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School Board Control To Be Guided Solely By Platform Pledges

**New Board To Organize Soon;
With League Sponsored
Majority of 5-4**

The school election held in Teaneck on February 9, for the election of three members of the board of education to hold office for a term of three years, resulted in the election of two of the three candidates endorsed by Teaneck Taxpayers' League, Eugene Blankenhorn and Gustav A. Escher, and one of the three members of the board who were all running for re-election, C. W. Brett.

With three members of the League elected a year ago—G. L. Clark, John J. Draney and Gaston G. L. Vallee—still in office for two more years, the outcome on February 9 gave the League a majority of five to four in the board, which will soon be organized by election of a president, vice-president and other officers.

The election brought out the heaviest vote, by far, that was ever polled in a school election in Teaneck, 3,353 ballots being cast, with votes for individual candidates as follows:

Eugene Blankenhorn	1,723
Gustav Escher	1,691
C. W. Brett	1,680
Conrad Wedel	1,674
Chris Sheffe	1,652
F. W. Scholz	1,638

While the difference between the average of the votes cast for the League candidates and those cast for their opponents was close, the outcome proved that a clear majority of voters throughout Teaneck favor the platform and program of school affairs announced by the League. This is unquestionable, in view of the fact that the opposing candidates had all had years of experience as members of the board, and were therefore fully familiar with all details of Teaneck's school system.

At a meeting of the League after the election Mr. Wedel expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred in the League's nomination, and said he had no fault to find with the work of the

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Welfare Funds Will Benefit By Excellent Concert To Be Given At School, March 11

Music lovers of Teaneck will have an opportunity on March 11 to enjoy an unusual musical treat at modest cost, and at the same time to augment the funds of the Teaneck Welfare Organization, which are in urgent need of replenishing. On that date an evening concert will be given in High School Auditorium in Teaneck by the Neighborhood Glee Club of the Northern Valley and the Teaneck Community Orchestra, presenting a program of carefully selected male chorus and orchestra numbers.

It is expected that the hall will be crowded to overflowing, as the general admission price is only fifty cents, and many organizations are co-operating in the sale of tickets. The Teaneck Welfare Organization, however, which is sponsoring the event, has announced that any couple paying \$5 for

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Financial 'Clouds' Brighten; 1934 Problem Nears Solution

**Town Manager Volcker Cracks First Obstacle With Excellent
Arrangement With Banking Institution; Enabling
Legislation Now Pending At Trenton**

Of unusual significance to Teaneck taxpayers was the commendation extended by Mayor and Council to Township Manager Volcker at the regular Council meeting of Tuesday, February 16, for it marked another step forward in the progress that is being steadily made toward straightening out the financial tangles inherited by the present administration when it took office little more than fifteen months ago.

Mr. Volcker was congratulated and commended because he found it possible to make an arrangement—at a time when banks are flatly refusing to loan money to other municipalities against anticipated or delinquent tax collections

—whereby Teaneck can borrow money on tax anticipation or revenue notes for the purpose of purchasing and retiring the equivalent amount of outstanding township bonds maturing in 1933 or 1934. Facts set forth later in this article will show the importance of this achievement.

The first step taken toward cleaning Teaneck's financial slate, after the present administration took office, was to secure from the State Department of Municipal Accounts a correct and official audit of the township. This audit not only showed various defects in methods of accounting, but also revealed the fact that on December 31, 1930, the township's current account owed the trust account \$553,000. This was money that had been borrowed from time to time in preceding years, out of funds paid in by property owners on local assessments, to meet the running expenses of the government. The necessity to borrow was due to delinquency of property owners in paying their taxes.

In the year 1931 this debt of the current account to the trust account was reduced by approximately \$100,000, and in the same period the township bought in \$263,000 in bonds that will mature before the end of 1934, saving some \$17,000 in interest charges. The new arrangement that has been negotiated by Mr. Volcker will make it possible to buy in additional bonds, and pay for them with tax revenue notes, thus reducing still further the debt of the current account to the trust account.

Financially speaking, Teaneck has a very high hurdle to vault in the years now close upon it. Bonds amounting to \$806,000 were originally written to mature in 1933 and \$1,609,000 in 1934. Part of these have been retired through the purchase of \$263,000 in bonds in the last year. How much more can be retired as the result of the agreement that Mr. Volcker has been able to make with the Palisades

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Taxpayers' League Party Success

Teaneck Palm Gardens was the scene on Saturday evening, February 6, of one of the largest gatherings ever assembled in Teaneck for social enjoyment, in a bridge party and dance held under the auspices of THE TOWN MANAGER.

The attendance at the party, which exceeded 400, was thoroughly representative of the best of Teaneck's social life. The party was informal, and was marked from beginning to end by a spirit of neighborly friendliness, everybody having a good time.

There were no set speeches, and no interruption of the merry-making except to introduce Messrs. Blankenhorn, Escher and Wedel as the candidates of Teaneck Taxpayers' League for the Board of Education, and to conduct a drawing for prizes contributed by advertisers.

It had been intended to confine the bridge playing to the ground floor and reserve the second floor for dancing, to the excellent music furnished by Rudy Manning's Lieu-

tenants, an eight-piece orchestra made up entirely of local talent and including several members of the Teaneck High School band. So many wanted to play bridge, however, that it was necessary to set up more than twenty bridge tables on the second floor, but this still left ample space for the dancers.

Refreshments consisting of coffee and cake, were served to the players at their tables, and a prize, consisting of a bridge set of cards, was furnished for the top-score player at each table.

While the affair was conducted by THE TOWN MANAGER, known to everyone as the official organ of Teaneck Taxpayers' League, it was noted that a large percentage of those who attended were residents of Teaneck who have never been identified with the League in any way, including quite a number known as opponents of the League when it was conducting its campaign for a referendum on the adoption of the municipal manager plan of government. This

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FINANCIAL "CLOUDS" BRIGHTEN AS PROBLEM FOR 1934 CLEAR UP

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Trust Company in Englewood remains to be seen. That will depend upon how many holders of the bonds can be found who are willing to sell on terms that are advantageous to the township. The maximum possible is about \$450,000, or enough to complete payment of the current account debt to trust account.

The interest charged on the tax notes will balance the interest that otherwise would have to be paid on the bonds. The bank will sell to the township any bonds it purchases, at an advance of two and one-half points. That means that the township, besides liquidating to that extent the obligation of its current account to its trust ac-

count, will profit by any percentage below 97½ of par value at which the bonds may be acquired by the bank. In no case will the township pay more than par for the bonds.

Just what balance will remain of the debt of the current account to the trust account will not be exactly known until the state auditors have made the audit of 1931, or until it is known also what volume of bonds can be retired through the new arrangement made with the bank.

In any event the high financial hurdles facing Teaneck for 1933 and 1934 have already been lowered to an appreciable extent, and the clouded skies of the township's financial predicament have begun to clear. Nevertheless, it is certain that there will be a serious crisis to meet in 1935 unless something is accomplished in the meantime to avert it. To that end

steps are already under way.

At the request of the Teaneck administration, Senator Ely has introduced at Trenton a bill that aims to relieve the situation for Teaneck and other municipalities that are facing similar problems. If this bill, which is receiving strong endorsement from all parts of the state, is enacted into law, it will not be necessary for Teaneck to include in its 1935 budget all that part of the \$1,571,000 assessment bonds still outstanding and maturing in 1934 which the township has not funds to retire upon maturity.

The bill referred to, which was first sponsored by Teaneck, is known as Senate Bill No. 96, and is in the hands of the Senate Finance Committee. It permits borrowing, for the purpose of retiring assessment bonds that cannot be paid out of the trust account, by authorizing the issuance of Interest Deficiency Notes, these to be paid off in annual installments at the rate of not less than one-half of one per cent. of the assessed valuation of the municipality, per year.

On the basis of Teaneck's present ratables, this would amount to about \$125,000 a year, and since recent annual budgets have included an average of approximately \$110,000 a year for the same purpose, this will mean an increase in the annual budgets so small that in all probability it will be taken care of by increase in ratables due to new construction, without causing any increase in the tax rate.

Another possible means of relief lies in the fact that local improvements costing \$118,000 have been completed and assessed in the township during previous administrations, against which no bonds have ever been issued. When bond market conditions offer a prospect of being able to make favorable sale, such bonds can be issued and thus spread the payment of this amount over a period of years.

Another step toward clearing the books of the township was taken by including in this year's budget \$10,000 as a sinking fund against

false assets that have been carried for years in the balance sheets. Part of this, for example, was attended to at the council meeting of February 16, when various items of assessment and taxes known to be uncollectible, and amounting to about \$500, were cancelled by council resolution.

In a recent statement to the press regarding the township's financial situation, and its sponsorship of the bill introduced by Senator Ely at the township's request, Township Manager Volcker said:

"When Teaneck gets over the 1934 peak, it will be in good financial condition; but that peak forms a peculiar cloud in our financial sky. It isn't a question of Teaneck's credit, or its ultimate ability to pay its obligations. It is simply a question of arranging to meet the peculiar schedule of maturities fixed at the time the various bond issues were floated.

"You might say Teaneck is in the same fix as a tenant obliged to pay \$1,000 a year rent, but whose lease called upon him to pay \$45 a month except in the month of June, and in that month to pay \$505. If his landlord would not agree to let him spread that \$505 over the year, he would have to borrow money to meet the June payment, and then pay interest on the borrowed money until repaid. We cannot change the maturity dates of the bonds, so we want the opportunity of borrowing under such conditions as are set up in the pending legislation."

As an example of the peculiarity of maturity dates fixed for various bond issues, that resulted in the total of \$1,609,000 issued to mature in 1934, one issue floated in October, 1928, affords a good illustration. The total of that issue of assessment bonds was \$822,000, and the administration then in office arranged that \$20,000 should mature in 1931, \$20,000 in 1932, \$124,000 in 1933 and \$394,000 in 1934. Mr. Volcker would venture no opinion as to why this was done, but it was the peculiarity of maturity applying to this and other issues that conspired to confront Teaneck with the enormous total of maturities falling in the year 1934.

By reason of the retirement of \$263,000 in bonds last year, Mr. Volcker believes the remaining \$383,059 maturing this year and more than \$8000,000 maturing next year can be taken care of with moneys that will be received for assessments falling due in those years, supplemented by surpluses in the current and trust accounts. According to his present estimates, however, it will be necessary to issue about half a million dollars in Deficiency Notes under the proposed law, in order to avoid the necessity of adding a heavy and burdensome amount to the budget for 1935.

After 1934, outstanding bonds reach maturity at a rate that will present no serious problem. The total falling due in 1935 is \$528,066; in 1936, \$527,353; in 1937, \$424,181 and in 1938, \$138,568.

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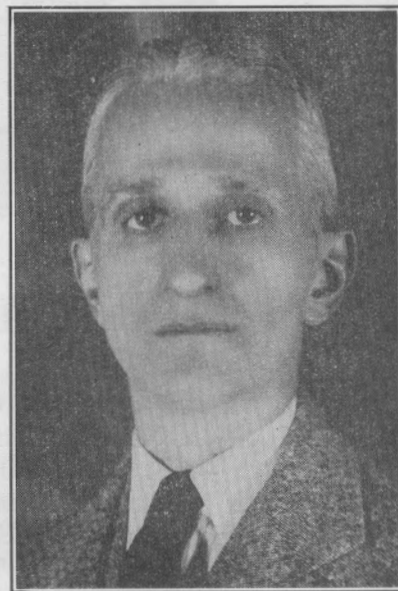
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John Masfield, the English poet, says that in the Spring of 1917 he stood at a point on the British line in Flanders. Across the road from him were great piles of broken sewing machines and household goods; and on the side of the road nearest him was a long line of broken men. Suddenly, out of the dust of the road, a British Tommy came running up waving a newspaper in his hand, and he cried out: "Hurrah! Hurrah! America has declared war on the blighters". An older, more thoughtful British soldier, standing near, said: "Now, thank God, we will have a decent world again."

I thought of the statement of that British soldier, and I wondered if deep in his heart was a realization of the fact that the foundations of this Republic were laid in Service and Devotion and Sacrifice.

I stood not long ago in Fairmount Park in Philadelphia before the statue of Witherspoon, the only clergyman who signed the Declaration of Independence. In his day not all men were patriots; many of them were Tories. And some of the Tories came to the old man and demanded to know why he would risk and sacrifice so much upon the out-come of a mere experiment. His answer is graven upon his statue in Fairmount Park. He said: "Of property I have some; of reputation, more. That property is pledged, that reputation is staked upon the issues of this conflict. I had rather these old gray hairs should descend into the grave by the hangman's axe than desert at this crisis the sacred cause of my country."

I spoke of Service, Devotion and Sacrifice. It has not always been easy for men of patriotic instincts to subordinate themselves in the interest of a great cause.



G. G. L. VALLE

There sat down in the Commonwealth of Virginia in the year 1788, in one convention, to consider the cause of the colonies, these men: George Washington, James Madison, James Monroe, Thomas Jefferson, John Marshall, Patrick Henry, Richard Henry Lee, Edmund Randolph, George Mason and twenty other men almost as eminent. The question for consideration was whether Virginia would ratify the constitution. Old Patrick Henry had a great fear of kings. He had had a bitter experience with kings, and he feared that the constitution as drafted would give too much power to the

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The Importance of Art In City Planning

By CURTIS GANDY, Jr.

I have been asked to contribute an article on the subject "The Importance of Art In City Planning". The request caught me at a disadvantage, so much that I had to spar for time to find out if I really had any ideas worth mentioning on the subject. And even now, after the lapse of a month, I entertain doubts of the practical value of this digest of my ideas, inspirations and study, for they have been arrived at by an intensive and altogether too brief study of this important subject. Of the importance of the subject there can be no doubt, for it has long and glorious history of application beginning 450 or 500 years B. C. down to our present time.

I conceive the aims and purposes of City Planning to have been in the past peculiarly linked to the principles of Art, and its close relative Architecture. The combined purpose is hygienic-economic-social-esthetic and ethical: seeking to foster a better humanity through better environment. It is foresight—common sense and ethical regard—with business judgment applied to cities and communities. The late Chas. Wacker has said, "That it is the greatest issue confronting the American people, because haphazard growth results inevitably in congestion, under mines the health and fosters vice and crime—" I may add, that the reverse side of this picture is always to be found in a community where life is surrounded with order, convenience and beauty, and it is my conviction that beauty more than any other factor in City Planning, contributes to virtue and goodness.

Ancients Alert

Back in the dawn of the written history of human endeavor to elevate mankind above the level of ignorance, we find in the writings of Pericles a description of one Hippodamos as the first authentic City Planner. Born 475 B. C. he is credited with planning the ancient city of Piraeus, one of the glories of Greek civilization: Sporadic examples appear from time to time in Babylon and in Egypt but not until the first and second centuries A. D. in Rome does City Planning claim intelligent consideration. Rome then at its zenith was a grand disorder of magnificence. Answering the needs of the time one man, Marcus Vitruvius Pollio arose to the occasion and so well acquitted himself by his work in restoring order in the midst of the confusion of architectural congestion, that Caesar pensioned him for life. The manuscripts of his plans and theories constituted the source studied by Bramante, Michelangelo, Palladio and Vignola, who in turn have left a glorious record of the influence of Art in City Planning. I may mention the cities of Lincoln and Bath, England, as fine examples of the magic touch of Roman Art in City Planning.

But enough of the past. Let us



CURTIS GANDY, Jr.

approach our own times and country, and discover a phenomenon,—a paradox,—a race of otherwise highly developed people, without regard for esthetic principles. The American of the first century was a man who prided himself upon his virtues, chief of which he prized efficiency. What he fatuously believed to be the practical things of life claimed all that he had to give to Society. No wonder that the national life was so long sterile and barren of beauty.

City Planning, through the inspiration, vision and faith of Washington, made possible by the genius of Major Charles Pierre L'Enfant, has given to the nation in the Capitol City a supreme example of the perfect union of Art and utility. Among the cities of the Western Hemisphere, Washington is a peerless example of Urban Beauty and magnificence. It might have been expected that an immediate sequence of the effects of this striking example of high excellence would have found expression in the

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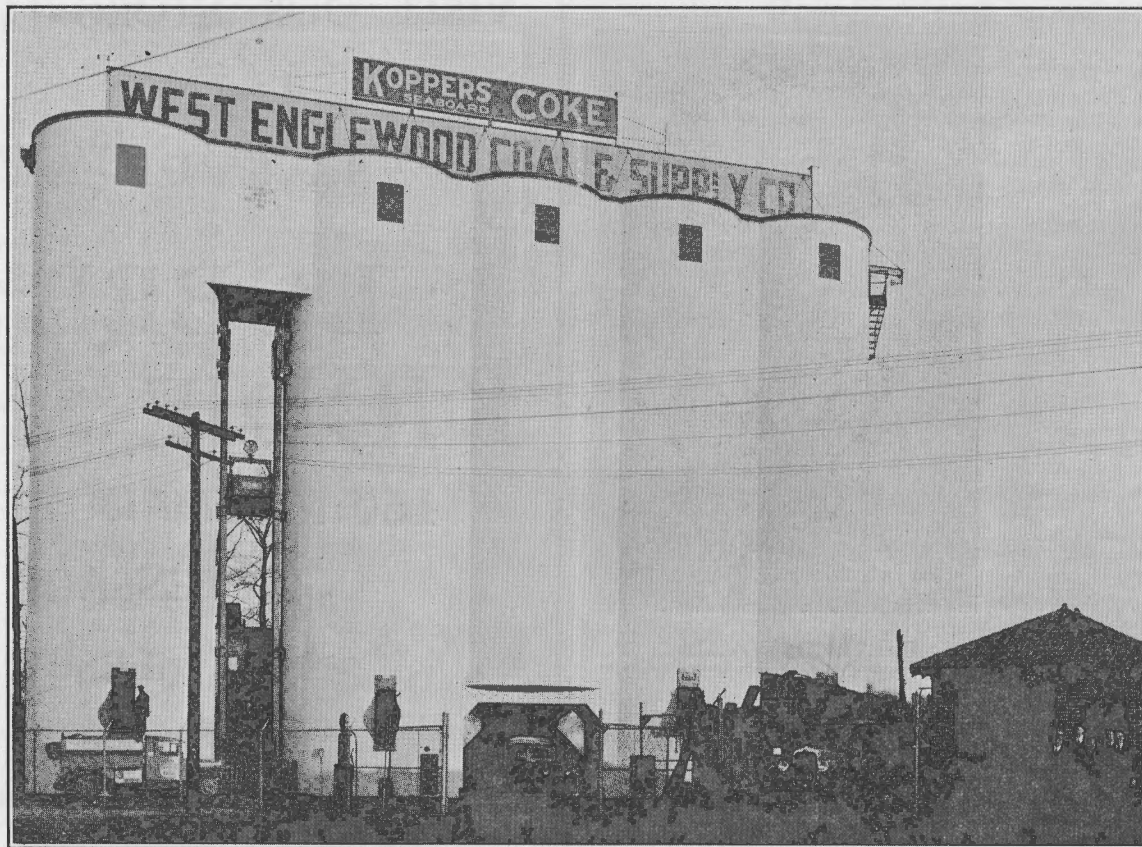
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executive. So day after day, with his marvelous eloquence and his powerful voice, he thundered against the ratification of the constitution by that convention. On three days he made five speeches, on five days he made three speeches, on one day he made seven speeches, and upon one occasion was on his feet for seven hours at one time protesting against the ratification of the constitution. And so powerful was his voice and influence that Washington feared that Henry, single-handed, would defeat the purpose of the convention and that Virginia would fail to ratify. Washington sat down and wrote a letter to Madison and said to him, "Can't you do something to change the channel of Henry's thoughts?" But after that convention, by a very narrow vote, had ratified the constitution, Henry sat down and wrote a letter to Washington. In it he said: "Sir, I have opposed with all my power many of the provisions set forth as the fundamental doctrine of this land. But since the convention has seen fit to ratify the constitution, I pledge you, sir, my heart and my hand to carry out every single feature of that document." A rather striking contrast to the effort we see today in some quarters to regard the constitution of the United States as not quite so worthy of emulation as it was in days gone by.

Again I say, I speak of Service and Devotion and Sacrifice. You may say to me, "Isn't that a little bit too idealistic? Politics are rather practical." However, I propose to demonstrate to you in a moment that the most practical man in all the world is the dreamer who has a real vision. There is a story in the Old Book of a boy called Joseph. He went down one day to feed his father's flocks at Dothan. His brothers saw him coming, and they said, "Behold, the dreamer cometh." They sought to do away with him, but finally better counsel prevailed, by reason of the intervention of the oldest brother, and they then decided to send him down into Egypt with a passing caravan. Long years after that a famine occurred in their own land, and their father sent them down into Egypt after corn. Strangely enough when they got there they found this dreamer and the dreamer had the corn. Now this country of ours was founded upon the policy of asking for ourselves only those things that we are willing to accord to all the nations of the earth. It is true that our tourists abroad, a few years ago, spent their money with such a lavish hand that the European people said: "Why these people from the United States are a nation of money grubbers; they're a nation of dollar-changers," and there seemed to be some justice in that criticism. But when at the peace table at Versailles our representa-

tives sat down and said: "For our twenty-four billions of dollars of expenditures, we ask not one cent of indemnity; for the seventy thousand white crosses, graves of American boys in Flanders and Picardy, we ask not one foot of anybody's territory," then these lineal descendants of Alexander and Caesar and Napoleon and the great conquerors of the past said: "This is a strange doctrine in statecraft. Haven't you come over here to trade for anything; don't you want anything?" And our representatives answered, "No, we don't want anything except this: that the principles of democracy that have meant so much to us may be enthroned in the capitals of Europe." In blank astonishment the forger representatives remarked, "These people are idealists, they're dreamers."

Well, let's see how the dreamer's policy of the square deal has paid this country. A few years ago we owed Great Britain so much money that our annual interest bill to them was one hundred and fifty millions of dollars. Today Great Britain owes us so much money that she must pay us every year in interest one hundred and fifty millions of dollars. A few years ago we owed the European nations four billions of dollars. Today they owe us ten billions of dollars and their annual interest bill to us is five hundred millions of dollars. The United States comprehends only six per cent. of the world's population and only seven per cent. of the land. Yet every year we produce seventy per cent. of the copper, sixty-six per cent. of the oil, seventy per cent. of the cotton, seventy-five per cent. of the corn, fifty-two per cent. of the coal, forty per cent. of the iron and steel, thirty-three per cent. of the silver, twenty-five per cent. of the gold. We operate forty per cent. of the world's railroads, we produce ninety-five per cent. of the world's automobiles, sixty per cent. of all the telephones in the world are in the United States; and, as a reason for some of those figures perhaps I might go on and say that

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I have mentioned those figures not that you and I ought to be boastful. We have somewhat too much of a tendency that way. But I have mentioned them in order that you and I might have a better sense of appreciation and a finer feeling of respect for those men who laid the foundations upon which this great republic has reared its magnificent structure.

Wendell Phillips once said: "What imprudent men the benefactors of the race have been. Most men prudently sink into nameless graves, But now and then a few forget themselves into Immortality."

When Lincoln was debating with Stephen A. Douglass, before the Civil War in Illinois, that great series of debates which had so much to do with settling the great question of slavery, a friend came to Lincoln and said to him: "Mr. Lincoln, if you continue to take the position that Nebraska and Kansas have not the right to say for themselves whether they will come into the Union slave or free, you will lose your chance to go to the United States Senate." Lincoln replied, "My dear friend, slavery is either right or it is wrong. I believe it is wrong, and if it is, no state can have local option in slavery." And then he went on, "I appreciate your interest in my political fortunes. It is a matter of no consequence whether Abe Lincoln goes to the United States Senate, but it's a matter of the deepest importance that I should be true to myself and unto the cause I believe in." And when Lincoln for four long years had been Chief Executive of this great nation, and had carried upon his heart the burden of the South as well as of the North, and had finally been stricken down by the bullet of an assassin, as he lay upon his last bed with the breath passing from his body, Seward who stood nearby turned to Stanton and said, "Now he belongs to the ages." Thus indeed had this great heart forgotten himself into immortality.

Again I say it, I speak of Service and Devotion and Sacrifice. For I know that in spite of all our power and wealth and influence, the great moving forces of the world are not expressed in dollars and cents. We go and look at the monuments erected to the great men of earth. They invariably record not what the dead have received but what they have given. You never saw a monument erected to a great man simply because he had accumulated a great sum of money, and I hope you never will. The human measure of the human life is its income; the divine measure of a human life is its outgo and its contribution to the welfare of the world.

Out of that welter of blood and tears that we call the World War, the very finest things that came

back to us were things of Devotion and Sacrifice. For instance, in the summer of 1915, the British High Seas Fleet fought a battle with the German Fleet off the coast of Jutland. About half past four o'clock in the afternoon, Rear Admiral Hood of the Third Battle Cruiser Squadron thought he heard firing to the southeast. He sent the Scout Cruiser Chester under command of Captain Lawton to investigate the cause of the firing. The Chester soon found out what brought on the firing because in a few minutes she was engaged with three German Battle Cruisers. At the very first salvo of guns, the Germans got the range and every man in the forward gun crew of the Chester was killed, leaving only a little British Midshipman, John Travers Cornwell, by name, fourteen years of age. This little fellow stood leaning upon an over-turned gun, with his right arm shot off at the shoulder and a piece of explosive shell imbedded in his hip. Captain Lawton sent a lieutenant up the deck to find out what had happened to the forward gun crew. As the lieutenant approached him young Cornwell squared his legs as best he could, raised his left hand in salute and said: "Any orders, lieutenant, any orders?" and fell dead. This incident aroused such tremendous interest in the British Navy that Rear Admiral Hood, reporting to his home government, made a special order of the Day, and the King of England wrote a letter to the mother of the boy in which he said that the Majesty and Glory of the Great British Empire had never been so exemplified as in the heroic death and sacrifice of this little boy. The strange sequel to it was that all over England recruiting clubs sprang up called Jack Cornwell's Recruiting Clubs, and it was estimated that in four months forty thousand men aligned themselves under the banner of the Empire in the fight for civilization as the result of the death and sacrifice of this little boy.

You and I are always talking about the things of power. We like to talk about our tremendous bank balances, and we like to roll under our tongues those figures I gave you a few moments ago. But I tell you that the things of real power, the things that mark the course of empires, things that control human destiny, are seldom discussed by you and me in our banking houses as we pore over our discounts and figure out our ledger balances.

From the standpoint of sheer power, as men view power, in the summer of 1915 the most powerful figure in human history was William of Germany. He was running through trains from Antwerp on the North Sea to the Tigris and the Euphrates in the far east with German engineers and German conductors. And his armies lay coiled like a huge snake across the Continent of Europe with the tail in the Ural Mountains of Russia and the head almost lapping the English Channel. But from the standpoint of moving, resistless power,

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"Pulling Power" of Ads In "Manager"
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WELFARE FUNDS TO BENEFIT BY CONCERT AT SCHOOL, MARCH 11

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two tickets will be listed as patrons and patronesses of the concert, the list to be printed on the concert programs. It is believed many will take advantage of this opportunity to help that much more in meeting the dire needs of the unemployed in Teaneck.

This will be the first appearance in Teaneck of the glee club, which is one of the oldest musical organizations in Bergen County. It includes in its membership a number of Teaneck singers, other members residing chiefly in Tenafly, Englewood, Closter, Leonia, Demarest, Cresskill Palisades Park and Haworth, with a few in other towns.

The history of the Neighborhood Glee Club of the Northern Valley is most interesting. It started in Tenafly in 1905 as a quartet, which quickly attracted much favorable notice and soon expanded into a glee club, which now has a membership of more than sixty. Its musical director at present is J. E. Corneille, choir leader of one of the largest churches in Englewood.

The organization is a member of the Associated Glee Clubs of America, and for many years has been rated as one of the outstanding male choruses of the eastern part of the United States.

The present officers of the Glee Club are: President, Harvey Dunn, Tenafly; vice-president and secretary, R. E. Gulnac, Englewood; assistant secretary, R. K. Dunn, Tenafly; treasurer, J. Amiel Grahn, Jr., Tenafly, and librarian, F. Dean Storms, Norwood.

Of greatest interest is the historical background of the name of the organization. For a long period of years, and until about a generation ago, various areas in this section of Northern New Jersey were known by various neighborhood names. East of Teaneck, between the Palisades and Overpeck creek, was a tract known as the English Neighborhood, while west of Overpeck creek, including what is now Teaneck and extending far to the north, was the Dutch Neighborhood. In other nearby locations were the Swedish Neighborhood and others. Hence the name "Neighborhood" harks back to a time when the early Dutch settlers dominated this entire countryside—a fact known to comparatively few of the present residents of Teaneck.

In Teaneck Community Orchestra, started within the last few months, Teaneck has a purely local musical organization that bids fair to grow rapidly to equal fame. In response to a movement first sponsored by Teaneck Taxpayers' League, at the suggestion of Mayor Karl D. Van Wagner, it started with a small orchestral group as a nucleus and has grown already to a membership of thirty, including the mayor himself as one of the violinists.

The original small group had been

in existence for some time, holding its meetings at Longfellow school on Oakdene Avenue under the direction of Wilbur Hamje, who is still the director of the larger organization.

The orchestra includes several members of recognized high standing in musical circles and its members are constantly being augmented by new recruits. It has already appeared in one public program that was creditably rendered and highly enjoyed, and music lovers of Teaneck look forward to the time when this orchestra shall hold high rank as a musical organization and enhance the reputation of Teaneck as a high-class, cultured community.

Both of these musical organizations, the oldest and the youngest in this section of Bergen County, are giving their services free for this concert, the only cost for the program being an allowance to the Neighborhood Glee Club for expenses in getting their membership together for rehearsals and for their appearance here.

The committee formed by Teaneck Welfare Organization to take charge of arrangements for the concert includes the following: Mesdames R. I. Inglehart, Geo. H. Perryman, Ritchie Brooks, Jr., W. A. Miller, John H. Ranges, F. W. Shulenberg and O. P. Morrow, and Messrs. Geo. L. O'Hare, Geo. A. Lampe, J. F. Convery, J. P. Birch, Herbert B. Ivins, Albert L. Nelson, F. W. Scholz, Rev. Richard Baxter, Rev. Charles Kemble, Henry Deissler and Frank A. Morrison.

Several local organizations have already undertaken to dispose of blocks of tickets, including the Women's Auxiliary of Teaneck Taxpayers' League, Teaneck Women's Club, St. Anastasia's Altar and Scapular Society, the High School Parent-Teacher Association and the two musical organizations that are to furnish the program.

With a program of such outstanding attractiveness offered at so low a price, and in support of so worthy and needy a cause, the Welfare Organization anticipates a generous response of citizens in the purchase of both general admission and patron-and-patroness tickets. The organization set out at the beginning of the season with the raising of \$12,000 for emergency unemployment relief as

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SUCCESS; ALL PLEASED**

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was particularly pleasing to those in charge of the publication of THE TOWN MANAGER, who from the start have endeavored to make it a newspaper representing both sides in every public issue—an open forum where all interested in the welfare of Teaneck may present their views and suggestions in frank discussion.

The official life of the township was quite fully represented in the attendance. Among those present, with their wives or other members of their families, were: Mayor Karl D. Van Wagner, Concilmen Louis G. Morten, Samuel S. Paquin and Frederick T. Warner, Township Manager Paul A. Volcker, Township Clerk Henry E. Diehl, Tax Collector Richard J. Pearson and Assessor Arthur Raymond, besides Deputy Clerk Clara Christensen, also many members of advisory boards and subordinates employed in various township departments.

Half the space of the dance floor was crowded with an eager throng while numbers were drawn for the prizes generously contributed by the advertisers of THE TOWN MANAGER. Chairman Frank A. Jennings called out the lucky numbers and presented the prizes, as his little daughter, Margaret, drew the numbered tickets from the depths of a basket in which they had been well shaken, while the crowd scanned the numbers on their ticket stubs. The prizes, in the order of their award, and their donors, were as follows:

- 1—One ton Sweeney's best coal; Sweeney Fuel Co., Inc.
- 2—One Puritan ham; Ideal Market.
- 3—One beautiful potted fern; H. Encke, Florist.
- 4—One all-wool blanket; Home Town Laundry.
- 5—One all-lace tablecloth; Weavers.
- 6—One inlaid bridge table; Mod-

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7—One ornate glass relish dish; William Ludewig.

8—Two \$3.50 boxes fancy crackers; Sunshine Biscuit Co.

9—One box Hubigant perfumes; Phelps Manor Drug Co.

10—One imported bath towel; Novelty Curtain Shop.

11—One smoked, sugar-cured ham; Fred Walther & Son.

12—One \$5 clothes-pressing ticket; The Plaza Tailor.

13—One quart of milk daily for a month; Borden Milk Co.

14—One leg of lamb; Community Market.

15—One set of calling cards; Dittus and Bisig.

16—One box finest writing paper and envelopes; A. Roffman.

The generosity of the advertisers of THE TOWN MANAGER was further expressed by the donation of all the delicious cakes and goodies that were served as refreshments, and which were a splendid demonstration of the quality of their products. These were contributed by the following Teaneck bakeries and restaurants: Cedar Lane Bakery, 448 Cedar Lane.

McDonald's Pastry Shop, 424 Cedar Lane.

Catherine Seaman, 121 Cedar Lane.

Tasty Baker Shop, 1197 Teaneck Road.

Queen Anne Bakery, 312 Queen Anne Road.

The Tea-Nook Restaurant, Teaneck Road, opposite Town Hall.

Schraft's Candy Stores, of New York.

Before the distribution of prizes, in order to get the dancers quieted down and attentive, Chairman Jennings distributed copies of "A Song to Teaneck," written by Councilman Samuel S. Paquin and first sung at the anniversary dinner of Teaneck Taxpayers' League last November 11, and called on the crowd to join in singing it while the melody of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching," was played by the orchestra. The audience joined in with a will, the words of the song being as follows:

I

There's a town where beauty dwells—

Wooded hills and flowery dells—

Fairer spot you'll never find,

where'er you roam;

Loyal friends and comrades dear

Welcome us with right good cheer,

When we greet them in our own

New Jersey home.

CHORUS

Here's our toast to dear old Teaneck—

Town we're proud to call our home:

One and all we pledge anew:

To our town we'll e'er be true,

And we'll spread its fame abroad

where'er we roam.

II

We will boast of Teaneck's fame

And defend its honored name,

Proud to say we live in Bergen's

finest town.

From the towering Palisades

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Manager P. Volcker Reports On Progress Of Unemployed Aid.

Under date of February 10, Township Manager Volcker addressed to members of the Joint Committee of the Township Council and the Board of Education on the High School Athletic Field, an interesting and detailed report showing the progress of the work up to that time.

Taking up first the area east of the High School building, the report shows that the work of rough grading that space has been completed, involving the moving of about 4,000 cubic yards of earth. The deepest cut made was ten feet at the southwest corner, and the deepest fill 8½ feet at the northeast corner. The entire area has been leveled, and in the early spring, as soon as the fill has settled and dried, drainage will be placed and the top will be fine-graded, the type of top surface not yet having been decided.

The work in front of the High School building is next discussed. The report shows that most of the trees that have to be removed have already come down. A few of those still standing at the top of the slope in front of the building will go later, also half a dozen or more of those near the corner of Queen Anne Road and Cranford Place. Grading started about February 1 on the field that will extend from the west side of the space reserved for a football gridiron and running track, west to Queen Anne Road, which is to be used for soccer and baseball.

When this area has all been graded with a very slight slope to expedite surface drainage and drying, it will receive first a light layer of sludge from the disposal plants and then be covered with a four-inch layer of topsoil, in which there will be a mixture of suitable fertilizer. Arrangements for securing the topsoil are under way, and it is expected that the plot will be in shape for seeding not later than April 1, which will insure by fall a turf heavy enough for football.

Just how soon work can start on the space that will be used for the football field and running track, and for the stadium, the report shows, will depend on how soon the heavy excavation work required can be done advantageously. There is about 25,000 cubic yards of earth to be removed. Brewster & Son have signified their desire to have all this earth for fill, and their willingness to remove it without cost to the township as soon as conditions permit. This will depend chiefly on the weather, and the date when their steam shovels will actually complete the work is still indefinite.

The report points out that, while it is certain that the permanent football field will not be in shape for play next fall, this will be to the ultimate advantage of the field,

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SPREAD OF DISEASE DANGERS ARE MANY; WARN FOOD HANDLERS

By W. F. REYNOLDS

Persons who are afflicted with communicable diseases, or are carriers of disease germs, may introduce disease germs into foods which they handle. Foods may be divided into three classes according to their likelihood to transmit infection from those who handle them to those who eat them:

(1) Foods which are cooked before they are eaten are not likely to transmit infection.

(2) Foods which are to be eaten raw are possible sources of infection, but are not likely to be dangerous provided they are properly cleaned.

(3) Foods in kitchens and those which are ready to be served at table are likely to transmit infection from infected cooks, waiters and clerks. Soup, meat broths, stews, and boiled potatoes are similar to the culture-media used in laboratories, and when they are infected, bacteria of disease may grow in them readily. Lunch counters, restaurants, delicatessen stores, and other places in which food is sold ready to be eaten spread diseases far more readily than butcher shops, groceries, and similar food stores in which most of the foods sold are cooked or cleansed before they are eaten.

The principal diseases which are transmitted by means of foods, are those of the intestines, especially typhoid fever. Cooks have been known, who have been spreaders of typhoid fever for years, and have produced cases in nearly every place in which they work. These carriers may be detected by modern methods of laboratory examinations of their excretions. Diseases of the throat and respiratory organs may also be transmitted by means of foods which are handled by infected persons or carriers. The best known examples of diseases, which are food-borne, are septic sore throat, diphtheria and scarlet fever by means of milk, but any other cooked food may also transmit the diseases.

Prevention

The prevention of food infection and of food borne diseases consists in: The education of the public; the inspection of places in which food is prepared and sold. Public education regarding food-borne diseases may be conducted along two general lines:

(1) Instruction regarding the preparation of foods so as to destroy whatever infection that be in them.

(2) Arousing the public to demand cleanliness and sanitary methods of handling foods in places in which foods are sold. Financial loss from lack of trade is an effective means of influencing food dealers to adopt sanitary methods of food handling.

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UNTIL JUNE 1ST 1932 RIGHT TURN AT HUDSON BLVD.-LEFT AT MANHATTAN AVE. TO S.H. ① THENCE AS ABOVE TO TEANECK

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(D) 42ND ST. FERRY TO WEEHAWKEN CORTLANDT ST. " WEST SHORE RAILROAD
(D') RIGHT AT EAST BLVD. THENCE SAME AS (C) TO TEANECK

(E) 125TH STREET FERRY AT TOP OF PALISADES RIGHT WITH S.H. ① TO C.H. 54. STRAIGHT AHEAD DOWN HILL TO C.H. 33. TURN RIGHT. THENCE SAME AS (C)

(F) GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE S.H. ④ DIRECT THRU TEANECK UNTIL JUNE 1ST 1932 LEAVE S.H. ④ AT ENGLEWOOD. RIGHT AT C.H. 33 (GRAND AVE.). THENCE LEFT AT C.H. 64 (FOREST AVE.). STRAIGHT AHEAD TO TEANECK

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Home Building Leads In Teaneck Records

In order to confirm the general impression that Teaneck was one of the leading New Jersey municipalities in the amount of construction done during 1931, the Township Manager recently had a tabulation made of the amount of building permits issued in the thirty-five largest municipalities. The results of this tabulation were an emphatic confirmation of the belief that Teaneck had outstripped many a larger municipality.

The detailed results of the survey are interesting. Naturally Newark led the State with somewhat over Six Millions worth of new construction. Then came Jersey City with about half that much. Following these two leaders came a group of three municipalities: Elizabeth, Hackensack and West Orange, with a greater value of new construction according to building permits than Teaneck. Teaneck came sixth out of the thirty-five municipalities, with a total of \$1,700,000 in new construction. However, the point that Teaneck's officials and realtors particularly emphasize is that Teaneck's \$1,700,000 worth of construction was entirely residential, practically all modern one-family dwellings, whereas in the cases of the three municipalities immediately preceding Teaneck, the volume of building is accounted for largely by new schools, theatres or other public buildings.

Taking this into consideration, the Teaneck Board of Realtors contend that there were more actual dwellings erected in Teaneck than in any other municipality in New Jersey, with the possible exception of Newark and Jersey City. Such large cities as Paterson, Trenton, Camden, Atlantic City and Hoboken were totally eclipsed by the Teaneck figures.

The construction in Teaneck is keeping up and in all sections of the Township new buildings are under construction with several new building permits issued each day. In January Teaneck ranked fifth again among New Jersey municipalities, only one thousand dollars behind Jersey City. The value of the permits issued in Teaneck for January was also greater than the total for any of sixteen states.

It is the contention of all those interested in the Township that this progress in Teaneck, only six miles from Broadway, over the Washington Bridge, will not stop until the Township is fully developed into a modern residential suburb, with a population of about 80,000 or four times its present population.

NEW PARKWAY PLAN OF REALTY BOARD

Plans of the West Shore Realty Syndicate for the development of property along the east bank of the Hackensack River, north of the new State highway, has been approved by the Teaneck Planning Commission.

The map calls for the building of a street one block west of River Road running north from a point of Cornwall avenue, a distance of two blocks, to a point of Forest avenue. No provision is made on the map for lots on the west side of the new street which will be known as Bridgeview Avenue. It is the idea of the planning board that the strip of land between the west side of the street and the river will be developed into a parkway.

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Teaneck Fortunate In Having Safe, Modern Banking Institution

The bank building featured in this month's issue of THE TOWN MANAGER is that of the West Englewood National Bank, Teaneck's first banking institution.

The demand for banking facilities in Teaneck occasioned by the rapid development it experienced led a group of well-known local citizens to apply to the Comptroller of Currency for a charter. In April, 1923, the Comptroller granted these men a National Bank charter and they at once proceeded with all the preliminary details so that the bank could function as soon as possible.

The original site selected was the Davidson Building, on Station Street, and it was completely renovated to make it suitable for banking purposes. On Saturday, June 30, 1923, the bank was formally opened, and the support given to this institution by the citizens was of great satisfaction to the Board of Directors.

The bank made excellent progress and prospered in this location, and soon the quarters, which it occupied, were much too small. It was decided by the directors to seek a permanent building site for a new home, and the corner on which the building now stands was selected.

Construction Starts

Construction on the new bank building was started in nineteen twenty-seven, and the building was formally opened and dedicated in March, 1929. Teaneck has been fortunate in having such a beautiful building erected within its confines, as not only has the West Englewood National Bank made a most valuable addition to the architectural features of the township, but it has been a moral force in the community. Through its various departments it has been constantly teaching a lesson of thrift.

A brief description of the bank is as follows:

The entire exterior construction consists of granite and limestone, being two stories in height. The bank occupies the entire first floor and the second floor is divided into ten business offices, five of which are rented at the present time.

As one enters the main entrance the impression given is one of richness as Vermont and Italia marble is the decorative stone used throughout. The floor surfaces in the main portion of the bank are of terrazzo and "rubber stone" is used in all the employees' space for their comfort. The color scheme

PRESIDING OVER SAFETY OF CLIENTS' INTERESTS



JACOB H. SCHILLING, President

carried throughout is of green-grey tint, and the marble used is white tinted with green.

Every Modern Facility

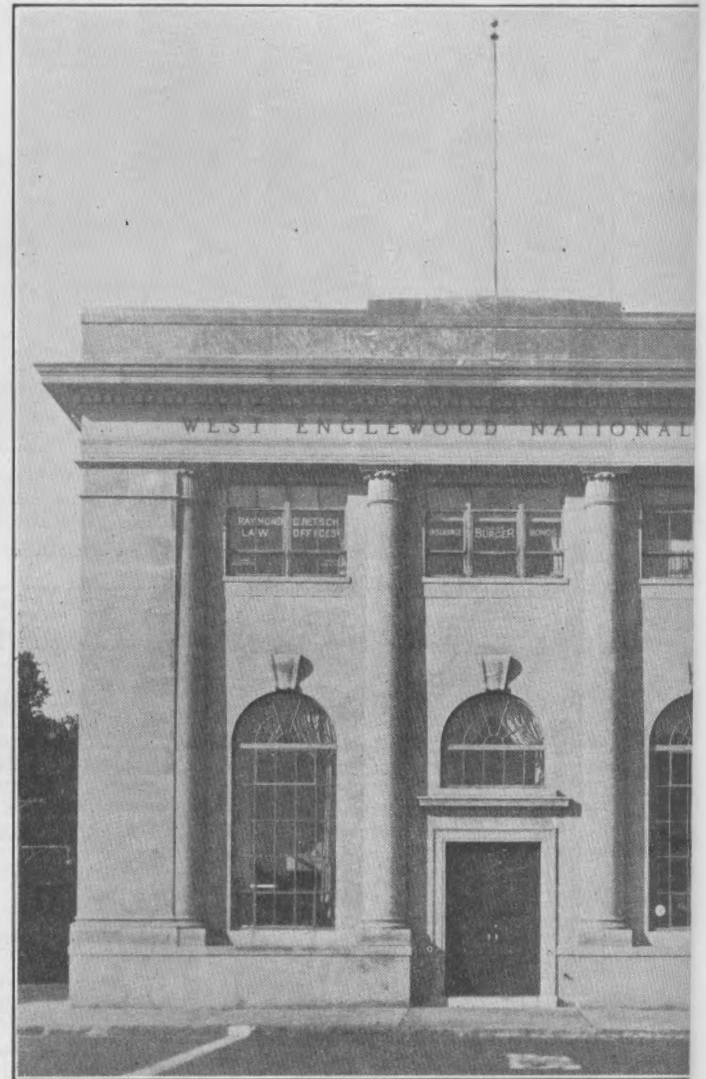
In the center of the main banking room stands a beautiful customers' check desk of bronze with a glass writing top. To the right of the entrance is a ladies' rest room provided for the use of the women patrons. To the left of the entrance are the offices of the president and cashier, and the cages flank both sides of the lobby. The rear portion, where the vaults are located, is protected by a handsome polished steel grill. The main vault is protected by a huge circular steel door weighing over twelve tons. All the latest protective devices are employed throughout the vault, such as time locks, holdup signalling devices and a Duplex air ventilator, which insures complete protection against anyone being locked in the vault either accidentally or intentionally. Food, as well as air, can be passed through this air ventilator.

Inside the vault are five hundred stainless steel, safety deposit boxes, which are of various sizes, and rent for five dollars per year and up. The bank was one of the first to install this type of box, as the stainless steel obviates the necessity of keeping them covered with grease to prevent rusting which is objectional to the renters. Directly over the vault is a messanine which is used as a directors' room. In the basement is a silver storage vault, old record vault, supply room and the men's locker room.

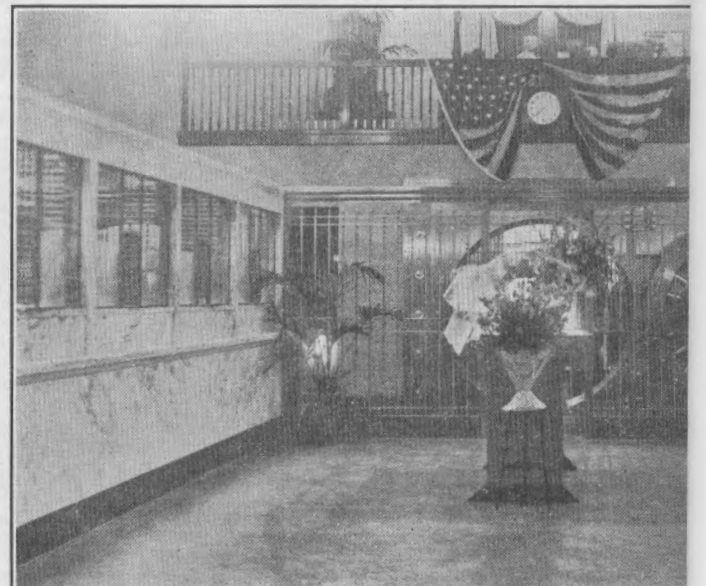
Officers

Jacob H. Schilling is the president of the bank; Ritchie Brooks, Jr., vice-president, and Frank A. Weber, the cashier. The following

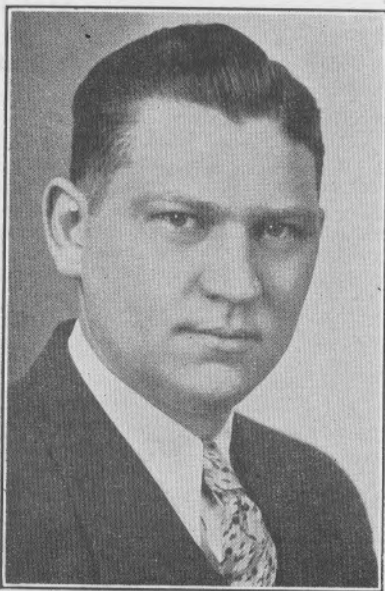
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SERVICE TO DEPOSITORS WEBER'S FOREMOST AIM



FRANK A. WEBER, Cashier

men make up the board of directors: Frederic H. Brendle, William A. Brendle, Ritchie Brooks, Jr., Francis J. Duffy, John J. Heywang Jacob H. Schilling, Nicholas Volk, Frank A. Weber, and Herbert V. Widman, and much of the remarkable success is due to the foresight and business ability of these men.

All branches of banking are to be found in the West Englewood National Bank. They have installed the most modern equipment to enable them to offer every good banking facility and convenience, coupled with courteous service. No other bank can offer more.

Some of their most popular departments are: Commercial Department; the officers are always glad to consult with you confidentially and furnish you with information which you cannot obtain elsewhere. Investment counsel is also offered.

Savings Department

The Savings Department is provided with the most modern equipment and accounts are absolutely confidential.

The 'Safe Deposit Vault is one of the finest, it is equipped with the most modern devices for protection. The massive steel door, with four time locks, which prevents the opening of the door, even with the combination, excepting at a certain pre-arranged time, offers unfailing protection. Each individual safe deposit box is equipped with two locks. In order to open the box it is necessary for the bank to unlock their lock before the box can be opened by the customer. Neither can the box be opened by the bank unless the renter unlocks his lock. This double protection is one of the many efforts to protect the customers' valuables. For the box renters'

convenience the bank has provided booths in which the customers can examine the contents of their box in absolute privacy.

Christmas Club

The bank also has a Christmas Club, whereby it is convenient to save a small sum each week to provide funds for Christmas shopping.

Travelers' checks are also sold, which afford protection for anyone who travels, as these checks can be cashed at any bank, hotel, and almost any store, and if lost, they are valueless and the purchasers money is refunded.

The West Englewood National Bank through its correspondents, can also transfer money to any city, foreign or domestic.

The officers and directors of the West Englewood National Bank feel that the future of Bergen County, and especially Teaneck, will be bright. Their policy will be to offer to the residents of Teaneck conservative banking facilities and to assist the home-owners in every way possible, so as to make Teaneck the best spot in Bergen County to live in.

The West Englewood National Bank has enjoyed the confidence of its depositors in every respect, and it is a depository for the United States Government, State of New Jersey, Township of Teaneck, Boro of Bergenfield, and the Post Office Department.

Teaneck may well be proud of having in its community so fine an institution conservatively and well managed.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION

January 30, 1932

Resources

U. S. Government Bonds	\$ 184,804.06
Municipal Bonds	64,659.37
Bonds—all others	317,920.67
Loans and Discounts	95,825.62
Mortgage Loans	144,225.00
Cash on Hand and in banks	114,224.65
Banking House and Vault	138,562.00
Furniture and Fixtures	9,700.00
Accrued Interest Receivable	7,768.61
Other assets	10,904.65
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00

\$1,091,094.63

Liabilities

Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	24,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,223.67
Unearned Interest	576.73
Circulation outstanding	50,000.00
Cashier's Checks	1,405.37
Certified Checks	324.00
Bills payable	35,000.00
Due to banks	15,292.06
Deposits	913,272.80

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**PURDY SEES BOOM IN
HOMESEKING IN TEANECK**

Robert W. Purdy, in his inaugural address before the Real Estate Board of Bogota and Teaneck, at its annual meeting, stated that the unexpected interest shown by homeseekers and the actual number of house sales during the past month was a sign of a healthy sales condition. He pointed out that this unexpected condition might develop into a shortage of available houses. He urged the builders to speed up their building programs and at the same time maintain Teaneck's Construction and Architectural standard.

Other officers elected were Edward Reis, vice-president; Charles R. Demarest, treasurer; Paul Heinen, secretary. George B. Hitchcock will serve as the governor of the board of directors. J. C. Threnheuser, Edward Hallberg, Charles D. Walker and Rex Mosher were elected directors.

The membership voted in favor of President Hoover's Home Loan bank plan and will ask Senators Barbour and Kean and Congressman Perkins to support it.

Opposition was voiced to the proposed stamp tax bill on real estate.

**FINANCIAL "CLOUDS"
BRIGHTEN AS PROBLEM
FOR 1934 CLEAR UP**

(Continued)

made it will be possible to determine just how Teaneck stands with reference to the debt limit law passed in 1930. It is probable that in the near future it will be possible for Teaneck again to undertake public and local improvements and with moderate amounts of bonds maturing each year after 1934, to arrange maturities for later issues so that the township will never again be confronted with financial barriers to overcome that will put any severe strain

upon its resources, or any undue or illogical burden upon taxpayers.

**Realty Board Will
Aid Home Owners**

Announcement is made that the Real Estate Board of Teaneck and Bogota, Inc., will cheerfully co-operate with home owners delinquent in their taxes, by exerting influence with mortgage companies and Township officials to save homes from being sold for taxes.

This service is offered free of charge, and without obligation of any kind. Those who wish to avail themselves of this opportunity need only to visit the office headquarters of the Board and explain the circumstances on a form questionnaire.

Out of 5500 homes in Teaneck, only 202 are in arrears in the taxes—with a total of \$39,000. Following is the resolution adopted recently by the Real Estate Board:

"RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Real Estate Board of Teaneck and Bogota, Inc., are willing to co-operate with the Township officials in order to assist the resident home-owners who are delinquent with their tax payments, to the extent of intervening with the mortgage companies to help prevent their homes being offered for sale by the town.

"RESOLVED also that the Board of Directors prepare immediately, and submit to a meeting to be held not later than March 3rd, 1932, its recommendations for the most suitable and expedient manner in which this intervention can be satisfactory consummated.

"It is our intention to prepare a questionnaire to be filled in by interested home owners and members of the Board will be available Saturday, March 12th from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. in the office opposite West Englewood R. R. Station, Tel. Teaneck 7-1350, to assist applicants in filling in the questionnaire.

"There will be no charge for this service whatsoever."

Letters From The People**AN ANONYMOUS LETTER**

We have received a very interesting communication from one of our readers dealing with Teaneck's place in the revolutionary periods of 1776, but it is to be regretted that through modesty or oversight this manuscript has been sent to us unsigned which prevents it from publication.

BUSINESS GOOD

Mr. A. Panettieri, proprietor of Manor Shoe Repairing Shop on Cedar Lane, announces the change of address to larger quarters to take care of his increasing business since he started advertising in THE TOWN MANAGER. Look for his new address in this issue.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

Since advertising in THE TOWN MANAGER Mr. Henry W. Behnken, Jr., of Copley Avenue, Teaneck, announces the opening of his new store at 250 De Graw Avenue, Teaneck corner Queen Anne Road, with a full line of high grade surgical appliances and a special department for male and female patients.

Mr. Behnken, who is now only thirty-nine years of age, has been in this line nearly twenty-four years. Having started as an office boy at the age of fifteen with Pomeroy Surgical Company, New York, he is considered one of the best truss-fitters in Northern New Jersey. There will also be a special woman in attendance.



Superiority of Machine Street Sweeper Reflected In Comparative Cost Figures

Teaneck with its thirty-eight curbed miles of streets has always provided the problem of keeping them presentably clean. Up to and including December, 1930, the method of cleaning by hand was not entirely satisfactory. That is, there were four men detailed to clean only four sections of the town.

These men swept sections, and when finished started the same section over again, leaving four or five sections of the town without any sweeping service for a whole year. This is a matter of record.

In trying to strike a fair comparison of the methods formerly used and the methods now in use, we have taken the year 1930 when the streets were swept by hand, with the year 1931 when the Elgin sweeper was in use. Although the records of 1930 are neither detailed nor definite, costs of same will most definitely show that the method now employed is safer, faster, better and more economical.

It is safer because of elimination of hand push broom sweepers from an insurance viewpoint. It is obvious that it is faster and better. Total costs prove it more economical.

According to records on file, one hand sweeper was employed in each of the following sections.

Lower Teaneck section.
Phelps Manor section.
Cedar Lane section.
West Englewood section.

These four men were employed steadily in sweeping sections mentioned above. The township as a whole was swept annually, by an enlarged force of men. This sweeping was done in October and

in the beginning of November. Sections other than those mentioned above, were not swept for another year.

The costs of sweeping by hand, as shown below were also taken from records of 1930 now on file at the town hall.

	Cost	Hours
January	\$ 20.00	32
February
March	20.00	32
April	480.00	768
May	460.00	736
June	480.00	768
July	90.00	144
August	395.00	472
September	480.00	768
October	930.00	1528
November	710.00	1136
December	110.00	176

\$4,075.00

The records for 1930 show no mileage swept or materials used. Nor is there a record showing what was done with the sweepings.

The method now in use, we believe, is satisfactory in its entirety. The streets are now cleaned by an Elgin, model "D" motor-driven sweeper, which flushes, sweeps and carries sweepings in one operation. It is operated by one man, who, weather permitting, sweeps the town twice weekly, or at least once weekly. The machine has one rotary broom and two gutter brooms, which throw sweepings onto a leather belt, which in turn carries it to a compartment on the front of the machine. When this compartment, which holds two cubic yards, is full, the operator dumps the load in a designated place.

These loads are then picked up by a truck with driver and two

laborers. This takes about two hours each morning.

The sweeper leaves the township garage at 4:00 A. M. each morning and returns at 11:30 A. M. It is washed down and made ready for the next day's work. The machine is driven by Operator John Stevenson, who also makes all adjustments and repairs, and builds the new brooms. Mr. Stevenson has been complimented by the representatives of the Elgin Sweeper Company as being a most industrious and competent operator.

The following figures show cost and mileage covered by sweeper. The operator's salary, cost of picking up loads and disposal thereof by truck and laborers, making brooms and repairs, extra labor, in fact, everything is included except depreciation which is estimated at \$600 per year.

June, 1931—	
Swept 324 curb miles.	
Total cost for month...\$293.76	
Cost per mile for sweeping and disposal....	.906
July, 1931—	
Swept 232 curb miles.	
Total cost for month... 211.35	
Cost per mile for sweeping and disposal....	.91
August, 1931—	
Swept 340 curb miles.	
Total cost for month... 237.76	
Cost per mile for sweeping and disposal....	.699
September, 1931—	
Swept 246 curb miles.	
Total cost for month... 209.51	
Cost per mile for sweeping and disposal....	.851
October, 1931—	
Swept 216 curb miles.	
Total cost for month... 232.08	
Cost per mile for sweeping and disposal....	1.07
November, 1931—	
Swept 276 curb miles.	

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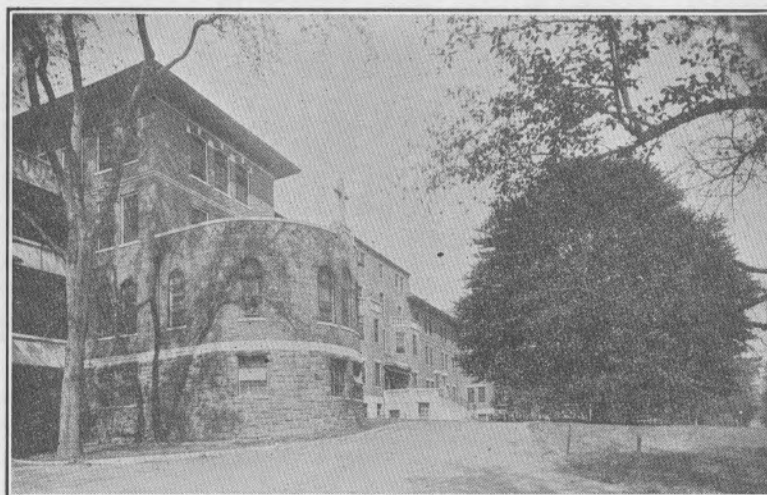
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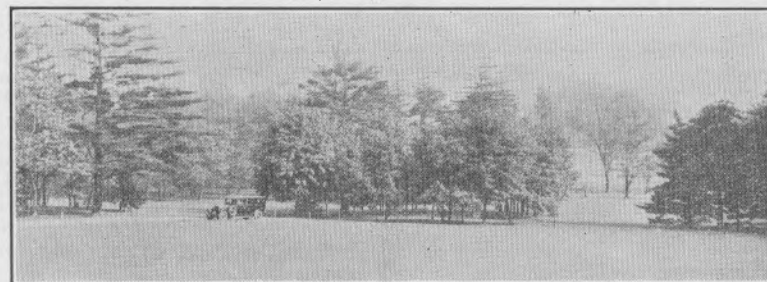
One of the most important prop-
erties of life is growth. But
growth in itself is not necessarily
something to be desired. There
are several kinds of growth. There
is the sturdy growth of the oak
from its humble beginning, to its
fruition as a majestic tree; and
there is the sordid growth of a
fungus. There is the orderly
growth of a child, from babyhood
to manhood; and there is the dis-
orderly growth of a malignant
cancer. There has always seemed
to me to be something puerile in
the blatant self-advertisement of
many small towns as expressed on
roadside bill-boards: "This is Hick-
ville; watch us grow"! Who cares
for growth, per se? Who cares
for the fungoid growth of an ar-
tificially induced boom? What is
there attractive about the disorderly
growth of a "gold rush"? Growth
that is sturdy, that is order-
ly, growth that proceeds ac-
cording to plan, this indeed is to
be desired. Such a growth has
been Teaneck's, to a large degree,
in the past. It is hoped that, to
an even larger degree, in the fu-
ture, a sturdy, orderly, planned
growth will occur.

Progress Rapid

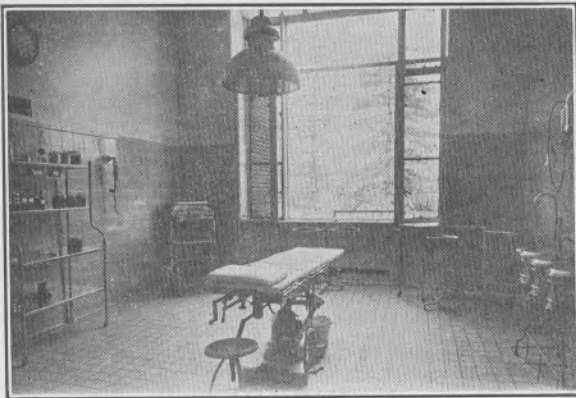
One of the most interesting, as
well as outstanding aspects of Tea-

neek's growth is seen in the pro-
gress of the modern hospital which
we are so fortunate as to have
within its borders. The hospital
serves not only Teaneck but sur-
rounding towns in the county, and
owes its existence to the foresight
and the zealous persistence of Dr.
Frank C. McCormack, who has
been the Medical Director of the
institution since its inception.
Through his efforts the Sisters of
St. Joseph, well experienced in
hospital management and nursing,
were persuaded to add to their al-
ready considerable debt, by build-
ing, financing and operating the
Holy Name Hospital of Teaneck.

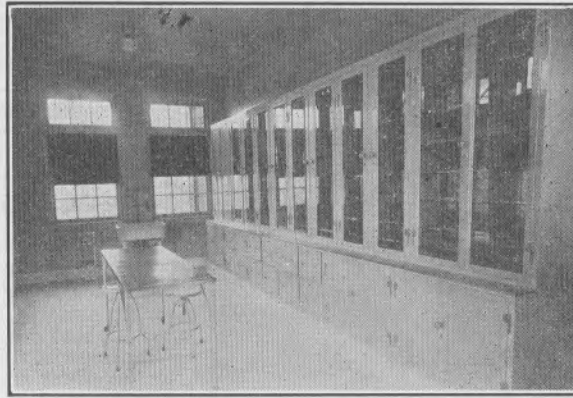
The spot selected as a location
for the hospital was an ideal one
for this purpose. The beautiful,
well-wooded plot of ground, meas-
uring ten acres, was formerly the
site of the homestead of the
Phelps family. Certainly, the sad-
ness which one would feel at the
dissolution of a fine old estate is
considerably modified when we
view the beauty of the buildings
which have replaced the old man-
sion, and consider their beneficent
purpose. It was on June 19, 1924,
that work was started on the main
building, and it was formally op-
ened on October 4, 1925. The struc-
tural parts are of steel, concrete
and hollow block, the exterior be-
ing faced with tapestry red brick
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HANDSOME SHRUBBERY AND LANDSCAPING



OPERATING ROOM



INSTRUMENT ROOM

HOLY NAME HOSPITAL RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF NEW JERSEY'S FINEST

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and stone trimmings. This original building had a capacity of one hundred and seventy beds.

Outside Aid

The original plans did not provide for an "Out Patient Department." It was considered that the hospital was situated so far "out in the country" that any kind of an active Out Patient service would not be required. In fact, many predictions were made that very few of the hospital's original one hundred and seventy beds would be occupied. However, it was not long before the pessimists were found to be in error. First, temporary provisions had to be made for a Clinic; and shortly thereafter additional buildings had to be erected. The first of these, a handsome Nurses' Home, one of the finest in the State, was opened on Sunday, February 12, 1928. A central power plant was put into service at the same time. Only one month later, that is two years and four months after the first opening of the hospital, it became evident that a further building program must be undertaken immediately. At that time, the first public appeal for help was made. Let us remember, the original buildings, comprising a modern hospital and Nurses' Home, had

been erected at a cost of \$1,000,000 without any general appeal to the public. Accordingly, on April 26, 1928, a drive was started for funds to finance a new addition. This drive realized \$351,060. The addition was placed in the rear of the original building, the whole taking the form of the letter "H", and bringing the capacity of the hospital up to 250 beds. All the buildings are in architectural harmony and provide a complete and compact unit.

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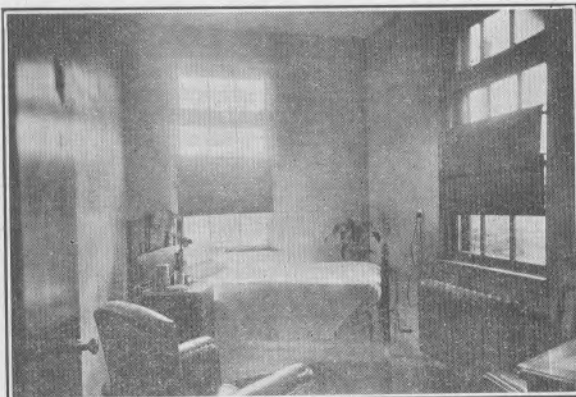
The interior of the hospital fulfills the promise of its exterior. Every possible convenience and aid for the diagnosis and treatment of medical and surgical conditions have been installed, and the hospital has been approved by, and has received the highest rating of the American College of Surgeons. In addition to the excellence of its technical equipment, the hospital possesses a quality seldom found in such institutions. There is a cheerful, homelike atmosphere about it that is apparent to patients and visitors alike. This must be experienced to be appreciated.

A detailed description of the various departments of the hospital is not possible in the brief space available. Only a few of the more important details will be given here. On the main floor of the hospital are the reception room and offices, the X-Ray laboratories, the Emergency Room, some wards and rooms for male patients, and in the

new section clinic rooms and pathological laboratories. The eastern half of the second floor is devoted to the maternity department, which is entirely self-contained, and the western half to the children's wards and rooms. On the third floor, are the suite of operating rooms, and also some private and semi-private rooms, and wards for female patients. The fourth floor contains additional private rooms and the Internes' quarters. There is a large and attractive roof-garden, and each floor is well provided with solarium and balconies.

The Chapel

On the ground floor, at the extreme southern end, is an artistic and devotional chapel, with a seating capacity of seventy. The hospital is, and always has been, non-sectarian; "as non-sectarian as appendicitis", in the words of Mr. William Conklin. Up to May, 1931, over 16,000 bed patients had been treated regardless of race or creed. The nursing staff, and the medical staff of the hospital include those professing various creeds. But the motive power that lies behind those responsible for the establishment and management of this undertaking cannot be understood except in the light of that little chapel where they worship that same God who is the Father of all of us. Self-sacrificing devotion to the cause of sick humanity, without earthly recompense, fame or glory, can be explained on no other basis.



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its objective. Up to date it has realized about \$5,300, and the recent spell of severe cold has been a severe drain on its funds, so that it is in immediate need of replenishing its treasury.

Since everyone who attends the concert will receive more than his money's worth in entertainment of the highest quality, besides the consciousness of having contributed to the comfort and well-being of his own neighbors and fellow citizens in distress through unemployment, it is believed that the capacity of High School Auditorium will be sold out before the event. Those who wish to attend should not delay in securing tickets.

While final details of the program to be rendered have not all been decided upon, the committee has announced tentatively a program in which little change is likely to be made.

Teaneck Community Orchestra will dedicate its main selection to the great composer Haydn, in recognition of his bi-centennial, which is being celebrated this year. The Haydn numbers will be presented by a string quartet of which the members are:

Edmund Wirths—first violin.
Wilbur Hamje—second violin.
Rudolf Olsen—viola.
Eric Freund—violinello.

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Viola—Taola Antonis Testore, Milano, 1757.
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The Haydn quartet numbers will include rendition of the "Kaiser Quartet," one of this composer's greatest contributions to chamber music, and the well-beloved English favorite, "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes."

The other chief item in the orchestra program will be the playing of a suite for piano with orchestra, arranged especially for

this concert by the composer, Paul Gundlach, who is a resident of Teaneck, and who will play the piano solo part. This suite is made up of three short numbers describing Nature's moods in June, October and December.

The Neighborhood Glee Club numbers in the program are announced as follows:

Part One

"Awake, My Love".....Gerick
"A Londonderry Air" (Irish Folk Song) Baldwin

Part Two

"Nina" Pergolesi
Tenor solo by Henri Beaugarde
"A Song of the Sea".....
..... G. Waring Stebbens

Part Three

"The Reapers".....
..... Bohemian Folk Song
"Morning" Oley Speaks

It is to be noted that the only solo in the glee club program will be sung by Mr. Henri Baugarde, a resident of Teaneck, who was one of the quartet that rendered several numbers, and who led the group singing, at the first anniversary dinner of Teaneck Taxpayers' League at Elks' Club in Hackensack last November 11.

Tickets for the concert may be obtained at the office of Teaneck Welfare Organization in the Hollander Building on Teaneck Road, opposite Town Hall, and reservations may be made by phone to that office, the phone number being Teaneck 6-2601, or Teaneck 7-2601. Tickets also can be obtained direct from the treasurer, Mr. J. P. Birch, 327 Warwick Avenue, West Englewood, whose phone number is Teaneck 7-4020.

TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE PARTY WAS BRILLIANT SUCCESS; ALL PLEASED

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To the Ram-a-po's far glades,
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Chairman Frank A. Jennings was the recipient of many congratulations upon the success of the affair, which, he said, will be followed from time to time by other social gatherings sponsored by the staff of THE TOWN MANAGER, and of which the chief aim will be to get people of Teaneck better acquainted with each other and thus help develop community spirit and enthusiasm.

The other members of the committee in charge of the bridge party and dance were: Mrs. E. S. Brown, Mrs. John Draney, Mrs. F. A. Jennings, Mrs. W. S. Jessurun, Mrs. J. R. Katzman, Mrs. J. J. McKenna, Mrs. Samuel S. Paquin, Mrs. E. P. Prue, Mrs. Dorothy L. Rapp, Mrs. W. J. Senn, Mrs. B. Steinke, Mrs. S. Sweeney, Mrs. F. R. Toombs, Mrs. John Tribert, Mrs. Karl D. VanWagner, Mrs. Donald M. Waesche, Mrs. Howard Ward and Mrs. E. M. Young.

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I say to you now that that sweet faced English nurse, Edith Cavell, in her cell in Brussels, Belgium, at two o'clock in the morning, softly repeating to herself, "Abide with me, fast falls the even tide," while a German firing squad waited outside to consign her soul to eternity, was a more powerful figure than the Kaisers of all time. For all over the world when men heard of her death and sacrifice, their arms were nerved and their hearts were steeled, and they said as they clicked their teeth together, "By God, we'll stop at no sacrifice to put down a tyranny that can make such a thing as that possible."

We wonder sometimes where Washington and Jefferson and Lincoln and Roosevelt and Edith Cavell and those heroes of more recent days got their inspiration. Possessed of no better standard, we try to translate it all into business or politics, but we make only poor headway. I like to think that Dr. Carruth of Leland Stanford University, who passed the other day to his long reward, caught the real emphasis of life when he said:

"A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell,
A jelly-fish and a saurian
And Caves where cave-men dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty,
And face turned from the clod—
Some call it Evolution,
And others call it God.

A haze on the far horizon,
The infinite, tender sky;
The ripe, rich tint of the cornfields
And the wild geese sailing high;
And all over upland and lowland
The charm of the goldenrod—
Some of us call it Autumn,
And others call it God.

Like tides on a crescent sea beach
When the moon is new and thin,
Into our hearts high yearnings
Come welling and surging in,
Come from the mystic ocean
Whose rim no foot has trod—
Some of us call it Longing,
And others call it God.

A picket frozen on duty,
A mother starved for her brood,
Socrates drinking the hemlock
And Jesus on the rood;
And millions who, humble and nameless,
The straight, hard pathway trod—
Some call it Consecration,
And others call it God."

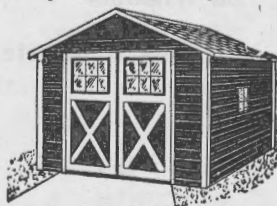
You and I hear men today discussing great public questions. One man talks of compensation for injured workmen. Another man speaks of the prohibition of child labor. Another man talks of equal suffrage, and still another man talks of the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Then you hear still

another man saying, "Oh! that's all politics." But yet another man more thoughtfully inclined answers, "No, that's not politics; that's a great program of humanity we have today. We are thinking very differently from the way we thought fifty, seventy-five or a hundred years ago." And this last man rather lingers on those words. We hear him repeat. "That's a great program of humanity." And we wonder where we got this program of humanity. The man of politics still insists. He says, "Oh! well, Roosevelt first talked about those things." Another man says, "No, he didn't; Bryan first talked about those things." And then an old man steps forward who has long white whiskers. He says, "I am the original populist. I used to talk about those things out in Kansas forty-five years ago." And so far as the element of time is concerned, probably he is right. But you go to Mr. Roosevelt and you say to him, "Mr. Roosevelt, where did you get your inspiration for this thing you call the square deal, this insistence upon equal justice and equal opportunity for everybody?" and Mr. Roosevelt answers, "Why I have told you that I am a Lincoln Republican, a Thomas Jefferson Democrat." We go then to Lincoln, the great emancipator, and we say to him, "Lincoln, where did you get your inspiration for these ideals of yours? How is it that through four long years you can carry upon your heart the burden of the north as well as of the south, strike the shackles from four millions of slaves, and lay down your life in the cause of liberty?" And Lincoln replies, "We have always made the fight for things like this. Don't you know, that is why Washington prayed in the snow at Valley Forge." And we go then to Washington, the father of his country, upon his knees at Valley Forge, and we say to him, "Washington, how is it that through snow and ice you can fight on to save the cause of the Colonies when everyone has turned away from you, when Congress down at

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York will not even vote you money to provide shoes for your troops? Where did you get your inspiration?" And Washington answers, "The battle has been going on down through the centuries for things like this. Don't you know, that's what Miles Standish talked about in the early days of the Colonies." And we go back to Miles Standish and we say to him, "Miles Standish, what is it that has led you to come three thousand miles across an inhospitable ocean to a more inhospitable coast to worship God in your own way? Where did you get your inspiration for this example of human sacrifice?" And Miles Standish replies, "Haven't you heard how mankind rises out of the gloom of centuries? That's why Cromwell fought his king, that's why Martin Luther nailed his thesis on the door of Castle Church, that's why Savonarola was burned at the Stake." And we go back to the day of Cromwell, wringing concessions from a reluctant king, back beyond the time of Martin Luther nailing his thesis on the door of Castle Church, back beyond the day of Savonarola lighting his own funeral fire in the public square of Florence. And finally we come down through the lanes of Palestine. We pass John the Baptist on the way and we pass Paul on the road to Damascus, and way back beyond it all we come to a hill called Calvary, and right there where the great Carpenter of Nazareth gave his life for a better brotherhood and finer manhood, we realize the inspiration that thrilled the Life of Washington and Jefferson and Lincoln and Roosevelt and those heroes of the centuries, for we hear the great Carpenter of Nazareth saying: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another. Even as ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them."

My dear friends, a deep and pro-

found gratitude should fill each of our hearts today as we reflect upon those foundations which were builded by the forefathers who forgot themselves into immortality. Out of each national crisis our country has emerged with shining face in the splendor of her achievements. It has seemed as though the watchful eye of a divine providence has been upon her, leading her upward and onward. James Russell Lowell prophetically said: "Careless seems the great Avenger; History's pages but record One death-grapple in the darkness Twixt old systems and the Word; Truth forever on the scaffold, Wrong forever on the throne,— Yet that scaffold sways the future, And, behind the dim unknown, Standeth God within the shadow, Keeping watch above his own."

No thoughtful American will shirk his individual responsibility. That responsibility demands of him the best type of citizenship. God grant that none of us shall be found wanting in our adherence to our laws, in our respect for the constitution and in our vision of the high place which America shall occupy in the coming days. Certainly we must press forward and ever forward. The voice of America is never the voice of retreat. We have had in us something of that spirit of the drummer boy of Marengo.

At the battle field of Margeno, Napoleon, seeing the day going against him, turned to a little drummer boy and said, "Beat the retreat." The little fellow with tears streaming down his face turned to the great Corsican and said, "Sire, I cannot beat the retreat, Desaix has never taught me that. But I can beat a charge. I can beat a charge that would wake the dead. I beat it at Austerlitz. I beat it at Jena. I beat it at the Pyramids. Oh! sire, may I not now beat a charge?" And the great commander, stung by the rebuke, ordered up his reserves, directed the boy to beat a charge, and the French troops swept forward to one of Napoleon's greatest victories.

You and I, living in this wonderful age and generation, cannot be non-combatants. With world events taking place all about us, we must hear ringing in our ears the words of Byron:

"The dead have been awakened;
Shall I sleep?

The world's at war with tyrants;
Shall I crouch?

The Harvest's ripe, and shall I
pause to reap?

I slumber not; a thorn is in my
couch.

Each day a trumpet soundeth in
my ear,

Its echo in my heart."

And when one pauses to look backward upon the foundations builded by earnest men who thought nothing of themselves but only of that country which should arise under the providence of God, to take the leadership for the faltering feet of the nations, there seems to be a greater dignity as we pronounce the word American; and one has a deeper sense of af-

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Art In The Home Need Not Be Costly

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part Persia has played in the ar-
tistic life of mankind, but the are
lovers all over the world know full
well the debt that we owe Per-
sia for her magnificent contribu-
tion to the arts, whether it is in
India, China, Turkey, Italy or
Spain, and now in America. Her
influence has been vast. and of
course, it is most pronounced in
her rugs and carpets. At the
present the Persian artists and ar-
tisans are working to produce such
objects that are both beautiful and
inexpensive. They at on time sac-
rifice the beauty of the object
made for the sake of cheapness.
Thy will put as much time in a
twenty-five cent piece of goods, for
example, as if it were a master-
piece. In fact, the Orientals con-
sider art as worship, and they al-
so believe that any work done in
the spirit of service to others is an
act of worship or prayer.

The modern home-maker need
not spend too much money or time
to search for rare things. She has
access now to a large variety of
art from all over the world which
can be placed in the home at very
little cost. The thing to keep in
mind is to find the right object
for the right place—the right pur-
pose. Utility is very essential in
selecting an object for the home
if we do not make a fad of "col-
lecting", lacking either the accom-
modations or the desire.

Again a few words about the
universality of the Persian crafts.
No matter in what period (whether
authentic or imitation) you may be
furnishing your home, you will find
that Persian art objects fit in well.
For instance, the early Colonial
home had as a part of its furnish-
ings some old Persian hand block-
ed prints. The same can be said
of any other period. Of course, the
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Art In The Home Need Not Be Costly

By Mr. Allah K. Khan

Up to very recent times, the average man or woman's idea of art and artistic things has been connected with great expense. In fact, money has played so large a part in our life, that we have become surfeited with its importance. If our household furnishings or other things cost a lot, we were thought of as highly cultured.

But recently, and perhaps due to the depression, and far more to the true education of the masses by disinterested art lovers, money is being put in its proper place. The Persian Arts and Crafts dealers here and in Persia have had a great deal to do with this movement.

Most people are unaware of the
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MANAGER P. VOLCKER REPORTS ON PROGRESS OF UNEMPLOYED AID

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since the delay will result in a fall planting, which insures a much heavier and better turf than a spring planting. Meantime the football squad will have, in the law developed for ultimate use as a baseball and soccer field, a much better place for the gridiron game than they have ever had before.

The report adds that up to February 1 the work had cost about \$5,000.

Of the total amount expended so far, a very heavy percentage has been used in giving employment to the unemployed of Teaneck, in keeping with the purpose of the legislation enacted at Trenton making available to municipalities state funds, in amounts pro-rated in accordance with their ratables, to meet half the cost of labor employed in public improvements. It was through the initiative of the township council, in applying for state funds made available by these acts, that the project to im-

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Of the total amount expended up to date, more than \$1,000 already has been returned to the township from the state, which ultimately will pay almost one-half of the entire labor cost of the improvement. When it is recalled that approximately two-thirds of the entire cost of the improvement, when finished, will have been expended for labor, the state paying about one-half of this item, it will be seen that the township gets the improvement for about two-thirds of its cost, and spread over a period of years, so that it will at no time amount to more than a few points in the tax rate.

Through the initiative of the township council, Teaneck is getting the advantage of its full quota of the funds made available through the state unemployment and emergency relief bills, and producing therewith a public improvement along the state highway that will be a most attractive advertisement of the community; while the tennis courts and other facilities provided will in future years be a constant source of revenue for the school system. Many of the municipalities throughout the state failed to make application for their allotted quotas of the state funds, and are being criticised for their failure to take advantage of this opportunity to give work to their unemployed.

SCHOOL BOARD CONTROL TO BE GUIDED SOLELY BY PLATFORM PLEDGES

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campaign committee or any other element. He also pledged his utmost efforts toward the furtherance of the League's success in any of its future undertakings.

When the newly elected members have taken their seats in the board, the League majority will have as a guide for their activities the League's platform on school affairs and program of things to be accomplished. To these they stand committed to the voters by reason of the fact that they accepted their nominations to run on that platform, and were elected by the people on that platform.

THE IMPORTANCE OF ART IN CITY PLANNING IS EXPLAINED BY GANDY

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planning of each city founded thereafter, as the population increased, but not so. For years thereafter, cities came into maturity following the lines of chance or temporary utility, or, as in some cases, a cowpath. Not until seventy years ago did the movement for City Planning have a real beginning and less than twenty years since it has assumed its more definite form.

Central Park

The creation of Central Park, New York, in 1857 exerted a great influence on public interest in planning. But it remained for the Columbian Exposition in 1893, under the inspiration of Daniel H. Burnham, Architect, and Frederick Law Olmsted, Landscape Architect, together with the greatest and most varied staff of other artists ever congregated together in America at one time, to touch off the kindling spark and really put City Planning on the map in the United States. The inspiration of that fairy city of palaces and lagoons went to the head like new wine, and for a time an exaggerated notion of the relative importance of art as the sole important factor in planning, possessed minds of the public. The slogan "The City Beautiful" became an inanity—without meaning—The reaction that followed had also a slogan equally valueless "The City Practical". Gradually it dawned that successful City Planning must be equally balanced, that both the Practical and the Beautiful are equally important.

In 1909 the earliest instruction in City Planning was begun at Harvard in connection with the work in Landscape Gardening, and in 1923 a full technical course in City Planning was offered leading to a masters degree. The work was also taken up at the University of Illinois under Chas. Mulford Robinson and has drawn universal attention to that institution.

Slowly at first, then with increasing impetus the importance of the study has been recognized throughout the higher educational systems of our country, until at present there are few cities that are not awake to the importance of an adequate City plan, and no plan, even for the laying down of a new street but considers the project in terms of art as well as of utility.

Let us see what the consensus of experience agrees to be the elements of a City Plan, or the program of preparation. The preparation of the City Plan involves three main steps—the Survey, the Preliminary or Master Plan, and the Final Plan. The Survey, forming the fundamental basis for study, involves a gathering together of all available data relating to existing physical conditions and future growth.

The Preliminary or Master Plan embraces a careful study of all the elements of the City Plan—streets, transportation lines and terminals,

recreational facilities, etc., as they affect the health, convenience, efficiency and amenity of the population. The order in which these steps are undertaken depends upon the urgency of any particular phase of the problem. The order of preference is not of particular consequence. As the studies progress the results are incorporated upon the General Map which eventually becomes what is called the "Final Plan". But, all of these must be flexible. In thus going to the pains of considering the subject given me seriously and in accordance with my impression of its importance to the future health and happiness of our community I may have carried the scope of my thought beyond the present conscious need. Of course, I cannot anticipate the degree of the provision for the future development of the City by our city fathers. But it is certain that if art is to occupy an important place in our City Planning, its effectiveness or its limitation will be measured by the breadth and scope of the present vision. Perhaps because of the economic situation and for other reasons the time is not yet due to consider the subject on a constructive scale.

Awakening Needed

It may be that what we need now is an awakening to the possibilities of Civic Pulchritude. On that score, since I am invited to do so, I will offer a few suggestions as to what I think would improve the artistic appearance of Teaneck. Every citizen should keep up an active interest in the appearance of his own property and immediate frontage. Avoid monotony in your street vistas when planting trees. Find several good types of trees with differing foliage and alternate the types. Avoid too great regularity in planting. On one block set trees between sidewalk and curb. In the next between the curb and private property.

Owners of vacant lots, at their own expense, should be required to remove all unsightly rubbish or vegetation, and fill any useless or unsightly excavations.

The cooperation of the Railroad Company should be sought on a plan to beautify both the unsightly excavations of the right of way as well as the approaches to the Depot by planting shrubbery, vines and flowers.

The same should be done by the Township in spots like the deep embankment of raw earth that defaces the beauty of Cedar Lane. There are also opportunities for greatly increasing the beauties of the northern part of the Town—State Street and environs, by judicious planting. Wonders might be accomplished in a hundred spots in town by the planting of a simple rambler rose or Virginia creeper—and at slight expense. The value of climbing plants and shrubbery cannot be overestimated as an esthetic stimulus. I suggest also, that all public parking spaces be surrounded by lattice or other vine covered walls except as to entrances and exits.

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The subject of signs, and their
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THE IMPORTANCE OF ART
IN CITY PLANNING IS
EXPLAINED BY GANDY

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regulation is one of the most important in its effects for neatness or disorder to any town. Ours is sadly afflicted. There are important cross streets at present that in spite of the presence of stately trees are made sordid and offensive by billboards, realtors' signs and what not. No billboard should be permitted within the environs of a residential district that is in any way obstructive or that does not contribute to order and taste. All signs on tops of buildings should be forbidden. All projecting signs should be limited and discouraged, in favor of flat wall or window signs of metal or porcelain. No merchant can hope to induce trade by offending the taste of his customers. All real estate signs should conform and be limited to size, differing only in color or device and placed a stipulated distance from the street. In the selection of types of street lights and markers there is a possibility for improving the appearance of the streets. The landscape upon which is situated the Municipal Buildings, the School or other public buildings, should be kept simple and dignified and by consultation with a competent Landscape Gardener be embellished judiciously. This should apply to viaducts and bridges as well. In fact, with a comparatively slight cost in money the appearance of Teaneck to the resident and the passer-by could be greatly improved.

Vision And Daring

In closing, I cannot resist resist returning to the thought of the possible scope of the subject of Art in City planning, carried out with vision and daring—what an opportunity is ours for the daring. An imperfect picture of my vision is an ideal residential City, its thoroughfares clean and chastely ornate, with the right touch in the right place,—here a fountain, or bit of shrubbery, and occasionally some simple bit of sculpture,—every vantage point of the physical arrangement taken advantage of as if the whole town were a beautiful park, and no such thing would be permitted in the beautiful city as overhead wires and unsightliness—every citizen would be able to see the blue skies.

The further defacing of the town would have been stopped in the future I see, such as the crowding together of ram-shackle types of residences, of which we have altogether too many—every addition of residential property would be scientifically planned to increase beauty, comfort and safety. The Hexagon arrangement of Noulan Couchan of Ottawa, or, Radburn, N. J.—and there's an idea of many advantages—large blocks of residences are bounded by major ways, but the homes within the blocks, instead of facing on the streets, are arranged along culs-de-sac that open off the main highways, each central space an ideal playground or Civic Center.

Playgrounds

And playgrounds, yes—all over the City would be dotted little secluded havens for the tots and bigger playgrounds for those of grade ages, and somewhere a fine arrangement of stadium, natatorium, and every convenience for the practice of sports and almost the most beautiful thing I vision about this future city will be its approaches and environs. I see its lowlands drained and converted into magnificent park lands with winding driveways in the midst of floral beauty—in those days we will have become ambitious enough to aspire to public fountains and monuments. I see also all the riversides and water courses drained and purified and devoted to pleasure and recreation, even in this imperfect visualization I see a thing possible—otherwise, another picture presents its unwelcome aspect in the lowlands and meadows converted into the crass ugliness of manufacturing in the clusters of blackened chimney stacks poisoning the air with gas and smoke, breeding despondency and crime. And here we may well use the Spanish exclamation "Valgame Dios".

My enthusiasm has unjustly lengthened this article I fear without adding to it the value of the practical suggestions I had hoped to lend to the subject. And on that same score I will ask to be excused of all faults.

I will close by repeating the words of Dr. John Nolen "there can be no such thing as a beautiful City without an urban plan conceived and executed not only so as to serve all the practical requirements of a City but also provide abundant opportunities for the proper expression of the Beautiful."

Editor's Note:—Mr. Curtis Gandy, Jr., whose article appears in this issue was born in Seaville, Cape May County, New Jersey. From his early youth to the present time, the subject of art as one of the means for the expression of the human soul has been his guiding motive in his career as a professional artist, landscape and portrait painter and illustrator.

At the age of twenty-three he left home for the West and at the Chicago Art Institute he studied for six years under such masters as: Vanderpool, Boutwood, Chase, Alphonse Muchu and Boutet de Monville.

After devoting several years to teaching, Mr. Gandy turned to commercial art in which field he has gained his greatest laurels. In 1927 he joined the Baron Collier organization of New York, with which he is still associated.

Mr. Gandy is a resident of the Phelps Manor Section of Teaneck since 1922 and has the honor of being the first to purchase a home in that important development.

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Gandy has consented to become one of our regular contributors in matters of the greatest importance to the taxpayers of Teaneck.

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fection as he looks today upon the banner of his country spread upon yonder wall. And if today it were given to us to salute that flag as out of our hearts we should like to salute it, I know we would say something like this:

"Here's to the Red of it—
There's not a thread of it,
No; nor a shred of it
In all the spread of it,
From foot to head,
But heroes bled for it,
Faced steel and lead for it,
Precious blood shed for it,
Bathing it red.

Here's to the White of it—
Thrilled by the sight of it—
Who knows the right of it
But feels the might of it
Through day and night?
Womanhood's care for it

Made Manhood dare for it;
Purity's prayer for it
Kept it so white.

Here's to the Blue of it—
Heavenly view of it,
Star-spangled hue of it,
Honesty's due of it,
Constant and true.

Here's to the whole of it,
Stars, stripes and pole of it;
Here's to the soul of it—
Red, White and Blue."

TEANECK FINDS WORK FOR ITS UNEMPLOYED

Teaneck Township has spent \$10,275 in giving work to its idle. \$2,100 of this sum has already been received from the state which shares one-half the cost of labor on unemployment projects.

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TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT

Following is Township Treasurer R. J. Pearson's statement of Teaneck finances as of date of January 31st, 1932, with statement of tax arrearages:

RECEIPTS, 1932

Balance January 1, 1932.	\$ 44,534.41
1931 Taxes	45,675.43
1930 Taxes	24,622.03
1929 Taxes	10,949.66
1928 Taxes	.50
1927 Taxes	14.34
1926 Taxes	9.01
1925 Taxes	4.00
1921-1924 Taxes	1.58
Tax Title Liens	96.18
Franchise Tax	25.73
Interest and Cost on Taxes	5,605.82
Interest on Assessments	16,244.32
Assessments Receivable	39,805.83
Assessment Liens	503.50
Assessment Liens Int.	103.74
Local Licenses and Permits	491.00
Other Revenue (Misc.)	26.60
Interest on Deposits	128.87
Tax Searches	90.50
Overpaid Taxes	91.07
Redemption Tax Title Lien	34.38
Overpaid Assessments	27.07
Gas Stubs	30.00

Total Receipts\$189,115.57

DISBURSEMENTS, 1932

School Tax	\$ 30,000.00
Budget	17,996.85
Miscellaneous 1931 Reserve	3,003.89
Engineering Suspense	25.00
Gas Stubs	24.00

\$ 51,049.74

Cash Balance January 31, 1932 138,065.83

\$189,115.57

OUTSTANDING TAXES—JANUARY 31, 1932

1921	\$ 258.58
1922	363.70
1923	770.28
1924	2,281.86
1925	1,658.31
1926	2,271.03
1927	3,865.28
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Acquisition of power involves definite responsibility for the results that arise from exercise of that power. By its successful campaign to secure a majority representation on the Board of Education, Teaneck Taxpayers' League has assumed a measure of responsibility for the future conduct of the school affairs of Teaneck, which its officers and members cannot ignore.

While it is true that the League majority in the board at the start will face the handicap of a frozen bond market, it is also true that it assumes office under pledges of specific performance in various directions that call upon it to cover a great deal of ground as promptly as possible, irrespective of financial conditions. Immediate work must include the securing of a complete survey of school conditions and needs, and the assembling of other data necessary to afford a guide for intelligent future action, as forecast in the League's platform on school affairs broadcast to the people during the campaign.

The League undoubtedly has every reason to be confident that its majority in the Board of Education will be as faithful to its pledges to the people, as the present councilmen have been to their pre-election pledges. At the same time the League must keep in mind that its members in the board will need, and have a right to demand, the League's active support and help, and cannot be expected to make their record as creditable as it can be, unless this help and support are given.

The League has the congratulations of THE TOWN MANAGER for its success in the school campaign, which it undertook in the same spirit of service to the community that animated its efforts to secure adoption of the Municipal Manager government in Teaneck. It is entitled to the public's full confidence that future developments in school affairs will show that the League was justified in assuming its new responsibilities, and that February 9, 1932, will take rank with September 16, 1930, as a day Teaneck can always recall with deepest gratification.

A MOST LAUDABLE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE

In arranging to give Teaneck residents a rare musical treat, and at the same time enable them to contribute their share toward relieving the distress of their fellow citizens, who are in distress on account of unemployment, the Teaneck Welfare Organization has undertaken an enterprise that is entitled to the enthusiastic approval and support of the entire community.

Announcement of the concert to be held at the high school on the evening of March 11, which appears in this issue of

THE TOWN MANAGER, shows that the program will not only satisfy the most critical, presenting one of the foremost choruses of male voices in the East, but will also make a special appeal to local pride through the appearance of the Teaneck Community Orchestra, now grown from a small beginning to a membership of thirty.

As a word of precaution, do not let yourself be numbered among those unable, at the last minute, to secure tickets. There is every reason to believe that the High School Auditorium will be sold to capacity well in advance of the concert date.

CHASING AWAY FINANCIAL CLOUDS

Brighter days seem just ahead for Teaneck. The article on the township's financial condition that appears in this issue prompts THE TOWN MANAGER to extend its congratulations to the present administration upon the progress it has made toward relieving what seemed, when it assumed office, like a hopeless financial crisis.

With the aid of a highly capable Township Manager and a well-selected Advisory Board on Finance and Assessments, and proceeding from the sound basis of an official audit, it has advanced step by step toward a solution of Teaneck's most serious problem. If its latest efforts, aimed at retiring additional bonds and securing remedial legislation, prove as effective as anticipated, it seems probable that before the financial peak load of 1934 has to be met, means will have been found to meet it without imposing any serious burden upon taxpayers. If that hope is realized, the administration will have accomplished what even the most sanguine, at the time they took office, would have declared to be impossible.

MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

We have received several requests from reference libraries throughout the United States for copies of the September, October and November issues of THE TOWN MANAGER in order to complete their volumes. We will pay a liberal amount to anyone who sends any of the above issues to the Business Manager.

