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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

The Creedmoor Civic Association is now on the threshold of a new year. We wish at this time to thank the people for their past support and ask those who have supported us to continue to do so. To those who are not members we again appeal to come and join us. We also appeal to those who at some time in the past have been members to come back into the organization. Remember, this association is being kept together for your benefit as well as for those who actively support it.

No doubt each and every one of you will admit a civic association is a necessity. Such being the case, why not contribute your share. There is no reason why every property owner in our area should not be a member. Join now so that it will never be necessary to again make an appeal for membership.

We have partly designated our committee members for the ensuing year. There are very able members on these committees but there is still room for more. We also know that there are some very capable people who are not members and we desire their association so that we can put them to work.

Since the victory on Rocky Hill Road, some people are apt to say we do not need a civic association any more, or they are willing to sit back and rest. That is a narrow viewpoint. There are many possibilities for improvement thru civics. Remember, there are many problems besides Rocky Hill Road. That was a great victory. It was obtained thru the cooperation of the civic associations in this locality. It called for plenty of hard work. It was not accomplished by sitting back and waiting, but as I said before, thru hard work only. It has been said that we would have obtained the relief without civics. The majority of you know how ridiculous that is. I mention that to show you the re-action of some people. Usually people who say such things have never assisted in any way.

Last year was one of the best, if not the best, year we have had but it was still nowhere near what it should have been. We must make greater progress.

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OFFICERS FOR 1933

At our last meeting the Officers for the ensuing year were elected and were immediately installed. They are as follows:

President—Edw. A. Bohan.

Vice-President—F. O. Moore.

Recording Secretary—Harold Evans.

Corresponding Secretary—Paul Bauer.

Treasurer—Geo. Schultheis.

Bd. of Governors—John Reinig, Jos. Pataky,

H. J. Breininger, Mrs. F. DeGroff, Ed. Mc-

Mahon, H. Beyer, Mrs. M. Hildebrand.

THE VICTORY BUNCO

Held Saturday Evening, January 28th, was the social success becoming so usual with all of our Buncos.

The games of bridge, pinochle and bunco were enjoyed by all. The winners were: Mrs. H. Evans of 240th St. at Bunco, Mr. J. McCann of 237th St. at Pinochle, and Mr. Ed. Wallace of 239th St. at Bridge.

The beautiful crochet pillow, the handiwork of Mrs. J. Reinig and donated by her, was won by Ed. McMahon of 240th St. There were prizes galore and every participant went home with one.

Festivities were brought to an end with a delicious cup of coffee and lots of cake.

We are grateful to those of our friends who unsolicitedly contributed prizes. It is indeed a sign that they are with us in our endeavors and the committee wishes to extend them its heartfelt thanks.

TRI-BORO BRIDGE

The completion of this bridge is a frequent subject of conversation and almost constant mention in the daily press. At a regular meeting several months ago, the Creedmoor Civic Association voted itself in favor of the immediate completion of this bridge. The matter was again brought up at our last meeting and as a result, a committee was appointed to keep us informed of developments. A report is expected at our next meeting.

Next Meeting: Monday, Feb. 20
At HEADQUARTERS, BRADDOCK AVE. & 239th ST.

« « Our Platform « «

1. Early construction of extension to P. S. 33.
2. Subway extension to Creedmoor.
3. Beautification of community.
4. Traffic lights on Braddock Avenue.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

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You would not think it possible, but the meeting we had following the Rocky Hill Road Victory was one of the smallest we had in a long time and we were one of the civic associations mainly responsible in bringing the different organizations together to fight the assessment. I merely cite this to show how people will sit tight after a victory. One often wonders what the answer is. Is it carelessness, selfishness and lack of foresight? There are and will be many more problems and you can attack a problem better when prepared. A trained fighter is far superior to one untrained.

Do you realize as great as the Rocky Hill Road victory was that it could even have been greater as to actual cost if we had been fully prepared, and by saying fully prepared, I do not mean that your civic workers lacked ability or knowledge, but they lacked the support of the community years back. Yes, they will come out to a mass meeting, but mass meetings sometimes are too late. You would not need mass meetings if we were all civic-minded and supported civics. The interest charges on Rocky Hill Road would have been much less than now if we had had proper support.

Support — that is what your association needs. That is not obtained by sitting at home or on corners or backyards criticising. It is obtained by attendance at meetings, paying dues and serving on committees, and when I say serving I mean working on committees, not merely having a committee of names.

Let each and every one of you resolve to support your association and preach it to those who are poor members or not members at all.

—EDW. A. BOHAN.

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 20th

Lincoln's Birthday falling on our regular meeting date, the following Monday, in accordance with our by-laws, becomes our next meeting night.

We hope to see you there. Forget the depression; get a change of atmosphere and spend an evening with your neighbors. Come early.

GARAGE LAW CHANGE

The committee appointed at our December meeting to go into the matter of the proposal of Boro Pres. Geo. U. Harvey to amend the zoning laws to permit a homeowner to rent space for one pleasure car in his private garage, reported at our last meeting.

Following some discussion, it was voted to record the association in favor of the proposal and Mr. Harvey was endorsed in his endeavors to change the law as it now stands.

All of us know that many of our neighbors are renting out space in their garages; to our mind a perfectly harmless act. Nevertheless, it is illegal and the adoption of this amendment would bring it within the law.

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She: No, why?

He: Then let me carry your umbrella.

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JUST GOSSIP

We are glad to learn young Clarence Johnson of 88th Ave. is back on his feet again, due in no small manner to the generosity of the Queens Electric Light & Power Co. which provided an oxygen tent at a time when Clarence was a very, very sick boy.

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We learn on good authority that the Unholy Three, identified in our last issue, have solved the momentous problem of the depression at their daily conferences at 237th St. and Rocky Hill Road and that soon after inauguration they intend to lay the solution before F. D. R. and Eddie Cantor, U.S.A. They are, however, confronted with another problem—that of providing the funds for the trip to Washington. In the meantime, the U.S.A. and the depression will have to wait until the Unholy Three have solved their financial difficulties.

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M. Marmor, proprietor of the Braddock Pharmacy, tells us he had quite a run on liniments following the snowfall of last week. Yes indeed, our muscles remind us that liniments always go well after snow shoveling.

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No supper made, children hungry and dirty, fire in the furnace out, kitchen sink filled with dirty dishes, kitchen lights lit until all hours of the morning! Long have we sought the reason for it all. And now it comes out. It's the jig-saw puzzle. It seems the homes of our area are not immune from this new pastime. This is also demonstrated by the many customers at the jig-saw puzzle counter at Mittlemans.

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Our friend Ed. Rose, proprietor of Rose's market, had quite an unusual visitor in his store last Saturday morning. The time and manner of calling was not entirely to the liking of Mr. Rose, it seems. A large truck skidded into his store at 1 o'clock on that morning, demolishing the plate glass window and the greater part of his store-front. This accident would have, no doubt resulted in injury to some of his patrons had it occurred during business hours.

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The Hunter family of 88th Ave. is having its share of hard luck. James Sr. has just recovered from a serious illness and now James Jr. is under the doctor's care, and to top it all, James Sr. is cut by falling glass and again required the services of a physician. They have our best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

Speaking of unemployment, they tell us of a community in Hungary where 86.5 per cent of its inhabitants are without jobs; in rural Ireland they are replacing machinery with hand labor, especially on road work; and in Germany the Krupp Gun Works is now manufacturing false teeth of enameled steel.

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Hereabouts we have our exciting games of bridge, pinochle, bunco, etc. In the nitrate fields of Chile the workers have an exciting game of their own. They gamble who can hold a lighted stick of dynamite the longest.

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Statistician's tell us the average American family is worth \$12,000. We know of many folks who would like to get hold of part of their share to pay off their mortgages.

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You may not believe it, but these so-called experts at figures tell us it costs every man, woman, and child \$116 to run the government.

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We are happy in learning that Mrs. F. Roth of 237th St. is well on the road to recovery from a serious operation.

We have been informed of the following deaths since the last issue of the "NEWS."

- Jos. Kelly, formerly of 239th St.
- John Cooper of 236th St.
- John Aachmann of 238th St.
- Karl F. Schmidt of Braddock Ave.

We offer our condolences to the bereaved families of the deceased.

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MUSIC TO HIS EARS

"Rastus, I understand that you have become the father of twins."

"Yassuh, Ah done call the first one Adaigo Alegro an Ah'm goin' t' call the second one Encore."

"Musical names all right—but why do you call the second one Encore?"

"Well, suh, you see, he wasn't on the program at all."

At a Brown Union Ball, one of the men lost his wallet containing six hundred dollars. He got up on a chair and yelled:

"Gentlemen, I've lots a wallet with six hundred dollars in it. To the one who finds it, I'll give fifty dollars."

A voice from the rear called: "I'll give seventy-five."

Plumber (arriving to mend burst pipe): "How is it?"

Always Cheerful Householder: "Not so bad. While we've been waiting for you I've taught my wife to swim!"

VERY TRUE

"Johnny," said the teacher, "why do you always spell 'bank' with a large 'B'?"

"Well," the bright little fellow answered, "because Pa says that a bank is no good unless it has capital."

TILL HERE NOT TILL THEN

"I want a pair of the best gloves you have," said a customer.

"Yes, ma'am," replied the polite salesman. "How long do you want them?"

"Don't get insultin', young man! I want to buy 'em, not hire 'em."

Sam: What are you doing now?

Bo: I'm an exporter.

Sam: An exporter?

Bo: Yassah. Just fired by the Pullman Company.

NOW, WILL YOU BE GOOD

Roberta (bored): Well, what shall we do this evening?

Robert: Let's think hard—

Roberta: No, let's do something you can do, too.

WORST OF ALL

"I hate stuff that is canned," growled the husband of a can-opener wife.

"Still, I'd rather have it canned than be canned myself," replied the other married man.

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