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Bank Stockholders To Vote Tomorrow

HICKSVILLE—Merger of the Bank of Hicksville with the Meadow Brook National Bank of Freeport will be voted upon tomorrow (Wednesday, Dec. 15) at a special meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Hicksville at 65 Broadway. The meeting is set for 10 o'clock in the morning. The proposed consolidation was announced in mid-October jointly by Henry J. Eisenmann, president of the Bank of Hicksville, and Augustus B. Weller, president of Meadow Brook.

The effective date of the merger is not expected until approval is given by the Comptroller of Currency following approval by stockholders' voting by both banks.

The Bank of Hicksville is one of Nassau's oldest financial institutions having been founded in April, 1893. The 35 officers and employees will continue their present positions as members of the Meadow Brook organization if the consolidation is approved, according to Eisenmann and Weller. The merger will give Meadow Brook its 13th office, bringing its assets to over 150 million dollars.

Killed by Train at Crossing

BETHPAGE—Funeral services will be held tonight (Tuesday) for Charles Hofstetter of 18 Bradford Lane, here, who was killed by a westbound LIRR train at the Broadway crossing, Sunday morning. Police reported he was attempting to board the west-bound train at the time.

Services will be conducted by the Rev. James Taylor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Ashar White Funeral Home. Burial will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) at St. Michael's Cemetery, Astoria.

He is survived by a son, Charles J. Jr., and two grandchildren.

Nicholai P-TA Party Thursday

HICKSVILLE—The Nicholai St. School P-TA Christmas holiday children's program will be held this year at the Dutch Lane School this Thursday, Dec. 16, at 8:15 P.M. due to lack of space at the Nicholai. A very lovely and ambitious program has been prepared by the children. In addition to the band there will be a chorus and a string sextet.

Spending Holiday in Germany

Sgt. F. C. Harvey M. Weiss and family who are now residing in La Rochelle, France, where he is Chief Ex-Ray Technician at the 28th General Hospital, are planning to spend the Christmas holidays in Garmish, Germany.

Sgt. Weiss is the son of Sam and Kitty Weiss of Willoughby Ave., Hicksville. He has another 18 months to serve overseas.

Yost Wins Oratorical Contest

HICKSVILLE—Robert Yost was chosen the winner of the annual Oratorical Contest held Friday at the high school by the Charles Wagner American Legion Post. The post presented Miss Viola Wood, instructor of the oratorical contestants and member of the English Dept. with an orchid.

Arline Nolan was judged second best, Roger Kline, third and Gwendolyn McGuire, fourth. Judges were Jack Ehmman, John Dobson, Dr. Barnett Hecht and Post Commander Allan Carpenter. The local winner will represent the community in sectional and county-wide competition.

Duffy Park Kids Await Santa

HICKSVILLE—The Duffy Park Civic Assn. will hold its annual drawing of many prizes of hams, turkeys, basket of cheer, etc. Refreshments will be served and movies will be shown. Everybody is welcome to attend and take part in the drawing. The drawing will take place at the Old Country Road School at 8:30 P.M. on Thursday night, Dec. 16. The proceeds will go toward the Children's Christmas Party.

On Christmas Eve Santa Claus will visit every home in the Duffy Park, the brick homes and the So. Fern Homes area and present gifts to children of all ages. This is a repeat performance of last year when unexpected Santa Claus came ringing his bells and giving presents to all the children.

**Only 10 Shopping Days Remain
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BOARD COMMITTEE URGES:

Get 'Missing Backstops' Or Money Paid for Them

HICKSVILLE—The School District should act at once to obtain delivery of the "missing baseball backstops" or get reimbursement "of the money paid", a committee of the Board of Education recommended at a special meeting last night (Monday). A detailed and documented report, complete with a summary of findings, conclusions and recommendations, was submitted by Trustees Emil J. Szendy and Arthur L. Elrich.

The complete text of their report follows:

Would Inscribe Old Ding Dong

HICKSVILLE — Henry C. Brenzel, former school board president, is now wishing to turn the ding dong from the Nicholai St. School over to the district provided he likes the answers to two questions:

(1) Is Board as a whole desirous of getting it back?

(2) What will be done with it if it is returned?

If both answers are affirmative, he will have it inscribed "donated to the School District by Mr. Brenzel". That was the report School Attorney Bertram Crane made to the Board last week after a conference with Brenzel. A motion by Richard Schueler to accept the terms was not seconded.

Crane caused a stir during the hour-long debate on Brenzel's "conditions" when he admitted "I saw the bell".

Board sometime previous had voted to direct Crane to contact Brenzel and obtain return of the bell. It is reported Brenzel paid \$19 to a Contractor, Edward Schuster who had the job of removing a belfrey from the school which housed the heavy bell.

Arthritis Forum For Mid-Island

HICKSVILLE—The noted arthritis specialist, Dr. Charles M. Plotz, will be feature speaker at the Arthritis Forum to be held tonight, Dec. 14, at Levittown Hall, here.

Dr. Plotz is the Arthritis Director of Kings County State Hospital and Medical Director of the Brooklyn Division of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation. If you have any questions about arthritis, Dr. Plotz will be pleased to answer them for you during the discussion period.

Eagles Conduct Convention Here

HICKSVILLE — Approximately 100 people, including 50 delegates from lodges located at Long Island City, Flushing, Rockaway Beach, Yonkers, Fort Hamilton and here, attended a District Convention of the Fraternal Order of Eagles held at the Amvets Hall, on E. Marie St., Sunday, Dec. 5.

Harold P. Crawford, New York State Eagle President, was the principal speaker at the gathering. He urged the Eagles to "preach the gospel of fraternalism" and said that "if the Eagles and other great fraternal orders could sell the idea of brotherhood to the world, we would need no atom bombs."

John J. Christy, of Rockaway Beach, was convention Chairman. Alfred Lane, Zone Membership Director, congratulated Mid-Island Aerie on the progress it has made in six months since it was instituted here.

John J. Gabriel, President of Mid-Island Aerie, announced that the local lodge held a Christmas Party for members children this Sunday Dec. 12, at the Amvets Hall.

The committee has summarized in this report the findings of a previous committee consisting of Messrs. Szendy, Purick and Croucher; the letters and statements from Mr. Harry Ermenwein, business manager during the period when the purchase was made; and the subsequent further investigations and analyses of Trustees Szendy and Elrich.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS
A. Basic conflict exists between conclusions reached from the record and the explanations of Mr. Ermenwein; VIZ:

(1) The record, on purchase orders and invoices, indicates that the three backstops in question were ordered and delivered.

(2) Mr. Ermenwein states that these backstops and one saw-saw were deleted from the order and a corresponding amount of \$942.10 deducted from the total amount to keep the total expenditure to \$10,000, and, consequently, the back stops were neither ordered nor delivered.

(3) The record indicates that the total value of the order placed, including the backstops, was established at \$10,000 at the time the order was placed. The record contains no indication that the backstops were at any time deleted from the order.

(4) All saw-saws appear to have been delivered and one on hand.

B. The Committee finds evidence of irregularities in the handling of this purchase, VIZ:

(1) The minutes of the School Board contain only authority to earmark funds for the purchase of playground equipment. There is no record in the minutes of the Board authorizing this purchase. The minutes do not record competitive or comparative bids received for this equipment.

(2) Mr. Ermenwein states that formal bids were not procured for this equipment but that he did discuss the proposed purchase with various suppliers.

(3) There is no record of any

proposal from a supplier, or of discussion with any supplier, other than Singleton and Yutzler. C. As a corollary determination the Committee finds that, if the transaction occurred as described by Mr. Ermenwein, the interests of the School District were not protected in the following respects:

(1) The applicable part of the cash of discount of \$492.49 offered by Singleton and Yutzler on the total order, approximately \$429.33 was not taken.

(2) Equitable deductions were not made for the non-erection of equipment at the Fork Lane and Woodland Schools. The deduction, according to the unit prices for erection listed in the Singleton and Yutzler proposal and included in the purchase orders and the invoices, should have been \$270 and not \$75.

CONCLUSIONS

A. The Committee finds that the record shows that the backstops were ordered (see Purchase Orders), delivery claimed (see Invoices, especially 5391 and 5379 and S. & Y. letter of July 8, 1953); that the total amount of the order including the backstops was \$10,000, and that payment of \$9,925 was made. Also, that the backstops cannot be found and that no receipts or other evidence of delivery exists. For the convenience of the trustees, a complete file of relevant documents is attached.

B. The Committee also finds evidence of undesirable procedure, VIZ:

(1) Contracting in the amount of \$10,000 without authorization from the Board.

(2) Contracting in the amount of \$10,000 without formal competitive bids.

(3) Maintaining records, which are incomplete in not reconciling in detail itemized prices and total costs; in approving invoices for itemized prices, or for items, which do not conform to the total price;—items said to have been deleted are included (Continued on Page 10)



"DEAR SANTA, I want . . ." and Richard Evans DeShaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeShaw of 118 Britt's Lane, Hicksville, tells what he would like to receive this holiday. The Chamber of Commerce reminds residents there are only 10 shopping days until Christmas. Hicksville stores are open evenings until 9. Christmas Award tickets, including the opportunity to win a 1955 Pontiac are being issued with each \$1 purchase. (Herald photo by Frank Mallett).

2 Shows For Christmas Pageant

HICKSVILLE—The Pius X Society of Confraternity Parents and Teachers met on Monday, Dec. 6 at 8:30 P.M. in the auditorium of St. Ignatius School. Mrs. John Barta, Jr. presided at the meeting.

The Christmas Pageant will be presented on Friday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 P.M., and Saturday, Dec. 18, at 2:30 P.M. Admission is 50 cents to all, including a gift, and candy for the children from Santa. Mrs. Stanley Williams is the Chairlady.

The male members of the Society are preparing a crib to be placed in front of the Confraternity Building on Broadway for the Christmas season. Choir practice continues on Friday evenings at 7:30 P.M., for the children who will present hymns and carols, the week preceding Christmas.

Father L. Ballweg, Moderator of the Society, welcomed the nuns, teachers, and many new members to the Pius X meeting. Honor Roll students, two from each class, were given awards. Members were urged to purchase and use religious Christmas cards. Father James F. Coffey, was the guest speaker. His topic was, "The Season of Advent—A Preparation for Christmas". Father Coffey, introduced Mr. and Mrs. Scileppi, who made suggestions for the Advent season, and showed the customs of the season that are carried out in various parts of the world.

The Dark Horse prize was won by Mrs. Mary Lillien. A Grab Bag party was held after the meeting. Refreshments were served in the school cafeteria.

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The Burns Ave. Parent-Teacher Assoc. Member of the N. Y. State Congress of Parents and Teachers, will hold their next regular meeting on Thursday, Dec. 16, at 8:15 P.M. in the school auditorium.

Following a short business meeting the program for the evening will consist of a Christmas play presented by the fifth and sixth grade students and songs by the Burns Ave. Choral Group. Refreshments will be served at the end of the evening.

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Inside information has it that Capt. **WHITNEY DYCKMAN** of Co. 2 may be a candidate for second assistant chief of the fire dept. in April. **EDNA KUHN SUTTON**, president of the school board, left last week for a stay in Florida. . . . Plenty of Christmas parties take place this Sunday afternoon. The Charles Wagner Legion Post will hold an affair for members and their children at the Hicksville Legion Hall at 2:30. . . . The Hicksville Lions Club has the same kind of an affair at 8 o'clock at Hicksville Inn. . . . **LIRR** Anchor Club will visit St. Mary the Angels Home in Syosset this Saturday to distribute gifts to the boys, including 84 gleaming pairs of roller skates. . . .

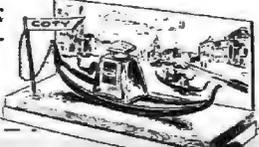
JAMES MATIENZO was expected to have his child's bus pass reinstated last night (Monday) at the Board meeting, the result of a set of phone calls between Hicksville and Dr. Brind in Albany late last week. . . . The matter of the "missing backstops" may be taken to the Education Commissioner as a taxpayer action. . . . Incidentally, **E. PARKER YUTZLER**, one-time physical education director of Hicksville schools, is the same Yutzler of the firm which sold the athletic equipment to the system. He is the brother-in-law of school board president. . . . The high school leaders club won in a volleyball game with Alumni girls at the high school on Dec. 4. Score was 31 to 28. . . . **ERNEST FRANCKE** has been nominated for another term as Hicksville GOP Club president. . . .

When the Kiwanis Club flew to Albany last week Capt. **R. KLINGE** of Oyster Bay was pilot of the chartered plane and **F. FABIAN** of Levittown was co-pilot. **KLINGE** was formerly an instructor at the Hicksville Airpark and among the passengers was **GEORGE SPOHRER**, owner of the Airpark. **KLINGE**, by the way, gave Editor **FRED NOETH** his flying lessons at the Airpark. . . . The National Safety Council, discussing S-D Day (which is tomorrow) suggests it might just as well be S-W Day (for safe walking). . . . Members of Hicksville Rotary Club bowl every Friday night at nine at Sheridan's on Jericho Tpke., Mineola. . . . Rotarian **GEORGE DALTON** has issued a final call for those pencils you may have been collecting for shipment to Asiatic children. . . .

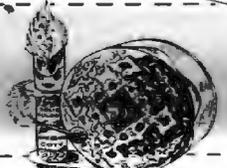
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2 Speakers For Property Owners

By DOROTHY E. BROWN
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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!—All of you good Millwood Gate Residents! Your Civic organization meets this Thursday evening at 8 P.M. at the Lee Ave. School. Please plan to attend. Among points of interest is the door prize of a turkey available only to those attending. There are two speakers scheduled for the evening. One is from the newly formed Little League of Hicksville and should be very interesting to those with boys, or interested in helping the youth of the community.

The other and most important one to everyone is the speaker from the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Education. He will speak on the forth coming referendum which all voters of our school district will be asked to vote upon soon. Since this referendum deals with the future expansion of schools in this district and must involve a sum of money as great as 4 million dollars we should all be interested in the necessity of this spending. It will come out of our pockets as tax payers. Are we getting our moneys worth. Come to the meeting with your questions and get some answers.

Santa is coming to see the kids! When? Saturday, Dec. 18, sometime between 2 P.M. and 4:30 P.M. when the children of this development are invited to a Christmas Party to be held indoors at the VFW hall on Grand Ave. There will be refreshments and something from Santa for each child.

Michael Struzzier of the Olympic Storage Company at 147 24 Liberty Ave., Jamaica, donated \$25 toward the cost of this function and we are all very grateful to him for this. The party will include children of all ages.

Christmas is almost here. Have you thought about your Christmas decorations yet? We see that many have been busy with them this past weekend getting things ready. We hope that this may be one of the best decorated groups around Hicksville this year. The Association is planning to have the big tree lit up again at the entrance to the development.

Attention all DOG OWNERS: Your dog needs a present for Christmas too. If nothing other than his dog house for the coming year I am sure he will be happy to know that he is safe and will not be sold if lost. The old license runs out on Dec. 31, 1954 at midnight and the new one is

due on all loose dogs or puppies just Jan. 1, 1955. If the puppy is tied up you may wait until he is six months old. Later get these licenses early.

Nov. 28 at the St. Ignatius Loyola Church was the scene of a Christening of Mark William, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hebrank of 8 Woodbine Dr. S. Mrs. Hebrank's father, Hugh Schuster is the Godfather and Mrs. Hebrank's sister, Mrs. Margaret Cody is the Godmother. Following the ceremony a buffet dinner was held at the Hebrank's home for the immediate family.

Want to hear one of your neighbors on the radio this week? Listen to WABC, 770 on your dial at 12:35 on Thursday December 16 to the Frank Farrell Program, "Luncheon at the Park Sheraton." Word has reached us that Mrs. Ernest F. Berard of 6 Ferndale Dr. will be on this program and tell her story. Happy Birthday to Billy Healy of Ferndale Dr. who was eight

years old on Dec. 8.—Also a gentle reminder that Auto licenses are due. Early ones will not have to stand on long lines of last minute rushers.—Let's carry the S-D day rules over through the holiday season and all through this next year. Let's make Hicksville one of the safest locals around in which to drive even though there are too many cars for the roads and many hazards to overcome. Turn the handraps into an advantage by being extra careful.

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Mrs. Phil Brandfon, was chairman of the committee and assisted by Mrs. Manny Bronowitz, Mrs. Ralph Schneider, Mrs. David Seybert, Mrs. Al Bauer, Mrs. Herbert Gelstein, Mrs. Lou Glazer, Mrs. Mac Bergahn, Mrs. L. Sternhill, Mrs. Lowell Glatt, Mrs. E. Gelb.

The local merchants who donated the many door prizes were: Crown Bakery, Glo-Mar Decorations, Leveo Drugs, Northern 5 & 10, Peters Cleaners, Resnick Bros Dry Goods Store, Riger & Sons, Dairyland, Peter Pan Bakery, Food Fair, Hicksville Bottling Co., Stillman TV, Delicatessen, Bloomingdale & Hwy, Hicksville.

Mrs. Jules Rubenstein of Terry St., won the major door prize of the evening, luggage.

NEW VICE PRESIDENT

The executive Board of the Sisterhood of the Plainview Jewish Community Center has appointed Mrs. Stanley Kasakove to the position of Vice-President of Membership. Mrs. Kasakove is replacing Mrs. Irving Tell who had to resign because of personal reasons.

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Comparing Local, County Costs

(This column is contributed as a public service by the Plainview Citizens' Committee for Better Schools. Direct your questions to School Notes, 115 Morton Blvd., Plainview.)

Here are some questions that have come to us lately concerning the present status of Plainview's Schools.

Q—What are our present school taxes?

A—This year each homeowner pays \$2.77 per \$100. of assessed valuation of his house. This means, for example, that a homeowner in a house assessed at \$4,000. is paying \$9.23 a month of his tax payment toward supporting the schools. This is little enough to pay for a modern education.

Q—How does our tax rate for schools compare to other Nassau county communities?

A—Tax rates vary from a low of \$1.11 in Brookville, a small wealthy hamlet, to a high of \$4.45 in Wantagh. This year, over 73% of Nassau's communities have a higher tax rate than Plainview has.

Q—In the tax rate a good gauge by which to judge a school system?

A—No. For Example, Brookville which has the LOWEST tax rate in Nassau county, spends the MOST per pupil. Because of the high valuation of Brookville's property plus its small school population, it is able to spend \$1000. per pupil per year. Whereas Wantagh, with the highest tax rate in Nassau county can spend just \$380. per pupil. (New York State attempts to equalize the tax burden for different towns by its emergency aid to them. However, this is a complex subject and we will devote a full column to it.)

Q—How much money in Plainview spending per pupil this year?

A—The annual budget last May was based on an estimated final enrollment of 2,000 students. Based on that figure, our expenditure per pupil is \$325.

Q—How does our expenditure per pupil compare with the amount spent by other communities in Nassau county?

A—Over 87% of the communities in Nassau county spend more than Plainview spends per pupil. The average expense per pupil throughout the county is \$456., or 27% higher than Plainview's.

Q—Do we get as good an educational system as others with this lower payment per pupil?

A—The Plainview Citizens Committee for Better Schools is studying our system and other systems to come up with a detailed answer to this question. However, certain factors are already apparent. Plainview schools do not have certain specially qualified personnel commonly employed in other districts; such as a remedial reading specialist and a guidance counselor.

The schools in Plainview have been built without certain special plant equipment found in elementary schools of other districts — such as art rooms, music rooms, gymnasiums, shop equipment, science equipment, and audio visual equipment. Classes in the lower grades are crowded to the point where attention to the individual student's needs by the teacher is impossible.

Q—Can we continue to do without these special services?

A—Some of these must be installed to comply with state regulations. Others are basic to a good educational system. We will then, if necessary, be paying later for installing special equipment we could use to good advantage now. At the same time, we will have to meet the budgetary requirements of the district. Thus, "economy measures" are uneconomical in the long run. Later high taxes must result from short sightedness. Join the Plainview Citizens Committee for Better Schools to study these questions for yourself.

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Chamber Looks Into Question Of Local Refuse Collection

PLAINVIEW — Following receipt of numerous complaints regarding the garbage collection situation in the area, Chamber of Commerce president, Dr. Edgar A. Tresey today issued the following statement:

"Due to the fact that a complicated situation regarding the garbage collection in this locality has cropped up, the Chamber's committee chairman, Anthony Ocker, Jr. has started an investigation to determine the situation resulting from the discontinuance of service here."

At present, there are at least three companies trying to get permission to be designated as the "one collection agency" in this area. Residents are confused and asked the Chamber to take the matter under consideration. It seems that the former firm handling the collection service here discontinued service without advance warning and representatives of the three new firms moved in to start signing up residents.

Teachers Meet, Hear Speaker

PLAINVIEW — The Teachers Assoc. here held its second meeting of the current school year on Monday, Dec. 6, at the Jamaica Ave. School. The guest speaker was Mr. Hendrickson, a member of the New York State Retirement Board and principal of Port Washington High School. He spoke to the teachers about the State Retirement plan, its benefits and potentialities.

The Assoc. also discussed and approved a motion to set up a scholarship fund for a Plainview High School graduate who enters the teaching profession.

Officers are Joseph Costello, president; Alice Stumer, vice president; Peter DeNino, treasurer; Jacquelyn Pekar, recording secretary; and Mary Ann Monroe, corresponding secretary.

Present Annual Yule Program

HICKSVILLE—The children enrolled in the Bible School of the Church of Christ, 106 Broadway, will present their annual Christmas program Sunday night, Dec. 19 at 7 P.M. A white gift offering of canned foods will be received during this program for the Eastern Christian Institute, a Church of Christ Bible College located in Orange, New Jersey. This offering is a Christmas project sponsored by the Women's Council of the Church.

The Christian Youth Hour, a young people's organization in the Hicksville Church has adopted a little 6 year old orphan girl for Christmas. The child, Linda Rose, lives at the Mountain Mission School in Grundy, Virginia. Each member of the Christian Youth Hour is to provide one gift to be sent to Linda for Christmas. The group is planning to send her a complete new winter outfit, along with games and other things little girls like to receive for Christmas.

READ IT FIRST IN THE HERALD

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Some of the mutual problems discussed had to do with school curriculum; teaching methods; discipline; reporting and report cards; "special" subjects; pupil differences in the four large areas of growth—emotional, social, academic and physical.

These meetings were generally and individually satisfying as can be attested to by the many favorable comments of those participating. Though this is hardly scratch-difficult processes involved in the surface of the complex and "community school education", it is only through such first hand efforts that the school can intelligently inform the public, upon whom they are so dependent for a good educational program.

Out of this educational series has grown a Puppets group made up of parents of the Kindergarten group who wish to entertain the children by putting on simple puppet shows. With the approval of the administration, they hope to be able to put on their first production in January. Anyone who can help this group to make the puppets, write scenarios, act in the stories, etc., please contact Robert Nagel, HI 3-1149.

Finance Group In 1st Session

PLAINVIEW—The Budget-Finance Committee of the Citizens Advisory Committees for Plainview Public Schools held its first meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the Jamaica Ave. School.

Donald Ramsey was elected Temporary Chairman of the Budget-Finance Committee. John O. Nees was elected Temporary Secretary. Permanent officers will be elected at the next committee meeting to be held early in Jan., 1955.

The committee will meet regularly and confer with the Board of Education for purposes of drafting the budget for the school year 1955-56.

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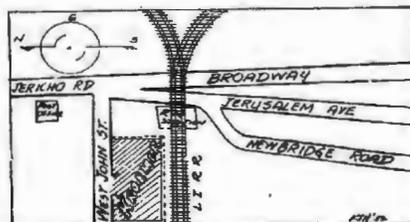
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Forcing Vote On Recreation

By Fred J. Noeth

THE DECISION as to whether or not the Hicksville School system will go into the business of providing recreation for all boys and girls—from pre-school age to teens—is being left up to the voters.

"All we are doing is presenting this thing to the public. We want the public to decide" is the way the proposal, scheduled for a referendum in January or February, was offered by Joseph Cawley at a Board of Education meeting last week.

There was a lack of driving enthusiasm for the proposal as it was pushed through, 3 to 1. The participants appeared to be acting without conviction, very much as if they were fulfilling an unpleasant obligation or promise.

The question will be posed as to whether or not the voters of the district approve expenditure of \$7,500. This is a modest sum, but hardly tells the full story. Arthur Erlich tried without success to get a "breakdown"; ie, how much for salaries, for supplies, etc. All Cawley would say is that the details will be worked out if the voters okay the expenditure.

It should be noted that last summer the school district spent \$18,000 on its fine playground or recreation program for an eight-week period or at the rate of \$2,250 per week. At this rate, assuming response will be only as great during the summer months, the program would cost \$112,500 for a 50-week year.

The present foot-in-the-door proposal is for the expenditure of \$7,500—for the balance of the fiscal year—a matter of five months. Even at that rate, the cost would be better than \$15,000 a year, plus \$18,000 for the summer playground or more than \$33,000.

This business of a paid recreation director has been kicking around for several months. It was rejected by a close vote at the annual meeting last May. Subsequently the Board of Education hired an "expert" to make a \$1,000 survey. The text of it was published serially in the Herald and it came to one conclusion—it would be nice to have a paid recreation director. It was rumored that the expert who wrote the survey would get the job as recreation director.

Then the Board decided to shelve the survey for a time. The Youth Coordinating Council was just getting started and the Board decided it would not push for a school-managed and tax-financed program while interested citizens were trying to do a job. Meanwhile, the advocates filleted and fumed on the sidelines awaiting the opportunity to renew their push.

It came when Charles DeShaw let out a withering and illadvised blast at everything and parents in particular for "failing to support a youth program". Immediately the paid recreation director advocates burst into print, quoting DeShaw all over the place. This was most curious since the same people normally object to everything DeShaw writes—except in this lone, isolated case.

It was only routine for Cawley to pickup the ball, resurrect the paid director idea and half-heartedly push through the deceptive \$7,500 question—excusing lack of enthusiasm with a lame comment that "we want the people to decide."

It wouldn't be that somebody fondly expects this question to go coasting through at the end of a series of very important proposals to enlarge our school facilities, would it?

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Leavitt 6th Member of Board?

By GERALD F. DeLORME
To the Editor

How short is the public memory. Mr. Milton Leavitt who during 1952 and 1953 attempted to gain the position as expert consultant to the Board of Education on all matters of public education and school expansion has finally arrived—he is now the "sixth member of the Board."

Perhaps we should look back a couple of years to the time when he was unsuccessfully attempting to guide and direct public thought with an organization known as the "Education Association of School District 17". The Oracle of Atlas Lane was the president of the so-called Education Association which repeatedly attempted to elect hand-chosen candidates to the Board of Education.

The Education Assoc. was also the author of the fantastic theory that the construction of new school buildings would "cost taxpayers nothing", a theory which was accompanied by a lot of mumbo jumbo about the "seven mile law" later revised to the "eight mile law".

Three years ago the Education Assoc. with Mr. Leavitt as president was attempting to frighten the community with such statements as "A crisis of the first magnitude confronts the children in Dist. 17", "only a miracle can prevent drastic curtailment of kindergartens", etc.

He has become the mouthpiece and press agent for the voting majority of the Board. He is apologist and hatchman. He is the policy developer and super author-

ity on such assorted questions as "how may address the board", "what are proper questions for taxpayers to ask the board", "why we need a paid-recreation director", etc.

An excellent example of his policy development was at the school board meeting of Oct. 26, 1954. He advised the Board, under the guise of a little speech, that this writer was "flustered on the basis of being a Taxpayer". I guess it is wrong to be a taxpayer in Mr. Leavitt's mind. He also added, "I'm not against the public talking but the Board has the right and duty to conduct its business." He advised the Board that advance requests for time at meetings be made by people who wish to speak. This is any way of thinking is placing a "Gag Rule" on the taxpayers. I, frankly, don't recall "7 MI MHTY" ever following that policy in the past. Also, I would like to refresh Mr. Leavitt's memory of a statement he made on Oct. 20, 1952 in a letter to the Herald as follows:

"I should like to suggest to the Board, through your newspaper, that a period be set aside at each open meeting for a discussion or questions by the public. This would ensure increased attendance at School Board meetings, more active participation in school affairs and would afford the Board the ideal democratic opportunity to ascertain the attitudes and wishes of the community on school matters."

This is the way Mr. Leavitt felt TWO YEARS AGO but now that

he is "the sixth member of the board" a taxpayer asking questions of the Board, is no longer considered proper.

Regular attendants at Board meetings now find that his opinion is solicited at meetings. His writings on Board actions go unchallenged. They are in fact cloaked as "official" since they enjoy great prominence in a periodical of limited circulation which has been designated for "official" publication of school district notices.

We are hearing a lot about recreation and the grand "baby-sitter program" at taxpayers' expense—after school recreation, play for Saturdays and all during school holidays, not forgetting the small fry, below school age. This plan has been fondly nursed along by the Oracle of Atlas Lane to the point where it was incorporated as one unit into the "report" of Dr. Hutchins and is now to be submitted to public vote by decision of the controlling majority of the Board.

Mr. Leavitt's advice in the past has been inaccurate and grossly misleading. There is no reason or evidence to expect it to be any better today. But he has been successful to the point of getting the voting majority of the Board "in his pocket" and the trio does his bidding admirably.

Mr. Leavitt who is given to understand is a teacher. How fortunate he is not a member of the faculty of our Hicksville Schools. Dec. 11, 1954
Hicksville, N. Y.

Citizens Group Meets Tomorrow

PLAINVIEW — The Citizens Committee for Better Schools will hold its next monthly meeting at 8:30 P.M., Wednesday, Dec. 15, at the Jamaica Ave. School, here.

There will be the election of officers, the organization of committees and committee work, and a group discussion of Plainview's educational problems.

Everyone is invited to attend and bring their friends. The group discussion will give everyone a chance to express their views and get some of their questions answered about Plainview's school system, a spokesman stated.

Obituaries

Hilda Wiedhöft

HICKSVILLE—Hilda (nee Schmidt) Wiedhöft, of 17 West Ave. here, died on Dec. 13. She is survived by her husband, Herman; a daughter, Helen; a sister, Mrs. Annless Wiegand; a nephew, Vernon Wiegand.

Religious services were held on Monday evening, Dec. 13 at 8 o'clock at the Henry J. Stock's Funeral Home, Rev. Howard Rogers officiating. The funeral will be today, Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 2 P.M. Interment will be at Pinelawn Memorial Park, Pinelawn.

Pauline Weyer

SYOSSET — Pauline Theresa Weyer of 38 Devine Ave., here, died on Dec. 8. She is survived by husband, John; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Ksievenski; a brother, Stephen Ksievenski; a sister, Mrs. Anastasia Solnik.
She resided at Henry J. Stock's Funeral Home until Dec. 11. A Requiem Mass was sung at St. Mary's Church, Hicksville, at 10 A.M. and interment was at Pinelawn, Hicksville.

Lena Havenor

HICKSVILLE — Lena Havenor of 27 London Rd. here, died on Dec. 10. She is survived by two grandchildren. Reposed at Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Chapel, here. Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 12 at 1 P.M. Interment was in Linden Hill Cemetery, Brooklyn.

DeShaw Answers His Critics

By CHARLES H. DeSHAW
To the Editor

IT SEEMS TO ME, from the manner in which I was taken to task last week in a public letter, that I have committed the "unpardonable sin" of wanting to save Taxes.

The letter began by advising me to spend some time reading the Columbia Survey; and attending School Board Meetings. Let's look at the record. I have studied the original Survey Report three times; the Amendments, twice; but I confess to only reading the latest one once—so far. As for attending School Board Meetings, I have missed about fifteen meetings (and only noticed the writing of the letter at three of all I attended) so far this year; and from April to July of last School Year, only one.

In the letter there were quotes from the latest Survey Report, which were intended to prove that I was "empty headed". A study of these quotes revealed that I was "Empty headed" when I advocated a new school should be built in the northern part of the District.

As a matter of fact in examining these quotes carefully, I have realized that we do not need a new school anywhere in the District. An examination of the Survey shows it estimates the peak enrollment will be 13,400 in 1962; and that double sessions will be with us until about 1968. Using this as a basis, the following will show there are more than enough Classrooms without the building of a new school, to handle the Peak load. (Figures on classroom and capacity from page 7, Nov. 23 issue of the Herald)

(a) There are at present eight elementary schools in the District with 164 classrooms (including kindergarten) existing or planned, which can accommodate on double or overlapping sessions 11,480 children.

(b) The Junior and new Senior High can accommodate 3,600 students on a single full day session.

(c) Accommodations of Elementary and Secondary schools will total 15,080 pupils.
The Survey also estimates enrollment at 8,500 after 1970 on full session (five hours). A school plant of 164 Elementary class rooms, plus the Junior and Senior High Schools can still more than handle this

load, since they will be able to accommodate 9,240 children on full session. Now then, am I unduly worried about empty class rooms?

The letter went on to say "we should redouble our efforts and build more schools than recommended by the Survey and assure this generation—our children now—a fair educational shake under a full day session. This is sheer nonsense, for the amount of education the children will receive in that additional hour would be negligible. That additional hour would include a Study Period (when very little studying will actually be done) or some activity which that neglected school subject. If we were to build more schools, the parents would be 'rid of them' for six hours (or longer if they stayed to play after school). If a child can't become educated in four hours, they certainly won't be able to in five. Personally, I say our children are getting a 'fair shake' now. In four hours they are getting a far better concentrated education than was given to us adults in five.

Our Secondary School students SHOULD be on a full day session since the work is greater; and will be able to do so easily with the space in the Jr. High and Senior High. After all, the education of our children depends on the teacher's ability, not on the number of schools a District may build.

IT SEEMS TO ME, in conclusion, that to keep building more schools without considering the financial burden, and without considering utilization to the fullest of present facilities, is "empty headedness". What worse me is not the "loss of an extra quart of Beer on the table" (since I don't have any), but the loss of milk and food for my children. As Taxes continue to climb, the amount of money for food and clothing decreases. I'd much rather sacrifice the luxuries, so I can provide the necessities for my family. If my children are hungry for food, I can't expect them to understand that I used the money for the building of more schools so their heads can be filled with more knowledge. They only know that their stomachs are empty.
118 Brittle Lane,
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December 4, 1954

Mother's Meeting This Evening

The Nassau County Auxiliary of Christian Mothers will meet tonight (Tuesday, Dec. 14) for their regular monthly meeting and Christmas party at the school hall, E. Mitchell street, Hicksville. All mothers of children attending St. Ignace are cordially invited to attend.

Legion Auxiliary Entertains Staff

The American Legion Auxiliary of Charles Wagner Post, Hicksville, had the honor of entertaining their Nassau County officers at a monthly meeting on Friday night, Dec. 10. During the course of the business meeting it was disclosed by the membership chairman, Anne Brengel, that the number of paid-up members has now reached the total of 66.

She introduced at this time two new members; Mrs. Samuel Greco, and Mrs. Nicholas Vorharris.

The members brought presents which were delivered to the Christmas Gift Shop at Northport Veterans' Hospital Thursday Dec. 9. The members at the Hospital will have a choice of articles to send home to their families. The ladies of Nassau, Suffolk, and Queens American Legion Auxiliaries will then gift wrap and mail these articles to the various addresses.

After the business meeting Pres. Beard introduced the County Chairman Mrs. L. Miller, and her staff who consisted of 1st Vice Chairman Mrs. Eleanor Lewis, 2nd Vice Chairman Mrs. Marie Wilcox, and 3rd Vice Chairman Mrs. D. Walker. Mrs. Miller spoke on the general program of the Auxiliary for the coming year. Mrs. Lewis is Americanism Chairman and told of that program, and Mrs. Wilcox, outlined Community Service. Mrs. Walker spoke on Membership.

Festive Evening For Old Country

The next regular meeting of the Old Country Road Parent-Teacher Assoc. of Hicksville, member of the New York State Congress of Parents and Teachers, branch of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers will meet tomorrow, (Wednesday, Dec. 15) at 8:15 p.m. in the school Auditorium for a gala Holiday party.

This meeting will be purely social, with a grab bag, social dancing, singing and sandwiches, cake and coffee. It will be an evening to remember and for everyone to join with his friends and neighbors in celebrating a joyous holiday season. Please remember to bring a long a 25-cent gift for the grab bag.

Members and their friends are cordially invited to share in the festivities. A very happy holiday to one and all from the Old Country Road P.T.A.

The next regular meeting of the Nassau County District of the Women's Auxiliary of the Chiropractic Assoc. of New York will be held Jan. 20 at the home of Mrs. Adam Herlin of Floral Park. Mrs. George Loucks of Hicksville is state and district recording secretary of the auxiliary.

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Mrs. William G. Wheeler, well-known teacher, lecturer and judge of Flower arrangements, held the interest of the 60 women present with her displays and original creations. She demonstrated how the decorations can be made inexpensively, many times using wire coathangers, pine cones, and ribbons with pine or spruce or leaves from your own garden.

Mrs. Wheeler has written many articles on the subject and has demonstrated flower arrangements on television. She gave many professional hints to the ladies present, who all agreed it was a very fitting climax to the course.

CHANUKAH CEREMONY

The Sisterhood of the Midway Jewish Community Center, will hold its regular meeting tomorrow (Wednesday, Dec. 15) at 8:30 P. M., at their Center, 830 South Oyster Bay Road, Hicksville. After the meeting there will be a Candle Lighting Ceremony in honor of Chanukah. A gala festive party with refreshments and exchange of gifts, will follow.

Chanukah Party Set for Saturday

A gala Chanukah party will be given by the Midway Jewish Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 18, at 8:30 P.M. at their Centre, 830 South Oyster Bay Road, Hicksville. For those who enjoy games of skill, there will be card games and Mah Jong.

For those who prefer tripping the light fantastic, there will be dancing in another part of the Centre.

Attendance will be limited to 250 people. For tickets, and other information, call Mrs. R. Seltzer, Hicksville 4-6904.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

Miss Lynda Noeth, 22 Twinlawn Ave., Hicksville, celebrated her birthday last week with a party for her classmates and friends. Her guests included: Kathy Smith, Judy Patchell, Carol Giannelli, Ann Empting, Ann Rotkamp, Joyce McLaughlin, Elizabeth Mahoney, Patricia Koehler and Patricia Durdella. Also, Thomas Bergin, Dennis O'Connor, Eugene Keegan, Gerald Walsh and Joseph Redmond.

The Ben Vyrns, of Long Beach were Sunday visitors in Hicksville. The Vyrns, former residents of Hicksville, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Noeth, Twinlawn Ave., Hicksville. They are temporarily residing in Long Beach until the completion of their new home in Huntington.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused the seal of the Surrogate of the County of Nassau, of Nassau to be hereunto affixed.
WITNESSE, JOHN D. BENNETT, Surrogate of our said County of Nassau, at the Surrogate's Office, 41 Mineola, in the said County, the 25th day of November one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.
JAMES STRAIN, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.
This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you consent to the proceedings, unless you file written verified objections thereto. You have a right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you.
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Comptroller has caused an examination to be made of the accounts and fiscal affairs of Hicksville Fire District, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County for the period beginning on January 1, 1952 and ending on December 31, 1953. The report of such examination has been filed in my office where it is a public record, available for inspection by all interested persons.
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No. 289-P-4 — MASSAPEQUA, TOWN OF OYSTER BAY — Map of Massapequa Acres, Section 4, by Gary-Jeff Corporation, located approximately 100 feet south of Queens Avenue and beginning 505.01 feet west of Flower Road. No. 685-F-1 — EAST NORWICH, TOWN OF OYSTER BAY — Map of Gabsal Homes, by Gabsal Homes Inc., located north side of North Hempstead Turnpike and beginning 508.75 east of Pine Hollow Road. No. 784-F-1 — VILLAGE OF FLOWER HILL, TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD, Map of Flower Hill Country Estates and Amending map of Quaker Ridge, File #6289, by F. H. C. E. Construction Corp., located North side Stonytown Road and the west side of Port Washington Boulevard. No. 713-F-1 — NEAR VALLEY STRAEM, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, Map of North Woodmere Homes, by Bencard Homes, Inc., located south side of Pearl Street and beginning approximately 100 feet west of Janet Place. No. 649-F-1 — EAST MEADOW, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, Map of Silver Lawns, Section 1, by Silver Lawns Corp., located east side Bellmore Road and beginning approximately 410 feet north of North Jerusalem Road. No. 765-P-1 — BALDWIN, TOWN OF HEPSTEAD, Map of Victoria Homes, by D. & O. Construction Corp., located approximately 100 feet east of Kenneth Avenue and beginning 1078.53 feet north of Bismarck Avenue.

It also to be considered are the following applications for reduction of principal of surety bonds for public improvements:—
No. 578-R-1 — MASSAPEQUA, TOWN OF OYSTER BAY, Map of Carman Village, Section No. 1, by Gulf Construction Massapequa Corp., located west side of Carman Road and beginning approximately 5000 feet south of Southern State Parkway.
No. 646-Rd-1 — NORTH BELLMORE, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD — Map of Mer-Bell, by Mer-Bell Builders, Inc., located 223.87 feet north of Janet Ave. and beginning approximately 380 feet east of Bellmore Road.
No. 295-Rd-2A — PLAINVIEW, TOWN OF OYSTER BAY, Map of Forest Park Gardens, Section 2, by J.R.A. Morton Company, Inc., located north side of Old Country Road and beginning 130.98 feet east of Manor Street.
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STATEN ISLAND — Frederick E. Freyelsen of 16 Utica St., Hicksville, is among Wagner College students who will be home for a two week Christmas vacation starting Dec. 17 and ending Jan. 4.

Cub Pack 91 will meet on Dec. 22 for its monthly meeting and Christmas party.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the County Government Law of Nassau County and a resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County on December 6, 1954, that the Director of Franchises of said County has filed with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors a report dated November 22, 1954, recommending that the application of Star Bus Lines, Inc., for a consent to the operation of omnibuses along the route identified as Bus Route No. 20 H-P (Hicksville to Plainview), as shown on map annexed to such report be granted subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the form of consent annexed to such report; and that said Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing thereon in the Meeting Room of the Board of Supervisors, Old County Court House, Mineola, New York, on the 20th day of December, 1954, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

The roads and streets which are the subject of the aforesaid application are as follows:

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BY ORDER of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nassau, New York.
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Chamber Sponsors Yule Contest

BETHPAGE—The Chamber of Commerce here is sponsoring a Christmas Decorating Contest, according to an announcement made by Leo Schottland, Chairman of the Contest Committee, at a meeting held in the Bank Building.

The committee comprised of religious, civic, veterans, business and professional leaders, decided to place emphasis on the religious theme for the contest. Three \$25.00 Savings Bonds will be awarded as prizes; one for the best Lawn decoration, one for the best Window decoration, and one for the best Overall decoration.

The next meeting of the Contest committee will be held at 9 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 22, in the lobby of the bank. The committee will start judging Sunday night, Dec. 26 and will make the rounds of all streets in the Fire District, the area to which this contest is limited.

Holiday Plan For Enlistment

HEMPSTEAD—T/Sgt Edwin L. Dey of the Air Force Recruiting Station here announced a Holiday Enlistment Plan that will be available this month only.

Anyone enlisting on Thursday, Dec. 23 will be given a pass until the following Monday, Dec. 27. That means that the young man or woman would be in the Air Force and be home for Christmas, he said.

Sgt. Dey states that the Plan has a two-fold purpose, (1) to enjoy the Holiday as a member of the Air Force and, (2) to avoid the rush and delay that is usual later in the year.

Anyone wishing more information regarding enlistment can contact Sgt. Dey by phone at IV 3-6140 or IV 3-5122 or by visiting or writing the Air Force Station at 250 Front Street, Hempstead.

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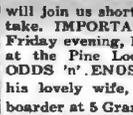
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By JAMES COOLEY

"OUT OF THE FOXHOLE" . . . Signers as Charter Members will be JIM MILES, GENE GLENNON and PAUL HEINBUCH . . . incidently the roster of officers as temporary are herewith listed . . . Commander FRED KASTNER, 1st Vice Commander JOHNNY SWIGICKI, 2nd Vice Commander EDDIE(ace) QUIMBY, 3rd Vice Commander PAUL HEINBUCH, Adjutant and Service Officer JIMMY COOLEY, Judge Advocate GENE GLENNON, Provost Marshall JIM MILES, Historian BILL CORCORAN. The BOO-BOO DEPT.: My sincerest apology to Commander GERTZEN of Hicksville's Post #4 . . . GUS NOEL through my error is not a member or even a prospective member of this new post, but . . . JOHN BERNARDO will join us shortly. So sorry Buddy for such a mistake. IMPORTANT DATES: Officers meeting on Friday evening, Dec. 10. Regular meeting to be held at the Pine Lodge on Friday evening, Dec. 17. ODDS 'n' ENOS . . . AMVET Gene Glennon and his lovely wife, Rosemary will soon have a little boarder at 5 Grant Avenue. JIM MILES little young-



Home Bureau Luncheon Today

The Hicksville Home Bureau held its regular monthly meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the American Legion Hall, Mrs. Irving Jenner presided. Reports were given on the passed projects and heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Theodora Schwartzing, Mrs. Matilda Feitsch, and Mrs. Clinton Foster who helped to make our "Quikie" Christmas Ideas classes such a success.

There was a good turn-out to all these classes and they were

all enjoyed by those who attended. Mrs. Edward Korbman also reported on the "Vary Your Vegetables" cooking class which was the preparation of varied vegetables and proved tasty.

Mrs. William Metzger was asked to take over as secretary as Mrs. George Waters will be unable to attend meetings due to school time changes. Final Christmas Party plans were made and it was decided to have a luncheon at the Maine

The Long Islanders Post Bethpage, New York

Mr. Pitts is feeling much better at this writing. Vice Commander ACE QUIMBY not only received the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross, but the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement while serving with the Marines aboard the USS Intrepid during action against the Japanese in the Pacific. Quimby is the fourth former US Marine to join the new Bethpage AmVets. PAUL HEINBUCH served as a Legion Commander in Maspeth, L. I.

The Ladies Auxiliary can pretty well count on GWEN MILES and ROSEMARY GLENNON as future members. Korean G. I. Bill benefits may be cut off shortly via the newspapers, etc., says AMVET Rep. Olim Teague of Texas. BILL CORCORAN has an engagement with his Ork at a well known Restaurant in Hicksville . . . lots 'o' Luck Irish. Bushwicks Post 31 held a Memorial Service on December 7th and placed a wreath to the memory of those who gave their lives. AND NOW: Before I close . . . On December 7th all over America, veterans organizations honored those who died that our country might live in what we have fought for over hundreds of years . . . let me and my weekly column with this small verse . . .

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Maid this Tuesday, Dec. 14, Mrs. George Waters will be in charge of entertainment.

The coming classes for January will be lamp shades to be taught by Mrs. Matilda Feitsch and furniture re-finishing by Mrs. Charles Pickering. Anyone interested in joining for the coming year is encouraged to do so as there will be other classes coming up which should be interesting to many.

For further information contact Mrs. Robert Gross, HI 3-2791.

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Cites Need For Posture Exercises In Our Schools

By PAUL DEPACE
HICKSVILLE N. S.
PHYS. ED. TEACHER

Dr. George T. Stafford, Director of Physical Education at the University of Illinois made a survey a few years ago which showed that 70 per cent of the children in the elementary and secondary schools have faulty body mechanics and poor posture.

Dr. Walter Truslow, a famous American orthopedic surgeon says: "As a nation we have lagged behind the totalitarians in body-training of our youth. In the latter part of the last century, more or less adequate physical training had an important place in the programs of our primary and secondary schools. Since then, school yard games rhythmic dancing and more general participation in athletics, valuable as they are, have gradually superseded the scientific posture-training and body building programs. This has resulted in a real let-down in basic preparation for life."

Last year when I visited West Point I spent an entire day with John Kress, conditioning officer and Dr. Appelman of the Physical Education Department. The purpose of my visit was to get information in addition to what I already had on the relationship which exists between physical fitness and mental and emotional fitness.

It was agreed and pointed out that the relationship mentioned above go hand in hand and fatigue, weakness, improper clothing and shoes, lack of stamina and physical exhaustion are associated with the child's state of morale and social adjustment. As Mr. Kress pointed out to me, if a good job is done in this field of posture correction and physical fitness—it will do much to make better citizens of our

youth. The rugged, strong and well conditioned individual has a feeling of fitness and confidence and is much less susceptible to many factors which undermine morals.

The Aims, purpose and objectives of this program are as follows:

Aims: To correct poor posture, to teach coordination, balance, poise, and to instill in each child a desire for attainment, and equally important, assist in the fulfillment of such a desire in so far as possible.

To correct functional defects and to assist the handicapped to live within the limits of his disability but to the limit of their capabilities.

Purpose: Serve as a means of preventing divergencies; aid in the preventing of possible injuries due to a weak musculature.

To teach several basic exercises which will be used by the individual as an aid in maintaining physical fitness.

To increase the postural stability of the body through improvement of muscle tone and organic efficiency.

Objectives: To correct functional deviation of, weak feet, flat feet, knock knees, bow legs, tibia torsion, Lordosis, Scoliosis, Round shoulders, Obesity, underweight, Fatigue, Post Polio, Birth palsy (aid in developing the muscles that have not been injured), Aids Cerebral Palsy, Aid the handicapped to the limit of their capabilities.

In the next article I will discuss the typical posture defects found in the schools and what can be done to help correct them.

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Police Boys Club Intermediate Basketball League Gets Rolling

The Intermediate Division of the Police Boys Club basketball league is well underway this week. The Hicksville Comets, Bethpage, Locust Grove and Plainview Knicks won their games in the first round.

The Hicksville Comets and Locust Grove started the season off on the right foot on Dec. 6 with the Comets winning 43 to 39. The Comets led throughout the game but the Rotaries with Pete Nygren who hit from the outside with amazing accuracy kept the game close. Nygren was high scorer with 14 points.

	B	F	Tot	PF
COMETS	13	7	43	15
ROTARY	14	11	39	10

In the second game of the season was an easy win for Locust Grove over Levittown 54 to 28. Charles Royce a high man in the game with 15 points followed by his Locust Grove teammate, G. Hvidsten who had 13. High scorer for Levittown was DeLuca who had 10. The game was played Dec. 6.

The Plainview Knicks met the Lincoln House Boys Club of Glen Cove on Dec. 7. The Knicks with only seconds left won 34 to 33 on a basket by L. Budd who was high scorer for Plainview with 30 points. Lincoln House led throughout the game by 4 points; lost the ball 8 times in the last two minutes by walking violations and on three occasions the Knicks made good their shots to pull the very exciting game out of the fire.

	B	F	Tot	PF
PLAINVIEW	16	2	34	15
LINCOLN	11	11	33	9

BETHPAGE VICTORS
The Bethpage team met the Plainview Hawks on Dec. 7 and their score was one sided as the Bethpage quintet looked very good on their fast break and defense thrown up was excellent. Bethpage won 71-27. Four boys on the winning team hit for double figures with Ruggiero high at 14 and

SAILOR ENGAGED
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Savastano of 445 Andrews Rd., Mineola wishes to announce the engagement of their daughter Sally, on Nov. 28 to Seaman Paul A. Huekstein of 19 West St., Hicksville. The marriage date is set for Dec. 26.

TRUSTEES TO MEET
HICKSVILLE — The Board of Trustees, and any interested Congregation members, of the Midway Jewish Community Center, will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, Dec. 16 at 8:30 PM, at their centre, 830 South Oyster Bay Road, here.



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	B	F	Tot	PF
BETHPAGE	32	7	71	13
PLAINVIEW	7	13	27	15

The Greenville Bakers Boys Club of Locust Valley met and defeated the Plainview Trojans easily 60-23 on Dec. 9. R. Harris, big centre for the Boys Club was high with 13 points. Reilly got 10 and Naegle 9 to lead the Trojans.

	B	F	Tot	PF
LOCUST	22	8	50	8
TROJANS	10	3	23	9

Standings of the teams 'as of Dec. 11:

	Won	Lost
Hicksville Comets	1	0
Bethpage	1	0
Locust Grove	1	0
Plainview Hawks	1	0
Locust Valley	1	0
Oyster Bay	0	0
Farmingdale	0	0
Plainview Hawks	0	1
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Hicksville Rotary	0	1
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Shopping for Christmas Tree

What kind of Christmas tree do you want this year? With so many different trees on the market to choose from, even the most discriminating person can find a tree to suit their tastes says Prof. Fred Winch of the conservation department at Cornell.

More than 11 million Christmas trees are sold in New York State each year. In eastern New York and in the large cities, people seem to prefer red and white spruces and balsam fir. Persons in central and western New York seem to prefer Scotch pine, Austrian pine, Douglas fir, and balsam fir, the specialist noted.

Most of the trees sold in the eastern section of the State are natural field grown trees from the Adirondacks, New England, and Canada. Trees sold in central and western New York are usually plantation grown.

Whether you prefer a blue-green, pale green, or deep green color, a lofty or miniature tree, look for one with well-placed branches that have not been damaged in transport, suggests Professor Winch.

Make sure the tree is large enough so you can cut off a section of the butt when you put the tree in water. You can tell a freshly cut from an old tree by tapping the butt on the ground to see if needles fall. Also, a fresh tree will have a limber stem in above freezing temperatures. A dry tree, with the exception of Scotch pine, will appear yellowish green. Yellow-green is the natural color of Scotch pine.

Many persons, says Winch, prefer the Douglas fir even though it is twice as expensive as Scotch pine and three times more expensive than white spruce. Douglas fir and Scotch pine can be cut early and kept in the home a month

without losing their needles. Spruce and even if kept in water, tend to lose their needles after a few weeks. The best shaped trees, according to the specialist, are the Douglas fir and white spruce.

CARING FOR THE TREE

When you bring the Christmas tree home, keep it in a cool place, such as a garage or breezeway, out of the wind and sun, recommends Winch. Because conifers

contain a great deal of pitch or resin which seals the pores, cut off a small section of the butt before placing the tree in water. Water, according to the specialist, is the best preservative for Christmas trees. Before bringing the tree into the house, make a slanting cut in its butt. Then put the tree in a holder with water, and you're all set to decorate your Christmas tree for the holiday festivities.

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Skyrockets Keep Victory Record

HICKSVILLE — The football season at the Lee Ave School here came to a dramatic conclusion as the three leading teams of the Intramural league completed the championship playoffs.

In first playoff, a game to gain the right to play the first place Skyrockets, the Bullets defeated the second place Navy team in an upset, 12-0. Brad Jaworski quick kicked to the Navy two late in the second half.

A fourth down fumble was recovered by Henry Meyer of the Bullets on the Navy 4. Three right end runs netted nothing and then Brad pitched to Ronald Fowell who skirted left end for the score. The other touchdown came a few minutes later as Jaworski pitched to Tommy DeBrocke from 10 yards out.

In the championship game, the battle settled to a duel between the passing arms of Bob Rzeszut of the Skyrockets and Brad Jaworski of the Bullets. Excellent pass defense thrown up by both teams kept the game in the middle of the field during most of the first half.

Four Scouts Pass Board Of Review

HICKSVILLE — Boy Scout Troop 91 had a regular meeting on Dec. 2. Four boys passed for Board of Review were: Richard Moadley, camping and reading merit badge; William Moran, camping and citizenship merit badge; John Goodel, citizenship and camping merit badge; Paul Giammanco, reading merit badge.

Richard Moadley also passed for a Star Scout. He and William Moran received one year pins.



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