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SCHOOL BUSES

The current school term has again raised the old issue of regulation of private school buses in Matawan Township. There has been recurrent complaints of bad routings, long walks to bus stops, dangerously overcrowded buses, arriving at school so early that children had to wait in the rain for the school to open, and buses arriving at the school after the starting time. Most of these complaints refer to the private bus service in our community and are only a repetition of previous complains. The new change in school starting time will only solve a few of the problems.

Trustees of the Civic Association have investigated this situation in years past and recently and have found no agency that has any effective control in this area. The only hope is the local township government and they have declined to act.

By state law, grade school pupils who live two miles or more from a school are entitled to bus transportation from their home to school and the state reimburses the school district for a portion of the cost (for high school children the distance is 2½ miles). The various bus companies bid for these routes and the local school board can exercise a high degree of control. The school board can provide bus transportation for pupils for distances less than two miles but the entire cost must be borne by the local school district. This type of transportation is not furnished in Matawan and a private bus company fills this need. This company has received a franchise from the Township Committee to operate this service but this franchise contains no regulations or controls upon the buses and their mode of operation.

Inquiries have been directed to the Public Utilities Commission, the State Education Department and other state regulatory bodies but in each case they either do not have or do not want any authority over private school buses. In accordance with the State Motor Vehicle law, the buses must meet certain safety standards and have limits on the number of children that each bus can carry. It is obvious from the complaints of overcrowding that these limits are not being enforced. If overcrowding continues on

Membership Open in Women Voters League

Become a member of the League of Women Voters of Matawan, if you are the woman who reads editorials as well as recipes, the woman tired of voting without knowing the candidates or the issues, the woman whose curiosity is aroused by her tax bill, the woman who would like to converse with her husband or friends on some subject other than children and housework, the woman who is interested in government and her community.

The League, a non-partisan organization, works through its Voters Service and its Study Program to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

Membership means that you have joined other women in your community in discovering the pleasures and satisfaction of studying and doing something about government.

The Study Program for the League of Women Voters of Matawan is on three levels: National, State and Local. This year our study items include Foreign Policy (U. S. relation with the People's Republic of China), Water Resources, Education and the Matawan Free Public Library.

For further information regarding The League of Women Voters, please call Mrs. Ronald L. Braun, Membership Chairman, 566-5328.

a particular route this should be referred to the township police citing the exact time, bus number and number of students involved. They will take appropriate action.

In 1965 the township committee was considering regulations concerning the operation of buses including a schedule of charges but the matter was dropped. Representatives of the Civic Association have continued to raise this issue with the township committee but the efforts have been fruitless. Residents of the Township are invited to attend Township Council meetings to present their views. Letters to the Editor of the Observer are welcomed on this subject and will be printed.

YMCA Programs

The Community YMCA of Red Bank has announced its annual Fall YMCA Learn-to-Swim program and the annual Father-Son Princeton football game trip.

The fall learn-to-swim program will be a 10 week's course according to YMCA officials. Lessons will be given on 9 Saturdays, October 1st, through November 26th and on Friday, November 25th, at the Asbury Park YMCA for children between the ages 7-13 inclusive. The course will feature swim instruction in beginner and intermediate skills by experienced YMCA instructors. Progress cards will be awarded for achievement. Buses will leave the YMCA building at 166 Maple Avenue, Red Bank at 3:15 P.M.

Y officials also have announced that the annual Father-Son football trip to Princeton's Palmer Stadium will be on Saturday, October 15, for boys between the ages 10-14. On this date Princeton will be host to Colgate — game time 2 P.M. Although the game is announced as a father-son affair, officials have indicated that chaperones will be provided for boys whose fathers cannot attend. Transportation will leave for the game from the Red Bank Y, 166 Maple Avenue, at 11:30 A.M. and from Camp Arrowhead, Marlboro, at 12 P.M. Buses will return to the above locations at 6 and 6:30 respectively.

Registrations for both these activities are now being accepted at either the Red Bank YMCA or at Camp Arrowhead. For further information call 741-2504 or 946-4598. Registrations are limited.

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Added Services Initiated For Retarded Children

RED BANK — Expansion of services and initiation of new ones is the rallying point for workers in the 1966 Fund Drive of the Monmouth County Association for Retarded Children.

Dr. Robert D. Toomey, Little Silver, Association President explained at a recent meeting of the Fund Drive Planning Committee that the Day Care program for severely retarded children who are not eligible for special classes in the public schools will be expanded to a five hour day. The program is under the supervision of five registered nurses and

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From Editor's Pen**TRICK OR TREAT
MAKE IT SAFE AND SANE**

Most of us can remember Halloween as a time to celebrate by overturning trash cans, waxing car windows, lashing porch furniture to telephone poles, ringing door bells and hiding in the shrubs, etc. Every home owner, bolstered by extra police patrols was on guard most of the evening to protest against our antics.

Today, most of the devilry is gone and we are now secure from the wanton pranks of the Halloween ghosts and ghouls.

As a parent though, the change may not be for the better. As the age of the "trick" passes out of being, the "treat" trend grows larger each Halloween. It has evolved to a night for children, large and small, to gather in bags of assorted goodies from over-generous neighbors.

However, Halloween can be a time of unfortunate accidents or tragedy if parents do not recognize the dangers that prevail, and take necessary precautions to avoid the potential hazards on this night of extra exposure.

The excitement of the activities often cloud the memory and judgment of children. Before they leave the house, a review of pedestrian safety rules should be made to provide a safeguard from autos. Don't allow pre-schoolers out without adult supervision. Be certain that the youngsters travel about in groups. Set up boundaries and curfews for them. Don't allow them to roam at will.

Lighted pumpkins, candles, etc. still present one of the most common dangers to children at Halloween. A moment of forethought in selecting costumes is urged by the National Fire Protection Association. Avoid paper clothing, flimsy or loosely woven fabrics, flammable wigs or whiskers, etc. Costumes that are treated with a fire retarding substance are available, look for the flameproof label.

Instead of carrying candles, or small lighted pumpkins, provide your child with a flashlight or battery lantern. Keep clothing above ankle length to prevent the possibility of tripping.

Cloth, rubber and paper masks usually

**Emory Manor
Expands Its Service**

In its continuing effort to provide the utmost of personal service and convenience to guests, Emory Manor Nursing Home has arranged for a weekly church service on the premises for all Protestants.

All religious groups are served, with Father Stanczewski of Laurence Harbor visiting Catholics regularly for Confession and Communion, Father Carroll B. Hall serving Episcopalians and Rabbi Rubenstein of Matawan on call for Jewish patients.

Reverend Richard J. Jones of The First Baptist Church of Sayre Woods conducts the program for Protestants every Tuesday morning in one of The Manor's leisure time rooms. The chapel is complete with floral arrangements and an electric organ which is played by a staff member. Mrs. Martin Carter of Keyport, a Nurse's Aide, whose husband was a Minister, solos and leads the group in singing.

The services, which are designed for all Protestant denominations, have proved popular with visitors, nurses and other staff members. Guests of all faiths enjoy the strains of music which can be heard throughout the halls from the open chapel door. Mr. Jones obtained a gift of fifty song books for use during the services.

"The emphasis is Biblical, offering encouragement and comfort for all, rather than denominational," Mr. Jones explained.

The clergyman's interest in Emory Manor goes back to the construction stage when he arranged for a gift of Bibles for all guest rooms. He visits frequently throughout the week for counseling and friendly conversation. Delighted with the response of the patients, Mr. Jones feels that religion has become more meaningful for many of these people.

"Emory Manor serves a vital need in this area of New Jersey," he said. "In this atmosphere, conducive to rest and rehabilitation, patients are enabled to rethink their lives and their futures."

Doctors and staff are also enthusiastic. Mrs. Kay Boyle, R.N., Administrator, says, "We've found attendance increasing at these services each week. Patients really look forward to participating and singing and it gives them a lift—mental, physical and spiritual."

do not fit properly; they may impede breathing, or provide only minimum vision. Why not put your artistic talent to work and paint the faces of your children with charcoal, approved water-soluble paint, etc. They will probably get a bigger thrill from this than a mask.

In the mind of a child, Halloween is a time for fun and make believe. They roam the streets fully expecting witches, ghosts and goblins to be lurking behind every light pole and tree. This is their time to dwell in the scary world of fantasy. It is up to we parents to be certain that on this night they do not face any other dangerous circumstances.

**Bayshore Hospital
Receives \$7,000 Gift**

The building fund of the Bayshort Community Hospital, Holmdel, was increased by the sum of \$7,000 as the result of the receipt recently of a gift from the estate of the late Harry B. Thomas, 90 Maple Place, Keyport. The check was received from Joseph F. Mullen, trust officer, First Merchants National Bank, Asbury Park.

Announcement of the gift was made at the regular monthly meeting of the board of trustees by D. Louis Tonti, president of the hospital's board.

The pledge for the \$7,000 was made on August 8, 1964 and was accompanied by a letter stipulating that the money was to be used for the office of the director of nurses and "dedicated to the memory of Erma Elliott Thomas, R.N.", by the donors, Harry Burnham Thomas, and his son, Robert Elliot Thomas.

Dr. Howard C. Pieper, 120 Main Street, Keyport, chairman of Bayshore Hospital's medical affairs committee and member of the board of trustees, who solicited the contribution, recalled that he had discussed the subject during several visits to the Thomas home. Dr. Pieper stated that Erma Elliott Thomas, wife of the late Mr. Thomas, was a registered nurse for many years.

Dr. Pieper reported to the hospital trustees that Mr. Thomas had told him that the gift was made in appreciation of "the fact that the people of the Bayshore area have been good to me. I consider it a privilege to show my appreciation in contributing to this badly-needed hospital."

The late Mr. Thomas founded the H. B. Thomas variety store in Keyport in 1938 and added stores in Keansburg and Lakewood in the following year. A native of Houlton, Maine, Mr. Thomas was identified with the early days of the 5, 10 and 25c variety store business when he was superintendent of the J. J. Newberry stores in the New England area. He later was appointed manager of the Newberry store in Asbury Park and, attracted by the growth potential of the shore area, decided to go into business for himself and opened his first store in Keyport.

At the time of his death, Mr. Thomas was chairman of the board of directors of the People's National Bank, Keyport, and a trustee of Colby College, Maine, from which he was graduated in 1926. He was also a trustee of the Keyport Public Library and a member of Keyport Yacht Club, Kiwanis Club and the Limited Price Variety Stores Association in New York City. A civic-minded person, he was formerly a councilman of Keyport.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING

**FIRST WEDNESDAY OF
EVERY MONTH**

PROFILES

With the elections in the offing and the campaigns in full swing it is time to take a look at the local party organizations and their leaders. This month we present profiles on the presidents of the local Democratic and Republican Club, Ed Kaufman and Tom Donohue. Both men are devoted to their political beliefs and party, both came from New York City, were not active in politics before moving to Strathmore, and both find the job as president of a political club interesting but very time consuming.

Historically, Monmouth County has generally been Republican but the Bayshore Area, of which Matawan is a part,

Ed Kaufman

Ed Kaufman, President of the Strathmore Democratic Club, like most Strathmites, is a transplanted New Yorker. He was born in Manhattan, raised in the Bronx, graduated from DeWitt Clinton High School and traveled by subway many years to St. John's University and Law School in Brooklyn, where he received his Bachelors of Law degree and completed his Law studies. He was admitted to the New York bar and practices law in the city specializing in litigation work and trial law.

He and his family moved to Strathmore in August 1963 and he joined the local Democratic Club in December of that year. Ed has always been a member of the Democratic Party but has not held any office in the party prior to his arrival at Strathmore. He was appointed county committeeman for his district and in January of this year was elected President of the club. In January 1965 he was appointed a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Township and in January 1966 was appointed Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Kaufman believes that the Zoning Board is one of the most important agencies in our township. He believes that the zoning ordinance should be interpreted strictly and variances issued only for good and valid reasons. He believes that this will help to preserve the desirable residential character of our community.

In addition to politics and law, Ed is very interested in opera and the theatre, which he shares with his wife Edythe. Like her husband Mrs. Kaufman is a New Yorker, graduated from Hunter College with a degree in music and has taken post-graduate work in education. She is an accomplished singer and has appeared in many opera presentations in New York City and was a featured singer in Jones Beach presentation of "A Night in Venice". Mrs. Kaufman is even busier than her husband with many singing engagements, teaching kinder-

has generally been Democratic. For many years prior to Strathmore, Matawan Township was solidly democratic with very few Republicans being elected. In the last township election all elected councilmen were Democrats. This tends to create a strong local Democratic organization and a weaker Republican organization. While they didn't win the last election the Republicans are hopeful and feel they are closing the gap. In 1964 the Democratic councilman that was elected received 1,400 votes more than a Republican candidate, but in 1965 there was only a ten vote gap. This forecasts lively and hotly contested elections in the years ahead.

garten in our school system, secretary to the Matawan Township Utility Authority, and taking care of their two daughters Margery 5 and Janet 12.

The Strathmore Democratic Club is one of three Democratic clubs in our Township. The original organization in the Township was the Regular Democratic Club which consisted of two sections, the District 1, 2, 3, Club in Cliffwood and the District 4, 5, 6 Club for the other areas of the township. The District 4, 5, 6 Club became the Matawan Township Democratic Club a few years ago and shortly after the Strathmore Democratic Club was formed. Ed feels that the Strathmore Club will be influential in this area and will contribute to good government in our Township.

Tom Donohue

Tom Donohue is a New York oddity. He was raised in Brooklyn, a major Democratic stronghold in New York State — of Irish parents, and the Irish have always had a strong voice in New York City Democratic politics. However Tom is a life-long Republican as are most members of his family. He was a member of the local Republican Club in Brooklyn but never assumed any office in a political organization until after he came to Strathmore in February of 1963. He registered as a Republican and was invited to join the Republican Club and has held various offices as Publicity Chairman, member of the Executive Committee, Secretary, and in January 1966, President for a one year term. Tom finds that meetings with various organizations take about two or three nights a week and when the political campaign starts, this becomes five and six nights a week. This drain on his time is one of the major reasons that Tom intends to step down when his present term is finished.

The Matawan Township Republican Club of which Tom is President has been in existence in Matawan for many years but has never been too strong. As noted

previously the group has been heartened by the narrow margins in the last election and have increased their activity. During this past year some of the members formed the Matawan Township Regular Republic Club but there is close harmony between both groups. Many local residents are members of both groups, the only difference appears to be one of location. The Republican Club meets at the Magnolia Inn and the Regular Republican Club in the V.F.W. hall in Cliffwood.

John T. Donohue (as he is listed in the phone book) is known by two names, John at work and Tom to his family and neighbors. He graduated from Boys High, Brooklyn in 1953. He went to work for the American Telephone Company in 1954 as messenger and gradually advanced to his present position of Supervising Programmer. Tom took night courses at Brooklyn College; New York Community College in Brooklyn, receiving his Associate degree in electrical technology; and St. Johns College in Brooklyn graduating with a B.B.A. degree in Management and Economics.

Jeanne Donahue, Tom's wife, is also a Brooklynite, attended local schools and graduated from Mt. St. Domenic College in Caldwell, N. J. After graduation she went to work for A. T. and T. where she met Tom. They were married in 1959 and settled down in the Park Slope section of Brooklyn and then moved to Strathmore in 1963. Tom and Jeanne have four healthy children, three boys and a girl ranging from one to five years of age.

Between work, politics, and his family Tom has very little time for any other activity. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus but cannot attend as often as he would like to. As a practical politician, Tom evaluates the results of the past elections to determine the strong and weak points of his own and the opposition party and to plan the strategy for the next election. He is very optimistic and feels that the Republican Party will be a potent force in this area in the years ahead.

A NIGHT IN THE ORIENT

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Ahm has planned an exotic "Night in the Orient" for the adults of the community. On Saturday evening, November 26, 1966, at 9:00 P.M. everyone attending will suddenly be transported to a far-distant land, the V.F.W. Hall in Cliffwood, through the clever use of visual technique.

A lovely evening of dancing, professional entertainment and a catered midnight supper has been arranged by Chairman, Mrs. Robert Siegel. Committees are actively working on the details and reservations with a deposit are being accepted. To make immediate reservations, please contact Mrs. Larry Gray, 22 Ivanhoe Lane — 566-0224, or Mrs. Stanley Braun, 11 Belfast Avenue, Hazlet — 264-6612.

All reservations must be made by early November, so mark the calendar, arrange for sitters and plan on attending the social event of the season.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR OCTOBER, 1966

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ROSARY - ALTAR SOCIETY
St. Benedict's, 8:00 p.m.
ST. CLEMENT'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY
Strathmore Lanes, 8:00 p.m.
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION, Church House, 8:00 p.m.
AMERICAN ASS'N. OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
Presbyterian Church House, Shrewsbury, 8:15
V.F.W. — Post House, 8:00 p.m.
WOMEN OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Church, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS J.F.K. CENTEN. LODGE
Keypoint Elks, 8:30 p.m.

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MUNICIPAL COURT
Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
FIRST AID & RESCUE SQUAD
Cliffwood First Aid Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
MASONIC LODGE
Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
BAYSHORE HOSP. MAT. TWP. AUXILIARY
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.
DANTE ALIGHIERI SOCIETY
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.
TOASTMASTERS — Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.

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HARBOR COMMISSION
Municipal Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
P.T.O. EXECUTIVE BOARD, 8:30 p.m.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 176
Post House, 8:00 p.m.
V.F.W. AUXILIARY
Post House, 8:00 p.m.
ST. CLEMENT'S ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY
Strathmore Lanes, 8:00 p.m.
GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP
Middlesex Rd. Rec. Ctr., 8:00 p.m.

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HOLY NAME SOCIETY
St. Benedict's, 7:30 p.m.
LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
TEMPLE SHALOM YOUTH GROUP
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:00 p.m.
BOY SCOUTS, CHINGARORA DIST. ROUNDTABLE
Matawan Regional H. S., 8:00 p.m.

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MUNICIPAL COURT
Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LADIES' AID
Church House, 8:00 p.m.
MAT. BRIDGE CLUB MASTERS POINT GAME
American Legion Hall, Mat., 8:00 p.m.
O R T, Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.

ATTENTION — ORGANIZATIONS

All organizations wishing to have events, meetings, etc., listed in the Community Calendar must submit the following information to The Observer by the 15th of the preceding month: Date of the event, organization name, time of the event, and the meeting place. Mail to:

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ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
SHADE TREE COMMISSION
Municipal Bldg., 8:00 p.m.
MAT. TWP. REPUBLICAN CLUB
Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL P.T.O.
All-Purpose Room, 8:30 p.m.

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JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Mat. Grammar School Library, 7:55 p.m.
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
V. F. W., Post House, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS
J.F.K. CENTENNIAL LODGE
Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.

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MUNICIPAL COURT
Municipal Bldg., 7:00 p.m.
MASONIC LODGE
Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
TOASTMASTERS, Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.
TEMPLE SHALOM SISTERHOOD
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.

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PLANNING BOARD
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
DEBORAH—Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF TRUSTEES
Church House, 9:00 p.m.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST 176
Post House, 8:00 p.m.
V.F.W. AUXILIARY
Post House, 8:00 p.m.
GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP
Middlesex Rd. Rec. Center, 8:00 p.m.
MAT. TWP. UTILITIES AUTHORITY
30 Noble Place, 8:00 p.m.
HADASSAH — Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.
MAT. REG. H.S. P.T.A.
Mat. Reg. H.S., 8:15 p.m.

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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, COUPLES CLUB
Church, 8:30 p.m.

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BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
TEMPLE SHALOM YOUTH GROUP
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:00 p.m.
FIRST AID & RESCUE SQUAD AUXILIARY
Cliffwood First Aid Building, 8:30 p.m.
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
Strathmore First Aid Building, 8:30 p.m.

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MUNICIPAL COURT
Municipal Building, 7:00 p.m.
JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Magnolia Inn, 8:30 p.m.
BOY SCOUTS, CHINGARORA DIST. COMM.
127 Ravine Dr., 8:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH AHM SISTERHOOD
Strathmore Elementary School, 8:30 p.m.

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ZONING BOARD
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Masonic Temple, 8:00 p.m.
B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN
Oak Shades Firehouse, 8:30 p.m.
STRATHMORE DEMOCRATIC CLUB
Strathmore Lanes, 8:30 p.m.

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TWP. COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.
COLUMBIAN AUXILIARY
CARDINAL NEWMAN COUNCIL
Member's Home, 8:15 p.m.

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INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
Municipal Building, 8:00 p.m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BD. OF DEACONS
Church House, 8:00 p.m.

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The Monmouth County Republican Organization

proudly presents

MARCUS DALY and HARRY LARRISON, JR.

MARCUS DALY

Today, as ever, Marcus Daly stands before Monmouth County, the state, the nation and the world as a refreshing example of all that is right and decent in government, public service, law and order.

Through eight years of service to his county, his nation and the world, Marcus Daly has displayed his experience with, and his compassion for, the problems of the poor and the unfortunate. During each day of these eight years Marcus Daly has never lost sight of his responsibility to serve all citizens, to protect the rights and interests of all persons, to uphold law and order.

These qualities have been recognized throughout the world and have been praised by world leaders.

It is not difficult to understand why.

A native of Monmouth County, the Lincroft freeholder attended Lehigh University and was graduated from the foreign service school at Georgetown University. He studied law at St. John's College, Brooklyn, and insurance at New York University.

Columbia University conferred upon him his master's degree in political science. After completing studies at Academy in the Hague, Netherlands, Mr. Daly was awarded a certificate in International Law. He was awarded membership in the American International Law Association.

Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower recognized the ability and integrity of Mr. Daly in 1958. The nation's chief executive nominated him to the post of director of the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration, the unit in charge of social welfare and resettlement of refugees and migrants.

Mr. Daly was unanimously elected by the 28 governments comprising the organization. Two years later he had the honor of presiding at ICEM's celebration of moving its millionth migrant to a new home.

For his unswerving efforts in interna-

tional social welfare, Mr. Daly, in 1961, received the Grand Croix of Merite avec Plaque et Cordon of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. He was awarded by the Italian government the gold medal of One Hundred Years of Italian Unity.

In 1962 Pope John XXIII awarded Mr. Daly's achievement with Papal Knighthood in making him a Knight Commander of St. Gregory. St. Peter's College, Jersey City, bestowed an honorary Doctor of Laws degree upon the Freeholder. He received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree from Monmouth College and was made a member of that institution's Board of Trustees.

During that same year Mr. Daly was appointed to the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders. He won election to the board in 1963 for his first full term.

During these years he has rendered outstanding service as director of the Monmouth County Welfare Board. In addition, he has shown a deep interest in other operations of county government. This was recognized when he was named chairman of the state Freeholders Association Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

HARRY LARRISON, JR.

An exemplary record of 10 years of experience and achievement in public service was amassed by Harry Larrison, Jr., before his appointment early this year to the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders. A brief glimpse of his record shows why he was capable of assuming his new duties so rapidly.

His first public service duty came in 1956 when he was appointed to the Neptune Housing Authority where he served for four years. During his tenure the authority developed plans for the township's first urban renewal project.

In 1960 he was appointed to the Neptune Township Committee. The voters of that municipality found it a pleasant task to elect him to a full term the following year and to re-elect him in 1964.

As a member of the governing body, Mr. Larrison was responsible for Neptune's roads, sewers and sanitation. He instituted annual road maintenance programs and directed the feasibility studies and planning for Neptune's present \$7 million sewerage system.

His background and experience in directing road programs made him a natural selection to head the county's highway department, a responsibility he discharges with a high degree of efficiency.

In recognition of his ability in this area, the National Association of County Officials named him to its National Committee on Highways.

A RECORD OF PROGRESS THROUGH LEADERSHIP

It is not difficult to see why the Monmouth County Republican Organization is proud of Freeholders Marcus Daly and Harry Larrison, Jr. They are members of the Republican team which, in just the last four years, has provided progress through leadership in:

- Beach erosion, storm and flood protection; drainage improvements; construction of Pleasure Bay and Gooseneck bridges; reconstruction of nine other bridges; improvements and renovations to the Hall of Records and installation of new IBM equipment for improved book-keeping, and in instituting microfilming of public records for more efficient handling and storage.

- Bringing Monmouth County a new County Correctional Institution and Rehabilitation Center, a new library, an addition to the county court house and a county airport.

- Approving financing plans for construction of Bayshore Community Hospital, a helicopter pad at Fitkin Memorial Hospital, Neptune, establishing a county blood bank and by providing free chest X-rays for volunteer firemen.

- Providing financial aid to Monmouth College, bringing vocational school construction to Long Branch, Middletown, Wall Township and, soon, Raritan Township.

- Maintaining a steady pattern of road widening and re-construction; sparking the drive for construction of a new and desperately-needed east-west highway to the Jersey shore; initiating action for construction of the Asbury Park relief route, and establishing a traffic engineering safety department to improve safety features on county roads.

- Instituting the county sewer study and in having legislation enacted permitting counties to provide, acquire and finance sewer facilities for municipalities and regions.

- Providing park and recreation facilities in Holmdel, Freehold Township, and, soon, a county golf course in Howell Township, while continuing to operate and maintain Shark River Park, Neptune.

- Establishing the Industrial Department that has brought millions of dollars in ratables to Monmouth County.

All of this has been accomplished without causing inflationary pressures on the county tax rate. Monmouth County's debt remains well within the state-prescribed limit.

Continue this record of progress through leadership. Keep Marcus Daly and Harry Larrison, Jr., as members of the team. It's a winning combination.

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THE VOTER'S DILEMMA? DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

REPRINT OF AN OPEN LETTER BY MARILYN D. BRENNER

Member Matawan Township Council

The voters of Monmouth County have faced a dilemma every year at election time, that of selecting members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. Why is this a dilemma? Because the clearest definition of the Board of Chosen Freeholders most people arrive at is:

A legally constituted, duly elected quasi-secret society which has something to do with roads.

Marcus Daly has changed all of this. He has blown away the cobwebs, lifted the curtain of ignorance, and let in the sunshine of voter enlightenment. The voters now understand that the Freeholders are not simply the agency which planned to buy an airport from a man who does not want to sell in order to build a county airport which we do not now that we need; not simply the agency which belatedly informs the county's municipalities of funds for public health without a survey of county needs, projected costs, or any program at all; not simply the agency which has smugly failed to provide intelligent leadership to move Monmouth County ahead in higher education, mental health services, transportation facilities, water and air pollution prevention and elimination, improved intermunicipality relations, etc.

Marcus Daly has brought us the truth. At last the voters know that the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, Daly-style is the agency which will courageously lead us in a fight against unwed mothers and fatherless babies. The Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders is not a "quasi-secret society"; it is a public force dedicated to the Great County Defense Against the Defenseless.

Mr. Daly is carrying the banner for a crusade against the future; he is leading an incredible parade into the past.

The voters face no dilemma this year.

The New York Times in an editorial on September 24, 1966 commented on the absurd Daly proposal saying:

"Monmouth County, N. J., has been thrown into an uproar by a proposal that unwed mothers seeking Aid to Dependent Children be turned over for prosecution under New Jersey's laws against fornication and adultery. The one-man crusade in favor of the idea is conducted by Marcus Daly, a county freeholder seeking reelection, who is a member of the county welfare board. Perhaps because he came out so strongly against sin, Mr. Daly led all candidates for all offices in the recent Republican primary in Monmouth County.

"It may not matter to Mr. Daly that the laws are unenforced and unenforce-

able. Or that he proposes to enforce them only against the impoverished. Or that withholding milk from little children whose mothers would fear to seek A.D.C. would not undo mothers' sins. Or that jailing mothers and institutionalizing their children would not insure the children a healthier environment. Or that it would cost the taxpayers much more money to keep everyone in custodial institutions, if it is money and not sin Mr. Daly is really worried about. Or that Mr. Daly's approach to this question is offensive to the point of prurience.

But it does matter to the rest of the county welfare board and to the New Jersey Department of Institutions and Agencies that betraying confidential information supplied by the mothers would violate Federal law and New Jersey welfare regulations. It would halt the flow of Federal welfare funds to the county and perhaps the state.

It is clear that the Daly proposal for jailing mothers, or at least scaring them out of seeking money for their children's welfare, will stay alive until Election Day. Monmouth County voters would do well to look behind the slogans. No community can promote morality by penalizing its poorest children."

Added Services Initiated

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operates in Red Bank and Asbury Park, daily from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

A nursery class for retarded children was started in Freehold on September 29. The goal of the class is to prepare young retarded children between the ages of four and seven for acceptance into special classes in the public schools. The class will operate four hours daily in a classroom donated by the Grace Lutheran Church, Freehold. The program will be similar to those now operated in Red Bank and Asbury Park.

Mr. John Donoghue, Oakhurst, Chairman of the Unit's Sheltered Workshop Planning Committee, reviewed plans to establish a sheltered workshop for the severely handicapped early in 1967. "This project might be considered the Unit's most ambitious undertaking to date," stated Mr. Donoghue.

In addition to these services, the Fund Drive will help support the Unit's Work Training and Activity Center for severely retarded young adults, its Summer Day Camp and Social Service Department.

David Lovcik, Fund Drive General Chairman has issued a call for workers to conduct the drive in their own communities. Volunteers are asked to call Mrs. Beverly Kaess at 566-9210.

CONGRESSMAN JAMES J. HOWARD

Born July 24, 1927. Graduate of Asbury Park High School, St. Bonaventure College and Rutgers University with a Master's Degree in Education. U. S. Navy veteran, World War II. Winner of a National Science Foundation grant in 1960. Principal, Wall Township School System, President, Monmouth County Education Association.

CANDIDATE BRUCE MORGAN

Member of the Eatontown Township Committee. Past chairman of Eatontown Planning Board. Major (Ret.) U. S. Army. Owner, Bruce Agency, Real Estate and Insurance.

CANDIDATE FRED SANDERS

Chairman, Central Monmouth Industrial Commission. State Treasurer of the New Jersey Jaycees. Councilman, Greehold Borough. Member Freehold Borough Planning Board.

In 1964, a young 30 year old teacher from Wall Township ran for Congress against a well-entrenched Republican organization. This political new-comer carried his Democratic campaign to every corner of Monmouth County. Jim Howard's victory is now a matter of history.

His record of leadership and the legislation he has helped write affects millions of Americans. His work on the Senate-House Conference on Traffic Safety Act of 1966, designed to encourage Drivers Education and similar programs.

Jim Howard led the floor fight to pass the Economic Opportunity Act and who does know about Operation Head Start and its impact on pre-school children country-wide.

The Voting Right Bill of 1965, the Appalachia and the Highway Beautification Act are other examples of legislation that Congressman Howard has helped write and pass in Congress.

His membership on the all-important House Committee on Public Works, and its subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors has made news headlines with the Hudson River Pollution Bill and efforts to eradicate water pollution.

The subcommittee on roads has spearheaded the 41,000 mile interstate expressway system by authorizing 19.7 billion in Federal grants for the next five years. The Federal Government pays 90 per cent of the cost of such systems.

Jim Howard has by proved his voting record and his leadership in Committee and on the floor of the Congress that he has earned and deserves your vote.

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Letters to the Editor

Sept. 10, 1966

Dear Editor:

Would like to know who is responsible for the overcrowding of the school buses and why the authorities are not taking immediate action to correct this condition? Must we first have an accident before steps are taken to remedy the condition?

Cleanliness is another item lacking in the buses.

J. B. RIFKIN
25 Norwood Lane
Matawan, N. J.

Ed. Note: See Page 1

Gentlemen:

On Page 7 of your September 1966 issue in the article entitled "From the Trustees' Desk" you stated that at the present time Matawan Township has exceeded the in-bonding capacity for school purposes and I would hasten to set the records straight concerning that statement.

The Township of Matawan has no connection with the bonding practices of the Matawan Regional School District other than our budgetary item for the Township's portions of the funds required by the Regional School District to administer its affairs. The Township of Matawan has not exceeded its bonding capacity and enjoys an "A" rating in financial bonding circles. In reading your entire article I am most certain that your error was an inadvertent one, and that you were referring to the Matawan Regional School District in discussing the point concerning bonding capacity for school purposes. Please be assured that I am in no way being critical of anything that was said. It is my feeling that the Township of Matawan's financial position should at all times be clearly set forth for the benefit of our citizens, hence this letter.

WALTER H. GEHRICKE,
Mayor
Township of Matawan

Ed. Note: We agree completely . . .

Strathmore, expecting a great deal from its schools and with willing candidates, cannot elect school board members sympathetic to its desires.

The present board will not listen to interested citizens; the first recommendations of the school principal; or the proposals of Herbert J. Parker or Herbert Feder, the 2 Strathmore members of 9. The present board feels it is safe to plan for 30 students to a class on the minimum census; they will not use appropriated money for temporary classrooms to alleviate split sessions; they will not study alternate plans to reduce building costs. The board seems to feel it is its duty to plan for cheapness; accept architects first plans, no matter how unsuited or ultimately expensive; and unthinkingly accept high construction bids, sometimes 50% over the architects estimate.

Strathmore lost out in the last election because there were too many candidates

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who split the vote. Herb Parker was elected, but Frank Gilbert lost by 10 votes to the candidate who had the solid backing of Cliffwood and has voted for the minimum ever since. If just one of the other two candidates from Strathmore had not been running, Frank would have easily won and had a chance to demonstrate his intelligent interest in education in a practical manner.

Two seats are up in the February election. If we can develop two, and only two, strong candidates we have an excellent chance of electing both and getting a better education for our children.

DONALD O'ROURKE

Reprint of a letter to Mayor Gehricke
(Requested by Mr. Taylor)

July 10, 1966

Dear Sir:

In answer to Mr. Frank Gilbert's question on the water supply for Matawan Regional High School you were quoted in the Perth Amboy Evening News as saying you did not know what the Utilities Authority was doing in this area (June 21, 1966).

At a coffee klatch given during your campaign I discussed this potentially tragic condition with you and members of your ticket.

As far back as January 1962 the Borough and Township Fire Departments have asked the Board of Education to do something about this situation.

This may or may not be your responsibility or the Township Committee's but I request that you use your good office to bring all parties together so that a sound solution may be reached to eliminate a very serious hazard to children and the Regional High School as well as other property in the area.

I am sure you are aware that with the Board of Education's plan of staggered classes, we will have, at one point, 1,700 children in the school at one time. The cost of extending the water mains from Deerfield to the rear of the school to supply adequate water supply is cheap insurance in comparison to the loss or injury of one child. Placing our heads in the sand will not alleviate the danger.

ROBERT G. TAYLOR
109 Avondale Lane
Matawan, N. J.

Red Oak Coop. Nursery Takes on a New Shine

If officers of The Red Oak Cooperative Nursery School have their way, theirs will be the most attractive and best equipped school in the County. Almost \$1,000 of money raised through fund-raising activities has just been spent on new equipment. And the school has had a face-lifting, with work crews of fathers and mothers busy all summer painting and decorating and getting the large outdoor play area into shape.

The school, now in its third year of operation, meets at The Old First Church in Middletown. Founded by a group of Strathmore parents, it still draws most of its members from that area and provides bus service for them. It is state-certified and non-sectarian with an all-professional teaching staff.

An additional room has been added to class space this term, giving the school the entire lower floor of the church. There are four rooms, plus hall and bathroom. Two rooms are set aside for blocks, woodworking and music, while the main classrooms house quieter activities such as painting, water play, puzzles, reading, clay work, etc. A teacher or helper staffs each room.

Gallons of brightly colored paints and much parental elbow grease have transformed interiors and exterior equipment into a mass of bright yellows, oranges, greens, blues and reds. One creative father designed and built a large colorful climbing apparatus using telephone spools, barrels and boards. Other outdoor equipment includes tents, swings, sandboxes, slides and a playhouse.

A pair of pets will soon be joining the children in their cheerful surroundings. Two mother gerbils have been ordered from Creative Playthings.

The new equipment includes large trucks and transportation toys, with duplicate sets for three and four year old rooms, a doll carriage and many manipulative and educational toys. Also purchased were larger tables and new chairs to facilitate the children's creative work.

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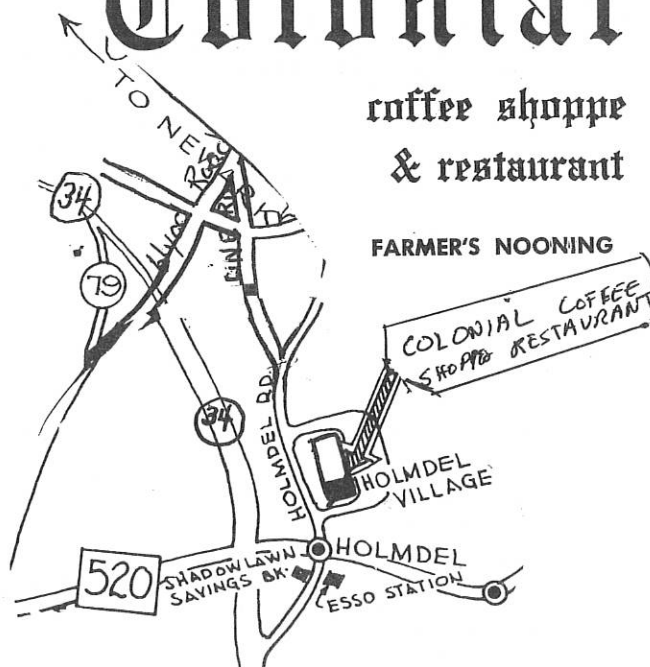
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“Scouting in Matawan”

Three Pfizer Juniper Evergreens were planted by Junior Girl Scout Troop 224 and an assortment of mums and orange daylilies were planted by Junior Troop 553 in an Arbor Day ceremony at the Strathmore Elementary School. Junipers and flowers were planted in a line along the front wall of the all-purpose room in accordance with a planting plan submitted by the Board of Education.

The Arbor Day planting included a flag ceremony and the recital of “Trees” in recognition of the event.

Troop 224 is led by Mrs. Raymond Pelkowski and Mrs. Norman Posner is leader of Troop 553. Both groups are sponsored by the Strathmore Elementary School P.T.O.

Junior Troop 553 and Junior Troop 224 report a visit to the Holmdel Nursing Home, Route 34, for a Songfest. Carol Friedman of 553 accompanied her troop by playing the fuitar.

Musical instruments were played by Leslie Skvarla, Cathy Sullivan, Roberta Pelkowski, Maureen Mauritzn and Jayne Zanghi. Both troops made paper flowers which they presented to the residents.

The purpose of the visit was to establish a fellowship between the different generations.

Troop 553 is led by Mrs. Norman Posner and 224 is led by Mrs. Raymond Pelkowski. Both troops are sponsored by

the Strathmore School P.T.O.

A Father-Daughter Outing was held by Brownie Troops 495 and 475 at Holmdel County Park. Fathers acted as chiefs with daughters hostessing. A demonstration on setting up a wood fire was given. The groups were led on a nature tour by William Canning, Chief Naturalist, and two assistants. Approximately 80 from both troops attended.

Troop 475 is led by Mrs. Richard Hubbs assisted by Mrs. James Smith. Troop 495 is led by Mrs. Charles Lubow, assisted by Mrs. Raymond Sinsheimer and Mrs. Irma Gold.

Both troops are sponsored by the Strathmore Elementary School P.T.O.

Twenty-six members of Girl Scout Cadette Troop 347 met their Social Dependability Challenge at a dinner held in the Buttonwood Manor. Also attending were Mrs. James Bentz, leader; Mrs. Donald Lardieri, assistant, and Mrs. Alex Richman.

Fourteen members of the Troop are attending a Coast Guard Auxiliary Course on small boats conducted by the Coast Guard at Long Branch for a period of three Saturdays.

Four girls and a father helped as a clean-up crew at Camp Sacajewea recently.

“Know Your Town”

The League of Woman Voters of Matawan's new publication, “Know Your Town, Matawan Borough and Township” has been enthusiastically received by the Matawan Community. Approximately 900 copies of the booklet have been sold to date.

A thorough reading of “Know Your Town” will provide the citizens of Matawan with a good foundation in the workings of their local governments. It is hoped that this knowledge will help the voters to become better informed and will lead to a greater participation of local residents in the affairs of their community.

The booklet was published by the League of Woman Voters of Matawan as a public service to the community. Its selling price is designed to cover only the printing costs involved.

There are still copies of “Know Your Town” available and these may be purchased in local stores on Main Street in Matawan and Keyport and in the Strathmore shopping area. They may also be bought at the Borough and Township Halls and through League members.

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