeton Universities. A resident of Belleville.

**CANTEEN CLOSES UNTIL SUMMER**  
Robert E. Cook, superintendent of Recreation, announced this week that the teen canteen will be closed until summer.

Lagging attendance was given as the reason for the suspension of the canteen.

The Teen Canteen which was started by the Recreation Department last summer, has run on a four-night-a-week basis during the vacation period and drew a crowd of youngsters each night to the Recreation House where they enjoyed dancing, ping-pong and television.

Since school opened last fall the Canteen has been operated on Friday evenings.

The Teen Canteen will be reactivated as a part of the summer recreation program and will run four nights a week for the entire summer.

**SUMMARY OF SCHOOL System Shows Students Overcrowded In Many**

side of town and is fast becoming surrounded by businesses. There remains very little vacant land in town.

**SCHOOL MAINTENANCE:** As reviewed in the past few weeks, something needs to be done in each building. However, general maintenance is good. Compare the upkeep of the schools with your home. In the Belleville Schools there are 200 classrooms, 100 offices, restrooms, auditoriums, grounds, etc. In the schools, just as in your own home, the heating, labor and utilities cost money. Substandard rooms are especially costly, since they require special lighting, heating and ventilating equipment. Repairing old buildings is more expensive than the

## Overwhelming Majority Passes Revised School Budget For 1956-1957 Term

## Board Confronted By Five Zoning Questions

Board Refuses Application To Nicolette Brothers; Approves Construction Of Apartment Building; Holds Three Cases Over Until Next Meeting

Controversial zoning questions continue to comprise the bulk of Town Commissioner's business, as five such matters came before Tuesday night's Commission meeting. Although final action was taken on only two of the proposals, debate was heard on them and more debate is promised before the other three cases are settled.

Tuesday night, Commissioners refused to grant permission to Salvatore and Nicholas Nicolette, of 177 Passaic Avenue, to install a gasoline pump in front of their auto body shop at that address.

The two, through their attorney Edward G. Weiss of Passaic, had sought permission from Commissioners at the last meeting to install the pump for the retail sale of gas. Weiss pointed out that one pump was presently located in front of the shop for drop use only, and that the additional pump would not interfere with pedestrians or block traffic.

The building inspector had granted permission to install the pump, but Commissioners refused to do so on the grounds that there was not sufficient frontage, and the town zoning law requires a 30 foot frontage for the retail sale of gasoline.

A delegation of residents from the immediate area, who had attended both meetings to protest the proposed action.

The second case in which a final decision was reached, was Angelo Riefolo, of 59 Garner Street, who requested permission to erect a 14-unit apartment building at 541-545 Joram Street. The Zoning Board of Adjustment had previously granted Riefolo the necessary variance to permit the building. The building will be three stories high, of brick construction, and contain three and four room apartments.

**Kosmos Case Delayed**  
In another zoning case which had been carried over from last night's meeting, Commissioners again delayed taking action on the Kosmos case.

Deputy Chief of Police Charles R. McGinnis reports that the case, which involves a heavy wave of stolen cars since the first of the year, McGinnis reports that 15 cars have been stolen since that time.

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**THE FACE IS FAMILIAR:**

## Joan White Enjoys Title "Cop On The Kids' Beat"

The trim brunette in the dapper blue police uniform who guides many of the town's young safely through traffic at Greylock Parkway and Washington Avenue is Joan White, (Mrs. Clifford) of 567 Washington Avenue.

Joan, as she is known to her small charges, has been a police guard since September. Like the postman, inclement weather does not keep her from her rounds.

"Rainy skies can really keep me hopping," she said. "The kids are so anxious to get out of school they usually get off the bus with one boot on, and their raincoats flapping in the breeze. I caution them up, and then they property, and send them on their way."

Pupils from at least five schools converge on Mrs. White three times a day. They come from Holy Family, in Nutley, School Four and St. Peter's stop at the corner. And the children from St. Mary's and the High School make up the rest of her "family."

"Most of the time the youngsters are pretty orderly. But it can get like a three-ring circus," she said.

"One very cold morning recently the pupils for St. Mary's were lined up, waiting for the No. 13 bus. And the children from the school made up the rest of her "family."

## Current Expense, Capital Outlay Phases Of School Budget Are Approved By 3 To 1 Majority

A light turnout of Belleville voters went to the polls in Wednesday's special School Election and approved the revised school budget for the 1956-57 school year.

The final vote was overwhelmingly in favor of the reduced budget submitted by the newly elected Board of Education as it received practically a four-to-one approval.

The current expense appropriation passed by a vote of 1157 to 375, while the capital outlay appropriation passed by a vote of 1171 to 370. The repairs and maintenance phase of the overall budget received 820 approval in its original form in the February 14 School Election.

**SCHOOL BOARD HIRES TEACHERS, DISCUSSES RANGERT**

Employee On Leave Granted Month Extension; Table Plan To Expand Teacher Interviews

In their first regular business meeting Monday night, Belleville's new seven member Board of Education approved the hiring of three new teachers, accepted three resignations from present staff members, and approved other routine school matters.

The leave of absence of Frank Bangert, whose present leave for medical reasons expired this month, was extended by the Board until April 1. Bangert, school electrician who was granted the leave last fall after a doctor's examination, has been the center of much debate. After receiving his leave from the Board, it was learned that Bangert was employed on a temporary basis by the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission.

Both Board members and private citizens questioned the propriety of a Board employee on leave working for another group. It was pointed out that Bangert suffered from dizziness whenever he climbed to high places which interfered with his school work. His duties with the Sewerage Commission did not entail any work of this nature.

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There is no place it could be cut further without materially affecting the operation of the school system, he added.

Board vice-president Dr. Palmer Burrell said that the outcome proves that citizens of the town

## Drama Is Just Part Of The Job

With an emergency operation for a Belleville resident scheduled at 4 p. m. at Clara Maass Hospital, the Red Cross workers here last week had two hours in which to locate donors of a rare blood type.

Mrs. Herbert Robinson, blood program chairman, began calling the 32 donors of the type listed in the card file after learning that there was no O Negative blood in the Essex County Blood Center.

Within 15 minutes Mrs. Irma Rye, motor service chairman, was on her way to pick up Miss Sandra Smith, tier-empower at Hanlon Goodman cooperated in allowing the time off.

The second donor, Arthur H. Denzler, drove to the hospital himself.

This one incident illustrates that the local chapter is indeed living up to the National Red Cross motto, "On The Job."

Not all the tasks of the chapter are so dramatic, but all testify to the community service to which Red Cross is dedicated.

Ten service groups comprise the local chapter. Mrs. Marion Pappal is in charge of the Grey Ladies, who are volunteers trained to work in the hospitals with patients.

Visits daily from these women make the hours pass more quickly for the children and old folks at Essex County Hospital. Toy books and plants are contributed for their enjoyment.

The entertainment group, directed by Miss Adrienne Nault and arts and skills classes, taught

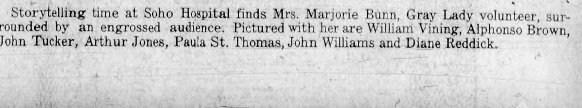
by Mrs. Pat Walsh, cheer the men at East Orange Veterans' Hospital. Birthday parties are given monthly for the veterans.

The Junior Red Cross, led by Mrs. Margaret Leaky, engages in preparing gifts for children overseas and in making and other items for hospitalized youngsters.

The Motor service is the backbone of the chapter. Mrs. Rye is on hand with the red station wagon for errands; transporting welfare patients to and from the hospitals and blood donors to the blood bank conducted at the high school and in industry.

One of the most important branches is the Arnel Service group. The Red Cross workers relay news of death or illness

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Storytelling time at Soho Hospital finds Mrs. Marjorie Bunn, Gray Lady volunteer, surrounded by an engrossed audience. Pictured with her are William Vining, Alfonso Brown, John Tucker, Arthur Jones, Paul St. Thomas, John Williams and Diane Reddick.













# SPRINTLIGHT

## on SPORTS

By Bob Gorlin

Rees Have Inside Track

Look for the Belleville Reds, managed by Bill Murphy, to field a team in the strong Essex County Baseball League for the first time this summer. The Reds were represented at an organizational meeting of the County League last Sunday at the Montclair Y. M. C. A.

Right now there is one vacancy in the eight-team circuit with only one other club in addition to Belleville seeking the team franchise. The other outfit trying to get into the league at this time is a group from Newark called the Newark Aquettes. I have it from a reliable source that is a good bet that Belleville will be the squad which will be welcomed into the loop when league officials meet again in another two weeks.

One of the strong points in Belleville's favor was the outstanding record compiled while competing against independent competition last summer under Murphy's leadership. The County League is usually a little hesitant about bringing a completely new organization into the fold which hasn't proved itself in the past. Another factor which is expected to aid Belleville in gaining the franchise is that the Reds have a home field in Municipal Stadium.

The one vacancy in the Essex County League was brought about when Millburn and the East Orange Soviets combined operations with all games to be played at Soverel Field in East Orange. The other teams returning are Nutley, South Orange, Millburn, East Orange Browns, Maplewood, Montclair and West Orange.

Current plans call for the league to start operations on Sunday, May 6 with each of the teams to play a 35-game schedule. The season will continue until Labor Day.

**Caruso Enjoys Good Year**

Pat Caruso, former Belleville High court performer, has been having a terrific season while playing of nearby Bloomfield College. The one-time Bellboy star has racked up 518 points for the small Essex college. A junior, Caruso has converted 94 of 138 free throws for 68.2 percent and has hit on 212 of 470 attempts from the floor for a 45.1 percentage.

**And They Call It Basketball**

A foreign visitor, taking in a basketball game for the first time, a little confused and raised several questions after seeing the boys in shorts race up and down the hardwoods. He went on to say that he was invited to a game called basketball but became a little mixed up when he saw no basket. That made me wonder why the game was called by that name.

When I arrived and sat down in the crowd everyone was smiling. Then a couple of men in short-sleeves came out, and one of them had a large ball. He was followed by several young men in T-shirts and shorts, some of them wearing colored T-shirts. Then the man with the ball tossed it into the air, and everybody began running around. First they would run toward one end of the gymnasium and then toward the other.

The ball must have been rough-edged or something, because virtually everyone who handled it kept smashing it into the floor, to restore it to roundness, I assume.

After a while I noticed that there was a ring with strings hanging from it at one end of the floor, and then I saw there was another ring at the other end. Whenever the players neared one of the rings someone would toss the big ball up, and someone else would leap at it. I suppose the trick was to make the ball stay on top of the ring, although I never saw anyone succeed in performing the trick.

The strangest thing — when the group had tried to lay the ball on top of the ring at one end, and the trial failed, they would all start running toward the other end of the floor. To me it seemed a trifle silly to go all that way when there was a ring at hand.

One fellow, who kept beating the ball against the floor, had the ball taken away from him. One of the shirtsleeved men in long trousers said it was because he was traveling. I still think that was unjust, because they were all traveling at the time, running from one end of the room to the other. Even the long-trousered men were running along with the crowd.

One of the long-trousered men, whom they called a referee, took the ball away from another young man. He stood about five steps from the ring and began to pound the ball against the floor. I was of two minds whether he was trying to pound the ball to roundness or to make it flat on one side so that it might stay atop the ring. I noticed that when he tossed it up to the ring, the ball did hang there for some time, finally rolled inward and dropped. I saw the hanging strings sway as the ball dropped.

Then it was someone else's turn, apparently, for everybody in the game began racing like a mad race back to the other end of the room. A fellow who had the ball slammed it against the floor, but bounced into another man's hands. And he kept beating it on the floor. When he got near the ring at the end of the room he twisted his body around and tossed the ball upward. Another player tried to help him, but only succeeded in getting in the way his hands interfering with the toss.

The referee said it was a foul. I thought that unfair, for the fellow had tried to help, in my opinion. Anyway, the ball was given to the tosser, and he stood behind a black line about five steps from the ring and made a toss. I should have thought it would have been easier if he had stood nearer to the ring.

A puzzling feature was that the crowd, which had been smiling when I arrived, seemed to derive little pleasure from the exhibition. Everyone was looking strained. They all kept yelling madly. Their faces became red and their eyes excited. I found it fascinating but still puzzling.

Suddenly a whistle blew, and everybody stopped running and walked to the sides of the room. I thought they had stopped for tea, but they only conversed for a few minutes and then walked back into the middle of the floor. Then everybody started running again.

After about half an hour a buzzer sounded. All of the players stopped running and walked off the floor. I started to leave, thinking it was the end of the game, but others assured me it was half time. Then it was explained that this meant the game was only half over. I was puzzled.

Things went the same way all through the remainder of the game. People kept running about, I never saw anyone succeed in making the ball stay atop the ring. But they said the score was 68 to 59. I assume they counted the seconds during which the ball hung on the ring. Am I right?

Algeron Q. (for Quizzical) Boddy

## Six Teams Enter Playoffs Of Girls Basketball Loop

Cascades And Workettes With 8-1 Records Tie For League Lead; Bell Aires, Losers, Res Ames, Auquetts Complete Playoff Competition

By Evelyn Hannon

The Cascades, Workettes, Losers, Bell Aires, Res Ames and Auquetts won last Thursday night to force a six team playoff for the championship. The first round was to be played last night.

The Workettes and Cascades tied for first place winning themselves a bye for the first round.

Rose Schreiber paced the Workettes to their ninth win of the season. The Workettes downed the Losers 21-12 while Schreiber hit for 17 points. The first score came after four minutes of play had elapsed. The Workettes then scored three in a row. Schreiber countered for the Losers with a goal.

By half time the Workettes were out in front 11-3. The Cascades tied the Workettes at four and four. The Workettes outscored their opponents 8-5. A last minute surge by the Workettes won the final period but Workettes guards, Barbara Bennett, Jo Ann Haster, and Mary Terrell halted the effort.

Schaeffer was high scorer for the Losers with six. Steffenen and four and four. For the Workettes, Schreiber had 17 and Neuschwander had four.

The second period of the game was a close one. The Cascades led the Bell Aires 22-15. The game was tight through the first half. Near the end of the second period, the Cascades scored ahead to leave a half time score of 7-5.

The turning point of the game occurred in the third quarter. For the Bell Aires were held to one basket while the Auquetts collected nine points.

High goal for the Auquetts was Peggy McNish with 10 points. Carol Miller had eight and Marie Pellegrino had four. For the Bell Aires, Milgare and McGraw were tied for scoring honors with four apiece.

The Bell Aires smothered the Ten

Years 21-12, knocking the Ten Years out of the playoff run. From the opening whistle, the Bell Aires were too much to overcome. The game was too much to overcome.

Scoring was so evenly divided that Ten Year guards didn't know where to look. The 7-2 lead at the end of the first period jumped to 12-5 by half time and the Bell Aires were well on their way.

Kathy Finn was top gal for the Bell Aires with six, but close behind were Kay Edwards and Sue Schaeffer with five and four respectively. Bourhill was high scorer for the Ten Years with four.

The Res Ames and the Auquetts advanced into the playoffs easily. Speed Demons forfeited to the Res Ames, and the Auquetts forfeited to the Cascades.

**Final Team Standings**

Team	W.	L.
Workettes	8	1
Cascades	8	1
Bell Aires	7	2
Losers	6	3
Auquetts	4	4
Res Ames	4	5
Ten Years	3	6
Battling Belles	2	6
Andre Melba	0	7
Speed Demons	0	9

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## INDOOR BICYCLE RACES BEGIN AT HERE TOMORROW

Rec Department Activity Accomplished By Use Of Ed Littig Bike Rollers

The Recreation Department will start its indoor bicycle racing season tomorrow, at the Municipal Stadium at 1:30 p. m. as the Belleville Bicycle Club opens the 1936 season.

Indoor racing on bicycles is accomplished by using the Ed Littig bike rollers which are donated to the Bike Club by Ed Littig. With the Littig rollers, two riders can race on their bikes with their progress indicated by two arrows on a dial. As a rider's arrow makes one complete revolution it shows that the bike has been pedaled 1/10 of a mile.

Many of the boys in the Bike Club have pedaled the rollers at distances of over 50 m.p.h. with some of the older boys actually making over 60 m.p.h.

The 1936 roller series is open to all boys in Belleville. Those who haven't ridden before will be given training and practice. The series will actually be a four week tournament with points being won each week and winners at the end of the series.

First place winners in each age group will receive handsome trophies and the other place winners will be awarded medals. These awards will be made by Commissioner Elmer S. Hyde at the annual Recreation Department "Night of Champions".

The Comets, rapidly improving, lost to the Drifters in the first seconds of their fray, two weeks ago, and then really hit a stroke of bad luck last week.

The Comets with speed in their eyes, ran up a quick seven point lead against the Tomatoes. The lead was whittled away though, and after the first half it was a see-saw battle.

The victory seemed to belong to the Comets when they held a two point lead with four seconds to go. But the Tomatoes, who had the ball out of bounds in enemy territory, gave it to Seep who promptly tied it up with a running shot. The overtime saw the Comets held scoreless while their opponents added up four markers.

The league is run in rounds of seven games. The first round ended with the King A. C. one-half game ahead of the Drifters. The second round finds the Drifters and the King A. C. tied for the lead, and the Tomatoes one game behind them. The first leaders meet tomorrow, in what should be a beauty.

If the King A. C. loses, the Drifters will have an odds-on chance of taking the second round. The Tomatoes are the only obstacle in the King A. C.'s path, and they're out to revenge their upset loss.

Custodians and maintenance men of the Board of Education held their election at the same time and picked Marotti as their chairman; Elmer Evans, vice-chairman; Joseph Barrett, secretary; Robert Fredericks, treasurer; John Gione, sergeant-at-arms; and delegates Robert Mayers, and Harry Murphy.

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## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The American National Red Cross stands ready to supply victims of disaster with needed food, clothing, shelter, and medical and nursing care during the early hours after disaster strikes and, in the following days, rehabilitation to help themselves back to normal living; and

WHEREAS, The nearly three and one half million men now in the armed forces and veterans and their families, urgently require the stipend and services of the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, Life-giving blood is needed for a mother in childbirth, and an injured workman and is made available through the Red Cross Blood Program; and

WHEREAS, Countless thousands of Americans must be trained in first aid, home nursing, and as nurses and skill through knowledge and facilities of the American Red Cross to meet the nation's needs for civil defense;

THEREFORE, I, Isadore J. Padula, mayor of the town of Belleville, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim the month of March as Red Cross Month and now urge all citizens to answer the call and support without reservation the 1936 Red Cross Fund with generous contributions made through their local Red Cross chapters; and

I further urge that all men and women of good will remember that the work of this great humanitarian organization is carried out by a million and a half volunteers whose time and skills make it possible for the symbol of man's humanity to man to remain as a guide to all who turn to it in time of need.

Dated: February 28, 1936.

Isadore J. Padula  
Mayor

## Junior Recreation Cage League In Tight Race As King A.C. Top Loop

The Junior Recreation Basketball League has developed into one of the tightest races in years. The league has a tremendous balance, and consequently overtimes or one point decisions are not unusual.

The King A. C., who topped the league last year, are at the top of the heap once again. They have dropped only one fray this year, that to the third place Tomatoes.

The leaders are only one half game in front of the Drifters, who they also beat this week. The Drifters constitute the biggest team in the loop, even though they lost six feet two Harry Burbank. The runner-up also have lost but one game, but they are one behind in the victory column. Their only loss came at the hands of the King A. C.

The Tomatoes, third in the race, have an outside chance to catch the leaders. Their record stands at seven, and three, with two of their losses coming to the King A. C. and the Drifters. The Tomatoes have a big man averaging around twelve points a game. With the absence of Burbank, the Tomatoes have the biggest man in the loop, Bob Spatz.

The Vikings, Comets, Experts, Freshmen, and Wesley comprise the rest of the league. With the exception of the Freshmen and Wesley, the smallest team in the loop, none of them are push-overs.

The Experts, took the King A. C. into an overtime, before they succumbed to the league leaders. At that, the final difference was only one point — a foul sunk by Gerry Dominick.

The Comets, rapidly improving, lost to the Drifters in the first seconds of their fray, two weeks ago, and then really hit a stroke of bad luck last week.

The Comets with speed in their eyes, ran up a quick seven point lead against the Tomatoes. The lead was whittled away though, and after the first half it was a see-saw battle.

The victory seemed to belong to the Comets when they held a two point lead with four seconds to go. But the Tomatoes, who had the ball out of bounds in enemy territory, gave it to Seep who promptly tied it up with a running shot. The overtime saw the Comets held scoreless while their opponents added up four markers.

The league is run in rounds of seven games. The first round ended with the King A. C. one-half game ahead of the Drifters. The second round finds the Drifters and the King A. C. tied for the lead, and the Tomatoes one game behind them. The first leaders meet tomorrow, in what should be a beauty.

If the King A. C. loses, the Drifters will have an odds-on chance of taking the second round. The Tomatoes are the only obstacle in the King A. C.'s path, and they're out to revenge their upset loss.

Custodians and maintenance men of the Board of Education held their election at the same time and picked Marotti as their chairman; Elmer Evans, vice-chairman; Joseph Barrett, secretary; Robert Fredericks, treasurer; John Gione, sergeant-at-arms; and delegates Robert Mayers, and Harry Murphy.

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WHEREAS, The nearly three and one half million men now in the armed forces and veterans and their families, urgently require the stipend and services of the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, Life-giving blood is needed for a mother in childbirth, and an injured workman and is made available through the Red Cross Blood Program; and

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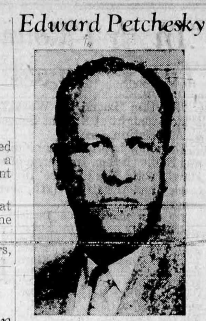
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by Larry Remes, James Elting, and Bill Ellis

We have now arrived at a definite date for the "Stay-at-Home Day" — Sunday afternoon, April 15. As we mentioned last week, the Little Leaguers themselves will go from door to door to collect for the campaign.

The boys will be decked out in full baseball regalia, with the National League canvassing all houses north of Jerusalem Street, and the American League, all of those south of Jerusalem.

We sincerely hope that these little fellows will receive your full support.

And now a hint for the boys who will be trying out for Little League this year. The registration for the season which will be handled through the school system, will take place April 7, and 14. This means there is little more than a month left before the try-outs. So start practicing now. Remember, Mickey Mantle and Willie Mays weren't made overnight.



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