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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Extend Immunization Program



OUCH, IT DIDN'T HURT--- WELL MAYBE JUST A LITTLE: Linda Schroth of 27 Culver Court, Old Bridge receives Small Pox immunization administered by Dr. Allan Weinstein at Small Pox Immunization Program held at the Municipal Building on Route 9, Sunday. Program has been

extended one more day, Saturday, October 5 between the hours of 2 and 3 p.m. Joseph G. Hoff, president of the Madison Township Board of Health (seated) prepares necessary information while Mayor John Keating looks on.

Joseph G. Hoff president of the Madison Township Board of Health announced that the Small Pox Immunization program held on Sunday at the municipal building was highly successful. Over 750 small pox vaccinations were administered by Dr. Allan S. Weinstein and his staff.

Due to the inclement weather

many residents were not able to take advantage of the free small pox immunization program, the program has been extended for one more day on Saturday, October 5th between the hours of 2 and 3 p.m. There is no charge for this immunization and all persons over two years old are eligible.

According to Board of Health president, Joseph G. Hoff it has been determined that on the completion of the program, 20% of the population will have received immunizations through the Board of Health program and that Madison Township on a percentage basis has provided more immunization for the community than any other municipality in the State of New Jersey.

Hoff again warned of the dangers of small pox, stating "it takes no separation of sex nor of age, it will strike out at male or female, youngster or oldster.

Plans For "Fire Prevention Week"

Chief William VanderHoef, of the South Old Bridge Fire Department, announced the Department's plans for Fire Prevention Week.

Tuesday evening, Oct. 8th, from 7 to 9 the departments fire equipment will be displayed by the members of Engine Co. #1 in the A & P parking lot in Old Bridge.

On Wednesday night, Oct. 9th, the firemen of Engine Co. #2 will demonstrate the firefighting equipment at the Browntown Shop-

Meeting Held

The first meeting of the Willis P.T.A. was held on Wednesday, October 2 at the Willis School on Matawan Road in Old Bridge.

The guest speaker was Mr. Patrick Torre, Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Madison Township.

Safety Hunter Course

The second hunter safety course of this year will be given at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, Oct. 5 in the court room of the Madison Township Municipal Building, Route 9, Old Bridge.

Instructor S/O Bernard T. Cohan of the Madison Twp. Police Dept. will give the course with the assistance of Al. Anslinger and James Stanberry.

All persons between the ages of 14 and 21 yrs. who have not taken the course must do so in order to get an initial hunting license. The instructors ask that NO WEAPONS be brought at this time. All parents are urged to attend.

Officers Elected

Election of officers was held by the Laurence Harbor Community Church Youth Fellowship at a recent meeting.

Elected for the 1963-64 term were Joanne Galloway, president; Carol Nesenkar, vice president; Jacqueline Weeks secretary and Allan Di Base, treasurer.

The group will sponsor a car wash and cake sale at Laurence Harbor Community Church on Saturday, October 12.

Adult advisor for the group is Mr. Percy Tucker.

Fall Conference Set

The Fifth District of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs has completed plans for their annual Fall Conference. The Conference will be held on Monday, October 28, 1963 at the Magnolia Inn, Route 79, Matawan, with registration at 10:00 A.M.

No Rate Increase

Board of Health President Joseph Hoff announced receipt of official communication from Public Utilities Commission advising all parties that there will definitely not be a rate increase granted to the Laurence Harbor Water Company this year.

In the order issued by the Public Utilities Commission dated September 26, 1963, the case was suspended to be determined not earlier than February, 1964.

Hoff felt residents of the area would be pleased to learn that there will not be any increase.

Hoff said the local officials will continue efforts to protect the interests of the users as in the past.

High School Invited To Participate In Science Seminar

Madison Township High School has been invited to participate in the Rutgers University - Union Junior College Science Seminar, which will be conducted this fall and winter at Union Junior College, Cranford.

The science seminar, aimed at challenging the high school students intellectually, will be conducted under a \$1,610 grant from the National Science Foundation. A series of eight lecture-discussions is planned from October through March.

Public, parochial and private secondary schools in Union, Essex, Middlesex, Morris, and Somerset counties have been invited to participate. The high school will select the participants.

Rutgers University and Union Junior College sponsored a similar science seminar during the 1961-62 academic year. It attracted 151 students from 58 secondary schools in North and Central New Jersey.

The science seminar was de-

veloped by a joint committee from the faculties of Rutgers University and Union Junior College.

Fund Drive Set

At the regular meeting of the Madison Park First Aid Squad, D. Preston, chairman of the Annual Fund Drive, announced that Fund Donation envelopes were to be distributed by the members and the collection made on a door to door basis during the month of October.

Residents of Madison Park were urged to contribute to the First Aid Squad Fund Drive.

Frank Ceera, Captain, announced in his report that during the months of June, July and August the squad answered to a total of 85 calls and 315 man hours were put in by the members. The ambulances' total mileage amounted to 922 miles and 1,725 pounds of oxygen were used. Repairs to the ambulance have been completed.

And The Pickets Keep Marching Along



ON STRIKE: Retail Clerks at the local Shop Rite Store located on Route 9 went on strike at 12 midnight Monday, when the contract offered by the company was rejected. Approximately 100 persons are effected by the strike. The pickets

were heard urging shoppers "Don't Shop at Shop Rite, try the A & P. Signs carried by the pickets read "Employees Madison Shop Rite on Strike Please Do not Patronize". Several truck drivers refused to make deliveries because of the pickets.

Legal Opinions And Other Opinions

Much ado and furor has been activated because of a recent legal opinion presented by the attorney for the Madison Township Board of Education. Residents of the Pine Haven development had sought transportation for their youngsters living within the two mile transportation zone.

The parents of the youngsters involved had threatened the members of the Board of Education with reprisals at the next school election. The Board of Education was on the "hook".

We're very glad to see that the children involved will be transported to the school. However, we wonder if the legal opinion would have been the same had only one or two youngsters been involved? The Board of Education according to assistant superintendent of schools Patrick Torre is transporting 108 youngsters in the area.

Any lawyer or even a layman can give you a legal opinion on anything. This doesn't mean that his opinion is necessarily correct.

We understand that the attorney for the Board of Education did much study and research before he gave his "legal opinion". We wonder if he ever investigated the Zoning Code and Building Code adopted by the Township of Madison?

We firmly believe that there is no question of trespassing involved. The decision of the Board of Education to provide transportation for these youngsters can be taken to court and the courts would decide the issue. We certainly hope that it doesn't go this far. We would prefer that the Township Board of Education press for legislation to amend school transportation rules and regulations which have long been outmoded.

In this day and age there is not only a question of the length of the trip to and from school but other dangers involved. Youngsters on long treks to school in isolated areas could be subjected to the whims of sex deviates.

School transportation laws regulate the number of pupils to be transported on a bus. Some of the school buses are equipped to carry 100 children, but according to law they may carry only 60. We feel that this is ridiculous. The transportation laws regulate the area of a seat for each youngster, these regulations must have been figured out of very thin children.

We would like to see the entire transportation laws effecting the transportation of school children and state aid revamped. The year is 1963 not 1923, instead of legal opinions and "bending" of other laws, press for effective modern legislation. That's our opinion.

Under The Fence

FEUDING AND FUSSING: With the November election approaching we must once again ask the "ghost writers" of both the Democratic Party and the Republican Party that statements alleged to have been made by a particular candidate be signed by that candidate or that a signed statement from the candidates that anything his press agent or "ghost writer" dreams up is all right with him. It's ridiculous to show a candidate a copy of a press release that was sent in by a "ghost writer" and the candidate states that he never said that or wrote it. So boys please, play the game according to our rules.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Some time ago we predicted a "shake-up" in the top brass of the local police department. Later developments point to more fact than rumor. Some of the boys are "humming" to the tune of "There'll be some changes made". Understand that several persons are wondering what's going on because a certain letter wasn't printed. We understand that several alleged witnesses will be called in by the township committee. If you can't prove it, don't say it. You can think it but don't put it in writing.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION: We understand that a Middlesex County Community is slated to get a chewing gum manufacturing out-

TAKE FIVE

REV. JAMES SILVER

Pastor Laurence Harbor
Community Church

"Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." Exodus 20:12.

Some time ago while visiting in the hospital and looking over the list of patients the file of one in particular caught my attention. The patient's report said, "No known living relations." As I read that I thought how alone that man must have felt. How much he was missing without any living relatives.

At times we complain about our relations, but just imagine if we had no father or mother, no sisters or brothers, no uncles or aunts, and no in-laws. Suppose if all those who are now alive were suddenly taken away from us. I am sure we would miss them terribly. Despite our complaints they mean much more to us than we realize. It is too bad that often we don't see how important they are until we lose them. Our relatives deserve our appreciation here and now. We ought to tell them what they mean to us.

Prayer: O God in heaven, we thank Thee that we have many relations and we are not alone. Please help us to be more appreciative of them in the future. Amen.

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fit worth millions. Madison Township got stuck again. We got a charge out of a recent press release issued by Mayor John Keating who charged that while the Independent Candidate is talking about industry for Madison Township, he noted that the Independent Candidates own business is located in a neighboring

community. So how's business? It's pretty certain that Madison Township will get a new industry in the very near future. We believe that the reason it's being held out is that if the name of the company to build in the township was released at this time nobody would believe it and mark it off as an election gimmick. We understand from one source that the name of the company and all the details will be released in December of this year and it is hoped that the plant will be in operation by December of 1964.

To Discontinue Subsidy

At the regular meeting of the council of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, held Sept. 25, it was resolved to discontinue the monthly subsidy as of Oct. 1, coinciding with the congregation's third anniversary. The subsidy is the financial support made available by the Missouri Synod.

The current operating budget for 1963 totals \$17,000, including \$3,300 earmarked for missions and benevolences. The congregation is composed of 120 communicant members and 140 Sunday school children. The Sunday School and Bible Class are held at 9:15 a.m. and the regular Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. in School #18, on Bushnell Rd., Sayre Woods South. Additional educational opportunities are currently provided for all children from the 3rd to the 12th grades in the Mid-Week Church School.

Since the organization of the Church in 1960 the congregation has acquired 17 acres at the intersection of route 9 and 516 for the permanent building site. Ground breaking for the first phase of the building program is anticipated within the next 18 months.

Seek To Organize

Touch Football League

The Sayre Woods South Athletic Association would like to organize a touch football league for boys not participating in Pop Warner football.

A field is available on Saturday morning or afternoon. Coaches for the teams are needed. Those interested in coaching a team are asked to contact Mr. N. Conahan, PA 1-9253.

Facilities are available for calisthenics, drama club, children's choir, field hockey, volleyball, and baton twirling.

BOARD OF EDUCATION: We wonder if there is any truth in the rumor bouncing around that a "deal" has been made with the Board of Education and a developer? Wonder what that was all about? Several Board of Education members are already worried about next school election they want to be sure that they can win before they enter the competition? Understand that the court decided to award the Gaubs something like \$60,000 for their property which was condemned by the Board of Education. The original referendum called for the allotment of approximately \$90,000 for school sites. We wonder what will happen to the school expansion program if the land owners in the Golden Circle Industrial Park are awarded \$40,000 for their tract of land? This would mean that the property would cost more than the Board of Education had asked the people to approve.



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Urges Consideration Of Public Question

Walter J. Vohdin Jr., former commander of the Hoffman Prince Post V.F.W., Laurence Harbor, urged residents of Madison Township to study the public questions.

The voters of New Jersey will find on their ballot on November 5, 1963, a Veteran's Tax Exemption proposal to be voted on. It will appear on the ballot in the following form:

Shall the amendment of Article VIII, Section 1, paragraph 3 of the Constitution of the State of New Jersey granting an annual deduction not to exceed \$50.00 from the tax bill for taxes on real and personal property as therein provided of certain veterans and their widows, instead of the \$500.00 exemption presently provided on the aggregate assessed valuation of such property, be approved?

This proposal has the support of the Democratic party. It was pledged in the 1961 Party platform, and sponsored in the New Jersey State Senate by all 10 Democratic Senators, and passed both houses of our Legislature with strong Democratic support.

Under a New Jersey Supreme Court decision, all real estate is supposed to be assessed at 100% of market value. Because all

municipalities have not gone to 100%, assessment of real estate, inequities exist between veterans living in communities that assess at 100%, and veterans who live in



Walter Vohdin Jr., communities that do not assess at 100%.
As an example of how this

amendment will work in practice, under present law, a veteran owning property assessed at \$8500 for tax purposes claims a \$500 assessment exemption, and actually pays taxes on \$8,000 of assessed valuation. If the voters approve this referendum, the same veteran would compute his tax on \$8500 of assessed valuation. If his tax bill were \$210, for example, he could claim a \$50 deduction, and his actual tax payment would only be \$160.

This constitutional amendment will correct the existing inequities. The Democratic Party urges all voters to vote "Yes" on this important constitutional amendment.

Membership Open

Florence Wallace, who is Chairman of the Board of Community Theatre Players, announced that memberships in the group are now open as the new season begins. Anyone interested in theatrical activities is invited to join. New members will have the opportunity to participate in the coming production, *WILL SUCCESS SPOIL ROCK HUNTER*, which is now in rehearsal.

They will be assigned to a variety of backstage jobs, such as set construction, art, props, make-up, lighting, costumes, and special effects. In addition to this on-the-job training, they will attend several rehearsals and study directing technique under Miss Phillis Elfenbein, who is directing *ROCK HUNTER*. Miss Elfenbein, an experienced professional in every aspect of the theater, will also conduct a series of drama workshops after *ROCK HUNTER* is presented in November. She is planning to concentrate on elements of experimental theater, as well as basic acting techniques.

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Here, There and Everywhere

YOU CAN EAT YOUR CAKE AND HAVE YOUR CAR WASHED TOO! Attention! The Laurence Harbor Community Church Youth Fellowship Group will sponsor a combination Car Wash and Cake Sale on October 12. Have that car washed before the winter muds take over, it will feel much lighter and easier to drive.

MADISON PARK FIRST AID SQUAD FUND DRIVE will get underway in October. Please contribute. The first aid squad has obtained a donated piece of property and hope to build a squad headquarters on the site. Won't you please give to the First Aid Squad. Your contributions will greatly be appreciated by all concerned. Help them now that they might help you later.

The Laurence Harbor Elementary P.T.A. will hold their next regular meeting on October 7 (Monday). Dr. William Sample, superintendent of schools will be the guest speaker, his topic "The School Curriculum and What It Means To Our Children". Why not plan to attend? Meetings get underway at 8 p.m.

WHY NOT ENTER THE PUNT, PASS & KICK CONTEST? It's being sponsored jointly by the Madison Township Junior Chamber of Commerce and Sayre Woods Ford. The contest is open to all boys who are in grade school and between the ages of 8 to 11 years old. The contest is slated for October 12. Registration forms and completed information may be obtained at the show room of the Sayre Wood Ford on Route 9, north of the Madison Township Municipal Building.

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Announces Fire Prevention Rules

Fire Chief George Bean of the Madison Park Fire Department announced today that the week of October 6 to October 12 has been designated as Fire Prevention Week. The main purpose of Fire Prevention Week is to provide a yearly reminder for every one for the year round need for fire prevention and fire safety. As Chief of the Madison Park Vol. Fire Co. I would like to offer a few suggestions that may keep your home safe from fire.

1. Never leave small children alone. Even if you are only leaving for a few minutes get a responsible person to stay with them. When you are going out for an extended stay, employ a responsible baby sitter.

2. Small children and elderly people are the most frequent fire victims. If there are elderly persons in your household, plans should be made to get them out of the house in the event of fire.

3. Use care with cigarettes. Never discard a lit cigarette or match without being sure that it is completely extinguished. It is good practice to break a match

after using. Keep matches away from children and never smoke in bed.

4. Never use matches or a lighted candle in an attic or closet.

5. Keep all electrical appliances in good working order. Especially the cords.

6. Throw out all old newspapers and magazines. Store necessary combustibles in approved containers.

7. Impress upon everyone in your household that in case of fire, first, get everyone out of the house, then call the fire department. Do not reenter a burning building. Call the fire department from a neighbor's house.

The above suggestions could save your life or the life of your family.

On October 6, from 12:00 noon until 6:00 P.M. there will be an open house at the Madison Park Firehouse. At that time the various pieces of fire equipment will be explained and demonstrated. A staff of qualified men will be on hand to answer any questions pertaining to fire equipment and fire fighting.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE WERNER of 74 Princeton Road, Madison Park they will celebrate their 11th Wedding Anniversary on Friday . . . many, many, more. . . . Birthday Wishes to BOBBY WINDAS of 48 Ocean Blvd., Cliffwood Beach he will be 14 years old on Monday. . . understand a pretty nice birthday party is being planned. . . . Happy Birthday to JEFFREY CAMPFIELD of 19 Southwood Drive, Old Bridge he will be Six on Tuesday. . . Best Wishes to Miss KATHY BENDER of Washington Avenue, Central Park she will celebrate her 17th birthday on Tuesday. . . Birthday Wishes to TONI FEE-NEY of 40 Pinetree Road, Old Bridge she will celebrate her Second birthday on Sunday. . . Happy Birthday to LYNN WHEATELY of 11 Amherst Court, Madison Park she will be 14 next Thursday. . . Birthday Wishes to MARK METLER of 206 Shoreland Circle, Laurence Harbor, he will be 16 next Thursday. . . Birthday Wishes to LINDA BUNSICK of Princeton Road, Madison Park she will celebrate her birthday on Wednesday. . .

Happy Birthday to GINGER MURPHY of 5 Stoneybrook Drive, Old Bridge she will be 17 next Thursday. . . Best Wishes to CHRISTOPHER NEWE of 72 Woodshore West, Knollcroft he will be 6 next Thursday. . . Happy Birthday to Miss PATRICIA MCCUE of 15 Bucknell Road, Madison Park she will be 14 on Wednesday. . . Best Wishes to GREGORY KUBINA of 14 Dobson Road, Old Bridge he celebrates his 14th birthday today. . . Happy Birthday to MICHELE "SHELLEY" MAUTE of 14 Blvd., East, Knollcroft she celebrates her 5th birthday on Wednesday. . . Mr. and Mrs. LOU VENURA of 24 Princeton Road, Madison Park are expecting the arrival of Sir Stork with their first child any day now. . . Seaman RAYMOND "CHIPPER" RYAN of Route 34, Cheesequake, is aboard the des-

Reassigned

LACKLAND AFB, Tex.—Airman Michael V. Bertin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. Bertin, 190 Princeton Road, Parlin, N.J., is being reassigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for technical train-



Airman Michael V. Bertin

ing as a United States Air Force radio and radar maintenance specialist.

Airman Bertin, who enlisted in the Air Force a short time ago, has completed his initial basic military training here.

The airman is a 1963 graduate of H. G. Hoffman High School, South Amboy, N. J.

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trover U.S.S. ROBINSON (we wonder if it was named after Edward G. Robinson for his part in the movie picture Destroyer?) "CHIPPERS" Home Port is San Diego, California. . . Best Wishes to Miss BARBARA "BOBBIE" CREASH of 38 Clemson Road, Madison Park she celebrated her "sweet sixteenth" birthday on Saturday with a party of about 25 of her friends. . . we hear that a terrific time was had by all. . . Latest report on "TATTER" BASTEDO is that he is holding his own at the Perth Amboy Hospital. . . get well soon. . . Does anyone know when MARY BROWN (township clerk's) birthday is? . . we've been trying to find out for several years but she hides the date like the key to the stationery closet. . . A speedy recovery to all you shut-ins down with the many flus and colds. . . News for the FAMILY CIRCLE write Mrs. IRENE WHITE, 22 Princeton Road, Parlin, N.J. or Madison American, Post Office BOX 131, Laurence Harbor, N.J. WEDDING?? ANIVERSARY??? BIRTHDAY??? VACATION??? IT'S ALL NEWS FOR YOUR FAMILY CIRCLE. . . Do you know anyone who would like a nice kitten? No references required! With each kitten we supply a day's supply of cat food and one quart of milk FREE. . . Beat the rush, call early.

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