LETTERS

ear Sir:

I wonder if the person who it a tan dog, License #186953, of nixed breed collie and German hepard, in the Township of eura Bush about 7:30 on Wedesday, March 25th, is man nough to come forward and adnit his mistake.

The color and make of your peeding car was given to the tate Police, as two people saw he accident. What if this had een a child? Would you also run way? The owners phone is 439-723 and belongs to 4 children, who are heartbroken and myelf, their mother also.

We do not know yet if our pet, aula, will even live. (On March b the dog had to be destroyed) I'm trying to bring my childen up to be honest human-begs. You are setting a fine exmole.

This is a test of your conscience nd personality. Have you what it akes to come forward and admit

(Name Submitted)

ear Sir;

In spite of the Dog Ordinance which is supposed to be in effect n Delmar, a lot of dogs are once hore running around free and unlttended.

Certain owners seem to think hat it is perfectly O.K. to turn neir dog out in the morning to ttend to the calls of nature and oam as he will for after all he youldn't hurt a fly, and he will ome home when he is ready.

So, off he goes to meet others, hen to overturn and rummage hrough as many garbage cans s they can find, leaving the inwanted part well scattered round. The next move is to find omeone else's clean front walk there he can do his business and eave his calling card before prinkling convenient flowers er shrubs.

The other day one of the dogs apparently did not like his garbage meal so he vomited up a oul reddish colored mess all over our front steps so that we had to o out the back way with hot water and scrubbing materials

before we could use our front en-

These conditions have been reported to the town officials, and the Dog Warden advises that he is on the lookout for owners who are breaking this ordinance. Such owners will be required to either dispose of their dog, or meet the penalties set forth in the ordinance which calls for all dogs to be either fenced in, tied up, or on a leash.

It is to be hoped that the offenders will voluntarily obey the law or that the town will take action to see that they do so.

Yours truly, Dog Gone Disgusted (Name Submitted)

Cast Set

Director Harlan Wilbert has announced the cast for the Slingerlands Community Players' next production "Long Day's Journey into Night," to be seen on April 24 and 25 at Bethlehem Central Senior High School. Playing the parents in Eugene O'-Neill's autobiographical tale of home life are Betty Taylor and Douglas G. Marone. Bill Heenehan is the brother while O'Neill as a youth is portrayed by Ron Vawter. Judith Flandreau is also in the cast.

For this production only, the curtain will be at 8:00 P.M..

On Visit

Stephanie Sinnamon, President of the Bethlehem Central High School Future Business Leaders of America, and several other members of the local chapter visited the Shaker High School Chapter on March 25.

Accompanying Stephanie were Beth Burkins, Donna Myers, Kathy Herrington and Charlene Lee, as well as Mrs. Mary T. Elliott, BCHS faculty advisor.

The BCHS group were invited by Miss Ann Gamringer, the faculty advisor, to speak with members of the newly-organized group about the program and activities of the Bethlehem Chapter.

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Harmony Night

The Ravena - Coeymans - Selkirk - Glenmont - Cedar Hill, New York Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. will present their Six Annual Night of Harmony at the RCS Central School at 8:00 P.M. on Saturday evening, April 11. The show is being held in conjunction with National Harmony Week and will feature several outstanding, area quartets.

The feature quartet for the evening will be the Four-N-Aires from the Saratoga Chapter, S.P.-E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc. This group, which was originally formed in 1960, has sung extensively throughout the northeastern Uni-

ted States and Canada. They have been District Finalists for seven consecutive years, and this past fall they placed second in the Northeastern District, In the past two years they have been District representatives to the International Competitions held in Cincinnati, Ohio and St. Louis, Mo. This year's feature quartet has been brought back by popular demand. The Four-N-Aires have headlined two previous Spikehorn shows in the springs of 1965 and 1967.

Co-featured with the Four-N-Aires will be a Sweet Adeline quartet called the Blenders and a local favorite, Les Enfants. The Blenders are members of the River Valley Chapter, Sweet Adelines, Inc. and have placed

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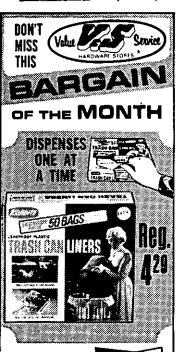
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as high as third in their northeastern regional competition. Les Enfants, who are members of the Albany and Ravena Chap-S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc., were last year's divisional Novice Champions. The local group has sung on the last five Nights of Harmony presented by the Spikehorns. The Tenor of the quartet, Dave Price, resides in Delmar. and the lead, George Bleezarde, lives in Ravena. Tom Cogan, the baritone, lives in Albany while Bob Daniels, the bass, lives in Cropseyville. The Les Enfants have made in excess of one hundred appearances in the last few years in the area.

Additional performing groups are the Guest What Four from Ithaca College and the Captains of Note from Nassau and Chatham. Both quartets are members of the host chapter from Ravena. The chapter chorus, the Spikehorns, who recently placed as the Alternate Chorus of their division, will present a themed production, entitled Come to the Cabaret, which features such well known selections as "Cabaret," "Mame," "Step to the Rear," and "Those Were the Days."

The evening promises to be a fitting conclusion to National Harmony Week. Tickets for the program may be obtained through any chapter member, at the door, or by calling 434-5308.

Bethlehem Coffee House

This is the first of a series of articles informing the community about their "Coffee House" which is to open in the near future. This article will include its history and purpose.

In 1968 the Tri-Village ministers voted to form a committee of laymen to explore the idea of a Coffee House for the community — a place where the youth, ninth grade and older, could meet, express themselves freely and listen to others through music, art and dialogue.

The Committee, consisting of members of St. Thomas, Glen-

mont Community, Delmar Methodist, Presbyterian, Delmar Reformed and the Tri-Village Jew ish Association voted to develop a non-profit organization to set-up and maintain a Coffee House. The constitution and structure were established during the year. In the fall of 1969 a search for an ap propriate site began. By the end of September, with the help of the Town, we finally located a possi ble site at 125 Adams Street Delmar. During the fall the Town initiated a referendum for ac quisition of the property. Follow ing the details of the purchase the Town of Bethlehem and the Bethlehem Coffee House, Inc. entered into an agreement for the rental of such property. In Feb ruary the Town advised the Cofe fee House group that they could begin work on the interior of thi building.

Since then the necessary in corporation procedure has been concluded. The Incorporators of Board of Directors include elever members of the community of Bethlehem representing the churches, the Service Organi zations and the Town. An Oper ational Board was elected by the Board of Directors in Januar 1970 to serve for the year. The following Board Members were selected: Joe Koonce, Debbie Geurtze, Carol Marino, Bill Lar kin, John Gilday, Donald Urell Curtiss Matterson, Marian Austin and Clifford Van Dyke.

The churches have pledge financial support to help defras the expenses until the organization becomes self-sustaining.

Luncheon

The Women's Organization of Normanside Country Club will officially open the 1970 social season with a Spring Luncheon on Saturday, April 11.

In keeping with the 'big switch to wigs, chairmen, Mrs. Anthon Casimo and Mrs. Ernest Bird

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have arranged a Wig Show complete with the opportunity to try one on.

The Opening Luncheon is usually well-attended by members and guests, with 'pins' for each new member and handy golfing tips for lady golfers from Pro Marty Czwakiel.

Mrs. Edward J. Corcoran, President of the organization, announced that the luncheon will be held at the Clubhouse beginning at 1 P.M.

Children's Photos

Photographs of children ages two to twenty will be taken Saturday. April 4, between 10 A.M. and 1 P.M. at the Slingerlands Fire Hall. A package of fifteen color photos for three dollars will be available for purchase May 2. The project is sponsored by the Slingerlands School P-TA ways and means committee.

Roast Beef Dinner

Bethlehem Memorial Post, No. 3185, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 404 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, is sponsoring one of its traditional family style (all you can eat) Roast Beef Dinners. The date to remember is Saturday, April 11th, 5:30 to 8:30 P.M. Adult tickets are \$2.50; children under 12 are \$1.25. Tickets may be purchased from officers of the post or auxiliary, or at the post itself. Tickets will also be available at the door. Co-Chairmen for this event are Mrs. William Mosley, President of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and Robert Oliver, Commander of Bethlehem Memorial Post.

The Do's and Don'ts of Pesticides

"The Do's and Don'ts of Pesticides" is the subject which will have the attention of the Garden Group of the Delmar Progress Club when they meet Tuesday morning, April 7. The meeting will be held in the Bethlehem Public Library at 9:30 for coffee; at 10 o'clock, for program.

Mr. David Reville, a representative of the Cooperative Extension Association for Albany County, will be the speaker. Mr. Reville, a graduate of Cornell University, received his degree in Ornamental Horticulture.



THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY to Albany County Medical Society and the New York State Parent-Teacher Association launched the Rubella Immunization Program in Albany County at a luncheon at Colonie Country Club on March 18. They will assist with immunization programs in the school of children between the ages of one and ten to prevent birth defects by stopping the spread from child to mother. Radio, television, and news bulletins will publicize the program as it progresses. In picture, from left to right are: Mrs. Richard Ball, Chairman of Spring Luncheon; Mrs. John Lyons, State Health Chairman, New York State P-TA; Mrs. Kenneth Deitcher, Hostess; Mrs. John Gainor, Program Chairman.

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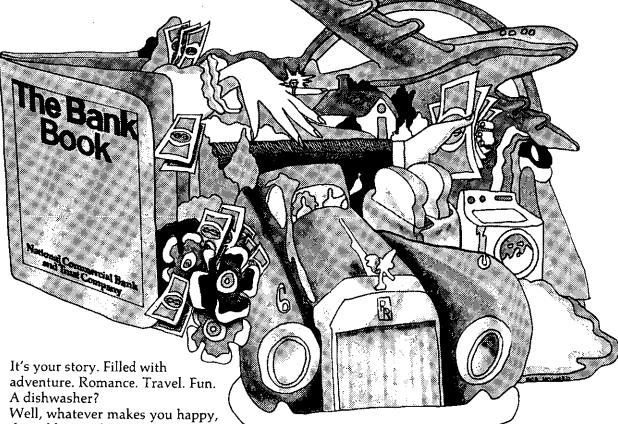
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Art Films

Movie makers take note - a rare opportunity is at hand. The Bethlehem Art Association presents a new program for its next meeting on April 13 at 7:30 P.M. in the Community Room of the Delmar branch of the National Commercial Bank, Members and guests of the BAA will watch a program of color sound movies which will portray the latest techniques of op art, crazy graphics and the use of the story board. In short, the program will demonstrate the use of motion picture film as on art form.

Mr. Harry Pritchett, will demonstrate some of his own films and lecture on the subject. Mr. Pritchett is Creative Director of the University Center for Educational Communications at SUNY at Stonybrook. Among others, he will show his films on P.A.N. DURAC, the Nobel Prize winning physicist, one on Paris,



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France. Mr. Pritchett has been a television producer, art director, art editor and has lectured extensively at many universities on the use of motion picture films as an art form. He has made many films himself and his technique particularly emphasizes the use of the fish-eye lens. The evening promises to be an exciting one. The usual refreshments will be available for members and guests.

Report of Bethlehem Environmental Improvement Association

The winner was spent in planning and now we are putting these plans into operation.

Flower boxes and planters are planned for the Delmar Four Corners as a beginning. These are being made by Mr. Vandetti's wood working class at the Senior High School. They are made of red wood material furnished by the Association.

The merchants are cooperating. A number of the service clubs and other organizations are making contributions to the cost of this project. Anyone who would like to help on this project can send his check or cash to the Treasurer, Mr. Tom Schnurr.

We plan to plant these boxes and have them in place in time for Memorial Day.

The Environmental Improvement Association has been invited to plan the planting of the new town parking lot at the four corners. We are having the help of David Revelie of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Albany County who is drawing up plans of landscaping.

Another activity is the naming of a Citizens Conservation Committee. This committee will have two members of the Town Parks Committee and three members of the Environmental Improvement Association.

The committee plans an inventory of the physical aspects of the town, a list of wet land areas, places which might be suitable for recreation, etc. The commit-

tee will act only in an advisory way.

There are several other areas being planned. The Bethlehem Women's Garden group have an ambitious project all their own.

The Environmental Improvement Association invites all residents of Bethlehem to help us in improving our community, especially in connection with the Town of Bethlehem's Clean-up Days of 1970. These days are April 6-7; 13-14; 20-21; 27-28. Later dates will be given for the pick-up of grass cutting, etc.

Exchange Student

Brian Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Wells of Feura Bush, and an 11th grade student at R-C-S, has been selected as this year's exchange student under the Open Door program.

Brian will visit one of the Central American countries for a period of 10 weeks during his summer vacation. During his stay there, he will live with a local family. He will have the opportunity to go to school, visit various parts of the country and learn Spanish.

As part of the Open Door program, a student from Latin America will visit R-C-S next winter.

Speaker Info

Business classes at Bethlehem Central High School learned practical information from three speakers last week.

The students in the Business Law Class of Miss Patricia Coppola heard about the details of automobile insurance from Dr. Harry S. Myers, Assistant Vice President of Farm Family Life Insurance Company and Mutual Insurance Company. Dr. Myers discussed the various types of coverage and the classes of insurance for young drivers. He also discussed the implications of the current proposals for changes in automobile insurance.

On Friday, Miss Misako Ebina, and Miss Kyoko Ando, visitors from Japan, met with the Asian Studies, shorthand II and transcription, office practice, secretarial practice and bookkeeping classes

Miss Ebina and Miss Ando are visiting the United States under the Experiment in International Living. They are currently participating in the Home Stay phase of the program. At the same time, they are making arrangements for an apartment and will work in offices in this area. In Japan both girls worked for a Swedish firm doing business with Japanese firms. The BCHS students were able to get a brief glimpse of the life of a young office worker in Japan from the visitors.

This Weekend It's

"Bye, Bye, Birdie"

On April 2-4 the Senior Class of BCSH will present "Bye, Bye, Birdie," in the school auditorium at 8:15.

The musical comedy is a spoof on teenage rock idols. Concerning Conrad Birdie (Bill Murphy), a rock singer about to be drafted, and his business manager, (Marty Dineen), the musical is a satire on screaming teenagers, the "Elvis Presley" - type rock singer, and parents' "typical" reaction to Conrad. Also starring Mary Austin as Rosie, Albert's girlfriend; Lee Bailey as Mr. Mc-Affee; Karen Thelander as Kim McAffee (the girl chosen to receive Conrad's last kiss before he is drafted); Joyce Cornes as Albert's mother; and Chris Thurlow as Mrs. McAffee, the musical is directed by Sidney Turner, choreographed by Richard Feldman, and vocal director is Joseph Farrell. Janet Wall is stage manager.

SPOTLIGHT has already run paragraphs on Marty Dineen and Mary Austin. To make the list complete, here are five other important members of the cast.

Conrad Birdie - Bill Murphy is an active member of Key Club and Choraliers, and is President of Swing Choir. Bill hopes to attend Colgate University next vear.



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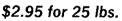


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Mr. McAffee — Lee Bailey has previously appeared in three BCSH theatre productions — "The Rainmaker," "The Inspector General," and, more recently, "The Crucible." Lee is Treasurer of Charlatans, President of Choraliers, a member of Swing Choir, and participates actively in his church's Youth Fellowship. He will attend Saint Lawrence University.

Kim McAffee — Karen Thelander is a member of Choraliers and The Club. During BC's Christmas Concert, Karen sang a solo in "The Messiah." She hopes to attend college and later become a teacher.

Mrs. Petersen — Joyce Cornes is an active member of FTA (Future Teachers Association), Varsity Debate, and teaches Sunday School. She plans to attend Oneonta College.

Mrs. McAffee — Chris Thurlow is a member of FTA, Choraliers, Debate Club, a member of Girl Scouts, and is active in her church's Youth Fellowship. She is Secretary of Crisis. Chris plans to attend Allegany College.

Tickets for "Bye, Bye, Birdie" are on sale at Grover's, Mullens' Pharmacy, and Warner's Pharmacy. Tickets may be purchased at the school between 11:00 and 1:00, or between 2:00 and 3:00. Prices are \$1.00 student, \$1.50 adult, and \$2.00 reserved.

Eye Tests

The Tri-Village Welcome Wagon Club for Newcomers wish to remind all parents of pre-schoolers in the Town of Bethlehem to bring their 3, 4, or 5 year old children to the First United Methodist Church on April 7, 8, or 9 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. for a free vision screening which may detect amblyopia, "lazy eye blindness," or some other eye defect.

Screening will be conducted by volunteers from the Club, who have had 6 hours of training by the Albany Association of the Blind. Parents of youngsters who show a vision problem will be notified, so that professional and corrective treatment can be implemented. Co-Chairmen of the program are Mrs. John Logan and Mrs. David Smart. Mrs. Charles Gerdes is in charge of mailing and telephoning. The nursery school coordinator is Mrs. Rowland Ross and publicity chairmen are Mrs. Lewis Welch and Mrs. George Lamb. The advisor for the group is Mrs. Dorothy Sorenson, elementary school nurse.

Budget Meeting

"Anatomy of a School Budget" will be the topic of discussion at the Glenmont Elementary School Parent-Teachers meeting on Wednesday, April 8, at 8 P.M. Dr. Richard Moomaw and a member of the Board of Education will lead the discussion and answer questions. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn about the budget outlook for this year and the public is cordially invited to attend. The meeting will be held in the school auditorium.

Refreshments will be served.

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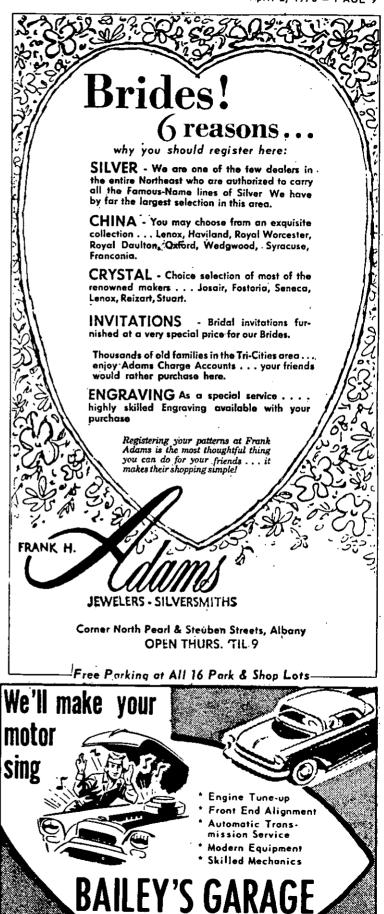
The Hudson Valley Dietetic Association will meet Monday evening, April 6, at 7:30 P.M. in the dining room of Samaritan Hospital. Troy. Mr. Frank Cline of Junior College of Albany faculty will conduct a workshop," "Creativity in Management." Mrs. Anne Gypson and Mrs. Mary Kay Breton will be hostesses for the meeting.

Mr. Cline teaches "Creative Thinking and Problem Solving" for Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations extension teaching program and Junior College of Albany, a division of Russell Sage College.

Mrs. Jean Queale, President-Elect of New York State Dietetic Association, will be introduced to HVDA members at this meeting. Mrs. Queale is from Canadaigua, New York.

Concert

The Pick'n' and Sing'n' Gather'n' of East Central New York will present Michael Cooney in concert, Friday, April 3 at 8:00 P.M. at the Kenwood Academy



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Registration

Registration for the fall semester 1970 of Maria College Campus Nursery School will be held at the school on Monday, April 6, from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. and from 1:00 until 3:00 P.M.

Children ages 3 to 5 may be enrolled in either a morning or an afternoon session.

The Nursery School is located on the college campus behind the main Maria College building at 700 New Scotland Avenue, Albany.

Card Party and **Fashion Show**

President, Mrs. Herbert Hafley has announced the American Legion Auxiliary of Blanchard Post 1040 will have a card party and fashion show on Tuesday, April 14, at 8 P.M. in the Post Rooms, Popular Drive, Elsmere.

Fashions will be shown by Town and Tweed. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Robert Rosenfield or Mrs. Charles Setzer. Please bring your own cards. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments served.

Dinner Speaker

Leo Perlis, Director of the Department of Community Services for the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, will be the featured speaker at the United Fund — Red Cross Joint Appeal Awards and Recognition Dinner, according to Thomas Dowling, Awards Program Chairman. The program will be conducted Wed-



Leo Perlis

nesday, April 15, at 6:30 P.M., at the Thruway Hyatt House, 1375 Washington Ave., Albany, and will honor employee groups of area businesses and industries who have made substantial contributions to the annual fund campaign.

Mr. Perlis has been involved as an active volunteer in the United Fund movement nationally. Most recently he was involved in the preparation of a management study for the United Community Funds and Councils of America. That study indicates the type of thrust and direction United Funds should take throughout the country, both locally and nationally.

Perlis has served as Director as Community Services activities for the AFL-CIO since December, 1955. Prior to that, he was Director of the National CIO Community Services Committee, a post he took in 1946. He was Director of the National CIO War Relief Committee from 1943-46, and helped develop and direct the CIO's foreign program in 18 coun-

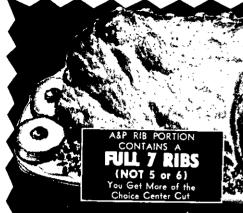
In 1958, Perlis received the first annual award of the National Council on Social Work Education for his work in developing the participation of organized labor in social welfare activities. He also has received awards from the National Urban League and the Boy Scouts. He was a winner of the 1956 Page One Award of the American Newspaper Guild. Perlis was a founder, and for several years Secretary, of CARE, The Cooperative for



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Active in many social welfare organizations, he is on the Board of Directors, National Health and Welfare Retirement Association; member of the Citizens Advisory Council of the President's Committee on Juvenile Delinquency and Youth Crime, and the Presi-

dent's Council on Youth Fitness: consultant. Children's Bureau. U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare; member of the Board of Directors, Child Welfare League of America, He is a member also of the labor advisory council to the Office of Economic Opportunity; a member of the Citizens Advisory Committees of the Schools of Social Work of New York University and Hunter College; a member of the Board of Directors of Child Welfare Care of America and the National Travelers Aid

Association.

Perlis has edited a number of labor and other publications, including the Paterson Press, and has served the labor movement in many capacities, including that of an organizer, bargainer, political action director, etc. He worked as a newsboy, as a retail clerk and in the silk mills of Peterson, New Jersey. He has lectured in a number of colleges and universities on labor's role and views in community activities and has contributed to a number of books and publications on the same

time.

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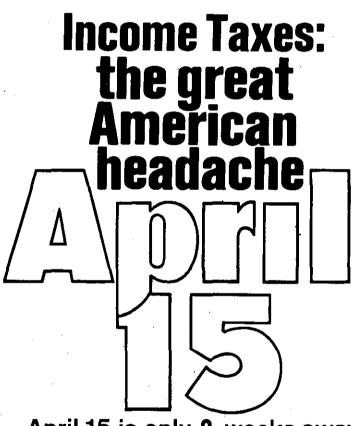
Mr. McKenna joined Huyck in August, 1969, as a marketing analyst. Prior to that, he was with Proctor & Gamble, Industrial Soap and Chemical Products Division, where he was sales engineer and advertising and sales promotion specialist.

He is a graduate of New York University, with a B.S. degree in management. He completed his service in the U.S. Marine Corps as a sergeant, serving as crew chief of a helicopter squadron.

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sideration, a Panel of Child Psychologists, Pediatricians, and Music and Pre-School Educators and teachers, determined that the optimum time for developing a childs' sensitivity and interest, for the purpose of musical study, were the years 3 to 8: It was felt, however, that a 3 year old would not have the physical coordination necessary to cope with a quickly paced class session. The course, therefore, begins at age 4, when the ear of the child is making a rapid physical growth and can be sensitized

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(in brief), which course is endorsed by Stan Kenton, noted Musician and Band Leader, at the end of our film.

For literature or further information, phone: Mrs. B. Wigler, Counselor of Yamaha School of Music, at: 462-1571.

New Major

Sister Margaret M. Keeshan, President of The College of Saint Rose, has announced the introduction, in September, 1970, of a new program at the College leading to a B.S. in Art Education. Designed to lead to the Provisional Certificate valid for the teaching of art in the elementary and secondary schools of New York State, the program has been approved by Alvin Lierheimer, Assistant Commissioner for High Education of the State Education Department.

As explained by Sister Margaret Maria O'Donnell, chairman of the Art Department, the program is a much-needed one in the Tri-City area. Each year,

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inquiries are made to the recruitment officers of the College which indicate a strong local interest in Art Education. Area elementary and secondary schools have expressed the desire for such a program which will eventually provide in-service courses for teachers of art who wish to fulfill certification requirements.

The College of Saint Rose, a member of the Hudson-Mohawk Association of Colleges and Universities, will better serve the member institutions of the consortium by providing courses in Art Education.

Since the major program in Art Education will begin in September 1970, freshmen and transfer students from other departments within the college will be able to avail themselves of art education courses in the coming Fall. In September 1971, transfer students from other colleges will be accepted into the program, Sister Margaret Maria explained. The first cycle will be completed in 1973-1974.

High school seniors interested in Art Education should contact the Director of Admissions at the College for further information.

At APAC

Ballet premieres by the New York City Ballet and Beethoven commemoratives with Eugene Ormandy conducting The Philadelphia Orchestra punctuate the season of the Saratoga Performing Arts Center for 1970.

The New York City Ballet has scheduled three Saratoga premieres for its July residence including George Balanchine's "Who Cares?" Jerome Robbins "In The Night" and John Clifford's "Reveries."

The Ballet season opens July 1 with "The Nutcracker" to be presented through the holiday weekend.

Eugene Ormandy will open The Philadelphia Orchestra season on July 30, conducting orchestra, soloists, and chorus in Beethoven's Symphony No. 9. Completing the program will be Copeland's "Fanfare for the Common Man" and "Lincoln Portrait," the latter

with Marian Anderson as narrator.

Guest conductors for the season at Saratoga include Andre Kostelanetz, Rafael Fruhbeck de Burgos, Henry Mancini, Donald Johanos, Franz Allers, Daniel Barenboim and Julius Rudel. Among soloists to appear with the Orchestra are Eugene Istomin, Isaac Stern, Leonard Rose, Van Cliburn, Itzhak Perlman, Rudolf Serkin and Peter Nero.

Three all-Beethoven programs are included in the commemoration of the bi-centennial of the composer's birth.

Special events are interspersed with performances by the two resident companies of the Center. Already signed for the coming season are singer Dionne Warwick, in a pre-season matinee scheduled for June 13; the rock group "The Three Dog Night" July 20; Johnny Mathis Aug. 4; Rod McKuen Aug. 18 and Al Hirt on Aug. 25. Additional special events will be announced as contracts are completed.

For a 1970 Summer Festival Brochure on program and prices, write to the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 12866 or phone (518) 584-9330.

Programs Pay Off

Students who receive occupational training in agriculture as part of their high school education in New York State are quick to get jobs, or go on to continue their education in college.

This is the basic conclusion of a survey recently completed by educational researchers Arthur L. Berkey, William Kelly, and David Brown, all of the N.Y. State College of Agriculture at Cornell University.

Berkey, assistant professor in the College's department of education, reports that the survey of students who graduated in 1968 showed that 41 per cent were quickly employed, while another 31 per cent continued their educational training past high school.

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Employers who were surveyed reported that over 97 per cent of those employed were qualified for their first year jobs. And more than half of those who found employment earned some kind of promotion or pay raise during their first year on the job.

Surveyed were students who

had completed two year studies in one of four agriculturally related fields: farm production and management, conservation, agricultural mechanization, and ornamental horticulture.

The survey was sponsored by the Bureau of Occupational Education Research of the State Education Department of the University of the State of New York.

Dividend Declared

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held February 24, 1970, the regular quarterly dividend was increased from 35 cents to 40 cents per share, payable April 1, 1970, to stockholders of record March 4, 1970.

In making this announcement Mr. Hollis E. Harrington, President, stated that it is the intention of the Board to place the stock on an annual basis of \$1.60 per share, and that this increase is the result of continued fine earnings at the bank.

Does Deer Feeding Pay?

The early and heavy snow of this winter has made the discussion of the need and value of deer feeding, a popular pasttime the last few weeks. The deep snow has made travel for deer very difficult, but has it put them on the verge of starvation?

To many people who have inquired about feeding, usually pointing out locations where they were sure that the deer were about to drop for lack of food, the Conservation Department has taken what appears to be a hard and heartless line. The wildlife biologists have had close contact with many deer in a weakened condition, and wish something could be done. They have also seen many situations where feeding was undertaken and the resulting loss of deer by starvation was actually greater than if nothing had been done.

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The least appreciated problem is built right into the deer in their desire to survive. Childhood stories about how the doe takes care of her young are nice, but they stop before the chips are down in the dead of winter. When the pangs of hunger are jabbing a deer's ribs, its thoughts are strictly self-centered. In the summer the doe may lead her fawn to the lush pastures and share the plentiful food. She may still lead the way in the winter, but when it comes to eating the limited food supply, it's "After me, dear." The buck is no gentleman, and he takes priority over any deer he is big enough to drive away from the food.

Under natural conditions deer drift through the woods feeding much of the time. With both food and deer scattered, the fawns can make out alright. As the yard conditions get worse, and the deer are restricted to the trails for much of their feeding, then competition for the available food gets more intense.

Set up a feeding program and the food is usually in quite restricted areas. The bucks and larger does are able to dominate these piles while the smaller deer can only sneak in for a quick bite when the dominant deer are not looking.

The large deer have more reserve from the start and can stand a couple of weeks on poor rations than the fawns. What results then, is that the deer which need the food the least get it.

Feeding may also attract more deer into an area than were there before the program started. The feed supplied actually only furnishes part of the food used. The additional deer may consume more natural food in the yard than the normal yard population would have eaten if no food had been furnished. If this does not result in starvation, it does greater damage to the range, setting the stage for starvation in the future.

To maintain its weight, a 100pound deer must have about six pounds of good food each day. The only hay that is of any value in deer feeding is good quality alfalfa, and unfortunately about half of this is waste, meaning that about 12 pounds per deer would be required. South slope deer vards across the Southerntier with over 100 deer are the rule rather than the exception. To supply 100 deer adequately for just two weeks would require eight and a half tons of top grade alfalfa. Moreover, deer would require a lengthy adjustment period before they could fully utilize the nutrition in alfalfa feed. The task of properly spreading it so that all deer would have an equitable chance to eat would be impossible, for it would have to be done as a daily task, not a one shot operation.

Fortunately the Southern-tier deer have been held back where there is adequate food, through they have had to work to get it. All except the youngest deer are still in good physical condition, but the young are always weaker by the end of the winter. The problem is not food but dogs that can run much more easily on the crusted snow. This is where the cooperation of the public is need-

New Bear Record

Big game hunters in New York State set a new record for black bear take last season. Hunters killed 687 black bears during the 1969 regular big game season. An additional 29 bears were taken during a special season held in early October in nine Adirondack counties. The total take of 716 bears surpasses the previous record of 648 set in 1965, and greatly exceeds the average of 498 for the previous 10 years. The 1968 statewide total was 387.

The annual bear kill in New York fluctuated markedly since records have been kept. During the last 10 years, it has varied from a low of 311 in 1961 to this year's high. The factors that affect the kill are not fully understood, but probably involve food availability and weather, both of which may influence bear activity during the fall hunting season. The 1969 season, for example, saw an abundant mast crop - particularly in comparison to

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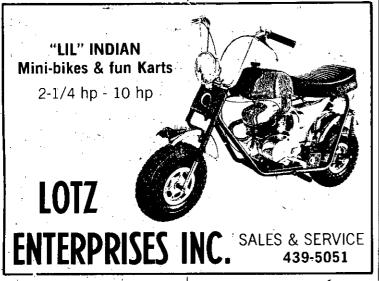
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the previous season — and had relatively mild, although rainy weather in the Adirondack area.

This year's regular season kill included a record Adirondack harvest of 595 as well as 75 Catskill and 17 Central and Western Region bears. Most bears were taken in the Adirondack counties of Hamilton (185), Essex (91), St. Lawrence (87) and Franklin (74). In the Catskills, Greene County produced the largest take of 27 bears, followed by Ulster (24), Sullivan (20) and Orange (4) Counties. The Central and Western Region counties of Allegany and Cattaraugus, comprising only 4 percent of the State's bear range, produced harvests of four and 13 bears. However, the only archer-killed bear reported this year came from the Town of Carrollton in Cattaraugus County. A summary of the regular season take is presented in the table below.

Three ear-tagged bears were reported, all from the Catskill Region. All ear-tagged bears are worth a \$25 reward, when the hunter provides the Conservation Department with the skull, the location of kill and the tags themselves. To date, Department biologists have captured, tagged and released 341 black bears. More than half of these remain unrecovered.

Thanks to the assistance of many hunters and taxidermists, lower jaws from 118 bears were collected by the Department in 1969. By removing and then sectioning a canine tooth from each jaw, the bear's age can be determined. This formation is used to study the population characteristics of black bears so that better management methods may be applied in the future.

Wedding

On Sunday, February 1, Mary Jane Wasserbach, daughter of Mrs. John A. Wasserbach and the late Mr. Wasserbach, of 213 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, became the bride of Richard R. Blaski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Blaski of Bellmore, Long



Mrs. Richard R. Blaski

Island.

The bride is a graduate of BC-HS and the College of Saint Rose. She teaches in the Catskill Central School System. Her husband is a graduate of Chaminade High School. Mineola, and St. Bernardine College, Loudonville. He is employed by Traveler's Insurance Company.

Two Resign

The resignation of William Johnston, Jr., zoning board of appeals chairman and George J. Butman, councilman, were accepted recently by the Bethlehem Town Board.

Butman who has served as board member for ten years is resigning in the middle of a four-year term. He has also retired from his 30-year post as sales manager for Dearstyne Brothers Tobacco Co. in North Albany.

Johnston, who has served as zoning board member for ten years, said he is resigning his post because "I have something else in mind." He did not specify his plans.

The board also conducted a public hearing to consider rezoning four parcels of land west of Bethlehem Central Senior High School from a rural to a retail commercial district.

No public opposition was expressed, but the board deferred formal decision.



Drug Talk in Delmar

After the long-haired, bellbottomed teenagers in the front row complained their Bethlehem schools are "doing nothing" about drug abuse, the burley speaker told the adults behind them:

Listen to this, folks, These kids want information . . . do something about it."

Then, Dr. Harold Borgstedt dropped another minor bombshell, one of several during the evening at Delmar School, when he admonished the young people to take the initiative if they want accurate information about drug abuse.

"You didn't invite me here." he thundered. "They did - the square did," said the Germanborn physician and pharmacologist pointing to the adults.

Earlier, the teenagers attacked what they termed "propaganda" in the films about narcotics they had viewed at school and elsewhere. Dr. Borgstedt, on the medical staff at the University of Rochester, told them: "We're trying to improve . . . don't expect miracles overnight," emphasizing that there are too many unknown factors about how drugs affect humans and few experts on the subject.

The speaker said he came to Delmar last night to attempt to dispel some of the misinformation about narcotics abuse. He spoke to the capacity crowd of adults, teenagers, and Delmar P-TA members in a meeting sponsored jointly by the P-TA and the Bethlehem Narcotics Guidance Council.

Dr. Borgstedt illustrated the habits of the drinker, the pill taker or the marijuana smoker who use these drugs (they are either stimulants, depressants or hallucinogens) do so because they want to, but determine the time and place. There is no physically compulsive addiction here like the heroin user, he said, but a deliberate pattern of drug abuse.

Persons may take the same drug for similar reasons, but the consequences may differ vastly.



Dr. Harold Borgstedt

stimulant to stay awake all night cramming for an exam. The truck driver does it to drive non-stop to his destination, and after hours - maybe days on pills he sees hallucinations, swerves to avoid them and causes a dreadful accident, the speaker point-

When youngsters ask about a drug; "Does it - or does it not - produce addiction?" this is irrelevent, Dr. Borgstedt said.

The consequences and "are they dangerous?" are the questions to consider, he emphasized.

He noted that "speed" injections are "extremely hazardous for they produce certain changes in the heart functions that are difficult to treat medically. Yet the suburban housewife who would never inject "speed" will pop two or three diet pills to brighten up a monotonous morning at home.

"Marijuana is more closely related to alcohol than heroin," Dr. Borgstedt said, but grass can lead to other drug abuse he said, "Because you're likely to be associated with peer groups who readily will make other drugs available."

New Pastor Installed

The Rev. David L. Cooper was installed as the Associate Pastor of the Delmar Reformed Church on March 8, 1970. He will share in the entire ministry of the Church, but will have special re-The college student takes a sponsibility in the area of chris-

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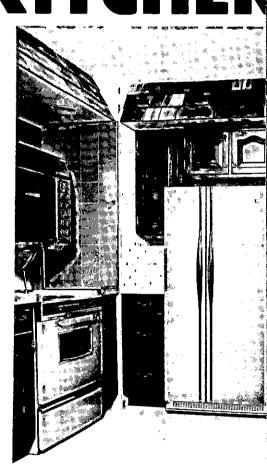
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tian education and youth work.

Mr. Cooper is a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, He attended Grand Rapids Junior College and graduated from Hope College, Michigan in 1964 with a degree in psychology. He then attended Western Theological Seminary which is also located in Holland, Michigan and graduated in 1967. He spent the next three years as the pastor of the Woodmar Reformed Church of Hammond, Indiana. While serving the Woodmar Church, Mr. Cooper was also active in an Ecumenical Ministry to the students of

Purdue University Calumet Campus

Mr. Cooper is residing at 77 Adams Place with his wife, Coral, and their three year old son, David James. Mrs. Cooper is a native of North Holland, Michigan, and is a registered nurse.

Concert

On Tuesday, April 14, the touring Symphonic Band of the State University College at Fredonia will present a concert at 8 P.M. in the Bethlehem Central High School Auditorium. Before the

concert, the Symphonic Band will be holding Music Clinics from 4 to 5 P.M., Tuesday afternoon, for the Bethlehem Central District band students.

The Fredonia Symphonic Band will be under the direction of Herbert Harp. Following the concert, a S.U.C. at Fredonia Albany Chapter Reception will be held; alumni and guests are invited.

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Even though we are in the initial stages of this project, we urge interested students to pick up an application in the Guidance Office, to take home for completion and discussion with your parents. We will use this information which you provide to try to put you in contact with an employer who needs a worker with the kind of abilities and interests which you possess. Hopefully, we will receive requests from local business operators, whom we are now contacting, for students to perform a variety of jobs in every kind of business in our community.

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Clarksville Parent-Teachers' Association Scholarship Grrant

Again this year, the Parent-Teachers' Association of the Clarksville School will present an award of \$150 to a member of our senior class who completed elementary education at Clarksville. The student selected must have shown a genuine desire to continue his education, maintained a good scholarship record and be a student for whom financial assistance would be of significant importance.

The payment of this award will be made in two installments. September 1 and February 1, and an alternate student will also be selected.

Interested eligible seniors may pick up an application in the Guidance Office, which must be returned by Friday, April 10, 1970.

439-4949

To Vote . . .

To be eligible to vote in the next annual school meeting, all residents of the Bethlehem Central School District must register before the meeting.

The first registration date is Thursday, April 9, from 12 noon until 9 P.M. at three district schools, Clarksville, Glenmont and the Middle School. You may register at any of these schools regardless of where you live in the district.

Following are the qualifications for registering and voting in the district: one must be a citizen 21 years of age or older on the date of the annual meeting a resident of the school district for a period of 30 days next preceding the meeting at which he offers to vote.

The registration will be of a permanent nature in that by voting in a school election, afterthe initial registration, a voter is automatically registered for the

At least one more registration date will be set prior to the annual meeting.

Remember - you must register to be eligible to vote in your next school election.

Open House

The Town of New Scotland Women's Republican Club will hold an Open House for the public on Friday, April 10, at 8 P.M. at the American Legion Hall in Voorheesville. The purpose of the Open House is to provide a chance for the residents of the area to meet their governmental repre-

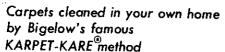
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Town officials who will be there are Town of New Scotland Supervisor Willis McIntosh, Councilmen Robert Patterson and Wyman Osterhout, Justices Harold Schultz and Donald Chase, Superintendent of Highways John Cossac, Town Clerk Elizabeth Feldman, Tax Collector William Bailev. Chairman of Assessors Michael Ulion, Assessors Harold Slingerland and Irving McEwan, and Town Attorneys Frederick Edmunds and James Ryan. Robert Husband, Chairman of the Planning Board and Appeals Board, will also be present.

RECREATION **PROGRAM**

by Terry Bastian

A "learn-to-play" tennis program for fifth, sixth, and seventh grade boys and girls, will be conducted by the Bethlehem Recreation Department on six successive Saturdays starting April 18th followed by competitive events and awards on May 28-30.

Registration for the program is scheduled on Saturday morning, April 11 from 9:00-12:00 at the Middle School auditorium in Delmar. A fee of one dollar(\$1.00) will be charged.

An assembly for all registrants, their parents, and others interested in this youth activity will be held in connection with the registration at the Middle School auditorium. Following discussion of the program and the procedures to be followed, a tennis instruction movie is planned to be shown.

Individual and group instruction will be provided by a staff of experienced players under the direction of Donald M. Camp, Senior High School Tennis coach.

For more information please call Mr. Terry Bastian, Recreation Director, at 439-4131.

Pow Wow **Preview**

Heldeberg Workshop Pow Wow Committee welcomes the public to a unique film show on Friday. April 3, at 8 P.M. in the Community Room of the National Commercial Bank and Trust Company in Delmar.

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Michael F. Bergan

Mr. Bergan formerly served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of New York in the Bureau of Litigation and Claims from 1964-1968. For the past two years he has been associated with the law firm of Sneerenger and Rowley at 90 State Street.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Mokhiber of Albany. The couple have three children, Marion, Michael and John and live at 71 Elsmere Ave., Delmar.

Fun for All

"The Good Old Days" was the theme of a family night at the movies which was held at the Glenmont School on Friday, March 13. Over 500 parents and children descended upon the school at 6:45 prepared to relive the good old days of Buster Kea ton, W. C. Fields, Walt Disney, and Laurel and Hardy. Movies were shown in the auditorium, the gym, and in one of the classrooms; and between films the movie-goers enjoyed delicious pop-corn, ice cream, soda, oldfashioned candy, and homemade cookies. Best of all were the "good old prices" - one nickel for each item. Lucky numbers in the popcorn entitled the finder to visit the General Store where he was presented with a free prize, or was able to buy such items as bread, milk, coffee, eggs, etc, at a really old-fashioned price.

A special thanks is extended by the Glenmont P-TA to area merchants and businesses whose great generosity in sponsoring a booth, or donating gifts, food, and other necessary items, enabled this event to be such a tremendous success. All proceeds went to the Glenmont P-TA Scholarship fund.

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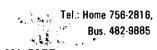


"FAMILY NIGHT MOVIE THEATRE" — Mrs. Wiltsey (4th gr. teach.) Mrs. Erkson, Principal, and Miss Marcia Pardoe (Third gr. Teacher) enjoy a collection of old telephones which were on exhibit at the Glenmont Elementary School.

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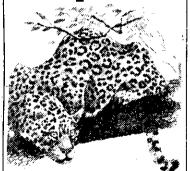
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CRISIS Gears for Tough Campaign

Spring isn't a week old, snow flurries instead of robins reported, but Bethlehem's promise of "hot" times to come has materialized.

The "CRISIS" organization in the community is gearing for another touch campaign to ensure quality public school education.

CRISIS stands for the "Committee for Reason in Support of Improved Schools." It was this organization that marshalled enough support within the Bethlehem Central School District last summer to pass a twice-defeated school budget.

Now CRISIS announces a voter registration drive and campaign to "pass an adequate school budget" for the district.

A statement from the organization follows:

"This year for the first time voter registration will be required (with the school district). The first registration date is between noon and 9 P.M., April 9, at Clarksville, Glenmont, and Middle Schools. There will be only one other opportunity on an as yet specified date to register before the election and voting on the budget.

"On April 13, the CRISIS membership will meet to review the budget and help rally support for quality rather than cheap education.

"Among the items to be considered are more adequate staffing to assist children with reading disabilities and severe behavoral problems, a service which was severely impaired by the budget defeats of last year.

"CRISIS will also seek extension of the policies of employing teachers with higher qualifications, of appointing full time department heads for major subjects, of offering a full range of programs for the less able student and smaller advanced classes for students of exception capability.

"CRISIS officials point out that these are the policies which have helped make Bethlehem a leader among school systems in New York State."

Kearne Jones, CRISIS president, indicated that the organization will endorse a candidate for the coming school board election for the seat of Dr. Robert Bair, board vice-president, and head of the Albany County School Boards Association, which will expire in June.

Luncheon

The Second Annual Heritage Luncheon, given by members of Tawasentha Chapter DAR, will be held on Tuesday, April 7, at 12:30 at the Delmar Reformed Church.

This year's display will feature antique soup tureens and gravy boats. Chapter members will use their own table appointments and floral arrangements making a variety of original settings. One table has been prepared for gentlemen.

To Head Dinner

Ralph M. Burkins, President of Burkins and Foley Moving and Storage, Inc. with offices in Albany, New York, was named recently to head up the annual Grant Day Dinner to be held Saturday, May 2nd at Rafael's Restaurant, Albany-Saratoga Road. In making the announcement, Louis Farinacci, President of the Albany County Republican Club, the sponsoring group, stated that this year's 70th annual dinner dance is expected to at-



NOT TAKING ANYTHING FOR GRANTED — Ralph M. Burkins, President of Burkins and Foley Moving and Storage, Inc., Albany, reads to his 1-year-old daughter, Donna Lee, the story of Pres. Ulysses S. Grant, while she grants her full attention. Mr. Burkins will be General Chairman of the Annual Grant Day Dinner to be held May 2nd at Rafael's Restaurant, Albany-Saratoga Road. The affair marks the 70th annual dinner-dance sponsored by the Albany County Republican Club.

tract a record number of Republicans from Albany and area Counties

Mr. Burkins, who resides at 16 Park Place in Delmar, New York, is a life long resident of Albany and has been active for many years in civic and community affairs. He is a member of a number of organizations including the Greater Albany Chamber of Commerce, the "Chairman's Club" of the Albany County Republican Committee, Boy Scout's of America, N.Y.S. Warehouseman's Association and Mover's

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Play Ball: The Slingerlands "Village Wonders"

by Allison P. Bennett Beth. Town Historian

Now that the first day of spring has come and gone, it's time to look ahead a few weeks to when the Big League ball teams will be returning from spring training in the South and when the local Little League season will be getting into full swing. Baseball is everyone's favorite warm weather game and the citizens of our Town of Bethlehem have been rooting their favorite players into home plate for many

One day this winter when the ice and snow were still thick your writer ventured up to Slingerlands and paid a visit to the big white Victorian house on the hill at Cherry and Kenwood Avenues and talked baseball with one of our town's oldest residents, Ira Pier. He was glad to reminisce about his baseball days when he played second base or center field on the Slingerlands ball team of 60 years and more ago. Incidentially, we hear that Mr. Pier was probably the best all around player that Slingerlands ever produced and he was later hired away to pitch for an Albany team!

Baseball had been played in Bethlehem since the 1890's, but around 1906-07 some boys in Slingerlands organized a team and their playing field was on Kenwood Avenue where Union Avenue now intersects. They managed to erect a backstop and had sandbag bases, but the spectators had to find their own seats - no grandstands in those days! Sometimes the crowd would be in the hundreds so this posed quite

a problem for spectators. The team would practice every good spring and summer evening nothing much else to do in those days with leisure time - and the big game was always held on Saturdays - never on Sunday! No admission was charged, the boys just played for the thrill of it, but they would go around town occasionally for contributions and the townspeople themselves took up a collection to purchase uniforms for the team.

Because of their constant practice the group soon became noted for their fielding and batting ability and established a unique record for its baseball talent. Lou Hevenor of the Albany newspaper gave them the name of "Slingerlands Flies" but as the box

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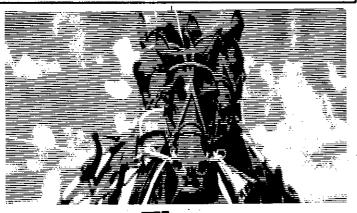
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scores began to pile up the name soon was changed to the "Village Wonders." They eventually became a part of the Susquehanna League which was formed among the towns on the Delaware and Hudson Railroad circuit.

Since all this took place before the days when automobiles were plentiful, the Slingerlands players went by train to play ball in Voorheesville, Altamont, Delanson and points farther west on the D and H line. Several important D and H officials had imposing residences in Slingerlands, so there never was a problem about getting a special car or even a special train to take the team to their games. Once when they played in Cobleskill, Mr. Pier remembered with a smile, they had a special train to take the players, and half of the town too, out to that rural village. The Slingerlands boys looked so young that the Cobleskill team at first did not want to play them, but the game did go on - unfortunately Cobleskill proved its prowess by beating the Village Wonders 3-2. Slingerlands had already won a string of victories over many of the best amateur and semiprofessional teams in the surrounding communities and as Mr. Pier remarked, "we handled our own pretty well."

Of course, Delmar had a team too, and this was the arch rival of Slingerlands, but we will go into that at another time. The Village Wonders also played various pick-up teams all over the city of Albany where the games were held on vacant lots. Mr. Pier remembers a close game with Hersh Beverage team that was played on the then vacant fields up around Graceland Cemetery. The ball team of the "Village Wonders" that had so ably represented Slingerlands and the D and H on the ball diamond had its hey-day until about 1925. After that the automobile and radio became popular and took people farther afield for their pleasures.

From the pictures many people will recognize old friends and local civic and business leaders. Ira Pier worked in the printing business in this area all of his life and still lives with some of his nine brothers and sisters in the big house his father built in Slingerlands in 1905. Several Pier brothers played on the ball team and five of them served their country in World War I and came back to Slingerlands to tell about their experiences.

The Sager brothers lived in the big white farm house in the fields on the left New Scotland Road toward Albany. They later became successful businessmen in selling automobiles Albany. and industrial supplies. John Oliver of course, was best known for being Supervisor of our Town from 1942 to 1959. Frank Boutelle was the D and H Station Master in Slingerlands for many vears and his son, Ted Boutelle, is shown in the pictures as a team member. Ted founded a civil engineering and surveying firm in Delmar in 1929 which is today carried on by his son, Lindsay Boutelle.

We appreciate the heritage of good sportsmanship and good fellowship which all of these men left us and which so inspired the lovalty of the civic-minded people of Slingerlands back in "the good old days."

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crawford of Falmouth, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice, to Frank T. Freeman Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Freeman of Delmar.

Miss Crawford is a graduate of Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Miami, Fla., and is currently employed at the hospital.

Mr. Freeman is a graduate of Paul Smith's College and the



Alice Crawford

University of Miami, Fla. He also attended graduate school at Miami. He is currently Head of the Physical Education Department at Deerborne Private School in Coral Gables, Fla.

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For one April evening, the Normanside Country Club will become a "Country Kitchen." This is the theme chosen by Panhellenic Association of Albany for its spring card party and fashion show on Tuesday, April 14, at 8 P.M. The 9th annual card party is a money-raising event which gives financial support to two college scholarships for area girls.

The chairman for the event is Mrs. Charles McFadden of Loudonville. Working with Mrs. McFadden as committee chairmen are: Mrs. Adrian Grubs, Mrs. Robert Morton, Mrs. John Crary, Mrs. Richard Mudgett, and Mrs. James Flavin.

Featured at the card party will be handmade miniature chopping

Paper Drive

The Walther League of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar, is having its semi-annual paper drive on April 11 and 16. If you have papers to be picked up, please call either:

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MR. AND MRS. LOUIS BARACHINI, residents of Delmar for many years and recently residing in Latham, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple has two children. Their daughter, Olga, is an interior designer with Ellen Riley, Ltd. Their son, Neil, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is a licensed merchant marine officer with Moore McCormack lines.

beards to be given as individual table prizes. Local merchants have donated many door prizes.

The Village Shop will have a special display of their new cookware and kitchen utensils, while Town and Tweed will provide athome fashions for an informal spring fashion show. Modeling and commentary will be by Panhellenic members.

A bake sale of home-baked goods will be another feature of the evening, with the cooks' recipies to be included.

Panhellenic college scholarships are awarded each year to a high school girl and a previous award winner. Applicants obtain application forms through their guidance counselor, and the winner is selected on the basis of need and scholastic ability. This year the new scholarship award went to Diane Zobre of Van Rensselaer High, now a student at State University of New York at Albany. A continuing secondyear scholarship was awarded to Margaret Betar of Castleton, who is a sophomore at State University of New York at Buffalo.

Funds for the scholarship are increased through sponsorships donated by individuals and businesses. Sponsors contribute \$10 or more and in return receive four complimentary tickets to the card party. Sponsors' names will be printed on each program. Mrs. Adrian Grubs is in charge of sponsorships and should be contacted for further information.

The card party and fashion show is open to the public. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Richard Mudgett of Altamont or through Panhellenic members.

New Spud

A new baking potato will appear in many supermarkets across New York State for the first time since it went into seed production a few years ago.

Initially introduced in limited quantities through supermarkets in Central New York, the new spud, named Bake-King, was developed by plant scientists at the N.Y. State College of Agriculture at Cornell University.

Specifically bred for baking

purposes, it is extremely mealy and fluffy — two essential qualities in any baking potato.

Because of its mealiness, Bake-King is superior to Russet Burbank, a leading baking variety grown extensively throughout the United States.

Released from the College for commercial seed production in 1967, Bake-King seed potatoes are available in sufficient quantities for planting this season, according to Prof. Edward D. Jones at the College of Agriculture.

Prof. Jones, who oversees foundation potato seed production at the College's Uihlein farm near Lake Placid, reports that the seed potato acreage entered for certification in 1969 totaled 41 acres, a fivehold increase over the 1968 acreage.

A product of more than 10 years of research and field trials, Bake-King was developed by Prof. L. C. Peterson, plant pathologist.

Bake-King is a cross between Merrimack and Green Mountain. Green Mountain dominated New York's potato production for more than half a century from 1878 through the late 1920's.

The newest Cornell variety produces smooth and uniform tubers with shallow eyes and white flesh. Among other traits, Bake-King is essentially free from such tuber defects as hollow heart and growth cracks.

Root Injury

Cornell University researchers have discovered that high temperature in the plant root zone may be the primary cause of death of many heat-sensitive agriculture crops.

The finding, first to be reported on the subject of heat injury to plants, may have important commercial applications in crop production in the tropics and in desert areas.

Prof. Peter L. Steponkus, plant physiologist in the department of floriculture and ornamental horticulture at the N.Y. State College of Agriculture, Cornell, said that high soil temperature affecting the roots sets off a chain of biochemical events in the plant causing the plant to die.

"As long as soil temperature is kept relatively cool, the plant can survive crop-killing heat above the ground," he said.

Crops such as peas, certain varieties of lettuce, cabbage,

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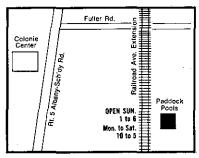
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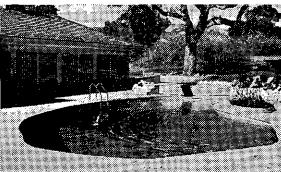
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"It's widely known that high temperature is detrimental to many crops, but few people set out to find out how heat actually kills the plant," Steponkus said.

The Cornell finding, he said, suggests that low soil temperature may be just as important as water is in desert or tropical agriculture.

In explaining the cause of plant death as a result of heat, Steponkus said that the roots manufacture a group of chemicals called Cytokinins that are vital to plant growth. When the roots are subjected to high temperature (104 degrees Fahrenheit), the production of the growth-regulating cytokinins is greatly reduced.

"In other words, heat has a detrimental effect on the ability of the root system to manufacture these chemicals," he said.

On the other hand, when root temperature is maintained at 65 degrees while the plant above the ground is subjected to the 104degree heat, the plant shows no ill effects.

In his experiments, Steponkus used Alaska peas as test plants. Decreased levels of proteins, chlorophyll in leaves, and deceases in other plant substances occur after the root system is injured by heat and the supply of cytokinins is cut off.

For Boats

Manufacturers of two marine sewage handling devices have secured approval for their use on boats in New York State according to James J. O'Brien, Director of the Conservation Department's Division of Motor Boats.

One of these is a 20-gallon holding tank, Model M-20, manufactured by Mansfield Sanitary, Inc. of Perrysville, Ohio. The other is a recirculating system previously approved for use in Canadian waters the Craft Model B made by Canadian Gisholt Plastics Ltd., 7 Plastics Avenue, Toronto 18, Ontario.

Approval of these devices makes a total of seven recirculating units or holding tanks available for use by New York boatmen under the water pollution control regulations which went into effect March 1, 1970.

Banner Year At Saratoga

Saratoga Harness officials are looking forward to another banner season beginning Thursday, April 2, track president Ernest B. Morris informed members of the area media Wednesday.

Speaking at the track's annual pre-season press party at The Country Gentleman, Morris illustrated the growth of the sport at Saratoga by citing a huge increase in taxes paid over the last few years, and predicted an even bigger 1970 campaign which will consist of 195 programs.

In addition, Morris also pointed out a record purse distribution of \$2,071,797.72 in 1969, which represented an increase over the previous season of more than \$200,000.

This approximated 46 per cent of Saratoga's commission and breakage and gave it a rating of 14th highest on the table of 54 pari-mutual tracks operating in the United States.

Also speaking was Public Relations Director Warren Eaves, who referred to several attractions to be staged at Saratoga this season, the first of which is scheduled for Saturday, April 11.

This will find eight of the top drivers in the world competing in the second leg of the National Driving Championship series, which begins the previous night at Lexington Downs.

Along with George Sholty and Stanley Dancer of the United States and Canada's Herve Filion, there will be three European representatives and one each from Australia and New Zealand driving in three trotting events on the Saratoga card that night.

Thrift Sale

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