





### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

"Happy Birthday" is extended this week by the SUN to the following residents of Springfield:

- APRIL**
- 27 Arthur J. Stehle, Sr.
  - Stephen Windisch
  - 28 Mrs. James Haggitt
  - Orlan Yarnell
  - William F. Moeller
  - Mrs. John V. Ambrose
  - Mrs. Harry H. Spencer
  - Eugene Rochelle
  - Miss Marguerite Peterson
  - 29 William H. Young
  - Arthur Menzies, Jr.
  - Miss Joan Carmichael
  - Mrs. Charles Boehert
  - 30 Mrs. William Fiemer
  - Miss Wilfred Huntington
  - Mrs. Harry Van Lauer
  - Mrs. Paul Prince, Jr.

**MAY**

- 1 Bonnie Susan Adams
- Manning Day, Jr.
- Clifford D. Walker
- Mrs. Clarence B. Meeker
- Miss Elsie Ziegenfuss
- David R. Brobst
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- Robert Halsey
- Joseph Kovalick
- William Guyet, Jr.
- 2 Horace Forsythe
- Albin Fischer
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- Richard Danneberg
- Mrs. William Maxwell
- John Rawlins, Jr.
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- 3 Mrs. Charles Schilling
- Paul F. Prince, Sr.
- Miss Beatrice Dunlop
- Richard Grate
- Mrs. Kenneth Southard
- Mrs. Erich Jung
- Mrs. William Tuthill
- Frank C. Heller
- Harry LeMoine
- 4 Miss Dorothy Reeve
- Mrs. John M. Keith
- David Jones

### F. H. Riecke Is Caller Tonight At Square Dance

A square dance, sponsored by the Ways and Means Committee of the Woman's Club of Millburn will be held tonight in Glenwood School, Short Hills. It will start at 8 o'clock.

Frederic H. Riecke will be the caller, and a four-piece orchestra will provide the music. Mr. Riecke will instruct beginners in square dancing.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. Henry A. Peor, of Millburn, or Mrs. John C. Steinberg, Short Hills.

Proceeds of the scrap drive enable the Legion to send the SUN free every week to service men and women. Save a bundle a week.

### Cubs Attend Meeting at Caldwell School

One hundred twelve Cubs attended the Pack meeting held last Thursday night in James Caldwell School.

Cubmaster Benjamin Zeall presided, assisted by Cubmasters Robert Smith and Russell Post.

The boys were asked to gather at the meeting place at noon on Sunday for their planned hike.

Commander Meeker of the Fire Department talked to the cubs and their parents on "Brush Fires During Holidays and Vacations." He stressed the fact that more fires occur during week-ends and holidays than on week-days, and he asked the cubs to help prevent them.

Den No. 7 won the Cub Flag for the month.

Feature attraction of the evening was "Weather Vanes." Donald Knowlton, Den No. 7, won first prize; Norman Merz, Den No. 4, second prize and Zo Little, Den No. 1, third prize. Honorable mention was recorded Robert Tuzik, Den No. 7; David Rittersbacher, Den No. 8; and Clifford Smith, Den No. 4.

Judges were Mr. Meeker, Mr. Schaffernoth and Mr. Sheehan.

George Brown, new chairman, presented membership cards to Den Mothers Mrs. Donald Wolf and Den Father, Mr. Wolf.

Advancement badges were presented to the following boys by Fritz Merz: Wolf badges—Albert Corsaky, Jack Polzotti, Joseph Stefan, and John Weber, all of Den No. 10. Gold Arrow—Scott Donington and Donald Richardson. Gold and Silver Arrow—Ralph Bastion and Thomas Kramer. Lion—Norman Merz.

Webelos—Howard Daniels, Tim Sheehan, Edward Fay. Senior Patrol leaders—Richard Schroeder

and John Sippel. Edward Fay was received into Troop No. 72.

Skits were presented by Den No. 4, "The Operation"; Den No. 3, "Sharp Shooter"; Den No. 6, "Radio Skit."

The Den Chiefs presented a skit called "Don't Go to the Great Divide."

### War Prisoners Aid

As the war in Europe reaches a climax, there is naturally mounting tension in the prison camps.

"When will we be released? How soon can we get home after release?" are perhaps the most general and insistent questions of prisoners.

This apparent nearness and yet indefiniteness of release, creates the most serious of nerve strains for the average prisoner. For men who could storm a machine-gun nest without a thought for personal safety, or bear with indomitable stamina the even-severer test of years of captivity behind barbed wire, may be shattered by the suspense and uncertainty of present war conditions. It is the emotional anguish of reaching for a freedom—just beyond reach.

Therefore, the already over-worked representatives of War Prisoners Aid of the Y.M.C.A., a participating service of the National War Fund, are making intense efforts to cover all camps that can be reached, in spite of the difficulties and even dangers involved.

Thus, calls at the camps continue and needed leisure-time supplies are delivered, wherever possible. And the stress now is upon helping Europe's war prisoners, many of whom have been behind barbed wire for years, to maintain calmness, balance and control in facing the uncertain imminence of freedom.

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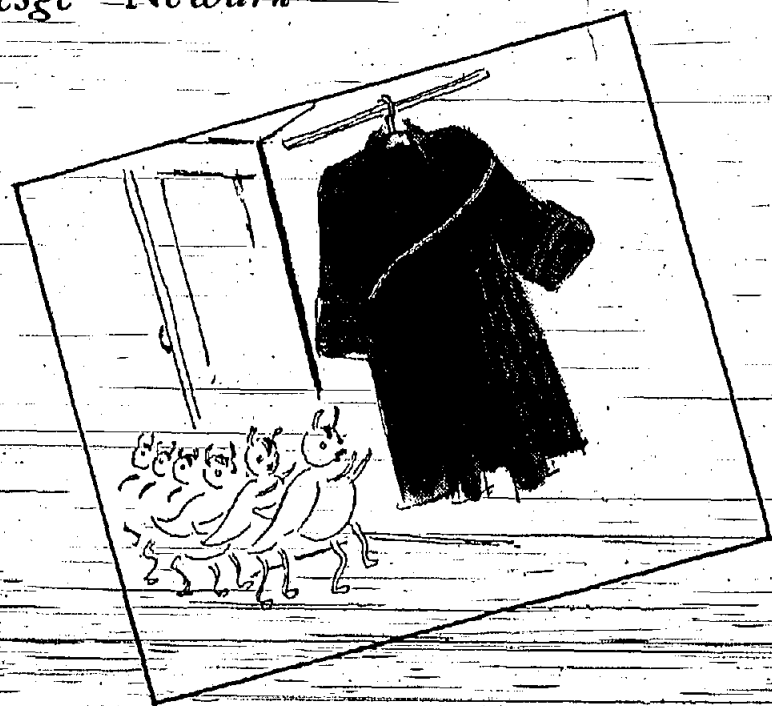
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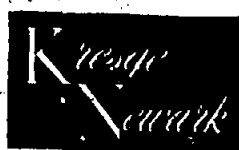
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### Report Reveals Damage Extent Of Hurricane

More than 1,000 shade and ornamental trees were destroyed throughout the Union County Park System and 700 more suffered damage during the hurricane last September, it is revealed in the annual report for 1944 recently compiled by Norman K. Pearson, acting superintendent of construction and maintenance.

The felled trees in the developed parks have already been cleared despite aging equipment and an all time low in the number of personnel available, Pearson states. Most of the damaged trees were saved by staking and guying. Tree replacements numbered 412. Nearly 850 shrubs were also planted.

Among other things, the report submitted to W. R. Tracy, engineer and secretary for the park commission, shows that despite the use of less rowboats on fewer lakes last year more boat-hours than ever before were chalked up; that the swimming pools at Linden and Railway were used as much as ever; new picnic areas were developed in Railway River Parkway, one near Milltown road, the other in the Battle Hill avenue section, below Morris avenue, both in Springfield; that hay and grain were grown on park property in the Watchung area in quantities far exceeding those of any other year, etc.

Discussing the overall park maintenance picture last year, Pearson states that despite war-created increasing problems revolving around the inability of the commission in getting new equipment, and the dearth of manpower, the twenty-two parks were kept in "a fair standard of maintenance and some new construction was possible."

The average manpower available to the maintenance department last year was 77, compared to an

average of 82 in 1943, and a pre-war average of 115. Longer work days helped "bridge the gap". The total payroll figure for the department was \$760 higher than in 1943 or \$161,247.

Need of replacements of mowing units and tractors for the maintenance of acres of grass and the lack of lumber are two of the thorniest problems for the department, it is said. Continued efforts to conserve gasoline and rubber brought mileage of trucks 10 percent lower than in 1943 when conservation measures were already in practice.

Construction work, done in part by contract but finished by the maintenance department included grading for flood control along the Elizabeth River, in Hillside; grading and seeding after the removal of a hill along Chestnut street at the Galloping Hill Golf Course, Union; paving and sodding of slopes of the brook channel in Cedar Brook Park, Plainfield; resurfacing of practically all park baseball diamonds with a heavy surfacing of clay; completion of stone work of a memorial kiosk in memory of the late Park Commissioner Charles A. Reed, on the north westerly bank of Cedar Brook Lake; the building of a lake in a swampy area in the valley of Black Brook, Kenilworth; and dike construction along the Railway River in the "Battle Hill Avenue section of Springfield, to prevent flooding of improved properties.

With the exception of one unfortunate fatality—the first in the history of the construction and maintenance department and the second for the park commission, 1944 was an outstanding year in the reduction of accidents, time lost and costs. The number of cases reported was the lowest in ten years thanks to safety attention and accident prevention.

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### Service Notes

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operations have been carried out in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. They entered Southern France on D-Day.

Pfc. Percy W. Smith, of 31 Batusrol way, is a member of this group.

"God has been with me," writes Staff Sergeant William G. Holder to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Holder of 15 Alvin terrace. S/Sgt. Holder is now at a rest camp in the South Pacific after

to the 4th Marine Division.



WILLIAM G. HOLDER

being in the battle for Iwo Jima. Overseas for the past 15 months, he has been in four D-Day invasions, and holds the Presidential unit citation with blue enamel star for action on Saipan. The other invasions include Roi-Namur and Tinian.

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### COMING EVENTS

April 30 (Mon.)—Citizens' Advisory Committee, meeting, Town Hall, 8 P. M.

May 2 (Wed.) Executive Committee of Cub Pack 172, meeting, Town Hall, 8 P. M.

May 2 (Wed.) Board of Directors, Red Cross, meeting, Town Hall, 8 P. M.

May 3 (Thurs.) Girl Scout Association, meeting, James Caldwell School, 8 P. M.

May 4 (Fri.) Pride of Battle Hill Council, D. of A. meeting, Legion building, 8 P. M.

May 4 (Fri.) Lions Club, meeting, Orchard Inn, 6:30 P. M.

May 7 (Mon.) Planning Board, meeting, Town Hall, 8 P. M.

May 7 (Mon.) Rosary Altar Society, meeting, St. James' Rectory, 8 P. M.

May 8 (Tues.) Women's Guild, St. Stephen's Church, meeting, Parish House, 2 P. M.

May 10 (Thurs.) Board of Education, Regional High School, meeting, at the school, 8 P. M.

May 11 (Fri.) Card party, Lions Club, Regional High School cafeteria, 8:15 P. M.

May 15 (Tues.) Springfield Board of Education, meeting, James Caldwell School, 8 p. m.

May 15 (Tues.) Boy Scout Board of Review, meeting, Town Hall,

It's a mere boast, but we can't pass over the opportunity to glow over the fact that if any event of importance slated to take place in Springfield isn't listed in "Coming Events," then there's something wrong. But, if we're wrong, help us with your item. There's no charge for the service and no confusion will arise with other local group's activities if as long before the coming event actually takes place, you remember to pass the date-along to the SUN, by mail or phone, Millburn 6-1256.

7:30 P. M.

May 17 (Thurs.) Cub Pack 172, meeting, James Caldwell School, 8 P. M.

**Returned Soldier Buys Barber Shop**

Announcement has been made of a change in ownership of the Rialto Barber Shop, at 232 Morris avenue, acquired by Joseph DiPalma from Thomas Palmieri, veteran local barber.

Mr. DiPalma, an honorably dis-

**Eisenberg to Play Program is Listed**

Many weeks of preparation will culminate in the Eisenberg cello concert this Saturday, at 8:15 p. m. in the Millburn high school auditorium. This event may be the first of a series of musical offerings, sponsored by Millburn-Short Hills Arts Center, provided the community wants them. If people show their intention to support this type of activity by filling the seats in the house this Saturday night, and by evidencing their approval and interest by writing the Arts Center, they will do much to encourage plans to bring other fine musical artists to Millburn.

charged veteran of World War II, recently left the service after two years with the Armed Forces. In civilian life, he was a barber and continued his work in the Army as a barber in Camp Stewart and Camp Gordon, both in Georgia, where he had been stationed.

Mr. Palmieri who has been in business in town for about 25 years, retired because of his health and his son, Gene Palmieri, will continue to work in the shop.

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