

Disappointment Felt Here As Court Team Falls Apart

BY DAVE THALER

Facing the possibility of slipping to the 500th place for the first time this season, Belleville's basketball team takes on the Indiana Pacers tonight, Friday, on the Belleville court.

The Belboys, who started the season by winning their first two games, have lost two in a row for a 2-2 record record. After dropping a thriller to Clifton a week ago, they were routed in West Orange, where they were humiliated by a 47-41 score Friday night.

Although the difference of 16 points would indicate an easy time for the Cowboys, Belleville put up a better fight than they had. The Belboys played a good brand of basketball for three quarters; then they faded.

Throughout the first half, the two teams exchanged the lead constantly. It was only in the third quarter that the Belboys separated the two teams for most of the first two periods. The Belboys were getting most of their points from under their offensive boards, where Don Klein and Ed McKeena were doing tremendous rebounding job.

Between those two, Belleville grabbed its offensive rebounds in the first half. During the second part of the game they secured two rebounds.

As a result of their aggressive, steady and solid defense, the Blue Devils were able to walk off the floor with a two-point edge at the halftime intermission.

When the team came back on the floor, things were different. West Orange, which had been leading by 10 points, was now down by 10 points.

But the fourth period was one of the most exciting of the season. The Belboys had a team effort.

They had a team effort apart from the fact that they were down by 10 points in the period. Belleville did not score from the floor in five minutes but kept the game close. The Belboys couldn't even get a decent shot.

Once it missed a shot, West Orange cleared the boards. The Cowboys scored, got a shot, and then they missed. They grabbed the rebound and started over again.

Belleville was a completely helpless. The capacity crowd was a stampede at the way a team which had led the game for most of the contest could make such an about-face. But, amazing as it may seem, Belleville did win in a week, had folded in the final stages of a game.

Tommy Belleville will face opposition of a quality slightly lower than West Orange, but the Belboys are depressed, and Passaic could walk off with its first victory in three years.

It is felt that unless Coach John Westlake can find a few players on his bench who can hold their own, Belleville needs depth. If it hasn't, it's 20-20 to be a very disappointing season.

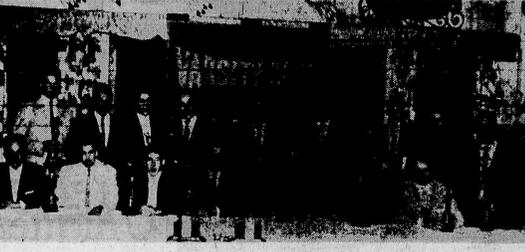
SNOW-BALL DANCE
The Beta Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Mu of Seton Hall University will hold its annual snow-ball dance Saturday, Dec. 28 beginning at 9 P.M. in the Student Lounge, 31 Clinton Street, Newark.

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Varsity Club Fetes B. H. S. Grid Team



Approximately 375 people braved the bad weather conditions Thursday evening, Dec. 5, to honor Belleville High School football team at the 13th annual banquet given by the Varsity Club at the Robin Hood Inn in Clifton. A fine program was highlighted by the principal speaker, Milo Lude, fine coach at the University of Delaware. Mr. Lude, in an inspirational talk directed to the boys on the team, spoke on the good traits and qualities developed by athletes playing football. The members of the squad and guests were welcomed by Al Iacullo, club president, who then turned the program over to Joe Grosch. Father John Gilchrist delivered the invocation. Sandy Philipps, head coach at Nutley High School, was present at the head table. Climax of the evening was the awarding of football status to the seniors on the team by Eddie Berlinski, Belleville head coach. Pictured in the photo above are, from left to right, seated — Lon Long, Dave Schoner, Hugh Clark, Gene Pinadella, Pat McCabe, Bill Bartell, Ed Szep; standing — Bob McDelfe, Joe Resciniti, Frank D'Angelo, Doug Augenbach, Coach Ed Berlinski, Gene Barra, James Amey, Ed Anderson, John Vitelli, Tony Passarelli.

Farm League Had Its Best Season In 1957

Belleville Farm League has completed its fifth successful baseball season for boys from eight through 12 years of age. The league, according to its secretary, Ross Fulmore, was organized in the Spring of 1953.

The first year the league was composed of four teams with one player, a supervisor and two assistants. The league has come a long way since then. In 1957 there were 16 teams, with 18 players assigned to each team. Thus 288 boys were provided with an opportunity to play supervised baseball.

Each team had its own manager, coaches, scorekeeper. Two umpires officiated at the 115 official games played at the Municipal Stadium on two regulation Little League-type diamonds. The season extended from May 27 to August 2. The past season was the league's most successful, said Mr. Fulmore, in submitting this review.

The league has been supervised by Ralph J. Baker since it was organized. The success of the 1957 season was result of the effort of the men who managed and coached the teams. These men gave voluntarily of their time and night, from April to August, to provide the training for the 288 boys so that the youngsters would have a good, wholesome type of recreation and learn the true meaning of sportsmanship, said Mr. Fulmore.

This training was an important factor in preparing the boys to become better citizens in the years to come. Men to whom the citizens of Belleville owe a debt of thanks are: Ralph J. Baker, Ed Jones, Nick Grando, Al Taylor, Archie Alick, Mario Risimati, A. Iacolino, Rio Brignola, Vincent Grasso, Ross Fulmore, Steve Anderson, Ross Fulmore, James Ward, Philip Heicy, Frank Berg, Bill Steinh, Sam Gray.

Farm League Winter Training Is Arranged

Belleville Recreation Dept. Farm League managers have completed plans for the 1958 baseball season. Starting in January and continuing through April, the prospective players will attend a winter training program on the second and fourth Friday nights in each month. The sessions will take place at School Seven from 7 to 8:30 P.M.

The program will consist of motion pictures and slides demonstrating the art and science of baseball. Shown will be the proper methods of fielding, throwing, hitting, pitching, catching, sliding, base running, base sliding. Official rules of Little League baseball will be explained. The training program is open to all boy living in Belleville whose ages are from eight to 12, both inclusive. Boys who will reach their 13th birthday before July 31 next are excluded. In order to become a member of a Farm League team, a boy must file a completed application signed by his parents and bearing the consent of the parents. Applications are available from school teachers or at the Recreation Dept. office at 407 Joralemon Street.

Boys who attend the Winter clinic and Spring outdoor training period and show an aptitude for playing baseball will be given preference when teams are made up. The league is composed of 16 teams of 18 boys each. The clinic meetings will be supervised by the team managers. Applications for joining are invited to contact Ralph J. Baker, league supervisor, 39 Rossmore Place, phone ELYmouth 9-2388.

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Christmas, 1957
To all of you from all of us, good tidings of great joy.
December dreariness was dispelled by joy. And what a change for all mankind! This angelic message came to a troubled world, not unlike our own today.
In areas near the City of David and far away from the field of the shepherds there must come a renewed interest in and a greater observation of the fact that the good tidings of great joy in the birth of Jesus are to all people . . . regardless of race, color, or national origin. The dignity of the individual must not be lost today in just another contest for power and world domination.
The message of Christmas is ever new . . . and its hope of greater joy gains in strength through the years. Let each of us resolve to contribute in an individual way to greater peace on earth, good will to ward men.
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See Them ALL At N

Miss Joan Nickario Is Wed To Walter Housenick In Newark Church Saturday

St. Peter's R. C. Church, Newark, was the setting Saturday afternoon, Dec. 21 for the marriage of Miss Joan Nickario, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nickario, of 28 Graham Street and Walter Housenick, of 433 Cliff Avenue, Newark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Allan of Vero Beach, Florida. The Rev. Lewis Kaufman performed the double ring ceremony. A reception followed at the Lillian Ferrent Hall, for 100 guests.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of tulle over white satin. It had a tight bodice of chantilly lace trimmed with seeded pearls and had a chapel train. Her headpiece was of chantilly lace trimmed with seeded pearls with a sheer tulle fingertip-length veil attached to it. She carried a cascade of white roses and a baby bride.

Miss Doris Nickario, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Another sister, Miss Joan Nickario, was junior bridesmaid. They wore floor-length gowns of sheer tulle with matching accessories. They carried cascades of yellow roses.

Robert Thomas, Newark, a cousin of the bridegroom, was the best man. Allen Weinstein and John Carwin of Newark were the ushers.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Nickario chose a ballroom-length gown of shimmer lace over crystalatelle. She wore matching accessories and an orchid. The bridegroom's mother selected a gown of powder blue lace in ballroom-length with matching accessories. She also wore an orchid.

Mrs. Housenick is a graduate of Central High School, Newark, and is a senior at Montclair State Teacher's College. Her husband is a graduate of Wesleyan High School, Newark and is attending Jersey Prep. He will enroll in the Spring at Montclair State. A veteran of four years in the U.S. Marine Corps, Mr. Housenick is employed with the Modern Metalizing Co., Newark.

Upon their return from a honeymoon trip to Washington, D. C., the couple will reside at 44 Berkeley Avenue, Forest Hill Section, Newark.

Joseph Watters Engaged To Miss Hoffman



MISS MARY JANE HOFFMAN

Mr. and Mrs. John Teresa, of 110 Woodruff Avenue, Berkeley Heights, N. J., formerly of Belleville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mary Jane Hoffman to Joseph F. Watters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Watters, of 202 Union Avenue.

Miss Hoffman is a graduate of Lacombs School, Montclair and attends Mountaintop College, Tarrytown, N.Y. where she is in her senior year. She is a member of the Glee Club and president of the Mission Club. Her fiancé is a graduate of St. Benedict's preparatory School and is a senior at St. Peter's College, Jersey City.

Upon his graduation in June, 1958, Mr. Watters will be commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve.

Cancer Unit Needs Material For Dressings

The American Cancer Society Unit of the Woman's Club of Belleville again appeals for white goods to be used in making dressings for cancer patients. Miss Esther Adams, of 34 Rossmore Place, chairman of the Club's dressing unit, stated that the need for white clove material is great because more than 5000 dressings a year are made by a group of six women workers who work in the unit from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. at the Woman's Club, 51 Rossmore Place.

The white materials needed for the bed pad dressings are salvageable sheets, table linens, pillow cases and nurse's shirts to be used as a covering for collection which are made into various sizes to meet the needs of cancer patients. Material should be no smaller than 17 x 20 inches, 3000 dressings have been distributed free of charge to 10 cancer patients in Belleville during the Unit's last fiscal year. Miss Adams announced.

To replenish the supply of white salvage material necessary to cope with the increasing demand by cancer patients, all citizens are urged to help by giving this material. White goods can be left at the Woman's Club at 51 Rossmore Place. For further information on the Unit which needs volunteers as well as material, Miss Adams can be contacted at 28 Rossmore Place, Belleville.

Local Man Engaged To Miss Wolbert



MISS VIRGINIA WOLBERT

Mr. and Mrs. George Wolbert, of 49 Chestnut Drive, Packanack Lakes, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Virginia Ruth Wolbert to Frank Tutuz Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tutuz Sr., of 170 Malone Avenue, Belleville.

Miss Wolbert is a graduate of Wayne High School and Berkeley School, East Orange. She attended Rider College and is a secretary with Colgate-Palmolive Co., Jersey City. Her fiancé is an alumnus of Belleville High School and attended Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa. He is serving in the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Dix, N. J.

Troth Announced Frank Caszar, Jr. Miss DiRuggiero

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DiRuggiero, of 324 Jerusalem Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Angela DiRuggiero to Frank Caszar Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caszar, of 13 Essex Street.

The couple are graduates of Belleville High School. Miss DiRuggiero attended the Berkeley School, East Orange and is a secretary with Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., Nutley.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY AIDS VETS IN HOSPITAL

The regular monthly meeting of Belleville Unit No. 105 of the American Legion Auxiliary was held Thursday evening, Dec. 19 at the home of Mrs. Mary Weiss, business meeting members held their annual Christmas party. Mrs. Weiss is president of the Unit.

On Monday, Dec. 9, eight of the members spent several hours at the East Orange Veterans' Hospital, assisting the veterans in wrapping Christmas gifts to be sent to their families. These gifts were donated by the American Legion and its Auxiliaries of Essex County. The women who assisted, the veterans included Mrs. Elsie Kent, Mrs. Julia Huemer, Mrs. Maude Christie, Mrs. Eliza Ackerman, Mrs. Molly Taylor, Mrs. Ethel Mahwin, Mrs. Grace Weiss and Mrs. Belle Johnson.

EMPLOYEES HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Mayor Isadore J. Padula and Mrs. Padula were hosts Monday noon, Dec. 23, at a Christmas party for the employees in the departments at Town Hall which came within the jurisdiction of the Mayor.

The men and women presented to Mayor Padula a combination birthday and Christmas gift: a handsome pair of cuff links which indicated the Mayor's birth date, Dec. 4.

He also was presented with what some thought was an over-size shoe horn and others thought was a padded back scratcher.

The later gift was given by the Mayor in the distribution of gifts among the staff members. Each one of the employees had drawn a name to determine who should be the recipient of his or her gift.

Sandwiches, cookies and coffee were served. Holiday greetings were extended to one another and the lighthearted spirit of Christmas prevailed throughout the hour or so the gathering remained in the Mayor's office.

Harry L. Fritts Married To Miss Esther Laubach In Shamokin Dam, Pa.

Miss Esther Louise Laubach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson D. Laubach, Sr., of Shamokin Dam, Pa., became the bride of Harry Larson Fritts, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Fritts, Sr., of 40 Mertz Avenue, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 23 at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Shamokin Dam, Pa. The Rev. R. L. Lutz officiated at the ceremony. A reception followed at the Dutch Pantry, Shamokin Dam.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of Chantilly lace over tulle. Her fingertip-length veil was attached to a pill box trimmed with seeded pearls. She carried a white orchid on a prayer-book with sprays of holly attached.

The bride's sister-in-law, Mrs. Emerson Laubach, Jr., was matron of honor. Her sister, Miss Ruth Ann Laubach was junior bridesmaid. They were similarly attired in full-length gowns of powder blue tulle with matching accessories. They carried white chrysanthemums with small sprays of poinsettias.

Emerson Laubach, Jr., brother of the bride, served as best man. Ushers included Clayton Leach and Carl Bogart.

Following the reception, the couple left on a honeymoon trip through Virginia. Upon their return, they will reside in Harrisburg, Pa.

Mrs. Fritts is a graduate of Selinsgrove Pa. High School and is employed by the Bell Telephone Co., Harrisburg, Pa. Her husband is a graduate of Belleville High School and National Agricultural College, Doylstown, Pa.

He is presently serving in the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Dix, N. J.

SCHOOL TWO CLUB TO PRESENT PLAY

The Dramatic Club of Montgomery School (Two) has set the date for its first presentation on Friday, January 10 in the school Auditorium. The program will include a one act comedy, "Happy Haunts", to be followed by a variety and talent hour.

Curtain time is at 7:30 P.M. and the public is invited to purchase tickets at the school or through the ticket committee.

Silvio Ammino is the moderator of the club. Among the principles in the cast are Susan Benevenuto, Myra Ceres, Patricia Kapinus, Robert Millicano, Anthony Iaculo, David Grogans, Martin Schwandt and Jim Richelofsky. Henry Minasian is principal of the school.

TAX NOTICE

Take notice that the assessment list for Belleville for the tax year 1958 may be inspected by any taxpayer to ascertain the assessments made against him or his property and to confer informally with the Assessor as to the correctness of the assessment. Such assessment list may be inspected from January 6th to January 8th, 1958 inclusive between the hours of 8:30 A. M. and 4 P. M. at the Assessor's Office, Town Hall, Belleville, New Jersey.

ARTHUR W. CLARK Assessor

John Riordan To Head Montclair College Paper

John Thomas Riordan, of 85 Bridge Street is a been elected editor-in-chief of the Montclair, Montclair State Teachers College student newspaper.

A 1955 graduate of Belleville High School, Mr. Riordan is a Junior French Major. Currently, he is president of Tau Sigma Delta fraternity and a member of Kappa Delta Phi, honorary society in education.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Riordan.

C.Y.O. Snow Ball Dance At Seton Hall Feb. 2

Essex County C.Y.O. this week announced it will hold its 11th annual snow ball dance at Seton Hall University on Feb. 1. Every amusement was made because the C.Y.O. has announced a Snow Queen contest in connection with the dance.

Coronation of the queen will be held at the dance, with Belleville, the 1957 winner, doing the honors. The winning contestant will receive gifts valued at \$100. Other entries in the contest will serve as her court attendants. The four every Christmas gifts from the C.Y.O.

Balding is used to select the queen. Youngsters who sell tickets to the dance are entitled to one vote for each ticket sold. Many of the parishes which place entries in the contest, select their representative in the same manner, parish dances, and a host of parish queens will be crowned between now and mid-January, the deadline for entering the contest.

Capt. and Mrs. Friedman Are Parents Of Girl Dec. 2

Capt. and Mrs. Sidney B. Friedman of Randolph Village, Texas, announce the birth of a daughter to their couple on Dec. 2 at Baptist Memorial Hospital, San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. Friedman is the former Miss Rita Weinstein of Belleville. Capt. Friedman is a physician at Randolph Air Force Base.

GODFREY'S HAVE SON

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Godfrey, of Washington Ave., announce the birth of a son born Dec. 18, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

CHURCHES HERE CHARTERED BY CYO

St. Peter's and St. Anthony's, both of Belleville, are among the 33 parishes chartered for the Essex County Catholic Youth Organization (C.Y.O.). Only chartered parishes are eligible to take part in the 1958 annual sponsored by the county organization.

St. Peter's charter lists a teenage group of 240 members including 113 boys. It is directed by a ten member youth committee, working with the annual work of a parish youth council headed by Marie Maloney as president and Mary Lon Walsh as secretary. Patrick McNally leads the athletic committee.

St. Anthony's lists a 130-member teen group with Peter Rossi as president and Jerry Guglielmo as vice-president. Other officers are Rita Pirose and Florio Fontano. The first two named direct the youth committee. Heading the parish youth council are Ralph Cetrulo and Celeste, Bargione.

Phillips Grohan handles cultural activities and Florence Liofante the social committee. Athletics are directed by Lillian Harrington and Libo Charles.

Zotti's Entertain Christmas Day

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Zotti, of 37 Pleasant Avenue, had as their guests for Christmas day, their daughter and family, Mrs. and Mrs. Gerry Brugnola and daughter, Marie, of Marie, of Metuchen, N.J., Miss Geraldine Zotti, Don Paladino and Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Paladino of Newark.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

William McWalters, who is a freshman at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., is home for the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McWalters, of 89 1/2 DeWitt Avenue.



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Preschool Play Group Christmas Party



Pictured above is a scene from the Christmas Party held at the Recreation House by the children of the Recreation Pre-School Play Group last Friday. The party featured refreshments and games. All of the kiddies had their stockings hung by the fireplace and found them full of candies. High spot of the event was the visit by Santa Claus, a distribution of gifts. Santa talked to each of the children, reading reports of their good deeds from a big book. In turn the children sang for Santa followed by several little solo acts. Little Susan Kellenhence did a very nice recitation that delighted Old Santa.

HOME FROM SCHOOL

Thomas Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Jones, of 149 Beech Street is spending the holidays with his parents from his studies at the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W. Va.

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A Good Feature-Growing in Popularity

Mayor Isadore J. Padula erred when he called the just-completed "Citizen of the Year" feature sponsored by The Times-News with the co-operation of three civic-minded local organizations a "popularity contest."

The feature was not intended, this year, to be a popularity contest. Repeated mention was made in the stories leading up to the choice of the "Citizen" that the number of votes cast for any one candidate would be a factor in choosing a winner but that it would not be decisive.

The purpose of this rule was to leave the judges free to choose from among the nominees on the basis of merit — regardless of how many votes any one name received. In this way only could the contest be kept free from the glaring evil of a popularity contest — the all-too-simple gathering up of nomination blanks and, as it is called, "stuffing the ballot box."

From the very first article it was emphasized that elected office-holders were every bit as eligible for selection as the "Citizen of the Year" as were other civic-minded persons. Thus, Mayor Padula was a legitimate nominee.

It is conceivable that an elected official may be civic-minded beyond the call of duty and that he or she might accomplish something for our town which might not be included in the general conception of the discharge of the responsibilities of his or her office.

We hope that in future greater stress will be placed on the two phases of the contest referred to here. First impressions are difficult to overcome. The feature was started last year as a popularity contest. It may take another year to break away completely from that attitude.

We should like to thank the co-operating organizations for their invaluable aid and the people of Belleville for their response. We visualize the day when this project will be one of the outstanding civic undertakings of the year in Belleville.

Belleville Kiwanis Club, through its president, Commissioner Kenneth D. Smith; Belleville Lions Club, through its president, William Frye, and Belleville Chamber of Commerce, through its secretary, Edward Littig, were of great assistance in supervising the contest from its start and in choosing the "Citizen," and the Honorable Mentions.

We hope the decisions of the judges meet with the approval of the residents and of the nominees. We trust that next year's effort will be an even greater success.

Is Belleville Badly Off?

From time to time in speeches and letters to the editor, citizens of the community have lamented the dire straits of the hard-pressed (speaking from a tax standpoint) homeowner of Belleville. One voluble resident has used the term "bleed-white" in describing the status of the local residential taxpayer here.

It is the situation really that bad in this town?

Here are a few facts which might have a bearing on one's thinking in this direction: The tax rate this year — 1957 — is \$6.83 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

In 1947 the rate was \$4.91 — indicating an increase since ten years ago of \$1.92; not a staggering figure for such a long period characterized by mounting costs in every field.

The 1957 rate is substantially lower than the rates of 1956 (7.81) and 1955 (7.02). Not often do tax rates drop, once they have started on the way up.

There are 15 municipalities in Essex County with higher 1957 rates than Belleville's 6.83. Elsewhere in the county and in neighboring Bergen County, \$7, \$8 and even \$9 rates are not uncommon.

In a recent speech, Mayor Isadore J. Padula gave as the municipality's total debt the figure \$1,107,000. To obtain a true picture, one must add to this the bonded indebtedness of the school district. The Mayor also gave another illuminating figure: the assessed valuation of Belleville, he said, is \$149,000,000.

From the premise provided by these figures one might argue that, in these days of increasing school costs, increasing costs of all types of services and supplies, Belleville's taxpayers are not unduly hard-pressed.

We agree with those who claim that in New Jersey too great a portion of the tax burden rests on the homeowner, that there should be a broadening of the tax base. This is so well recognized that ways and means of spreading the tax load is the top topic of

discussion and investigation in this state today.

A revealing study for someone to undertake, we think, would be an investigation of the effect on homeowning taxpayers in Belleville were the tax revenue derived from industry and business property to be curtailed or eliminated.

Planning Board Comes Closer

A Planning Board could become a reality in Belleville in a matter of weeks.

Mayor Isadore J. Padula, keeping a pledge he has made on several occasions in recent months, presented to his colleagues Monday evening an ordinance creating such a body.

Unfortunately, copies of the proposed ordinance were not distributed to the Commissioners in sufficient time to allow for careful reading and digest of the measure. Accordingly, it was decided to postpone action until all members of the Board were familiar with its contents.

A striking feature of the ordinance is the manner in which Mayor Padula proposes to make the appointments of members. We direct your attention to his intended procedure as outlined in the report of this week's Board of Commissioners meeting on page one.

As the Mayor put it, his plan should be a final answer to the charge that a Planning Board would be nothing more than a political machine for the Mayor. It also is a resounding answer to the charge that the Mayor refuses to recognize the existence of or co-operate with civic organizations.

We hope the ordinance is adopted as drafted. Belleville, as we have been saying for months and others have been saying much longer, needs a Planning Board. It will do the town considerable good. It will not, as one opponent of Planning Boards has said, get the town into such a state that those who created it will "ruin the day."

There is nothing menacing about a Planning Board. The hundreds of New Jersey communities that have them have found this out. Belleville will find it out, too. We do not hesitate to prophesy that Belleville will, in the very first year of its Planning Board's existence, congratulate itself for having finally become aligned with the numerous other forward-looking and progressive municipalities in Essex County and the state.

The Quintessence of Miserliness

The Essex County Park Commission, in an inexcusable gesture of selfish disinterest, has turned down the two towns' proposal that it develop a narrow park along the Third River in Nutley and Belleville, to protect that stream against the encroachment of factories and homes, and has advanced the stupid counter-suggestion that it invest some of the many hundreds of thousands of dollars it received from the sale of the Passaic Riverbank park in some sorely needed house-keeping.

The county board proposes to clean up that sorry mess, a breeding place for mosquitos and unpleasant smells, which it calls Yantacaw lake in the county park behind Vincent Methodist church. That, in the board's opinion, would amply repay Nutley for the loss of eight acres of riverfront park worth a half million dollars.

The Town Commission should go on record in backing up Commissioner Carl Orechio, director of parks and public property, who has asked the county board to reconsider its refusal to preserve the Third River against encroachment. Nutley, alas, is without representation now on the Board of Preeholders and our voice will carry little weight in the halls of the county offices but the Town Commission, none the less, should go on record by denouncing the cruel stinginess of the Park Commission in refusing to reinvest any part of its landfill in new recreation areas here. And at the same time, the Town Commission should go on record by denouncing the Park Commission's sorry neglect of its housekeeping duties.

The pond in Yantacaw park, since ten years, has been in need of a purge. Overrun with weeds, it is an eye-sore and, in the vernacular, it stinks. It is too muddy for swimming; in winter, when ice could form for skating, the pond is drained. For its full length through the county park, the stream is filled with debris, stranded egg crates, branches of trees, oil drums, battered cans and assorted fluff. The contrast between the foul condition of the stream in the county park and the spic-and-span condition in Memorial and Booth parks, on either side of the county park, points up the disgraceful housekeeping methods of the county park board.

Since the county has refused to do it, the town should consider buying the few acres of land needed to protect the Third River and keep it open. The town already owns most of the land needed. Once the land is sold to industrialists or builders, it will be too late to buy it back. We should own the riverfront from the Belleville line to Kingsland road and we now miss only a few hundred feet at the southern end.

One Man's Opinion

Only Real Success In Dulles' Trip Abroad Was His Renewal With Franco Of His Pledge Of Hispano-American Mutual Aid Against Reds

By Ralph Eric Heinzen

Gild the lily any way you want to, last week's NATO conference in Paris was a disastrous defeat for the United States.

We lost our missile bases in Germany and found none of our other West European allies happy to trade their own safety against counter-attack for the dubious honor of receiving American missiles for their own forces.

We saw our hands forged by our allies who over-rode Secretary John Foster Dulles' instinctive hostility to any new conversations with a Soviet Union on disarmament and made us agree to seek a new meeting of the minds, at the foreign ministers' level, with the Soviet Union.

That Khrushchev immediately announced that he was not interested in talks at such a level and would agree only to a "summit" meeting to talk about disarmament, took the sting out of our defeat in Paris. Since Khrushchev wants to talk only with Eisenhower, there is very little likelihood of the talks taking place.

That the House of Commons, in London, voted support for the Macmillan government's stand alongside the United States is of little account. The vote was only 251 to 251, such a tight squeak that the opposition called for the cabinet to resign. It is not on such flimsy grounds that NATO can be strengthened and even though we retain our missile bases in England, we may find ourselves tossed out any day.

That is why, in this "One Man's Opinion," the outstanding accomplishment of Mr. Dulles' tour in Europe was not attained in Paris but in that capital to the south, Madrid.

It is our opinion that as long as we continue to hold our bases in Spain and as long as Generalissimo Franco works with us, we can lose our bases in France, in the lowlands and even in Germany and yet possess our missile bases which make Khrushchev hesitate before embarking on any hostile acts.

Spain is within striking distance of Russia's oil resources and all her western provinces. Whether we have an intercontinental missile or not, we can flank Russia and her bases in various ways from our bases in Spain. Of one thing we are certain — Franco was victorious and Communist heads in various ways from our bases in Spain. Of one thing we are certain — Franco was victorious and Communist heads in various ways from our bases in Spain.

France Whipped Moscow Franco fought and whipped the Communists and the so-called "International Brigades" which Soviet Russia recruited and armed, in 1937-38, and put into the Spanish Civil War against him.

I saw that happen as United Press war correspondent with Franco's armies in Spain in 1938.

I saw those International Brigades, with their red flags, beaten on the battlefields of Catalonia and I saw them retreat in a disorganized rout and seek safety by throwing down their guns and running back to the Pyrenean frontier from Figueras, in Spain, to Perpignan, in France.

I saw the French Popular Front government, even though very leftwing in its policies and very hostile to Franco, round up the Communist brigades and pen them behind barbed wire in camps on the shores of the Mediterranean near Perpignan.

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3. A nonaggression pact to be concluded between the NATO powers and the Warsaw Pact powers.

4. A United States-Soviet pledge not to "infringe the independence of the countries of the Middle East" and "to renounce the use of force" in the solution of problems of that area.

5. A United States-Soviet treaty of friendship and peaceful cooperation.

6. A United States-Soviet agreement for exchanges in the scientific, cultural, and sports fields to the "maximum."

Of the six topics Bulganin wants to discuss personally with Eisenhower directly through the NATO and Warsaw Pact powers, and three are to be purely bilateral.

Presumably Bulganin can speak for all the Warsaw Pact powers and he assumed that Eisenhower can in turn speak for Britain and in the name of the NATO countries. But what he can do for Moscow's satellites, Eisenhower cannot do for their allies.

Machinery Available

The first suggestion of an agreement to ban the use of nuclear weapons, along with a ban on testing nuclear weapons — is a subject that has been hashed over for months in the United Nations Disarmament Committee.

The United States position in these matters, therefore, would be worthless unless directly tied to a means of checking compliance.

The Soviets still refuse to permit any body or group to check what they promise to do. If they are now ready to accept an inspection system to check on compliance, they can do so in the UN committee. It does not take a meeting with Eisenhower.

As for scientific, cultural, and sports exchanges, there are diplomatic talks in the works on these matters. There have been half a dozen meetings this fall between United States Ambassador Zarkin and Soviet Ambassador Gromyko, Secretary of State, William B. Lacy.

They are making progress but the Soviets are trying to limit freedom of exchange to individuals. The United States is trying to get an exchange of radio, TV, and news programs as well.

The Soviets still want to jam the Voice of America, and censor ideas as against individuals. The United States is arguing for free interchange of ideas as well as individuals. So this matter is proceeding, but without benefit or need of "summit" talks.

The Soviet plea for a Russo-American pact to keep hands off the Middle East is one of those high-sounding proposals that is as phony as a three-dollar bill.

What is the value of a Soviet promise to "renounce the use of force" in settling international problems? The light of Hungary; and what is the value of a Soviet promise not to "infringe the independence" of a country when one sees the plight of Moscow's satellites?

The same thing can be said about the request for a "treaty of friendship and peaceful cooperation." Such a treaty would be meaningless by itself; in fact it could be worse than meaningless, it could be dangerous, deceptive, soporific.

That brings us down to what seems to be the core of Bulganin's interest: Central Europe and NATO. He wants a nuclear arrangement between NATO and Warsaw. Which brings us back to the American contention that there are plenty of existing channels for discussing anything the Soviets want — if they want serious discussion.

The proper forum for such talks is not a Soviet-American summit meeting, but East-West negotiations between NATO and Warsaw. Which brings us back to the American contention that there are plenty of existing channels for discussing anything the Soviets want — if they want serious discussion.

REV. DECKENBACH

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and other details will be announced in The Times-News as soon as the committee has determined its plan.

The following NEW names were entered in the contest (and taken into consideration when the judges made a final decision) since the issue of Dec. 20 was published:

THE REV. ALBERT WICKENS — "Spends a lot of free time and his own money on the children of Belleville."

BOYSTOWN

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entered the room, he was greeted with a standing ovation and the singing of "Happy Birthday to You" — that very day being his birthday. Father Egan, director of Boystown, was responsible for the presence of the boys from across the river.

Presented to the assemblage, Father Egan told how much he and the boys appreciated what the people of Belleville, through The Kenneth D. Smith Association, were doing for them. He spoke of the results of the work at Boystown, mentioning boys who have come on to college, and told his audience that he was proud of his charges and that the people should derive satisfaction from working for such "a grand crowd of boys."

Turning to Commissioner Smith, Father Egan extended the thanks of the boys for their "a grand crowd of boys."

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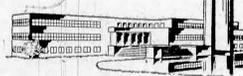
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Letters To The Editor

COMES TO DEFENSE OF POLICE DEPT. Editor, The Times-News: With reference to the letter to the editor published Dec. 6, I am surprised to hear that we have had no response from the police only twice in a life time. In his case, he says that he has been contacted by the police. This is not the case with me. I need them every hour of every day. I have been contacted by the police only twice in a life time and I am out of town.

GIVES BUSINESS MAN'S POINT OF VIEW. Editor, The Times-News: In answer to Mr. Golden's letter, I must come to the fore on behalf of the so-called handful of merchants in the Town of Belleville. Most of the merchants are a little hesitant about putting any more of their money into a losing business. Perhaps I may suffer in this manner but I must make it clear that 40% of my business comes from out-of-town known that a problem in the area of parking space in this area.

Just today I had two elderly people (70 years old) who had parked their car near Wesley Methodist Church in order to reach my place to buy some hearing aid batteries and have their glasses adjusted, and to make some purchases in a store near the area.

They complained, but said they have lived in Belleville more than 50 years and believed in the slogan "I'm from Belleville and I'm proud of it." -Nutley, Bloomfield, Montclair -All have municipal parking spaces and these towns have not had a parking problem much further than has Belleville.

Why must the merchants of Belleville be penalized by being asked to give up their lot, as Mr. Golden suggests? I have lived in Belleville 30 years and I believe Nutley and Bloomfield have progressed much more than my hometown. I think it is about time we do something about it in your town.

WILLIAM C. SMITH 140 Washington Ave. Belleville, Dec. 4, 1957. CITIZENS TAX COUNCIL LEADER REPLIES TO EDITORIAL. Editor, The Times-News: You state in your editorial in the Dec. 13 issue of The Times-News that you believe I am in some of my comment in my letter to the editor in the same issue.

MAKES SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING BUSINESS CONDITIONS. Editor, The Times-News: My letter pertains to the so-called "Dying Look" of Washington Avenue which has been a major parking area for many years. It is amusing to note various comments and solutions which have been offered to cure this supposed dilemma.

As a resident and taxpayer of this town, I feel that this problem requires a parking area, but regarding the expense involved. The construction of a parking lot. The questions below deserve an answer: 1. Where will the money come from to re-develop this area?

1. Where will the money come from to re-develop this area? 2. How can the parking area be built at taxpayer expense solely for the benefit of a hired engineer, force laborers in this area to improve their property? 3. How can we be practical in our zoning laws that we are considering spending hard-earned taxpayers' dollars for the benefit of a hired engineer, force laborers and landlords in this community?

1. All merchants and business men in this area should strive to have a parking lot. 2. Appoint a citizens committee to study the problem and make recommendations. 3. Seek the advice of interested real estate brokers in Belleville. 4. Adopt a flexible zoning ordinance by the Department of Public Safety.

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ness places or offices in the area from Academy Street to Howard Place along Washington Avenue.

This involves four blocks and very nearly to guarantee that business people, as compared to Mr. Golden's "handful of merchants" in Belleville that is the only area in Belleville that is not directly in front of the store in which you intend to shop, you should have to walk the other half a block to your destination.

Mr. Golden seems to feel that it is not fair to ask the merchants, who apparently are not taxpayers in Mr. Golden's view, to give up their lot, as Mr. Golden suggests?

At no time did I or the Citizens Tax Council suggest or advocate a "dying look" in Belleville. We know that a change for the better cannot be made until the Commission on Planning Board and then turn the names of the citizens of Belleville.

The Citizens Tax Council agrees with the Mayor and the Mayor's Editor. The time for talking is past. Let us all put our shoulders to the wheel and begin to accomplish something. But let's do it in the democratic way.

What is wrong with "chain-store outfits"? Their presence in Belleville has not strangled progressive competitive local stores to any great degree. Chain stores have the same overhead, the same sales and the same rentable space as their neighboring locally-owned and operated business.

"Out-of-towners" are perhaps the most serious threat to our business people. Possibly these store owners and business people live in communities other than Belleville for purely personal reasons, not wanting an acre of ground around their house so the kids could play in the yard.

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