

We'd Like A Share of County Sales Tax Receipts for Public Education

(The following is the text of an address by Robert Bair before the Albany County Legislature.)

Thank you for the opportunity to speak at this public hearing on the proposed 1970 budget of the Albany County Legislature.

In am Bob Bair, President of the Albany County School Boards Association, speaking on behalf of the Association which consists of all twelve school districts in Albany County.

The School Boards in Albany County, like most throughout the State, over the last few years have been fighting a losing battle in balancing our school budgets. It has become increasingly difficult to obtain sufficient revenue from each of our two main sources to balance our necessary expenditures, many of which are mandated by the State. The one main source of school revenue is the State Legislature together with the Governor; however, they recently have neglected their constitutional responsibility for public education by passing on to the other main source, that is, the local real property taxpayer, the full burden of any increases in the coming 1970-71 local school budgets. This transfer of the public school tax burden has taken place in spite of the fact that substantial portions of prospective local school budget increases have been mandated by the State, such as automatic salary increments for both teaching and non-teaching staff, retirement benefits for all staff, salary schedule increases expedited by State mandated negotia-

tions and required courses, for example, the newly mandated health education course which will require new teachers. To this increasing local tax burden must be added an estimated six percent inflationary increase in the cost of school supplies and equipment.

Boards of education, educators and concerned citizens throughout the State will be making every effort to encourage the Governor and State legislators to assume their full share of responsibility in support of public education; however, even with this effort, it appears that more local financial support will have to be obtained. If it is not obtained: some programs and services now provided by our public schools will be curtailed or dropped; additional teachers will not be hired, in fact, some probably will have to be dropped; class sizes will increase; and, in effect, public education will be diminished in its contribution to our increasingly complex society.

At the local level and at the State level, public education certainly does have a very high priority of public education at the local and State levels should also carry over to the county level to the extent that sales tax receipts should be used to help support our elementary and secondary public schools. We know that public education is of concern to each of you individually and as members of the Albany County Legislature.

We fully appreciate that you

also have your problems as you devise and formulate the Albany County budget. You have certain items you are responsible for as the Albany County Legislature. You also have your State mandated costs. You have your priorities too. In fact, we know that public education is at least one of our school districts, that is, in the City of Albany, was assigned a high priority in the formulation of your proposed budget, both this year and last year. We noted, according to the newspaper reports, that Mayor Corning included proposed budgetary increases of the City school district as one of the needs to be met by his proposed one percent sales tax increase yet to be passed by the Albany County Legislature. We are very happy that

the City of Albany public schools will benefit again in 1970, as in 1969, from our County sales tax; however, we also would like to be happy for the other eleven school districts of Albany County — we would like to see all twelve school districts of our County receive their respective fair shares of our County sales tax receipts.

The situation is comparable to what it was a year ago when we stated as follows in a letter to the Editor (KNICKERBOCKER NEWS, 12-18-68):

"We are pleased to note, according to a newspaper report of Mayor Corning's comments about Albany City's proposed 1969 budget, that the 1969 real property tax rate for the

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city will not be increased because of the estimated surplus receipts from the Albany County sales tax — and this was possible even though city, county and city school expenses went up, including pay increases for city employees and school teachers. This happy situation uniquely exists in the city of Albany because some revenues of three different budgets, namely those of Albany County, Albany City, and Albany City School District, are raised under the cover of a single city real property tax.

"Unfortunately, it appears that all remaining school districts in the towns and the other cities of Albany County will not receive similar benefit from surplus county sales tax in 1969."

County sales tax receipts have been used to support public schools in four New York State counties, will soon be used this way in a fifth county and are being sought for this purpose in other counties of the State. As we noted in our 1968 November 14 letter to the Albany County Legislature:

"The experience of Erie and Monroe Counties since 1947 and 1952 respectively has shown that a county-wide sales tax can provide significant financial aid to schools. In Erie County alone, which has a 2 percent sales tax rate, the amount of revenue raised for education in the quarter ending May 31, 1968, amounted to \$3,045,354. The schools of Erie County received 43.5 percent of the total sales tax revenue for the above-mentioned quarter. This allowed for a substantial stabilization of tax rates, both in the county and in the Buffalo City school district.

"The sales tax rate in each of Monroe, Livingston, and Wayne Counties is 3 percent, with the school districts in each county

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receiving 33 1/3 percent of the taxes collected. In each of Erie, Livingston and Wayne Counties, the sales tax aid distribution is on the basis of the average daily attendance of public school pupils we are residents of the county; in Monroe County, it is on the basis of the enrollment of public school pupils resident in the receiving 33 1/3 percent of the taxes collected. In each of Erie, Livingston and Wayne Counties, the sales tax aid distribution is on the basis of the average daily attendance of public school pupils we are residents of the county; in Monroe County, it is on the basis of the enrollment of public school pupils resident in the county. In each of Livingston and Wayne Counties, the sales tax was imposed on March 1, 1968."

A fifth county, Sullivan County, will soon be providing sales tax revenue for its public schools.

Therefore, in view of the foregoing, the Albany County School Boards Association hereby respectfully requests that the Albany County Legislature allocate one-third of the amount to be collected annually from the County sales tax, that is, one of the proposed three percent to be levied, to be distributed to the school districts of Albany County; and further, that as many of your Legislators who are willing sponsor a resolution to bring out above request before the County Legislature for its favorable consideration. We would sincerely urge that each of you eschew partisan politics as you consider our request since support of public education should not be banded about in the political arena.

We, therefore, earnestly petition the Albany County Legislature to take favorable action on our request which we feel is in the best interest of all citizens in our county. Such favorable action will provide a share of County sales tax money to all school districts in Albany County, will provide tax relief for the real property taxpayer, and will help provide essential growth in school revenues.

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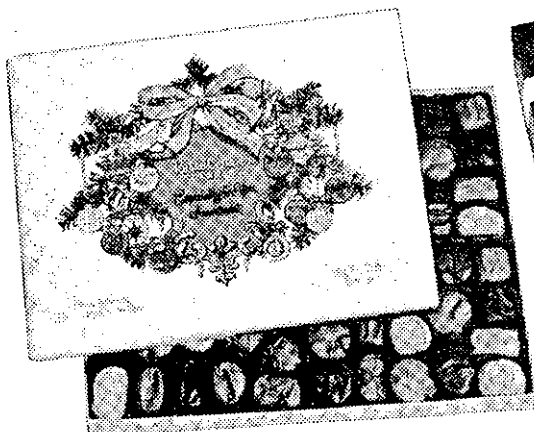


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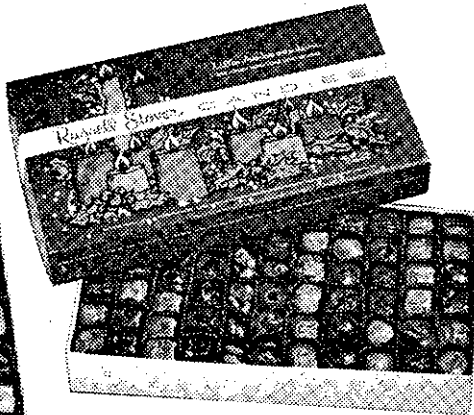
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ture and to its Attorney. Attached to the copy of the presentation is a listing of the members of the Albany County School Boards Association, the school districts they represent, and their home address and phone numbers. If any of you want additional information regarding our request, please don't hesitate to contact me or any member of our Association.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert K. Bair, President
Albany County School
Boards Association

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Bethlehem Central Choral groups demonstrating Dec. 10 at the New York State School Music Association conference at Kiamesha Lake were such a hit that the 200 teachers in the audience expressed disappointment when the students stopped singing.

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Mrs. Magdalene York had warned the students to expect a constant exiting of teachers as they rush to other events. But the audience that heard the 12 member Madrigals, the 9 member Girls Group, and the Swing Choir of 20 students, increased during the hour long lecture - demonstration. Questions at the close of the clinic showed the enthusiasms of the teachers for the polish and charm of the perfor-

mance.

Mrs. York, who is currently NYSSMA State Chairman for High School Music, said that the other teachers were most curious about how students were chosen for her groups, how the rehearsals were run, and who chose the repertoire.

One of the first requirements, Mrs. York told her fellow directors, was that all choresters must be able to read music — and if

they don't have the skill when they come to her, she teaches them.

The Girls Group, who demonstrated with songs from Oliver, were also a hit at the morning session. They were dressed for the songs in Oliver-type costumes which the girls made themselves.

During the demonstration, Mrs. York said, "they really were on their own. The room where they were to perform had

to be totally rearranged by the students to suit their program. And as soon as they entered, they set about the task with no direction from me. They are so self-sufficient, that they can carry on the whole routine without me even being there."

Accompanying the group as a chaperone was high school English teacher Richard Feldman, who did the choreography for the Swing Choir. The Choir demon-



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strated part of their routine of singing songs from successive decades, ending with a snappy rendition of Aquarius. The group dresses in blazers that they bought with monies from fund raising of their own.

The entire trip to the huge Concord Hotel was funded by the individuals attending - with help from donations to their Music fund that various performances in the community have earned them.

To prepare for the honor of the appearance at the NYSSMA, the students held many extra practice sessions. All the groups must hold regular rehearsals in the evening. Mrs. York pointed out, for there is no free time during the day.

While at the Concord Hotel, there were many other events that were available for interested students during the two day period. And All Student Concert Wednesday evening impressed the Bethlehem students. Two other Bethlehem Central young men were part of the All-Student Choir - Bill Raymond, bass, and David Marshman, baritone. Trumpet player Wally Conrad was at NYSSMA for work with the All High Band.

In addition to the chance to discuss their work with the various teachers who attended their clinic, the students had time for ice skating, swimming, guitar playing, and the eating of such as fresh strawberries . . . one of the many foods that delighted the kids.

A "moog synthesiser" was available for the students to play with. This is a computer which produces electronic music on demand and in response to the imagination of the amateur composer at the controls. Mrs. York said that the boys, especially, were moog synthesiser enthusiasts.

Brownie Activities

Brownie Troop 540 has been very busy this year working and having fun on projects which include their Brownie B's - Be Discoverers, Be ready helpers, and Be friendmakers.

Their first trip this year was to a farm at Thompson's Lake where they learned many things about animals and other forms of nature. The troop's first party for the year was Hallowe'en, at which time they invited their sister troop 585 to help them celebrate and gave each guest a mask when they made themselves. Their most recent service project was a trip to St. Colman's Home where they entertained 24 little girls by bringing refreshments, playing games, singing songs and leaving a tic-tac-toe game for each child. These were made by the Brownies. The girls in the troop and at St. Colman's expressed a mutual desire to become pen pals and perhaps visit again.

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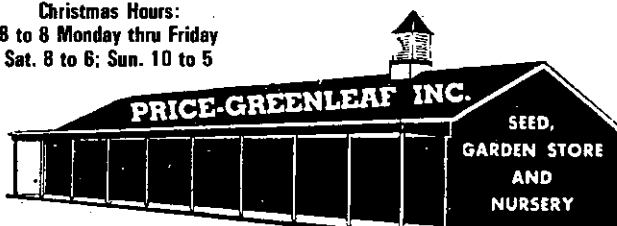
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The purpose of this session is to assist the Grand Union Co. in recruiting help for its new store in Voorheesville which is expected to open during the first part of January, 1970.

According to Joseph Danahy, New York State Employment Service Representative, company representatives from Grand Union will be on hand both days to conduct interviews for a variety of full-time and part-time jobs.

Anyone who is seventeen or over and may be interested in this employment opportunity is urged to come to the Legion Hall in Voorheesville on either of the above dates.

Dinner - Dance

The Bethlehem Tennis Association will sponsor a dinner-dance on January 10 at the Normanside Country Club. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

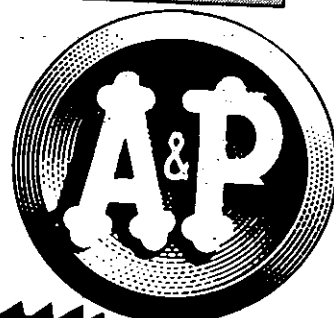
A social hour will begin at 6:30 P.M., followed by dinner at 7:30 P.M. Joey Emma's band has been hired to provide music for dancing. During a brief business meeting, new officers will be elected and reports given on the past year's activities.

Mrs. Samuel (Tina) Strasser is dinner chairman. Invitations are being mailed to all Association members, and reservations must be made by Dec. 27. Anyone who doesn't receive an invitation may call Mrs. Strasser to



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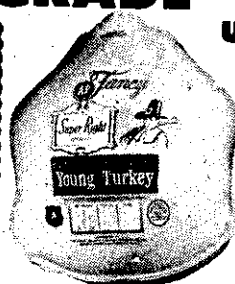
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To Pakistan

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Mr. Johnston will be evaluating the impact of the dam on the Punjab village culture of the region. He is specifically interested in the 81,000 people displaced by the flood waters of the dam. As part of trip the group will also visit London, Lisbon and Beirut.

Mr. Johnston is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip R. Johnston of Delmar and is a 1969 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

Last Two Films

The last 2 films of the series presented by the Club of Bethlehem Central Senior High School will be shown on December 16, at 7:30 P.M. in the school auditorium.

Due to a misunderstanding "The War Games" was not available on December 2, as planned. However so as not to disappoint those already holding series tickets "The Loneliness of a Long-distance Runner" was shown, and "The War Game" may be seen on Dec. 16, along with "The Hat," a short animated film. A discussion period led by a representative of the Albany Peace Center will follow.

General admission will be available at the door for \$.75, and all proceeds will be used to cover the cost of the films.

Student Art Show

A student Art Show will be held at the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany, N.Y. starting Tuesday, Dec. 16th and continuing for a two-week period ending Dec. 31st. There will be a special opening reception on Thursday, Dec. 16th at 7:00 P.M. Students exhibiting are members of the courses in non-objective art given by noted area artist, Lu Martinson, who has taught at Hudson Valley Community College. The class includes advanced students who have studied for

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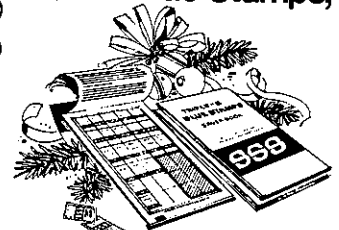
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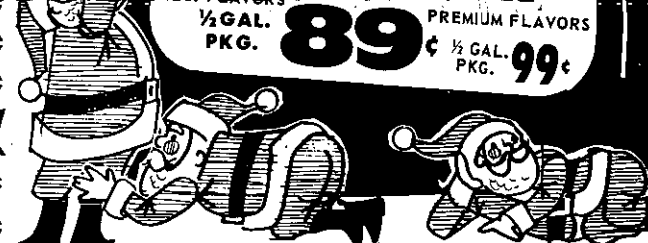
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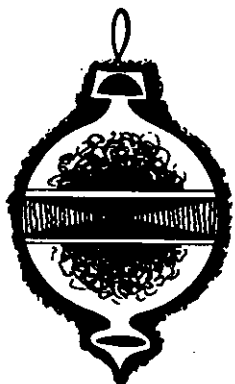
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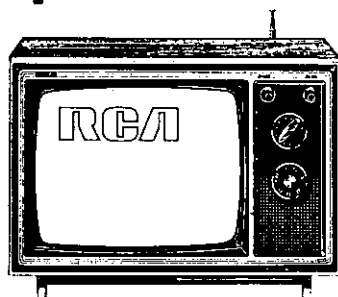
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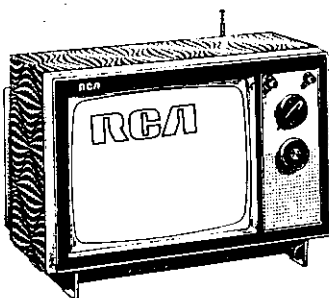


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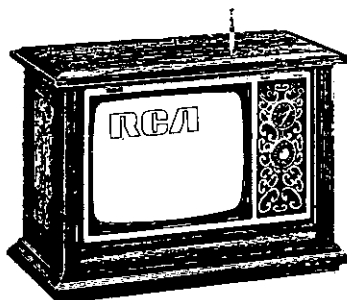


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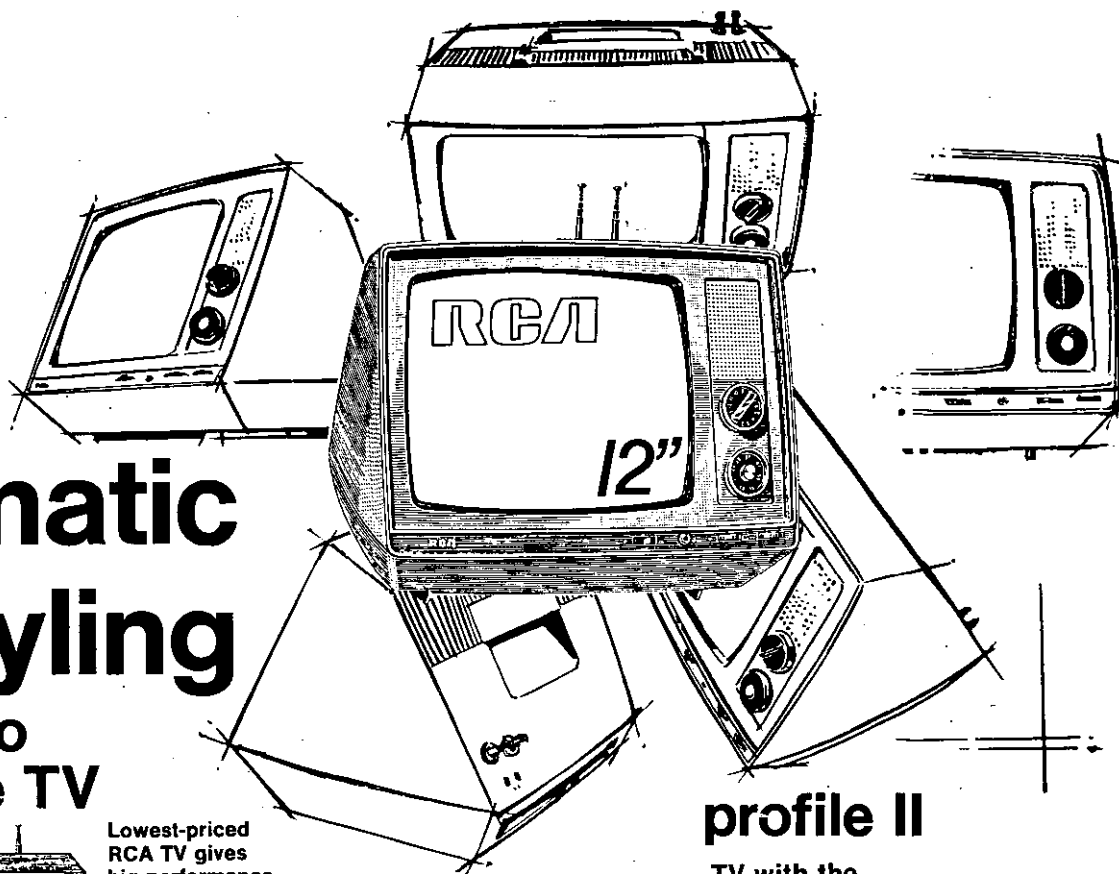


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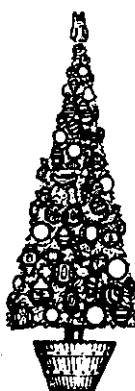
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The exhibit this year promises to be one of the most impressive in the Center's art displays since it represents in the student careers of the members of this group who have developed some paintings which have received considerable interest.

The paintings will be judged by Louis Ismay, coordinator of the Environmental Forum at SUNYA which is headquartered in the Fine Arts Building and which is concerned with environment and esthetics. Mr. Ismay was an art museum director in the mid-continent area, has been art director of the Art Center in Troy and was director of the Preservation of Architectural Landmarks. Awards will be given to those whose works are chosen as the most outstanding paintings.

Lu Martinson, instructor for the course, is a Viennese born artist who was educated at the Munich Fine Arts Academy. She has been a specialist in the field of textiles and other media, especially glass, where her one man shows led to her retainer by several large companies in the glass and lighting industry. Mrs. Martinson has exhibited her works at the Berkshire Museum in Pittsfield and two of her murals are part of the permanent collection of that museum. She has widely exhibited in New York, Los Angeles, Bucks County (Pennsylvania), Woodstock (New York), Tanglewood (Massachusetts) and in the Capital District at the Albany Institute of History and Art, the City and County Savings Bank, and the Music Hall in Troy. She is well known for her work at the Jewish Home for the Aged in Troy and the Senior Citizens Center in Colonie several years ago where some of the senior citizens under her tutelage won wide acclaim for their paintings which were exhibited around the Capital District.

The public is invited to the opening and to view the exhibit any time during the following two weeks.

The students who will be exhibiting are as follows: Linda

Bookstein, Anne Bruno, Annette Cohen, Aurora Harvey, Elsie Lapin, Miriam Mebel, Dorothy Moore, Miriam Muffson, Mrs. Edmund Nazarian, Jean Nitke, Mrs. Edward Patterson, Marguerite Pessalano, Luzie Reichert, Beatrice Rosenbloom, Rosalind Surrey, Patty Williams and Gloria Wood.

Christmas Concert

At 8:00 P.M., December 22, the Bethlehem Central Music Department will present its Annual Christmas Concert in the Bethlehem High School auditorium. The program will include the Senior High Concert Band, String Orchestra, Brass Ensemble, Girls' Choir, 9th and 10th Grade Choir, Boys' Choir, Swing Choir, a small mixed ensemble, and Choralliers.

The Senior High Concert Band, under the direction of Mr. Samuel Bozzella, has prepared a variety program from the traditional Leroy Anderson's "A Christmas Festival" to a contemporary piece "Chorale Prelude: So Pure the Star" by Vincent Persichetti. A trumpet trio will be featured in Leroy Anderson's "Bugler's Holiday."

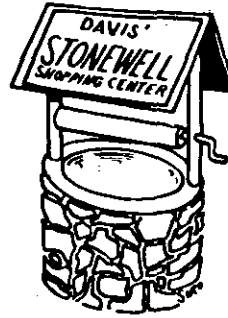
The String Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Salvatore Gangi, will present Corelli's "Concerto Grosso Op. 6 #8: Christmas Concerto Grosso." The Brass Choir also under Mr. Gangi's direction will present Johann Pachelbel's "Sonata #22, and the "Two Magnificats; Primi Toni; Quarti Toni," by the Johann Pachelbel.

The various choirs will join together to sing selections from Handel's "Messiah." The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. Magdalene York.

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Recovering

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Lt. Albright was a flight instructor stationed at Cherry Point, North Carolina before his mishap. Prior to that he was twice decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for combat missions over North Viet Nam.

Honor Rolls

The two Honor Rolls at Bethlehem Central High School for this report period follow.

The following have attained "A" honor roll standing:

Alicia Blaisdell, Mary Bloodgood, Robin Carlson, Virginia Carr, Joyce Dolid, Mary Dorsey, Sheillagh Egan, Susan Ingraham, Sidney Jones, David Kinnard, Richard Laffin, Renee Mancuso, William Morris, Christine Patka, Karen Sessig, David Schulenberg, John Thorstensen, Jack VanRyn, Laurie Vaughn.

The following attained "B" honor roll standing:

David Abraham, Mark Abraham, Richard Ackerman, Richard Adams, Rachel Adler, Patrick Aiken, Debra Aisoff, James Appleton, William Ashby, Mary Austin, Zeina Azzam, Richard Bailey, Colleen Bain, Diana Baker, Linda Baker, Jane Balint, David Balluff, Anne Barber, Catherine Barber, Linda Bassett, Marjorie Baum, Valerie Baxter, Jan Bergeron, Elizabeth Beyer, David Brossman, Curtland Brown, Carol Bryson, John Buchanan, Robin Buchanan, Sara Buno, Carol Burnett, Helaine Burstein, Lynne Butterworth.

Cheryl Cammer, Joanne Campbell, Joseph Cannizzaro, Pat Cannizzaro, Ellen Carnahan, Debbie Carter, Rosemary Catalano, Elise Cerabone, Alice Clark, Kevin Clark, Lauran Clark, Linda Clark, Peter Collins, Margaret Comes, Wallace Conrath, Leslie Cook, Sally Cooper, Joyce Cornes, Jamie Corning, Margaret Corrigan, Pat Corrigan, John Crabtree, Kim Craig, Anne Crawford, David Creighton, Linda Cummings, Rita Danckert, Stephen Davis, Mary Day, Joseph DeGeorge, Steve DelGiacco, David Denny, Thomas Dertinger, Barbara DeSantis, Anna DiBiase, Susan Dickson, Clark Dingman, Ellen



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and carols. There will also be a selection of Folk Songs by Mrs. Clark, with guitar accompaniment and a solo by Douglas Moak.

Included among the selections for the evening will be: "As It Fell Upon The Night" by Davis, "Alleluia! Christ is Born!" by Graham; "What Is This Wonderful, Fragrant Air?" by Sateren; "Infant Holy" by Rubbra; "Christmas In The Wood" by Daniels; and the combined choirs will sing "Good King Wenceslas" by Sowerby and "A Babe Lies In The Cradle by Elmore. The chapel choir will sing "There Shall A Star From Jacob" by Mendelssohn; "Cradle Song" by Grams and "In Bethlehem" by Graham. Cherub Choir selections will be "Silver Lamps" and "How Far Is It to Bethlehem."

All families of the Tri-Village are invited to meet in Fellowship Hall after the concert. The yule log will be burning and refreshments will be served in the festive spirit of the Holidays.

New Display

Mr. and Mrs. John Mather of Delmar have loaned a part of their collection of Christmas cards to the Bethlehem Public Library. They will be on display through the holiday season. Some are very old, some very much in the modern idiom and some especially appreciated because they were designed or made by the senders.

Donkey Ball

Donkey Ball, the world's craziest sport, comes to Bethlehem Central Senior High School on the evening of Saturday, December 27, at 8:00 P.M. This ballgame played from the backs of trained donkeys, is reputed to be wilder than a rodeo and funnier than a circus.

For the game, the Citizens Advisory Commission of the Bethlehem Youth Center has obtained the services of the nationally known Buckeye Donkey Ball Co., Columbus, Ohio.

All local riders will be used for the exhibition and the local boys have gone into serious training for the big event. The Bethlehem

Police Department announced that its players are on a strict diet of Mothers Oats and raw carrots.

L. J. Mullen, one of the local druggists, announced, on hearing of the game, that he is increasing his supply of liniment in anticipation of a large increase in business the morning after the game.

The Police Department announced its lineup as follows: Leo Dorsey, Alex Catello, Charley Rudolph, Rich Spinoso, Colin Clark, Marv Koontz, Ray Lins-truth and Dean Fish.

They will be opposed by the Physical Education Faculty who announced they will use Bill Fuller, Len Boyer, Art Ritchko, Ray Sliter, Dale Walts, Don Farrell, Gene Fitzpatrick, Terry Bastian, Nels Harrington and Jack Whipple.

Tickets are now on sale at Mullens, Grovers and Gallaghers at reduced prices or they can be bought at the door. All profits will go to the Bethlehem Youth Center Fund.

Excerpts

From "The Guidance Newsletter" of Bethlehem Central Senior High School

Daughters of the American Revolution College Scholarships

I. American History Scholarship Award - The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution has established an American History Scholarship in the amount of \$8,000, to be awarded for a four year college education, at the rate of \$2,000 per year, to a student majoring in American History.

To be eligible for this award, you must be an American citizen, a senior (boy or girl) in the upper fifth of your class and receive the recommendation of the high school principal and a faculty committee.

With his application, each candidate must submit a letter of not more than 500 words, setting forth the reason for desiring an education in American History.

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You may obtain an application and a complete list of rules for these scholarships from Mrs. Chamberlain in the Guidance Office. If you have further questions relative to these awards, contact Mrs. Doris North of our Social Studies department, the local DAR representative. Capital District Regional Alumni Scholarship - University of Rochester

Again this year, the Capital District Alumni Association of the University of Rochester will award a scholarship of up to \$3,000 per year to an outstanding high school senior in the Al-

bany area. Interested students should contact Mrs. Hudson Winn, 439-1612, before January 1, 1970, for further details and an interview relative to this scholarship.

Scouts Collect Toys

The Boy Scouts of Troop 75, Delmar are collecting toys and games for the 4 dozen underprivileged children, ages 3 to 5, attending Kenwood Day Care Center School, Albany. In a recent visit to a typical student home in the South End not one toy was found for the 5 children in the family.

Life Scouts Tom Ritz and Greg Sagor who are organizing this Drive for their Eagle Scout Community service project ask you to call one of the following phone numbers if you have toys or games in good condition to donate. 439-6058 or 439-5265.

A Boy Scout will pick them up at your door if you are unable to deliver. Games and toys will also be appreciated for the older brothers and sisters of these 3 to 5 year olds.

Artists Have Shows

Two members of the Bethlehem Art Association currently have one man art shows in the Capital District. Sally Weinstein opened her show last Sunday at the First Unitarian Church at Washington and Robin Streets, in Albany. The exhibition of paintings will be open until January 3, and can be seen between 10-2 Mondays through Fridays and from 10-1 on Sundays. It is closed on Saturdays.

Marijo Fasulo shares a 3-man show in the library of the Emma Willard School at Troy. It is open from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. daily through January 17.

The BAA juried show finally closed on December 12 after a most successful time at the First Trust Company Bank. Many people visited the show and a high proportion of the exhibits were sold. The club extends its sincere thanks to Mr. Bob Sager

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manager of the Delmar branch of the First Trust Company Bank for his gracious hospitality which made the BAA show such a success. Support of two more patrons of the club should be acknowledged, these are Mr. Bertram Kohinke and Mr. Prentice Rogers. The next meeting of the BAA will be on January 12. Club members will be delighted to learn that Mr. Richard Stankiewicz has agreed to give a lecture to the BAA on his art and methods. Mr. Stankiewicz is an internationally famous metal sculptor who happens to live fairly close to Albany. The final date of this talk will be announced shortly.

New VW Dealer

After about an hour's discussion at a public hearing, the Bethlehem Town Board agreed to revise the zoning map to change an unzoned area into a "C" general commercial district.

The change was requested by the Salisbury Development Corp., which plans to put a Volkswagen salesroom in the middle of the rezoned area.

The corporation owns 15 acres of property in the area, a strip 800 feet wide which borders Route 9-W on the west between Beacon and Wemple Roads.

The firm plans to use about three acres of the land and sell the rest for other development. Corporation spokesman Donald Quinn said a \$200,000 building would be erected on the site. Support from the measure came from Frank Cerebone, chairman of the Bethlehem Industrial Task Force, and William Pagano, a realtor, who handled the corporation's property purchase. They pointed out that any type of operation could come into an unzoned area, while commercial area zoning would limit its use, and cited as advantages, the improvement of the town's tax base, the development of the town's main artery, and more employment opportunities for residents.

Mr. Pagano also noted that the rezoned district is opposite a light industrial zone in which two industrial parks are planned.

Two citizens entered complaints about the zoning change,

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one from Thomas Trivison, who mistakenly believed the rezoned area would extend to his property on Beacon Road, and the other from Edwin A. Plass, who lives directly across from the proposed building site.

Mr. Plass said Route 9-W was unsuited to handle the amount of traffic now using the road, and the addition of commercial buildings would increase the problem.

"If you zone if commercial you might as well move out the houses," he said. "It won't be livable."

Mr. Quinn replied that his company estimated an average 12 cars daily would use the agency for service, plus another few automobile customers. He maintained that this would not tax the highway.

CRISIS Meeting

Left unanswered after a two-hour meeting recently was the intended discussion topic: do Bethlehem school district tax-

payers get what they pay for in pupil-personnel services?

Tri-Village residents were reassured, however, that "services" like psychological counseling, reading, health, speech correction and specialized education for handicapped children — are interrelated and necessary for each child's proper learning process.

Speaking was Michael J. Mattioli, director of psychological services for Pelham public schools in Westchester County.

He came to Bethlehem invited by "CRISIS" (the Committee for Reason in Support of Improved Schools).

After announcing that his views are but personal opinions and that he knew nothing of what Bethlehem is doing in pupil services, the guest briefly outlined some general thoughts before encouraging discussion from his audience.

Included was Mr. Mattioli's belief that some school districts will not emerge from this "time of crisis" without regretting their "short-sighted decision."

Emphasizing the existing teamwork necessary to a school's pupil personnel services, he said that parents, pupils, teachers and administrators "Each . . . needs to be functioning better psychologically." "This is done, through such cooperation, Mr. Mattioli indicated.

The job of a school psychologist he said, is not to make the child fit the school because sometimes, "It's not the kid that's wrong, it's the school." The speaker said there must be some kind of structure to handle such situations but offered no solution.

Because school guidance counselors are hampered by increasing paper work, they are unable to do what they are capable of doing for youngsters and what they desire to do in these areas, he said.

A Bethlehem High School pupil in the audience complained that while her counselors are good people, "sign up to see one and maybe you'll get to see one two weeks later."

Kearney Jones, CRISIS chairman, asked Mr. Mattioli how Pelham school officials "sold" their pupil services program to

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"The interdependency of the school district must be recognized."

Engaged

Dr. and Mrs. John J. Lyons of Unionville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia, to Edward John Colwell 4th, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Colwell 3rd of 49 Herber Avenue, Delmar.

Miss Lyons is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is a senior at Green Mountain College, Poultney, Vermont.

Her fiancé was also graduated from Bethlehem Central High



Cynthia Lyons

School and is completing his final year at Hudson Valley Community College in the field of transportation and distribution management.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knoth of Glenmont announce the engagement of their daughter, Jane,



Jane Knoth

to Richard James Kerr, Jr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard James Kerr, Sr. of Tannersville.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Hunter-Tannersville Central School and is currently a Senior nursing student at Kingston Hospital School of Nursing from which she plans to graduate in

March, 1970.

Her fiancé is also a graduate of Hunter-Tannersville Central School and is presently employed as an auto body mechanic at Herm's Body Shop in Catskill.

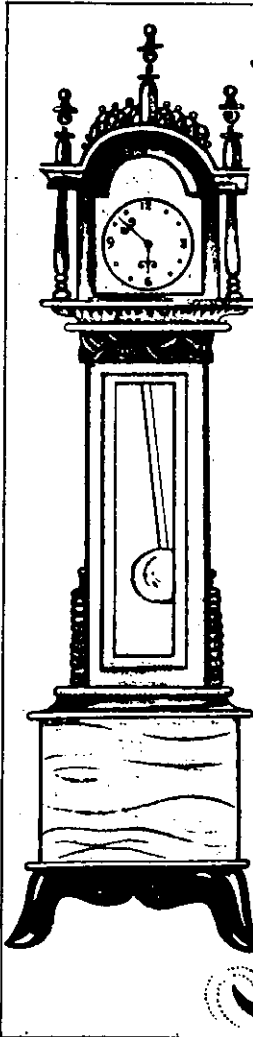
No date has been set for the wedding.

LETTER

Dear Editor:

I read the article "Pro and Con," in the November 6, 1969 issue of The Spotlight, concerning the proposed "Lake Shore at Delmar," with great concern over the attitudes of the Merrifield Neighborhood Association and of Mr. Warren Everson, its president.

While the Merrifield Neighborhood Association raised concrete fears regarding traffic conditions and the influx of school children, I was appalled at their



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fear of "undesirables" entering their neighborhood. What is this group really saying? Have we here a group of people lacking a larger, more concise vocabulary, or lacking the courage to use more concrete language so that they resort to the term, "undersirables?" They have the peculiar courage or intelligence to use the loaded term, "undersirables," with its connotations. Cowardly bigots use vague terminology. Do the residents of Merrifield want to be thought of as ignorant in language usage or as bigots, and especially as bigots with an undefined bigotry? I think the Merrifield Neighborhood Association should use our language with more care.

Mr. Everson fears "A subtle but gradual shift in Bethlehem from resident home owners in individual dwellings to apartment dwellers with different

orientation." Perhaps the Merrifield Neighborhood Association and Mr. Everson should examine their biases in terms of today's need for the integration of people with many needs and of many backgrounds.

As a resident of Bethlehem, I would like to believe that there are no restricted or closed neighborhoods or closed minds.

Sincerely,

Edythe A. Caro

Noel

This Christmas letter in French was written by III A J pupils at Bethlehem Central Senior High School: Class project.

Cher Père Noël:

Nous étions très sages cette année passée sauf Jacques et sa vache. Nous voudrions que vous veniez nous rendre visite la veille de Noël. N'oubliez pas, s'il vous plaît, nos amis Robert et Monique! Comme cadeaux nous désirons tous: un billet gratuit de voyage en France à Pâques, un dictionnaire formidable en français, le texte des réponses aux examens français, et de bonnes notes sans travailler. Ça vous va? Vous pouvez nous faire plaisir tout simplement. Si non, nous citons convenablement la soeur de CHARLIE BROWN: "Si cela ne vous gêne pas, envoyez-nous tout de même de l'argent — préférablement 10's et 20's." Attention: on vous souhaite (et à votre femme bien sûr!) une bonne année. Ne faites pas glisser votre traîneau pendant votre long voyage car on vous aime bien et vous avec impatience!

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Camp of 502 Delaware Avenue, Delmar have announced the marriage of their daughter, Patricia Helen Camp, to Arthur Jack Akullian, on November 22 at the First United Methodist Church, Del-



Mrs. Arthur Akullian

mar.

A reception for the immediate families followed the 6:30 P.M. ceremony at Schrafft's Restaurant.

Mrs. Akullian is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and attended Chamberlayne Junior College in Boston. Her husband is a graduate of Albany Academy and is attending Northeastern University in Boston. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Akullian, Loudonville Road, Albany, New York.

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Baker-Drew

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Baker of Glens Falls, announce the marriage of their daughter, Cathy Anne, to Gregory E. Drew, son of Dr. and Mrs. Roger T. Drew of Delmar on November 8.

The couple is residing at 45 Lafayette St. in Plattsburgh, where the groom is a junior at New York State University at Plattsburgh.

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Smith-Emery

Miss Lynda Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick E. Good Jr. of Atlantic Beach, Florida and Dennis James Emery, son of Helen P. Emery and the late Al Emery, exchanged wedding vows recently at St. Paul's By-The-Sea Church, at Atlantic Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Emery attended school in Florida and is employed by Radio Station WNOE in New Orleans, La. as a public relations and advertising representative.

Mr. Emery is a graduate of



The Light Touch

By Bob Jackson

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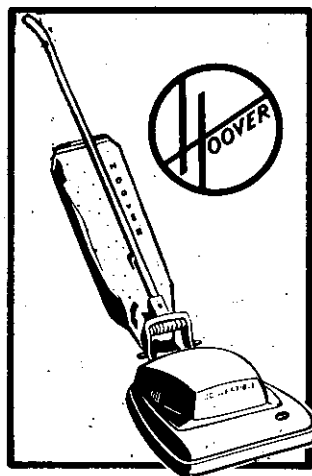
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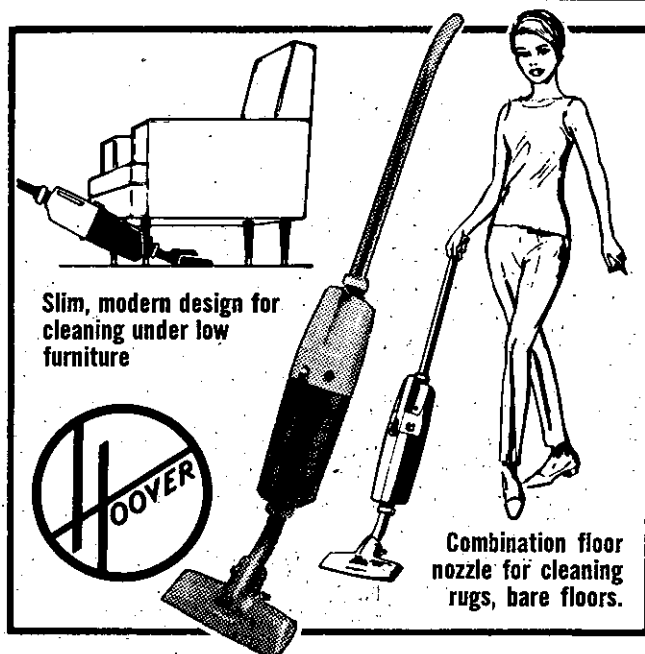


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Mrs. Dennis Emery

Bethlehem Central High School, attended the University of Rochester & Siena College and will attend Tulane University. He is employed by Dunn & Bradstreet in New Orleans.

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Ropes-Brenneman

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chandler Ropes of Feura Bush, announce the marriage of their



Mrs. Dennis Brenneman

daughter, Bonnie Lee, to Dennis Duane Brenneman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theron F. Brenneman of Elkhart, Indiana.

Mrs. Brenneman is a graduate of Ravena - Coeymans - Selkirk Central School, and the Hartford Airline Personnel School, Hartford, Connecticut. She is employed by the law firm of Heron and Miller, Elkhart. Mr. Brenneman is a graduate of Elkhart High School and is sales representative for Momad Division of the Skyline Corporation.

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Sullivan-Wilson

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Joseph



Mrs. Harold Wilson

Sullivan, 25 Alden Court, announce the marriage of their daughter, Sheila Doris, to Dr. Harold W. Wilson, Jr., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Wilson of Babylon, N.Y.

Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of Kenwood Academy, Newton College of the Sacred Heart, with an M.S. in Elementary Education from the College of Saint Rose.

Dr. Wilson is a graduate of Baltimore College of Dental Surgery with a private practice in Delmar.

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Houck-Newell

Bette Ellen Houck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Stolz of 36 Carriage Road, Delmar was a recent bride of Roger Allan Newell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Newell of 87 Elsmere Avenue.



Mrs. Roger A. Newell

Mrs. Newell was graduated from Bethlehem Central High School, Vermont College and American University with a bachelor of arts degree in his-

tory.

Her husband was also graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and Cornell University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He is completing his master's degree in business administration at George Washington University and is employed as an engineer in the Aerospace Division of Westinghouse in Baltimore, Md.

Promotions

At the regular meeting of the Board of Director of National Commercial Bank and Trust Company held Tuesday, December 9, 1969, twelve promotions were approved, Lester W. Herzog, Jr., president and chief executive officer, announced recently. Those promoted were: Raymond C. Dumser, administrative vice president, Employee's Relations Division; Thomas J. Bluteau, regional vice president, Southern Region; Wesley W. Carvill, vice president, Oneonta, replacing Rutson R. Henderson, who will retire December 31, 1969. Assistant vice presidents are: Ben F. Hawkins, Oneonta; James R. Farrell, Plattsburgh, and Sidney D. Richter, Hudson. Edgar H. Conrad, Riverside Office, Rensselaer, and John T. Turner, Citizens Office, Schenectady, were made assistant cashiers. Emmons B. Bulson was named branch manager of the Worcester Office replacing Melvin N. Ferguson who will retire December 31. Other promotions were: Terrill S. Miller, assistant manager, Hudson; Robert S. Hess, assistant manager, Coleskill, and John P. Fulgan, trust representative.

Mr. Dumser is a graduate of Baldwin High School, Baldwin, L.I., New York, class of 1931 and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, class of 1937. Widely experienced in the Personnel field, he served for many years as Personnel Director of Cluett Peabody, Troy, New York, and joined National Commercial Bank in August of 1960 in charge of personnel. He was appointed vice

president in 1963. Active in civic affairs, Mr. Dumser is a member of the New York State Bankers Association — Bank Personnel Policies and Practices Committee; general chairman, Eagle Scout Career Day, Ft. Orange Uncle Sam Council, Boy Scouts of America; an instructor at Russell Sage College; a member of the Greater Troy County Club and its past vice president. Mr. and Mrs. Dumser are members of St. Francis Roman Catholic Church and make their home on East Road, Brunswick Hills, New York.

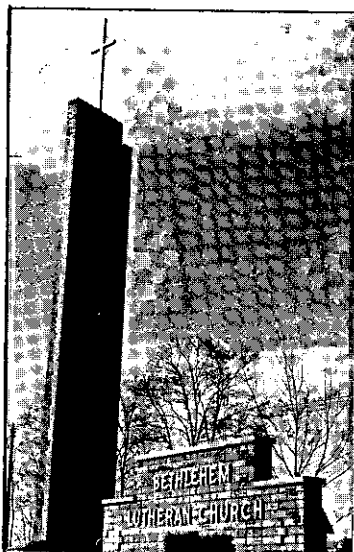
Mr. Bluteau, a native of Hudson, is a graduate of Hudson High School and The Stonier Graduate School of Banking. He is extremely active in community organizations, a partial list of which include: president, Hudson Boys Club, Inc.; treasurer, Columbia County Development Committee; a member of Hudson Rotary Club and American Legion — Hudson Post #184. He served in the United States Army from March of 1943 to November 1947, and was honorably discharged with the rank of staff sergeant. Mr. and Mrs. Bluteau reside at 37 South Franklin Street, Athens, New York.

Mr. Carvill joined National Commercial Bank in September 1929 and became manager of the Rensselaer Office in April 1951. He has served as manager of The Bank's Northern Office, Colonie Office, and as assistant vice

president managed the Waterford Office until his transfer to Oneonta in June of 1969. He served in the United States Army Air Force from February of 1943 to September of 1945 in the European Theatre. Mr. Carvill is a



AMAH! AND FRIENDS — Opening the 28th Bethlehem White Christmas Festival was the Menotti opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," at the Bethlehem Middle School in Delmar. From left are Jane Martin as Amahl's mother; Philip Ackerman, Amahl; and visitors John Dorman and Robert Darrone.



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Mr. Hawkins is a graduate of Cornell University, class of 1955. He served in the United States Army with six months active duty and 7 1/2 years in the Reserves and was discharged in 1963 with the rank of first lieutenant. He joined National Commercial Bank in 1964 as a farm representative and was made regional farm representative in December of 1965. He is a member of the Otsego County Farm Bureau; Otsego County Extension Service, Delaware County Extension Service, Delaware County Ag-Leaders Group and Oneonta Rotary Club. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins make their residence at 11 Ivy Court, Oneonta, New York.

Mr. Farrell is a graduate of St. John's Academy, class of 1943 and Champlain College, class of 1948. He joined National Commercial Bank in 1949 and in December of 1960 was made assistant manager — branches in the North Country and in December of 1965 was made assistant cashier. He is a member of BPO Elks #621, American Legion Post #20, president of the Clinton County Board of Health, a member of the Champlain Valley Industrial Management Club, Holy Name Society and the Park & Beautification Commission. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell are members of St. John the Baptist Church and make their residence at 17 South Prospect Avenue, Plattsburgh, New York.

Mr. Richter is a graduate of Albany High School and Siena College. He joined National Commercial Bank in 1962 and in 1964 was assigned to Hudson and made assistant manager. In December of 1966 he was promoted to assistant cashier. He is a member of the Independent Benevolent Society of Albany; Hudson Junior Chamber of Commerce — Committee chairman and immediate

past president; a member of the American Institute of Banking; 1968-1969 Committee Chairman and 2nd vice president 1969-1970 of B'nai B'rith; chairman board of directors — Columbia County Chapter American Red Cross; member of the Greater Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors and treasurer Columbia County Chapter New York State Association for Retarded Children and a member of the Hudson Area Community Chest 1969 Budget Committee. Mr. and Mrs. Richter are members of the Congregation Anshe Emeth and reside at Gifford Parkway, Hudson, New York.

Mr. Conrad has served as manager of The Bank's Rensselaer Office since December of 1959 and when it closed November 28 of this year, he was assigned to the Rensselaer Office. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Rensselaer, its treasurer for 1967, 1968 and 1969; member of the Rensselaer Lodge of Elks #2073; secretary of the Rensselaer Planning Commission; director Albany Area Red Cross; director Girls' Club and director and past treasurer Rensselaer Boys' Club since 1959. He is also a life member of the Albany Chapter American Institute of Banking. Mr. and Mrs. Conrad live at 68 Dale Street, Rensselaer, New York.

Mr. Turner is a graduate of Hudson Falls Central School, and Holy Cross, class of 1964. He joined The Bank in July 1964 and progressed through the Management Training Program being appointed assistant manager in December of 1967 and assigned to the Citizens Office in March of 1968. He is a member of the Schenectady County Chamber of Commerce, assistant treasurer United Fund of Schenectady County, Inc. and on the Board of Governors of the American Institute of Banking. Mr. and Mrs. Turner are members of St. Pius X Church, Loudonville and reside in the community at 8 Shaker Drive, Loudonville.

Mr. Bulson served as cashier of the Bank of Worcester and at the time the Bank of Worcester joined with National Commercial

in February of 1964 he was named assistant manager of the Worcester Office. He is a member of the Worcester Fire Department, trustee-Maple Grove Cemetery Association, treasurer - Worcester Salvation Army Service Unit Committee and a member of the Board of Directors of the Northern Otsego County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Mr. Bulson is also clerk of the Worcester Central School District #6.

Mr. Miller is a graduate of New Milford, Connecticut High School, class of 1959 and Colby College, Waterville, Maine, class of 1963. He began his banking career with The Bank in 1965 progressing through the Management Trainee Program and in 1967 was assigned to the Hudson Office - Customer Services. He served in the United States Navy on active duty from 1959 to 1961 and continued in the Naval Reserve until November 1969. He is a member of the Hudson Junior Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Miller make their residence at 200 Lancaster Street, Albany, New York.

Mr. Hess began his banking with the First National Bank of Cobleskill in 1940 and when that bank merged with National Commercial Bank in August of 1956 he was assigned to the teller's department. He has progressed through operational assignments in the Cobleskill Office most recently serving in the Customer Services area where he will continue. He is an ardent bowler participating in this sport for many years and is a member of the Cobleskill Rod and Gun Club. Mr. and Mrs. Hess are members of the Cobleskill Methodist Church and make their residence at 76 West Main Street, Cobleskill, New York.

Mr. Fulgan joined National Commercial in September of 1959 and has progressed through many Trust Operation positions prior to his transfer to the Trust Division, Estate Section where he presently serves. He served in the United States Coast Guard Reserve for eight years and was honorably discharged in 1968 with the rank of Second Class Petty Officer. He is active in the Knights of Columbus Council

#349; member of the Holy Names Society, Catholic War Veterans and the Albany Chapter of the American Institute of Banking. Mr. and Mrs. Fulgan make their residence at 15 Hudson Avenue, Green Island, New York.

Shoplifting

Ronald E. Erhardt, Manager of Pinkerton's Albany office, recently warned area merchants to take added security precautions against shoplifters.

"Shoplifting unfortunately has become as much a part of yuletide tradition as the Christmas tree and good fellowship," Mr. Erhardt said. "Our area is no different than any other. Store owners will suffer a loss in Christmas profits unless they take precautions."

Mgr. Erhardt said shoplifters will take an estimated \$600 million in merchandise from stores across the country this year. "More than half of this merchandise will be taken during the next few weeks when stores are jammed with shoppers," he continued. "Shoplifters look forward to Christmas as much as children."

The manager said a substantial portion of the heavy losses can be attributed to the fact that less than 30 percent of all retailers take specific action to prevent shoplifting. "Some common sense security measures will help store owners in our area avoid becoming part of the sad statistics which appear each year," he said.

Authoritative surveys show that shoplifting has increased 134 per cent since 1960, with further increases anticipated, Mgr. Erhardt said. "Yet some stores actually invite losses by crowding sales counters with piles of merchandise."

For a stronger security program during the pre-Christmas shopping period, Mgr. Erhardt said Pinkerton's recommends that store owners alert full-time and seasonal personnel to the urgency of the shoplifting problem during a special meeting scheduled for that purpose.

Security personnel and management should give employees suggestions on how to recognize

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and cope with shoplifting incidents. "It is this strong cooperation between sales personnel and the security department that will assist greatly in the detection and apprehension of shoplifters," Mgr. Erhardt said.

Pinkerton's also recommends the following precautionary measures store owners can take to curb profit losses from shoplifting:

- Post signs conspicuously in the store stating that shoplifters will be prosecuted;

- Require all bags to be sealed if purchases are made in several store locations.

- Locate cash registers near the exit so that all customers leaving the premises must pass by store personnel;

- Display high-cost, easily-pilfered merchandise in view of sales or check-out counters. Display small, expensive items such as jewelry behind glass, and permit customers to see the merchandise at close range only under the supervision of sales personnel;

- Keep gondolas at a reasonable height (4 1/2-5 feet) so they do not obstruct store personnel's view of customers.

Long an ally of store owners in preventing all types of thievery, Pinkerton's has compiled a checklist of precautions that can be used year-round to prevent profit losses. The list covers such offenses as bad checks, fraudulent charging, false claims, and collusion, as well as shoplifting.

Copies of the checklist are available, free on request, from Pinkerton's, Inc., Executive Park South, Stuyvesant Plaza, Albany, New York 12203, Phone 489-8487.

Rabbit Protection

Winter poses a threat to the plant material on the home-grounds, not only in the form of ice storms and snow loads but also due to our small cottontail friends in search of food. The snow covers the rabbits sources of food and so he turns to the "delicacies" around the home.

Small fruit trees and shrubs can be successfully protected by individual wire guards. These are constructed of 1" mesh poultry wire formed into cylinders and placed around the trunk of the plant being protected.

DO NOT PLACE THEM TIGHT AGAINST THE STEM OR TRUNKS as injury may result from wind movement. The guards should be anchored into the soil at the base.

Building paper is also reported as being used as a substitute for the wire mesh. However, it must be removed in early spring in order to prevent heat damage to the trunk.

The animals can be trapped using a bait with apples or carrots and released in rural areas.

One repellent reported somewhat successful contains seven (7) pounds of powdered rosin in one gallon of denatured ethyl alcohol. Place the mixture in a tight container and shake occasionally. About 24 hours in a warm room is required to completely dissolve the rosin. Apply the mixture to a dry surface of trees and shrubs to a height of 2' higher than the snow is expected to drift. Commercial repellants containing THIRAM (Arasan) are also reported effective for rabbits.

Skuse Named

Albany County Republican Chairman Joseph C. Frangella has announced the appointment of Raymond Skuse, Assemblyman from the 102 Assembly District, as Chairman of the Annual Lincoln Day Dinner to be held in February 1970.

Long active in Albany City and County affairs, Mr. Skuse was elected to the assembly in the Republican sweep of Legislative offices in 1968. In addition to his responsibilities in the assembly and his many Republican party responsibilities Assemblyman Skuse is also a member of the Assembly Standing Committee on Education, The Standing Committee on Government Employees and the Standing Committee on Social Services. He is also a member of the Sub-Committee on Civil Service and the joint Legislative committee on Hous-

ing and Urban Development.

In accepting the chairmanship of the Lincoln Day Dinner, Assemblyman Skuse said he was honored at the opportunity to participate in this most important Republican event which will be the kick-off for his party's campaign drive for re-election.

Arrangements are being made to finalize the date and to make the necessary committee appointments.

The event will be attended by Republican leaders. The cost will be \$50.00 per person and will be held at the Thruway Hyatt House.

Santa is Coming

One of the biggest Merry Christmas projects of all time will reach its climax later this month at U.S. Military installations all over the world.

The global Yuletide campaign, spearheaded by the American Red Cross and the U.S. military establishment, is aimed at providing something of a typically American Christmas for U.S. servicemen and women who won't be able to get home for the holidays.

Participating in the project, which got underway, last May, have been thousands of State-side community business firms and organizations . . . women's clubs, civic, patriotic, fraternal and church groups . . . onpost officers' and NCO wives' clubs worldwide; U.S. Embassy and businessmen's wives in Japan and Europe, and Special Services and other components of the military.

Primary target of the universal outpouring of benevolence are the GIs in Vietnam. But remembered too are other U.S. servicemen around the world . . . the youngsters guarding farflung outposts in other parts of the Far East and Pacific . . . those manning lonely communications sites in the Aleutians and the northern rim of Japan, the airmen flying reconnaissance missions off the Asia mainland,

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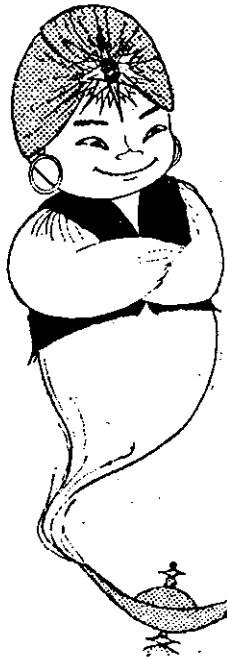
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the troops facing the bitter winter winds that blow across the demilitarized zone separating North and South Korea, and more comfortably situated but still far from home, the lonely young servicemen in Europe.

Not since the Allied invasion of France in 1944 have so many people been personally involved in one worthwhile objective.

Red Cross volunteers and staffs at military installations and hospitals in this country and overseas are charged with performing services that will help to keep the morale of military men high. At Christmas time the Red Cross function can be summed up in two words . . . prevent homesickness.

Red Cross planning for Christmas began last May when its fourth annual "Vietnam Shop Early" operation was launched. This called for volunteers in more than half the 3,300 Red Cross chapters in the State States, with substantial assistance from members of other community groups, to make several hundred thousand sturdy cotton bags, in bright red, green or psychedelic colors, and fill them with useful items . . . ballpoint pens, pen-size flashlights, recording tape, packets of nuts and hard candies, miniature chess and checker sets and other small games.

Some bags are filled with items useful to servicewomen.

Many of the contents of the bags were donated by local business concerns.

Packed by the end of summer, they arrived in Vietnam by mid-October. The bags will be distributed at Christmas time, one to a serviceman or servicewoman, in a variety of ways through unit commanders, chaplains, and Red Cross staff.

Meanwhile, overseas PXs have been stocked with Christmas decorations and artificial Christmas trees in green, silver and white. As in recent years past, the military has imported hundreds of natural Christmas trees for decoration by units in the field and by patients and Red Cross staff in hospitals.

Many of the decorations have been sent to Vietnam by State-side Red Cross chapters which have "adopted hospitals and recreation centers under a Red Cross program called "Operation Helpmate." While manufactured decorations are abundant, men are encouraged to try their hand at improvising adornments for trees and for walls of buildings.

Early in November, Christmas cards, donated through the Red Cross by the National Association of Greeting Card Publishers and by Norcross, Inc. were distributed to parents in military hospitals throughout the world.

In the field in Vietnam and



TAEGU, KOREA — American Red Cross recreation worker Lorraine Becker helps SP4 Robert T. Barrett wrap Christmas packages for his family back in Atlanta, Ga. This is one of traditional pre-holiday season services provided by Red Cross recreation workers at U.S. military bases in Korea and in military hospitals throughout the Far East.

Korea, military units will be visited at Christmas time by Red Cross clubmobile girls who will lend a hand in distributing gift bags, and leading in the singing of carols. In hospitals, Santa Claus makes his rounds pushing gift bags, and leading in the singing of carols. In hospitals, Santa Claus makes his rounds pushing a gaily decorated laundry cart loaded with gifts, or on a litter decorated as a sleigh.

Everywhere in the Far East . . . Japan, Korea, Okinawa and the Philippines . . . emphasis by the military and the Red Cross in Christmas planning is for the hospitalized. Wards have been decorated, with the talents of ambulatory patients utilized in creating decorations and putting them up.

The Red Cross has recruited the services of on-and off-base organizations . . . wives clubs, fraternal groups, professional and social organizations . . . to provide gifts for the patients, visit them on the wards, and present various kinds of entertainment.

In the days before Christmas these groups, and schools clubs and chapel choirs will tour hospital wards, singing carols and visiting with the patients.

On Christmas eve, special Red Cross-sponsored parties will be held in all military hospitals. Red Cross volunteers and staff, doctors, nurses, and medical corpsmen will team up with other groups to make the evening as merry as possible. Santa Clauses, in all shapes and sizes, will visit every ward with gifts for the patients.

In Europe, hundreds of volunteers from the American military communities are joining hospital staffs and American Red Cross staff workers in making Christmas merry for the patients.

With materials from the Red Cross and those bought by the Medical Holding Company Unit Fund, patients work with Red Cross recreation workers and volunteers in decorating hospitals.

Red Cross Youth volunteers prepared many decorations for the U.S. Air Force Hospital at Wiesbaden during their summer

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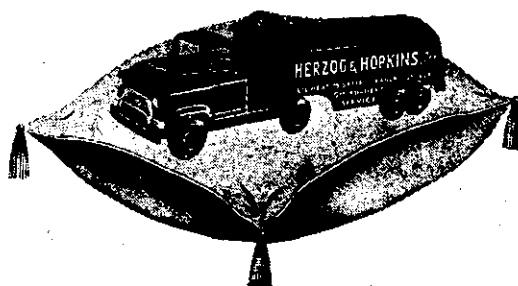
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| 1 cup sour cream | 1 tsp. horseradish |

Blend all ingredients. (If electric mixer is used, blend 2 minutes.) Add finely chopped smoked ham. Serve in bowl surrounded by crackers.

STACKWICHES

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| 1 3 oz. pkg. Eckrich Chipped Corned Beef | 1 pkg. sliced cheese |
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Cut meat and cheese into tiny squares. Stack alternately about 6 pieces high and place toothpick through each.

PINWHEELS

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| 1 3 oz. pkg. Eckrich Chipped Smoked Pork Loin |
| 1 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese |

Beat cream cheese at room temperature with fork to spreading consistency. Spread on pork loin slices (use three slices to make one thickness) and roll. Place rolls in refrigerator until cheese is firm. Remove and place 5 toothpicks along loose edge of roll. Cut between toothpicks with very sharp knife.

CRUNCHY RELISH TRAY

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| Celery sticks | 2 tbs. very finely chopped onion |
| 1 pkg. cream cheese | |
| 1 tsp. horseradish | |

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| 1 3 oz. pkg. Eckrich Chopped Sliced Beef |
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Blend all ingredients and fill celery stick with mixture, adding finely chopped sliced beef to the top. Arrange on relish dish with olives, pickles and radishes.

SMOKED TURKEY BALLS

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| 1 3 oz. pkg. Eckrich Chipped Smoked Turkey | Toasted coconut |
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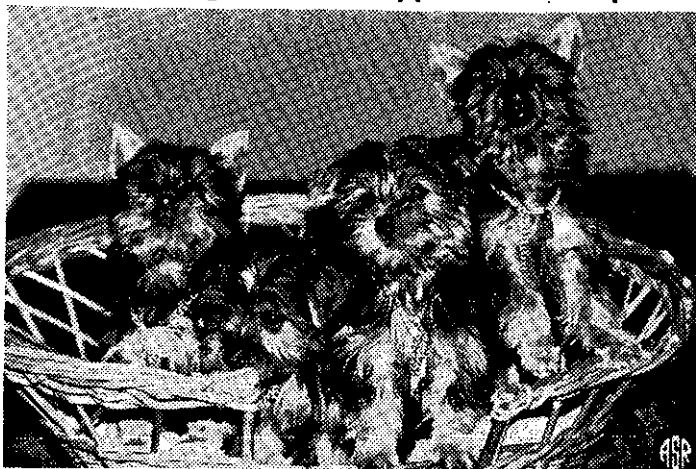
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The Mating Game—Puppies and People

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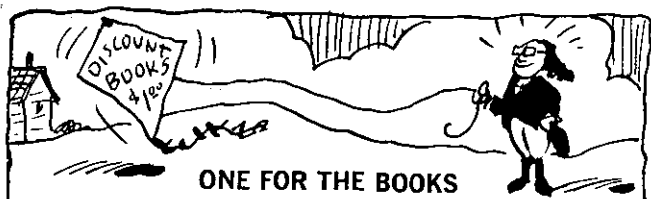
The average dog lives to be 12 years old—a fact to keep in mind when you're shopping for a puppy to put under someone's Christmas tree. If that lucky person is a 12-year-old boy, for example, he'll be in his twenties and long gone from the hearth while your present still reigns in the household. So pick a puppy that not only Junior, but the whole family will love.

Consider such things as age, income, living habits, tastes, even the temperament of the person or family you're gifting. Do they want a watchdog, a sturdy and patient playmate for children, a housedog companion for old age, a hunting dog, a show dog? Big dogs need room and lots of exercise. Lively terriers adapt easily to apartment life, but some are noisy and highstrung. Toy breeds are spunky and affectionate companions for adults, but too fragile for a family of growing children. The Great Dane eats enormously; the stylish Poodle must be professionally groomed. Some of the hounds will adapt to anything—except backyard confinement.

The important thing in puppy-shopping is to start early and to give this purchase time and careful thought, advises Felicia Ames of Friskies Nutrition Research Center. If you're giving a purebred dog, do some advance boning up on personalities of the various breeds. If it's to be a mongrel, which can make a fine, lovable pet, go first to your local S.P.C.A. or Humane Society (which sometimes also have purebreds for adoption).

In either case, find out as much as you can about your puppy. If possible, look at one of his parents for a crystal-ball glimpse into his prospects. The breeder or attendant should be able to tell you a little about your pup, but more important, you should spend some time with him. The healthy puppy has clear, bright eyes and a cool, moist nose. He should be lively, aggressive, and friendly. Avoid the shy and withdrawn pup; he may be nervous and introverted. The best health insurance of all is to have the puppy examined by a veterinarian.

"The Dog You Care For" by Felicia Ames (Signet, 95¢) is a good companion present for a puppy Christmas. This handsomely illustrated paperback gives concise tips on the feeding, care and training of dogs, to help get the new pet off to a good start.

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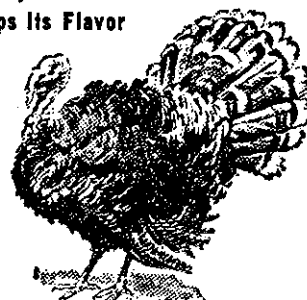
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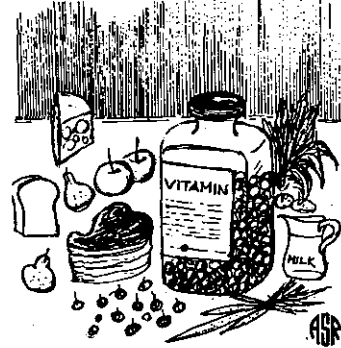
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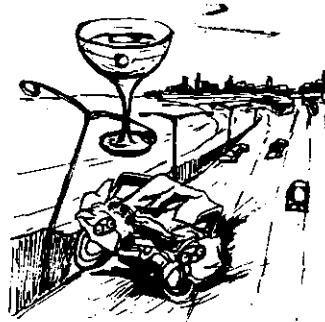
Vitamins

Will an extra intake of vitamins protect you from the common cold this winter? Probably not. While vitamins are essential to good nutrition for some individuals, they play very little part in increasing resistance to colds. Vitamin supplements are seldom necessary during any season of the year, unless prescribed by your physician. If you eat sensibly and follow a well-balanced diet of daily servings from the four basic food groups (milk and milk products, meat, vegetables and fruits, and breads and cereals), you will maintain good health and build resistance to colds and the flu naturally.



Drunken Driving

"The party's over; it's time to call it a day." These popular song lyrics are quite appropriate for the upcoming holiday season with its flurry of activities. Make sure there will be other parties for you and your family to enjoy. Drive defensively and drive only when you are sober. Don't overindulge in alcoholic beverages. Every year thousands of people are killed in automobile accidents involving drunk drivers. Have a good time but remember to make the one for the road a cup of coffee.



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What colors your memory reveals little things about you — like where you come from and whether you lean more to the reverent or secular observances of the birth of Christ.

Your color preferences also can show if you enjoy equally well the formal church celebrations and the Santa Claus aspects of the ancient holiday.

If earth tones of straw and stable come to mind, chances are you are deeply sentimental about the nativity scene St. Francis is said to have originated in Latin churches. Thoughts of gently falling snow weaving landscapes into lacy webs of a mysterious wonder-

land could place your childhood days in northern regions where cold winters made Christmas white.

In the white-Christmas regions of the U.S., the red and green ribbons, wrapping and tree-lights resemble a handsome American shrub - the holly - traditionalized for a long time as Christmas colors. Now, however, sparkling silvers, golds or brilliant blues on white artificial trees impress memories of

younger generations respecting Christmas customs that long antedate the Christian period.

A tapestry of seasonal, pagan, religious and national practices surrounded with legend and traditions, Christmas customs portray a seasonal connection with pagan feasts of the winter solstice relating to the beginning of time. Their legacy in the birthday of Christ makes them share holders in a significant event in the world's



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history - an event that gave a new date, anno Domini.

From the pagan accent on light it is not difficult to trace the rise of lights and bonfires with the yule log, and then on to the candle and multi-colored decorations.

Today, in the U.S., many Americans can be seen amid a clutter of Christmas packages, celebrating the holiday feast while they watch on color television the festivals in tropical Mexico, or Brazil or even view Italy where, instead of evergreens, profuse quantities of flowers adorn homes and towns at Christmas-time.

Recently on television and through other media, the world witnessed the essence of the Christmas message - "for all mankind" - "placed on the moon. It's safe to predict Christmas gifts this year will be more related to lunar explorations and will include the means of communication that tunes each family member in on historic events opening new eras. Your family will gather Christmas morning and the discovery of a gift-wrapped subscription to the local newspaper or a portable television set will bring Christmas smiles 365 days a year. General Electric's Mediterranean styled Porta Color* 180 with doors and its own matching mobile stand, or a 24 pound light personal Porta Color* 60 will bring the family together to celebrate great events on Earth and even on the Moon.

Communication systems such as the newspapers, radio, and television make it presently more possible for strangers to become brothers, understand each other, because through television, for instance, they've actually seen each other and become better acquainted.

Ever since the Bible was written and the "Word" was the beginning, communication has been emphasized as imperative for mutual cooperation amongst members of the human race of many creeds, customs and colors.

CUTE FRUIT: THE SUBLIME LIME

We drink its juice, use its name to describe a color, and watch a TV blonde emote over its aroma as she urges us to "take it off," yet few people really know much about that fruit of our time, the lime.

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Arab traders are credited by historians with having brought limes from India, where they still grow profusely, to Persia and Palestine. The Crusaders are believed to have introduced them to Europe, and it is highly probable that Columbus brought seeds of limes with him to the New World on his second voyage in 1493.

Ponce de Leon, an old hand at young ideas, may have introduced lime seeds to Florida, and the Indians so spread lime growing in the South that two centuries later colonists found wild groves of limes growing along the Indian River.

Californians learned of limes from Franciscan fathers led by Fra Junipera Serra, who little knew that it would one day be possible to harvest 9,750 pounds of the fruit per acre!

The lime tree is regarded as an object of beauty in Denmark, Belgium and London in the Spring, when its transparent green leaves burst forth. There are famous avenues of limes such as Unter den Linden of Berlin and the avenue at



Trinity College, Cambridge.

Why are the British sometimes called "limeys"? It's because British law long required a regular allowance of lime juice in the diets of British sailors as a safeguard against scurvy.

To Sweden goes the credit of doing the most to glorify the lime, for it is that cool country that produced the warmblooded Gunilla Knutson, temptress and salesgirl extraordinary, who urges America's 60 million daily shavers to "take it off, take it all off," with Noxzema's lime shave cream.

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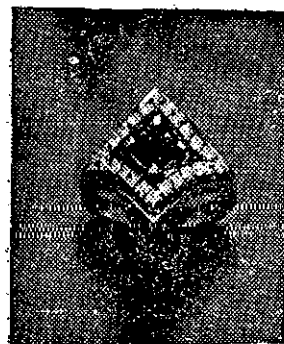
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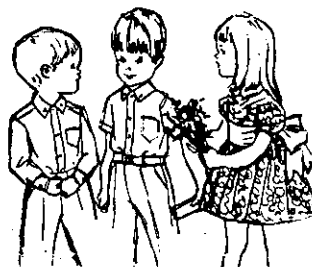
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With today's steadily rising costs, homemakers everywhere are faced with the problem of trying to make an ever-shrinking dollar go farther. And no matter what she does, sooner or later every mother faces the problem of children's clothes that are simply no longer wearable—either because the youngsters are growing out of them or because the fabric just hasn't lasted as long as expected.

Children grow so quickly that their clothes sometimes



seem to become smaller by the minute. Long sleeves become too short on both dresses and shirts, and every mother has experienced that sinking feeling that comes when her little one tries on a favorite dress that was new just a few months ago but is now too tight. Even worse, maybe the garment hasn't been

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outgrown, but the fabric has worn out.

To help combat these common but serious problems, a new booklet has been prepared as a service to mothers. Called "10 Tips on How to Make Children's Clothes Last Longer," it contains ideas for giving new life to last year's clothes, as well as expert advice on proper laundering and fabric care. For example, the booklet reports there are ingenious ways of "stretching" clothes by adding gores and side seams and by turning long sleeves into short. Also, the booklet notes that one of the most common methods of damaging stained clothes is by overbleaching, since bleach works on the fabric as well as on the stain.

Free copies of the new booklet, "10 Tips on How to Make Children's Clothes Last Longer," can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Dept. A, Simplex, 635 Madison Ave., New York City 10022.

HISTORY OF RINGS



Since the beginning of history, rings have been going around in the best of circles!

The earliest existing rings are those found in the tombs of ancient Egypt. Finest examples are pure gold, simple in design, very heavy and massive and have usually the name and title of the owner deeply sunk in hieroglyphic characters.

Later, throughout the Roman republic, none but iron rings were worn by most citizens, and even these were forbidden to slaves. Ambassadors were the first who were privileged to wear gold rings, and then only while performing some public duty.

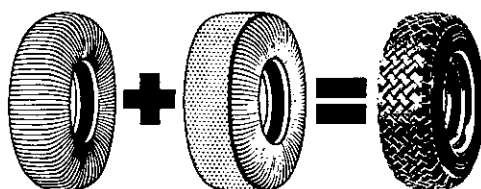
Most early Christian rings date from the fourth century onward. Generally bronze or gold, they are often engraved with words and occasionally with the owner's bust or with religious symbols.

Today, rings ring true to many fond emotions and are treasured by people of all ages. One in particular is designed only for mothers. It features twin bands of solid 14-karat gold to recall her wedding day . . . with a lustrous, synthetic stone-of-the-month to mark the birthday of each of her chil-



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This sentimental and significant gift, unlike the more austere rings of the past, is kindling the warm-hearted thought that mother's love is a many-splendored ring!

Act Eased

It no longer is necessary for dealers to keep records of certain ammunition sales, the Internal Revenue Service said recently.

Newly enacted legislation eliminates the need for dealers to keep records on sales of shot gun ammunition, ammunition suitable only for use in rifles, and component parts of these types of ammunition. Purchases of ammunition interchangeable between rifles and handguns, such as .22 caliber rimfire ammunition, continue to be subject to the recordkeeping requirements. Previously, the Gun Control Act of 1968, required records for all ammunition sales.

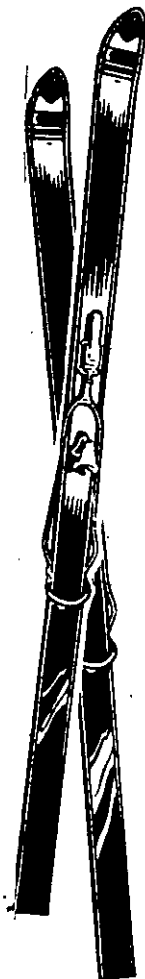
IRS stressed, however, that no other aspect of the Act, which is administered by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division of the IRS, was changed by the legislation.

Persons engaged in selling ammunition still are required to be licensed under the Act.

Anyone under 21 years of age cannot purchase handgun ammunition. However, individuals at least 18 can buy rifle and shotgun ammunition. Dealers must still require purchases to identify themselves if there is doubt about their age.

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tion, and their component parts. Dealers still are required to keep records on the sales of other ammunition, specifying the type and quantity of ammunition and identifying the buyer, IRS said.

Direct Filing

The one million Federal income taxpayers in the Albany District will be sending their income tax returns directly to the Internal Revenue Service Center in Andover, Massachusetts 01812 starting in January, District Director Donald T. Hartley, for Northeastern New York State announced recently.

When filing their return individual taxpayers will be using the new Form 1040 which consolidates the old card Form 1040A and provides all taxpayers the opportunity of taking advantage of every tax saving benefit.

The new form 1040 is a one-page basic form to which particular tax situations can be covered by filing available schedules. In the Albany District 209,000 former Form 1040A filers may take advantage of the new unlimited deduction limitations.

Director Hartley's announcement concerning the direct filing to the Service Center instead of the Albany District Office as in past years, states the new filing plan is designed to reduce processing costs and to expedite the sending of approximately 431,000 refund checks valued at \$76 million within six weeks after the return date a refund is correctly filed.

Reports Due

With the 1969 big game season now just a happy memory in New York State, the State Conservation Department recently urged hunters to submit all required report forms as soon as possible. The information collected from these report forms makes it possible to accurately determine the amount of game taken, the hunting pressure and the rate of hunter success. This information, along with other data, is used in setting future season guidelines.

The reports required of hunters include the following:

1. Big game report cards. Any big game hunter who took either a bear or a legally antlered deer (with antlers three inches or longer) must submit the report form which is a part of the big game license. Hunters who took neither a bear nor an antlered buck do not have to submit this report.

2. Party permit report form. All party permit leaders, whether their party took a deer or not, even if they did not hunt for a party permit deer must submit the report form which is printed on the back of their party permit arm band.

3. Special antlerless deer permit report. Again, all hunters who received a special antlerless deer permit for use in the Moose River Recreation Area must report, whether they took a deer with the permit or not and whether they hunted the area or not.

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Mr. Martin, 36, is a native of Albany, a graduate of Albany Academy and attended Bard College.

He is a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church and resides at 12 Fernwood Drive, Loudonville, New York, with his wife, the former Linda Shoudy, and his two children.

Too Few!

Big game hunters harvested 264 deer and 24 bear from the Moose River Recreation Area during the hunting season which ended December 2. The Moose River Area is a tract of land, of approximately 100 square miles area, located in central Hamilton County. This area has been utilized by the Bureau of Wildlife as a deer study and demonstration area since 1931.

The deer take is substantially below that recorded for the past two years. In 1968, 404 deer were taken and in 1967, 497 deer fell to gunners. At least part of the reduced harvest this season was due to unfavorable weather. Several rainy weekends early in the season limited the amount of hunter activity that could normally be expected.

Moreover, past seasons have demonstrated that the greatest hunting pressure in the area occurs through the first weekend. This year the season opened on a Saturday meaning that many hunters spent only two days in the area, contrasted with a Wednesday opening in 1967 and a

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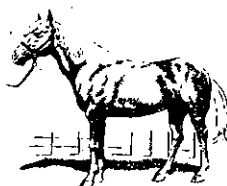
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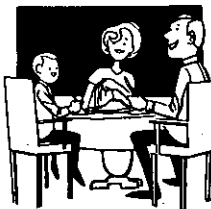
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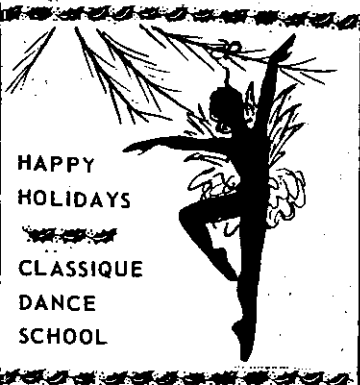
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The reduced deer kill in the area was disappointing to Conservation Department biologists. As explained by Albert G. Hall, Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, "The deer take in the Moose River Recreation Area was too low to balance the deer in relation to their available winter range. This can only mean more starvation this winter and a consequent waste of a resource that could provide more recreation to our public."

The 1969 harvest included 106 adult males (some of which had sublegal antlers), 103 adult does and 55 fawns. The heaviest deer weighed by Department personnel was a buck that dressed out at 204 pounds. Next in order were three bucks which each weighed 193 pounds.

The best rack was displayed by a 3 1/2 year old buck which sported 12 points. Two 11-point bucks were also taken, one 3 1/2 years old, the other 10 1/2 years old.

Age composition of the deer examined continue to demonstrate the grossly under-harvested status of the population. The adult male age composition shows

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as many 3 1/2 year old bucks in the population as yearling bucks. The adult female age composition shows as many 5 1/2 year old deer as 1 1/2 year old deer.

This is an extremely unhealthy situation and clearly indicates that as a result of winter starvation many of the fawns that were produced never had the opportunity to become adults. These findings further substantiate the conclusions drawn from recent spring dead deer surveys during which a very significant number of mortalities were found.

It is also evident that the fawns which do survive the winter do so in very poor physical condition. As yearling bucks this year 10 of 26 examined were not able to produce legal antlers - three inches or longer. Dressed weights of both buck and doe yearlings were much lower than desirable.

It is interesting to note that of 114 deer tagged in the Moose River Recreation Area last winter, only nine were taken by hunters this season. In addition, of 72 tagged the previous winter, only nine were taken by hunters this season. In addition, of 72 tagged the previous winter and not recovered prior to this season, hunters took only six. This low rate of return of tagged deer further illustrates the gross underharvest of the deer population.

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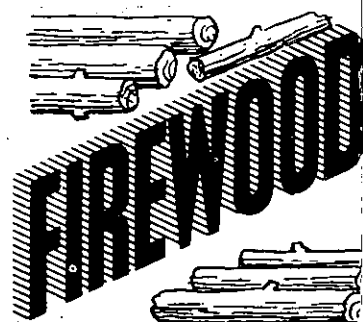
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In urging parents to make Christmas toy selection with extreme care, J. Spencer Standish, chairman of the Albany Red Cross Chapter, emphasized that toys should be oriented to the age and capabilities of the child, not the fancy of the buyer — the parent.

Mr. Standish pointed out that some toys on the market can slash, puncture, burn, choke, maim and even kill. A cuddly teddy bear may have eye prongs that when removed convert into miniature bayonets; cap pistols have exploded blinding kindergarten cowboys, and small darts have had to be removed from youngsters' lungs when inhaled rather than blown through a blow-gun device.

It's no feat for a baby to eventually pull a part of a toy and put it in his mouth," said Standish. "Chances are if he swallows it, it will pass harmlessly into his digestive tract, but it could lodge in his windpipe or lungs, causing injury or death by asphyxiation. So, choose a toy with features painted with non-toxic paint or with decorations crimped on by machine. These are fastened so tightly they are nearly impossible to tear off. Also avoid rattles which may crack into jagged pieces and cut a baby." A good rule is don't give a toy . . . or a toy with parts . . . smaller than your child's fist.

Standish added that parents should check the items' construction necessary to keep small parts such as wheels, bells, knobs, etc. in place. Good construction is essential since toys get plenty of rough use. The moving parts of mechanical toys . . .

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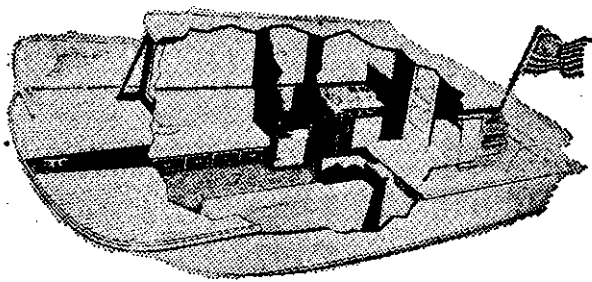
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Mr. Standish concluded, "A need for more adult guidance is evident so check labels and information received with the toy, keeping in mind your child's age and capabilities."

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Carr Honored

Robert Carr, Feura Bush Road, Delmar, a member of the State Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department was honored at a meeting of the Delmar Rotary Club on Tuesday evening, December 9th, by being presented the American National Red Cross Certificate of Appreciation for 15 years of service in the field of water safety and small craft, and a 5 year medal for 1500 hours of volunteer service over a period of 5 years.

Mr. Carr, a member of the Delmar Rotary Club and a member of the Water Safety Committee of the Albany Area Chapter has

been active in the field of water safety for the past 20 years. He has spent his vacations teaching as a member of the National Staff at Aquatic Schools sponsored by the American National Red Cross, is former Chairman of Water Safety for the Combined Service Territory of American Red Cross of the Water Safety Institute.

Mr. Carr has rendered outstanding service in the activities of small craft and water safety, both with the Watertown Chapter of the American Red Cross and with The Albany Area Chapter.

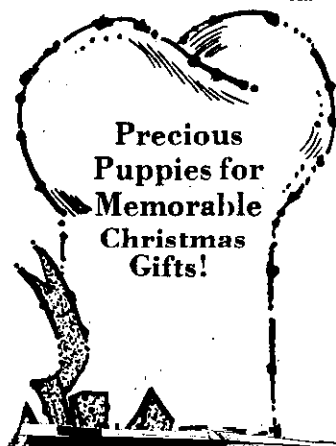
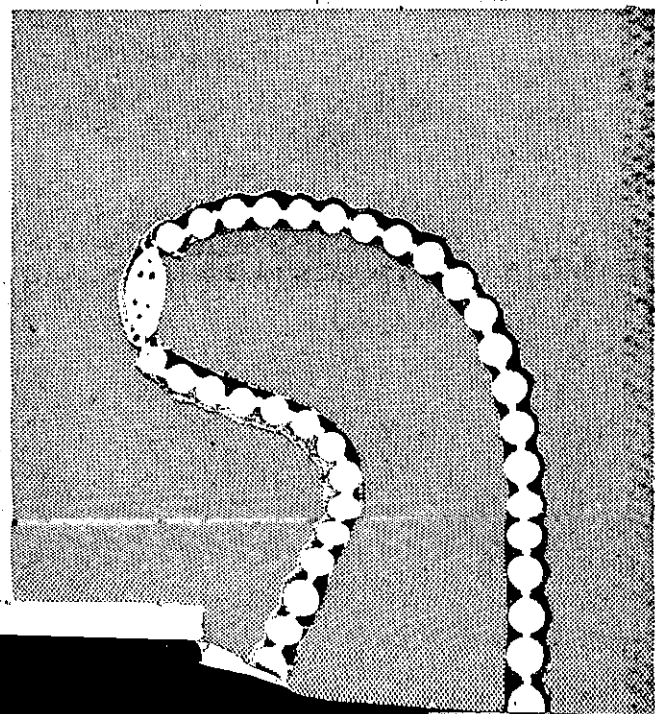
The presentation at the Delmar Rotary Club was made by James H. Carnahan, Director of Health & Safety Programs for the Albany Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, who was

the guest speaker for the Club.

New Art Classes

Eleven art classes and three ceramics classes will be offered to adults during the winter session at the Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road.

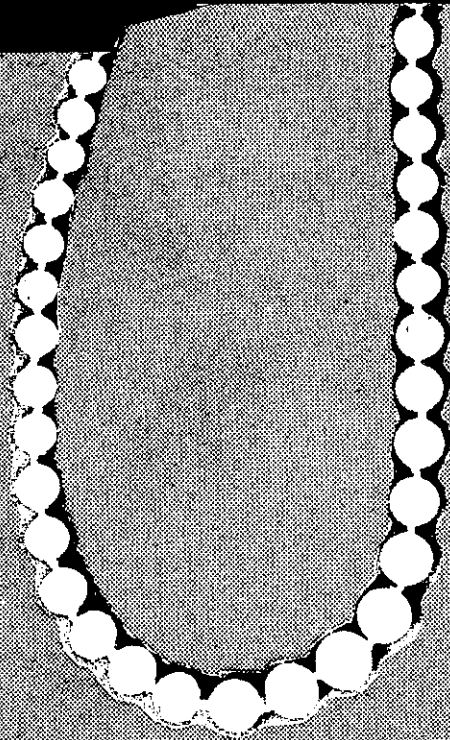
Lu Martinson, well known in the Albany, Troy and New York City areas for her classes in Self-Expressive Art, and who is widely exhibited in the Upper Hudson Valley area and throughout the country, will teach four classes. Monday morning and afternoon classes are scheduled for beginners and Tuesday morning and afternoon will be geared to the more advanced students.



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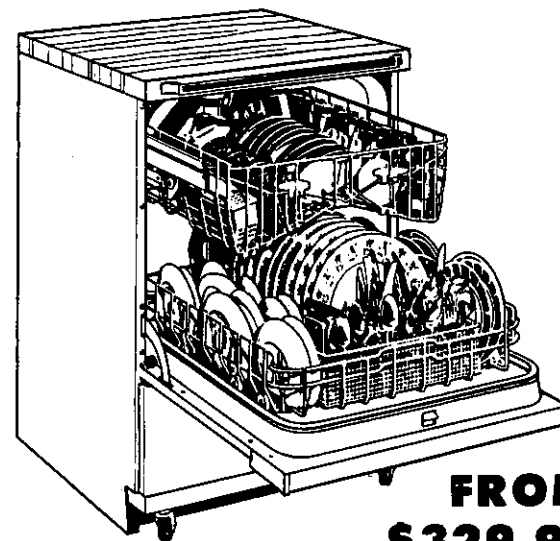
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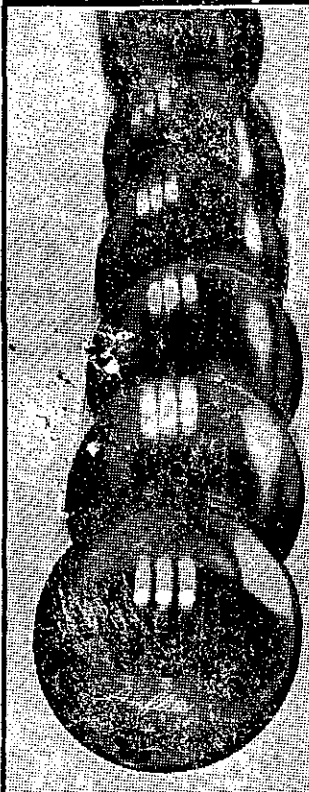
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