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FINAL REPORT IN ON 1958 CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

The 1958 Bethlehem Community Christmas Festival closed on a note of glory at the final meeting of the Central Committee held February 8 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McHugh in Elsmere. Mrs. Sydney L. Smith, general chairman, presided.

A highlight of the meeting was the announcement by Thurlow McWhinnie, treasurer, that the offerings and contributions had topped \$2,000, by far the largest amount in the 17 years of the Festival's history. The offering in 1942, the first year of the Festival, was \$98. Summary of receipts at the 1958 Festival:

Offerings at three presentations of Festival, \$1,388.17; Contributions by Bethlehem Central Senior High School, \$234,25; Contributions by other organizations and individuals, \$378.81. TOTAL - \$2,001,23.

The report of the White Christmas committee, presented by Mr. and Mrs. James M. Flavin, chairman, indicated correspondingly enlarged outreach in assistance to people of the community. In all, 67 families comprising 119 adults and 178 children were supplied food, clothing, toys, dolls and money at Christmas. In addition to aid rendered directly by the White Christmas Committee, 43 individuals and organizations furnished food, gifts and services.

In addition to gifts and services at Christmas, assistance was given during the year 1958 in the form of clothing, medical dental and optical care, and fuel to numerous families. Also, \$100 was sent to CARE and \$100 to the American Friends Service Committee for the aid of children in foreign lands.

Persons in the community are asked to save good toys - "the kind you are proud to give" -

Red Cross Names Johnson

Russell H. Johnson, a vicepresident of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Albany, has been named chairman of the Business Division of the 1959 Red Cross Membership and Fund Campaign. He will be assisted during the month-long drive in March by Donald F. Armer and Stanley R. Bookstein, vice-chairman. Johnson is a past president of the Albany Kiwanis Club and is a member of the Albany Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

for contribution to the White Christmas Committee next fall. Good, warm clothing, shoes and boots are needed throughout the year and may be delivered to the "Clothes Closet" in the basement of the Delmar Public Library.





Blanchard Post needs a manager for its baseball team. If interested, please contact Commander Lenseth or Chairman Dick Dalton.



"Coupon Program" sponsored by the Blanchard Post Auxilary wants box tops from cereals and other containers. Turn them in at the Post and they will be forwarded to the credit of the Ida Asby Memorial and other VA Institutions.

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We know you will enjoy this easy method of placing your classified ad, paying your subscription, or dropping off your club news. We have been grateful that so many of you went to the trouble of locating our homes - now, it is no longer necessary. Call 9-4949 or drop in and see us in person.

Another new business at the 4 Corners is the Corner Store run by Helen Brockley Leonard. The food is fabulous and the gourmet merchants of the area are gratifyingly appreciative.

Leo Rook, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce president and leading realtor, has purchased the Histed Laundry Building at 226 Delaware Avenue for his real estate office and it is reported he will rent a portion of the building to the Second Avenue Dairy for an ice cream bar.

Couples Club to Meet

Couples Club of the Clarksville Community Church will meet February 26th at 6:30 p.m. for a covered supper at the "lower location." This monthly affair is sponsored by the combined group from the church. The Rev. Louis Chisman, executive director of Camp Fowler will show colored slides and speak on the functions of this camp, located near the Town of Speculator in the Adirondacks. Of course all adults in the area are cordially invited. Mrs. Mildred Westervelt is chairman.

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HAROLD LIEBMAN BY PEGGY O'BRIEN

Imagination and movement are the two key words which bring together the many arts of versatile, Harold Liebman whose exhibit opened last weekend in the Delmar Public Library.

As a dancer, he and his wife, Lolita, have performed their famous Snake Dance all over the world: in London, in the Revue Folies Bergere in Paris, in the Latin Quarter and The Waldorf Astoria in New York, the supper clubs of Les Vegas, and throughout South America. More recently, they have been on the TV shows of Milton Berle, Ken Murray, and Ed Sullivan to mention a few.

Mr. Liebman said that in creating this dance, he first worked it out with drawings, as the fight between Man and Woman, the woman, as the snake, and the man, as the snake charmer. Then, it was developed into the movement,

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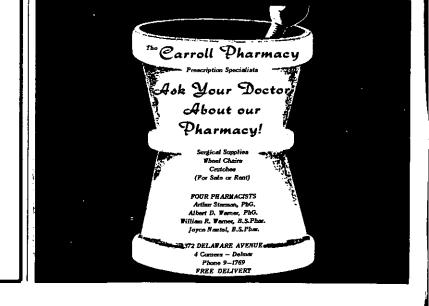


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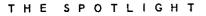
"Painting is my profession, dancing my hobby," said Harold Liebman in a recent interview in his studio. "I danced to get the money to pay for my tubes and canvasses."

The work at the Delmar Library gives some idea of the versatility of a man to whom every material holds possibilities for creative design. There are watercolors and oils. Besides that. he has developed beautiful effects with copper on wax and ceramic and plastic on wax with stones in dramatic designs in cement where he let "nature and the shape of the stones lead him." He works inceramics and often uses a method of folding a flattened piece of clay into shapes, which carry through his constant love of movement.

Imagination allows him to search constantly and to find amazing effects. Mr. Liebman's famous "TinCan Marionettes" are also represented in the Library. In looking at his collection, one



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sees a great deal of kitchen material and realizes why his wife trembles every time he comes into the kitchen with a gleam in his eye. A coffee pot for a head with the spout as a nose; half-opened sardine cans for feet; spatulas for fins of a fish give a slight idea of the imaginative capabilities of Mr. Liebman. The effect is singularly good. These marionettes have been shown in a number of plays many, many times and they have been made into a movie. They will have another work-out in East Greenbush next month.

Movement is always in Mr. Liebman's work; in the effect of his paint brush, in the stones on cement that are fashioned for fireplaces, in his murals, one of which is the decor in Herbert's Restaurant, on Madison Avenue in Albany, even in the mosaic designs of his tables. He says it is the love of movement that brings together for him all the variety of art forms. in which he is constantly immersed.

The Liebmans live in Hannacroix, just south of Ravena, on a farm whose out-buildings have proven themselves effective for his arts and for his classes, which are attended by students from considerable distances away. Mrs. Liebman, whose training is Russian Ballet, teaches her own method with ballet as a base and a nod to Modern Dance movements in a lovely studio made from the food storage building, built with thick walls which keep it warm in winter and cold in summer.

Mr. Liebman has shown his paintings at the Nathaniel Academy, the American Artists Professional League and has had shows in Miami, Los Angeles, and in our own Albany Institute of History and Art.



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The annual covered dish supper of the Clarksville Civic Club will be held Friday, February 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Clarksville Elementary School. Members and guests may bring white elephants to be auctioned off after the supper. Those attending will also provide their own place settings of silver, dishes and napkins, Mrs. John F. Dearstyne is chairman of the committee. assisted by Mesdames Homer Johnston, Albert Danckert, Jr., and Carl Dean.

Delmar Day Unit, Albany County Extension Service, will hold its regular monthly meeting Friday, February 20, at 1:30 p.m. Mrs. John S. Ryan will give a lesson in making Holiday desserts. Guests are welcome.

Tuesday, February 24, will be Scout night at the Slingerlands PTA meeting. The program will be presented by Cub Scout Pack 272, Brownie Troop numbers 339 and 92; and Girl Scout Troops numbers, 284 and 114.

An International theme will be used by the various groups in songs, dances, skits and a puppet show.

The annual election of officers for the Elsmere Rod and Club will be held at Elsmere Fire Hall tonite, February 19 at 8:30. A special guest, Sol Goldberg, big game hunter from Hudson will go on hand to describe and show pictures of his recent hunt in the Yellowstone country of Wyoming.

The Fellowcraft Club of Bethlehem Lodge, 1096, F. & M., will serve another of their famous Roast Beef dinner on Saturday, February 28, in the Masonic Temple. Dinner will be served

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from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets |1 at \$1.50 for adults and 90¢ for children.

The First Reformed Church of Bethlehem will hold its Annual Father and Son Dinner on Monday, February 23, at 6:30 p.m. The price of the Dinner will be \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12. The speaker will be Dr. Edward Carrothers who will show slides of his recent trip through Russia.

The Doubles Club of the Delmar Reformed Church will hold a dinner meeting on Friday, February 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Speaker will be Mrs. Paul Clagett, who will show slides of the southwestern United States. Also Mr. Edward Jantschi, Choir Director, will lead the group in songs.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Cooper are dinner chairmen for the evening and will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Parks and Mr. and Mrs. William Disser.

Congratulations to Henry E. McCauley, Jr. of 18 Euclid Avenue, Elsmere on receiving his Eagle. Henry received this highest scout award at the annual dinnergiven for the families and friends of Troop 85 at St. Stephens Church in Elsmere last Saturday night.

The Bethlehem Shrine Club will hold its monthly meeting at the Nathaniel Blanchard Legion Post on Friday, February 20. Mark your calender well as Eddie Kennell will provide the entertainment.

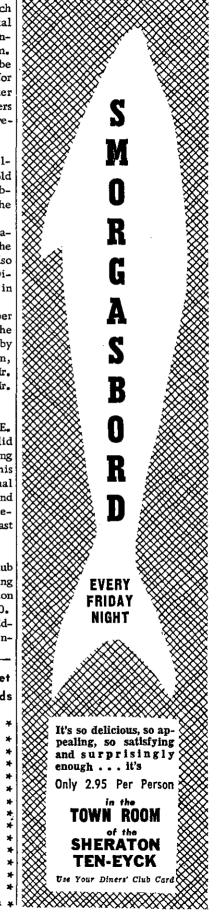
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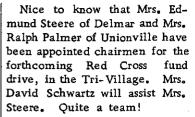
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Normanside Country Club's Mixed Duplicate Bridge is really a huge success; ten tables turned out February 8 at 7:00. Some had enjoyed the newly organized Gourmet Club, Sunday Buffet, and we imagine many will follow suit.

The Bethlehem Business and Professional Women's Club met last week for a business meeting at Lucille William's home on Kenwood Avenue, Betty Geurtze, president, is full of enthusiasm for the Hudson-Champlain Celebration and did a good job convincing the other members that as a club, they should participate.

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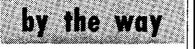
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Much emphasis on the Bridge this past week at Normanside. The women were almost as busy as they are during golf season – February 12 was the regular dessert-bridge party for members, and their guests. There were many luncheons preceding the dessert too. Ellie McArthur 'ran one' in and so did some of the rest of us.

Women's Duplicate will not let Friday the 13th stop the game. This is nearly as popular as the old MaJong craze. . . We admire your spirit.

Seen in New York last weekend or so, were Joanne and Warren Kimmey and the William Crannells. And (at long last) at "My Fair Lady" . . . Lucky! We understand that Anita and Charles Ayers left for Florida and know this should really be just the thing for Anita. She is coming along nicely. . . * * *

Louise Scofield has been down Florida-way too this month, which just sounds delightful to us. Also Ruth and Wes Knighton have taken off south for the month, jolly fun.

We think this would be just great to do out here in Bethlehem Schools . . . at some time or other.

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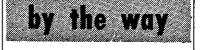


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mony. Ed is Chairman of the Helderberg Boy Scout District and during Scout week this new troop was established in Voorheesville Grade School and will be sponsored by Legionnaires from Post 1493. Congratulations and long life. . Hats off to the parents who help make the new organization possible. * * *

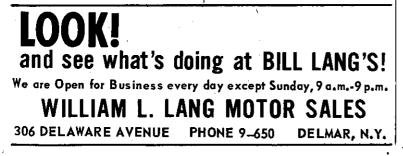
Ready for a belated Valentine-Normansiders had a really gay affair on February 14. It was a Mid-Winter Get-Together no less. Music was provided by Buddy Barbers Trio from 10:00 to 2 a. m. Refreshmenthour was followed by dinner at 7:00 to 9:00 p. m. Door prizes were awarded every hour from 11:00 on and everything was special and quite decorative! * * *

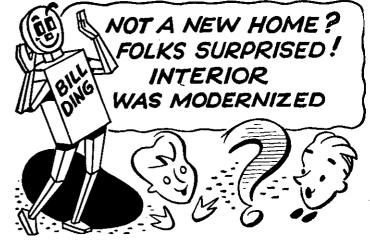
Congratulations to John Flandreau of Elsmere, a career state employee, just recently appointed by Governor Rockefeller to a newly created post on his staff to aid in the study of the organization of the Executive Branch of the state government. * * *

Suppose you all know or maybe you don't, that Gale Walter of Delmar has been crowned Albany Business College Snow Queen at their annual Sno-Ball recently. Gail Livingston, of Delmar was also in the court of honor. Queen Gale is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Walter of Fernbank Avenue, and is an executive secretary and student. Quite a combo. . .

It's with great pleasure that we announce the recent engagement of Mary L. Williamson to Robert J. Neary. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kass of Wellington Road, Delmar are announcing the event. Mr. Neary is the son of Mrs. Carmella Neary, Meriden,

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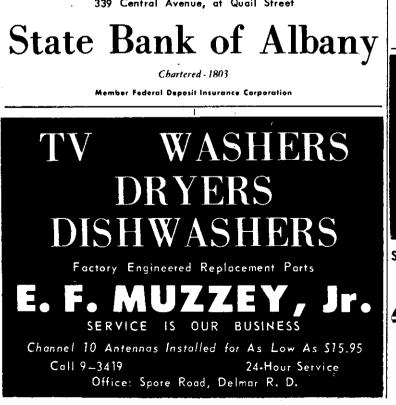


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Mr. Neary, a graduate of LymanHallHighSchool, is a junior at the University of Connecticut, where he is preparing for a career in journalism.

A September wedding is planned and we do wish them all the best!

Thought you'd like to get busy and round up some things for the Voorheesville newly formed Citi-Disaster 70 NS Committee, They've got some 800 pounds of wearing apparel on hand, but want lots more. If you'll remember this group started some weeks ago after that terrible fire destroyed three homes. John Heller, committee chairman, said clothing for children and for older people, baby clothes and toys are needed. All donated items are received gratefully at the Legion Hall Voorheesville, U.S.A.

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Mrs. Robert Darrone is general chairman. Assisting her in charge of tickets will be Mrs. Thomas Cudmore and Mrs. Ralph Reynolds; door prizes, Mrs. Alton S. Rowe, and Mrs. Earl Jones, Jr., card tables, Mrs. Ruth Gul-

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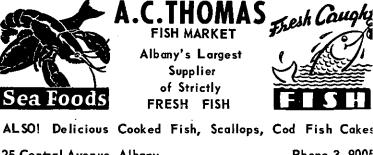
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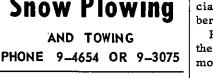


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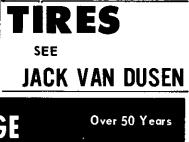
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Dr. John E. Gainor and Dr. Ethel Cermak, on the staff of the Albany Medical College, discussed behavior problems of grade school children at a recent meeting of Voorheesville P. T. A. at the High School.

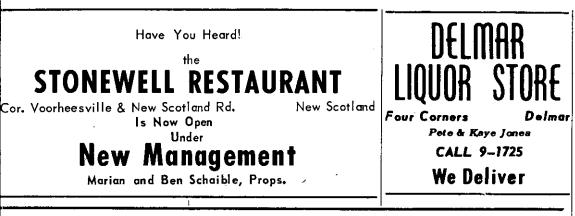
While Founders Day was observed by the Selkirk P.T.A. February 17 at the Feura Bush School. The Rev. Norman Thomas, pastor of the First Reformed Church of Albany spoke on "Whose Responsibility Is The Child." Mrs. J.E. Wagoner, chairman, announced a barber shop quartet, consisting of Richard Thayer, Warren Kullman, Merrill Bogardus and William Green.

Interesting to note that Mrs. Gladys V. Hosey, our business education teacher at Bethlehem Central Senior High School, was

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a panel member at the annual convention of the National Association for Business Teacher Education February 12 and 13 in Chicago.

Mrs. Hosey was assigned to "Growth for the Student Teacher in Laboratory and Off Campus Schools." Look at a January issue of Journal of Business Education and you'll find an article by Mrs: Hosey on "Better Speech Through Better Listening,"

Well Don Hutchings, son of the W.P. Hutchings of Adams Place,

Delmar, has just recently been made president of the student cabinet at the University of Rochester.

Don is a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity, and Mendicants. junior men's honor society, and has just completed a year as treasurer of the college cabinet.

Holder of several scholarships, Hutchings has been named to Dean's list each semester. He is now taking the five-year course leading to degrees in engineering and arts. This is his third year.

After his five-year term expires in May, John E. Glenn, of Delmar, senior member of the Bethlehem Board of Education, will no longer be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Glennhasserved the school board for 17 years and has been president for a dozen years. He was appointed to the five-member board when one of its members left for military service. Then came three five-year terms . . . May we add, job well done!

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A most interesting panel on television and its value to children was conducted this past week at the Fort Hunter School P.T.A.

Panel members were Donald Schein of the Mohawk-Hudson Television Council; Leonard Quint, principal of Fort Hunter; Phil Beuth, former producer of "Romper Room" on WTEN-TV; and a parent, Mrs. John T. Burns. * * *

Guilderland Citizens Committee met this past week in the high school, submitting its reports to the Board of Education Subcommittee on Future Needs.

The Committee was formed in November to find ways and means of erecting a junior high school in Guilderland. The 7th and 8th grades will go on double sessions next year, and the entire school will follow in 1960-61 if a new school is not built.

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Bethlehem Central SeniorHigh School has 98 students on the Honor Roll for the marking period ending January 24, Dr. Virgil E. Tompkins, Principal, announced today.

Bonnie Andorn, David Fordham, Kindra Muntz, Judith Paige, and Roger Tauss led the honor roll by earning an "A" in each subject studied.

The 93 other students attained the Honor Roll by earning at least a "B" in each subject.

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Virgil E. Tompkins, Principal of Bethlehem Central Senior High School, and William C. Kinsley, Principal of the Bethlehem Central Junior High School, are attending a three-day conference, February 9-11, of the National Association of Secondary School Principals in Philadelphia.





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