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#### « « 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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#### ROCKY HILL ROAD

The final chapter in our fight to have the assessment for the improvement of Rocky Hill Road reduced was written on Friday, Dec. 9th, at a meeting of the Board of Estimate, when the Board decided to levy 50% of the cost of the improvement on the abutting area, 30% on the County and 20% on the city at large, thereby cutting in half, our assessment for the costs of acquiring title.

The outcome is indeed a great victory for the property owners of the affected area. It means much to the pocketbooks of many of us and coming as it did at this season of the year, we might say Santa Claus has been good to the people of Creed moor.

The importance of the victory is acknowledged by public men and civic organizations throughout the borough. There may be some folks who feel we should have received greater relief. Of course, nobody would have refused a larger cut, however, taking into consideration the many factors entering into the matter due to the peculiar status of Rocky Hill Road—past, present and future—we do not hesitate in saying we have accomplished a great piece of work.

We feel that we owe a debt of gratitude to every man responsible for the success of this agitation. We are proud to say that the Creedmoor Civic Association was the prime mover in this matter and to our President, Edward A. Bohan, fell the lot of preparing the brief presented to the Board of Estimate at the outset of the proceedings. Our whole fight centered around the contentions set forth in this brief; its preparation, owing to its importance, required much thought and time away from his business and consumed considerable midnight oil. The members at our last meeting accorded Mr. Bohan a rising vote of thanks, realizing full well that was the least we could offer.

The members also voted that letters of thanks be sent to Mayor Jos. V. McKee, Borough President George U. Harvey, Assemblyman James Burke, Alderman John T. O'Connell for the assistance given us; to the United East End Civic Associations praising and giving thanks for the selection of such able men as Arthur Brandoff, Edward Gifford and Edward A. Bohan to lead the fight, and

thanking the civic organization affiliated with the U. F. E. C. A. for their co-operation. We also take this occasion to extend our thanks to our neighbors who so faithfully co-operated with us.

Month after month at the bottom of our little publication we insert the lines "PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS" and "MENTION THE CREED-MOOR CIVIC NEWS." These footnotes are not inserted merely to fill space. It is an honest endeavor to direct your patronage to our advertisers who by the insertion of their ad seek to increase their sales, a much-needed factor these days. And when you do "PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS" do not forget to "MENTION CREED-MOOR CIVIC NEWS," we need all the mention we can get.

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#### JUST GOSSIP

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McMahon of 240th St., have our heartiest congratulations. Santa Claus presented them with a wonderful baby boy.

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We often wonder what business is being transacted when the Unholy Three meet every morning at the busiest corner in Creedmoor, 237th St. and Rocky Hill Road. The Unholy Three is composed of C. Frissell, the genial proprietor of the Braddock Bakery, our friend L. Mittleman and our own John Reinig.

Sleds are so constructed that anybody can sit on them comfortably. We were surprised to see one of our friends of 239th St. sitting beside one during the recent snowfall. Of course, she is quite sure nobody saw her in that unusual position.

We were glad to hear that Mrs. Minogue of 238th St. had recovered sufficiently from the injuries received in the recent accident to permit her removal from the hospital to her home for Christmas. She has our heartiest best wishes and that her full recovery will be speedy and complete.

Our neighbor George Hamilton of 88th Ave. brought a little excitement to the old town a few days ago by calling for the fire department to help him put out a fire which had started in his car. We learn our friend Jack Dorian of 235th St. nobly assisted in pulling the car out of the garage.

We were pleased to learn that young Albert Aronson of 240th St. who was recently injured by an auto on Rocky Hill Road, is slowly recovering.

In reply to our request that the trees of our area be pruned, the Park Commissioner has promised to give the matter his attention.

We were delighted to find our meeting room at the last meeting in a warm condition. The proceeds of our recent bunco parties have enabled us to afford a little janitor service.

We hope to be able to continue this throughout the cold weather and the members may expect to meet in a warm, clean room.

The CREEDMOOR CIVIC NEWS is delivered monthly to every home in the area bounded by 88th Ave., 240th St., Rocky Hill Road, and 234th St.

If for any reason your copy is not delivered to you regularly, notify the editor and he will see that it reaches you.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family of J. Conroy of 237th St. who died several days ago, following an illness of short duration.

#### **INSURANCE**

The Chairman of the Committee on Taxes, Assessments and Insurance, Paul Bauer, tells us that he has encountered a number of instances where, in renewing the insurance policies of homeowers in this area, no rebates have been made from the old rates and in some cases the rates have been at variance with those prevailing in this section. The rates set by the Fire Insurance Exchange are 40c on the building, 50c on household contents and 75c for garage.

Mr. Bauer offers to go over your insurance policy with you and will gladly explain the 30% clause to you. He may be seen at his home, 88-55 240th St. most any evening, or at our next meeting, or at his office, 315 Wyckoff Ave.

#### HILLSIDE AVE.

Although Hillside Ave. is outside of our civic area, we are interested in its completion as it will be a convenient route to Long Island points for the people of this section.

From information we have, its completion is being held up by State Hospital Buildings now in the right-of-way of the new thoroughfare. The State will not permit their demolition until new buildings have been erected to take their place. Along with this, several legal questions must be passed upon.

It will be many months before this improvement is finally completed.

The Creedmoor Civic Association voted to make its usual yearly contribution to the Long Island Daily Press Christmas Fund.

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#### The Other Crippled

A motorist was repairing his car on a country road.

"Trouble?" asked a bystander.

"Yes," was the laconic answer.

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"What power car is it?"

"Forty horse."

"What seems to be the matter with it?"

"Well, from the way she acts, I should say that thirty-nine of the horses are dead!"

Cub Reporter—"To what do you attribute your great age?"

Oldest Inhabitant—"Well, for the first 70 years of my life there were no automobiles, an' for the past 30 years I've been confined to the house."

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Lady (being shown around a man-of-war)—
"And what may this be?"

Gob—"That, madam, marks the spot where our captain fell in battle."

Lady—"Well, it's no wonder, I nearly fell over the thing myself."

#### Back to Earth

Autoist—"I want some tires." Salesman—"Balloon tires?" Autoist—"Naw, automobile tires."

#### Still One Loose

"Heard you were sick, Jim."

"Yes, I had the chimney disease."

"Chimney disease? What's that?" "Flu."

#### Motor Note

The rumble is the seat back of the car, the grumble is in the seat back of the driver.

#### A Place to Practice

"A dancer spun around on her toe thirty-eight times—of all the useless stunts!"

"Oh, I don't know. It would come in handy if she ever had to get the dinner in a kitchenette."

#### Floating Power, Free Wheeling But No Noodle

Traffic Cop—"Use your noodle, lady! Use your noodle!"

Lady—"My goodness! Where is it? I've pushed and pulled everything in the car!"

A little city boy was visiting his country cousin.

"What do you know about cows?" quizzed the country lad. "You don't even know if that's a Jersey cow."

"I don't know from here, 'cause I can't see its license."

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