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MANY TO VIEW HORSESHOW BOROUGH WELCOMES RIDERS FROM LOCAL & OTHER AREAS

All the excitement of a circus is evident at the Recreation Park today as vans unloading some of the finest horses on the eastern seaboard for the Cerebral Palsy Horse Show.

Feverish activity has been going on at the park this past week . . . the big green tents for horses are in place on the Crescent Avenue side of the park.

The ring where the classes will be held are in place. The new field house has been finished.

Victims of cerebral palsy will be the honored guests of the horse show committee. Other dignitaries will be present, including Paul L. Troast, GOP candidate for Governor who will present a personal trophy Sunday afternoon.

Tickets for the show are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. Each ticket is good for one day's event.

The program will feature simultaneous events in two rings and on an outside course beginning promptly at 8:30 tomorrow morning. The closing event is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Sunday's schedule will be the same with the championship events featured in the afternoon.

Allendale has a number of junior riders competing in the events with Ronad Gaum, Bobby Straut and Jimmie Wilson entering their first recognized show.

Others who will try to add to their already impressive number of ribbons won in other shows will be Sue Archibald, Kathy and Claudie Crothers, Barbara and Marilyn Water, Catherine Foster, Blair Blaikie, Carol Thurston, and Merrilat Frost who will show "White Knight". Lesley Marples will ride one of the Frosts horses also.

Two young riders from Mahwah will compete for the first time. Linda and Penny O'Lear, and Janet Scheffers of Ramsey.

AROUND THE BORO

Its old home week at the Allendale Post Office, Mrs. A. J. Chadwick is back pinch hitting for Mr. and Mrs. Archie Farrell who are on a well deserved vacation.

Belate birthday greeting to Mrs. Robert Wilson we understand Bob made it a special one for the little lady.

Little Eric Werner suffered a bad bruise on his chin when the baby carriage his mother, Mrs. Henry Werner was wheeling overturned in front of the P. O. Dr. Leo Schultz who was near by checked and found him just badly frightened but not to bad despite the mishap.

Bergen Co. Bankers Ass'n Introduce Banking to Schools

As part of its broadened public relations program the Bergen County Bankers Association has announced that it will make available to schools in the county some new and up-to-date educational material on banking.

According to Fredric Bayles President of the Bergen County Bankers Association and Vice President, The Garden State National Bank, Teaneck, there will be at least two new teaching aids in printed form that will be made available to the schools during the current school year.

"The first of these teaching aids will be based on a survey we are making," Mr. Bayles said in announcing the program. "This survey will give us a list of the most common misunderstandings and misconceptions about banking encountered in Bergen County. We have engaged a firm of specialists in banking education to take this data and prepare material in proper teaching form that will present the banking facts clearly and accurately."

"The first of these teaching aids is scheduled for issue in October of this year. It will be offered to schools through individual local banks."

While this county wide venture into the production of school material is new, individual banks in all parts of the county have been cooperating with their local schools, and taking a direct interest in local education, for many years.

Many of the County's banks make it a practice to conduct touch of student groups through their banking quarters. A large number of the bankers willingly accept invitations to take part in actual classroom presentation of banking subjects by making talks, answering questions, and helping teachers in other ways. Some of the banks make teaching material available, in the form of sample checks, and other forms, films on banking, and other educational material.

"We welcome opportunities to cooperate with school officials and teachers," Mr. Edward Hamilton, Vice President of the First National Bank of Allendale said in commenting on the educational program of the bankers. "The boys and girls in school today will soon be adults, working on jobs, run-

ning businesses, managing homes, and families. It is very important to their success and well-being that they have sound information about money and banking. As bankers, we realize that we have a responsibility to help these young people acquire the facts about banking that they need."

FIRE BREAKS OUT MINUTES BEFORE ALERT

A fire which broke out on W. Allendale Ave at 7:55 p. m. Wednesday night, caused confusion in signals for the air raid alert which was scheduled at 8 p.m. Firemen attended the fire that broke out in a vacant store located between Money-penny Processing Company and the Better Sign Studio.

When the alarm was sounded at 8 for the air raid test most of the wardens and civil defense officials were already proceeding to their stations.

Acting Civil Defense Chief, Paul O'Connor, and former chief, Thomas Zane, manned headquarters at the firehouse and dispatched police to three locations where, according to sealed orders, "conspirators were about to begin blowing up the telephone building, the water works and the Crescent Avenue underpass."

Police quickly rounded up their "victims," who were identified by arm bands, and brought them to headquarters, leaving auxiliary police standing guard at the three places.

By the time the all clear was sounded all operations had been completed. Members of the air raid group reported back to the firehouse for consultation on procedures and discussed ways of overcoming difficulties resulting from inability to hear the siren and confusion in signals.

Mr. O'Connor said that he considered the drill successful and praised those who participated.

Fortunately the firemen did not have a specific problem assigned to them in the alert

Participants In Show



Mrs. Thurston and daughter Carol



Barbara Walters

and were able to give their full attention to the fire. Damage to the building owned by Fred Grossman of Dover was extensive. A short in the wiring system caused the fire.

Police Chief Robert Wilson reported that a passerby reported the fire to him at the Office of Public Safety only two doors away. He turned in the alarm and was assisted by Pete Cavenberghs, Officer Frank Parenti, Bernt Spilling, Jack Comley, all of whom were in the Police office at the time the fire broke out.

Thanks to Mrs. J. B. Monaghan for the back issues of the Press which we so urgently needed. Also Mrs. Robert Wilson we sure could use them.

PARENT TEACHER FORUMS PLANNED

Three forums will be held at the PTA meeting Wednesday night for parents and teachers. Parents of children in grades from Kindergarten to third grade, 4th, 5th to 6th, and 6th to 8th, will discuss questions selected by committees. Moderators for the groups will be principals from adjoining towns.

DAUGHTER BORN TO DR. AND MRS. DE YOUNG

A bright new comer in our midst is little Randi-Beth DeYoung born at the Valey Hospital last week the proud parents are Dr. and Mrs. George DeYoung of W. Allendale Av. Randi-Beth joins a sister.

Miss Joan Christopher, Junior Student Advisor



Beaver College freshmen receive some information about college traditions from their student counselor. Left to right in foreground: Joan Christopher, junior student counselor from Allendale, Joan Byus, of Bridgeport, Pa.; Rosemary Deniken, of Oaklyn, N. J.; and Beverly Thomas of Harleigh, Pa. Diane Krause, of Miami Beach, Fla., a transfer student is in the background. Miss Christopher is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. George Christopher of 30 Walnut Place. She is a member of the Liberal Arts Department at Beaver College.

Former Missionary Tells Experiences In Arabia

A fascinating glimpse into the life and customs of Arabia was unfolded for the Women's Evening Club by Mrs. Gerrit Van Peursem who spent 35 years as a missionary nurse in Bahain.

Mrs. Van Peursem began her talk by showing some lavish costumes given her by King Ibn Saud. The dresses modeled by members of the club, showed the elaborate gold brocade used in the colorful dress of the palace women. Even the servants dress was ornamented, though of simpler design and shorter length than those worn by the wives of the king.

King Ibn Saud is a personal friend of Mrs. Van Peursem who called her to his palace for medical assistance on a number of occasions. She described him as a democratic dictator, a tradition in terms in any other country than Arabia.

The status of women in Arabia, although much modernized over the past 40 years, is still unbelievably restrictive by American standards. Her only hope for travel comes when she makes her once in a lifetime pilgrimage to Mecca, Mrs. Van Peursem said.

The Moslem religion dictates every aspect of life in Arabia and Mrs. Van Peursem gave the 5 pillars on which the religion is based. The first is prayer, which means praying 5 times each day. The second pillar is fasting done one month out of the year during the hours of sunlight.

The third pillar is witnessing the fourth, the pilgrimage to Mecca and the fifth, alms giving.

HALLOWEEN NIGHT PARTY PLANNED FOR YOUNGSTERS

At the regular monthly meeting of the Holiday Observers, the final plans for the forthcoming Halloween Celebration sponsored by the Observers were announced. Mr. E. Critchley asked for volunteers to help out with the Horse Show. The Observers responded to his request. Also Mr. E. Critchley said that many more adult volunteers could be well utilized in the forth coming event. The Observers also donated their bunting and other equipment as necessary.

Only residents of Allendale in the grades of 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th at the Allendale School or St. Luke's on Ho-

Kus are eligible to participate in the Window Painting and Costume Event.

Applications for the Window Painting may be secured at either of the above schools. Fill out and submit the applications to Mr. Stiles Thomas at his office, for window assignment. Window space will be given out on the basis, first come first serve so place your applications as soon as possible. Paints and brushes will be available. The event is to take place Friday afternoon, Oct. 23rd and Saturday, Oct. 24th. Judging will take place by out of town judges, Sunday, Oct. 25th. There will be Observers available for questioning, to settle disputes and to help keep general order during this period. Prizes will be awarded to the best in all 4 grades. 1st prize \$5.00 and second prize \$3.00.

The Annual Costume Party will be held at the Allendale School Auditorium, Oct. 31st, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Twenty five prizes will be awarded to the individuals having the best or most original costumes. There will be Cider, all you can drink, Donuts, all you can eat. Cartoons and general fun. So all guys and dolls, regardless of age (up to 18) come to the Auditorium and have fun.

BEATING THE DRUM to catch the attention of all motorists is lovely Nancy Woodruff, "Miss Anti-Freeze" for 1953. She joins the DuPont Company, makers of "Zerone" and "Zerex" anti-freeze, in urging car owners to have their cars made safe now for wintertime driving. Besides installing anti-freeze and checking the entire cooling system, the battery, windshield wipers, tires, brakes and transmission should all be examined carefully and needed repairs made. (ANS)

Now's the Time



WOMAN'S CLUB HEARS ENGLEWOOD WOMAN

Mrs. Water Gelhorn, of the Englewood League of Women Voters, gave a comprehensive talk on the work and origin of the League, for members of the Education department of the Woman's Club Tuesday morning, held at the home of Mrs. B. P. Hamilton.

Next meeting of the department on November 8, will be held at the home of Mrs. Martin Husing. The subject will be "Know Your U.N."

IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. William Dewnap, Powell Road, is recuperating nicely at the Hackensack Hospital after an eye operation performed there Tuesday.

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THE FACTS ABOUT CRESCENT AVENUE IT COST THE TAXPAYERS \$14,000

The October 9th issue of The Allendale Press carried a front page story headed "County now repairing sides of Crescent Ave." This was good news to those property owners who had suffered from dust and noise, the dangerous driving conditions and the damage to cars and property. However, this news took on a different meaning when the credit for the job was taken by the Republicans.

The manner in which the newspaper reported this information led many people to question the impartial stand that the newspaper is claiming.

Before discussing the facts regarding Crescent Ave., we would like to qualify the above statement.

If a newspaper wishes to support one party against another or to express an opinion as to which party can serve best, then it should appear on the editorial page which is the only place the editor can justify these statements in light of fairness and unbiased reporting according to the practices of good newspaper publishing.

Mr. Cooper's remarks that Crescent Ave. is likely to become an election issue are true because: as the story strongly indicates the former Mayor and the Republicans did bungle their public works plan. Crescent Ave. is only one of the bungled jobs.

What right has the newspaper to make the statement, "The new move effectively counters this charge and in turn allows the Republicans to maintain that their relations with the County would serve the Borough to better advantage?"

We have long known that the Republicans have operated with one eye on Hackensack but we never thought they would expose themselves so crudely.

We know what is going on in Republican circles. We make it our business to find out.

Why didn't the Republicans tell the newspaper the real reason they went to Hackensack and why didn't the newspaper find out all the facts before publishing such a controversial story? We know.

The real reason the Republicans went to Hackensack was to seek campaign money—the same as they did last year.

They didn't go there for the specific purpose of discussing Crescent Ave. They were not considering the people — it was a selfish visit to further their own interests.

Did they talk with anyone in authority such as Freeholder Smeltzer or did they talk only to the Republican bosses?

We invite the Republicans to prove that their efforts based on one visit to the County seat could possibly bring about an over-night result.

Are they willing to tell all the facts?

Will they give the names of the men they talked to?

NOW LET'S LOOK INTO THE CRESCENT AVE. FIASCO

... This project was initiated by a former councilman, who no longer lives in town, as a personal matter. It was just another case of power politics.

You will recall his statement long before it came up for public discussion. He stated, "If it's the last thing I do, this improvement will go through." How can a public official justify such open defiance of representative government? What chance did the people have to win? Later on when open meetings were held and the thunder broke loose then the people realized just what was being put over on them. Yes, the people were allowed to talk — that's the law — but did the officials listen? They were holding open meetings but did they have open minds?

Let's begin by saying that nearly 100% of the property owners signed a petition against this project — not

because they didn't want drainage, but because of the questionable ways the officials used in handling this matter and the many evasive answers they received. These people believed that since the County owned the road, the County should install the drainage. It should not be paid for by the Crescent Ave. property owners or the people of Allendale.

They were trying to protect themselves and all the people against this kind of high handed legislation both for the present and future.

The County has never refused to cooperate provided the established methods are followed. The Freeholder, the County Engineer and Head of the Road department know their jobs and are sympathetic. All they want is to be recognized. They do not like to be told about a project after it has been started and then be expected to perform miracles with men and money.

Do you remember how many times the ex Mayor stated that the County would pay 1-3 of the cost? By what authority did he base these statements? Do you remember when the ex Mayor also stated that the cost would be shared according to the benefits to each property owner?

Do you remember when they formed a committee to make a survey to determine the benefits to each property owner? Do you remember that the ex Mayor refused to place a representative of the property owners on this committee? How do you like that for double dealing?

Do you remember that one of the property owners made the statement that, "This is taxation without representation!" (It still made no difference to them.)

HERE ARE SOME MORE FACTS

1) At a meeting held several months ago, Mayor Tucker, Freeholder Smeltzer, County Engineer McClave, and Ernest Their, head of the County Road Department, searched the files at Hackensack for correspondence on the Crescent Ave. project.

Only one letter was found — it was from former Borough Engineer Harvey Beswick and it only stated intentions. There was no follow up. No letters were found from either the ex Mayor or any member of the Council.

(2) The Crescent Ave. project was not in the 1953 County budget because it had not been requested by the ex Mayor. He previously promised that the County would pay at least 1/3 of the cost. How

EMPTY WORDS — NO ACTIONS

(3) ExMayor Johnson contacted Freeholder Smeltzer by phone only one night before the bids were accepted and asked him for financial aid. This was the first attempt by the exMayor to get help from the County. Mr. Smeltzer replied, "I am afraid it is too late," and suggested holding up the project and he would see what could be done. The bids were accepted the following night regardless of the suggestion from Mr. Smeltzer.

How can you expect cooperation from the County when our exMayor took it entirely upon himself to be the final judge? Freeholder Smeltzer, also said, "It is against County policy to make it retroactive."

(4) Crescent Ave. project was started without County approval or knowledge or engineering approval. It then became extremely difficult to get cooperation from the County inasmuch as they had spent money on this road a couple of years before.

(5) No promises had ever been made by the County for financial aid. It was just a dream of the ex Mayor. However, Freeholder Smeltzer expressed the hope to Mayor Tucker that if any unused funds were available later on in 1953 he would try to direct them to the Crescent Avenue job.

(6) Recently assurances were given by the County Authorities to Mayor Tucker that repaving would start soon.

(7) Good will and better relations with County Authorities were again established by Mayor Tucker through the fine work of Chester Smeltzer.

(8) Former Mayor Johnson never did get approval from the County and the County never committed themselves to any financial aid. HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT FOR HIGH HANDED ONE MAN GOVERNMENT?

RESULT IT COST THE TAXPAYERS \$14,000.

Yes, this unadulterated bungling cost the taxpayers \$14,000.

This unnecessary expense had to be shared by every taxpayer regardless of where they live, including the taxpayers who live out of town.

Is it any wonder your taxes kept going up each year the Republicans were in office. They just did not consider the people.

The Independents promise you that they will never be guilty of such flagrant violation of public trust.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR OPEN MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21, 1953, 8:30 P.M. at WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

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