

NEW CASTLE

News

MRS. MARCIA NICOLAYSEN \$500 PRIZE ESSAY WINNER

Santa Claus To Spend Next Week in Village

Will Be At New Castle News Office Mon., Dec. 17 Through Sat., Dec. 22; Hours: 10 A. M. to 12:30; 2 to 5 Every Afternoon Except Wed.

In response to many telephone calls from eager parents and expectant children, the New Castle News announces the arrival of Santa Claus in Chappaqua on Monday morning, December 17, at 10:00 A. M. Santa will be at the New Castle News Office beginning Monday, Dec. 17, through Saturday, Dec. 22 every morning from 10:00 A. M. to 12:30 P. M., and every afternoon from 2:30 to 5:00 P. M., except on Wednesday afternoon when he will make a visit to the girls of the Elizabeth Milbank Anderson Home in Chappaqua and to the Affiliated Home for Boys in Valhalla.

Since C'ty stores are jammed with crowds and shopping conditions are difficult, appreciative parents are looking forward to the opportunity of having their children visit Santa Claus in safe, healthy and uncrowded surroundings.

All children and their parents are cordially invited to stop in at Gr'stede's and see Santa, who is looking forward to greeting all the youngsters in our town and neighboring communities. Santa tells us his sleigh is laden with Christmas souvenirs for every boy and girl. All expenses connected with this project are borne by the New Castle News.

Local merchants have made extra effort to insure plenty of merchandise to meet the demands for Christmas shopping. Stores are filled with good things for Christmas. Almost any gift one might seek can easily be found. Let us buy everything in town. SHOP LOCALLY—HELP the town TO PROSPER!

Fireworks Due At Town Committee Meeting Tuesday

The Town Committee Meeting, to be held this coming Tuesday, to consider appointments and re-appointments of town officials will face stormy issues between factions supporting Hazel Langspecht for replacement of Mrs. Page as head of Welfare, and other groups sponsoring Roderick Travers for the office of Town Attorney in Ralph Geilich's place.

Both Mrs. Page and Mr. Geilich have been in office for 10 years. Those backing Roderick Travers feel that "new blood" is necessary in the legal department of the town, and as a veteran, and a competent attorney, Travers deserves the post. The administration feels that Mrs. Page has been disloyal, in that she has expressed unwarranted criticism of the town executives, and since there has been some unfavorable talk of the manner in which Welfare has been ad-

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GLEASON SUES WORLD-TELEGRAM

Leverett S. Gleason, publisher of The New Castle News, and a number of magazines with total circulation in excess of 5 million, stated today that he had instructed his attorneys Wolf, Popper, Ross and Wolf of 160 Broadway, New York City, to bring suit for libel against The New York World-Telegram and against Frederick Woltman, author of a recent article in the World-Telegram concerning Mr. Gleason and his new publication, Salute, edited by former editors of the Yank and Stars and Stripes.

Friday "Food For Europe Day"

With the spectacular drive for "Food for Europe" under Mrs. John Frost's leadership coming to a close, the Cooperatives of Pleasantville and Chappaqua will carry on with Fridays as "Food for Europe" days. A member will be present to accept contributions in the Pleasantville and Chappaqua stores every Friday morning from 9 to 12. Mrs. Christian Blom was appointed to head this program by the November membership meeting of the Cooperative. Mrs. Blom reports: "The village-wide drive under Mrs. Frost not only succeeded in gathering an astounding number of cans, but also had an enormous educational value, awakening the whole vicinity to today's tragedy which threatens tomorrow's world!" Mr. Blom added that many people had been awaiting just such an op-

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NEW CONTEST COMING

Watch this newspaper in coming weeks for announcement of a new contest of interest to every man, woman, and child in the town.



Winner of Grand Prize

\$1000.00 Distributed Today by New Castle News to Lucky Contestants

The excitement prevalent all last week throughout the town rose to a peak today when announcement of winners in the New Castle News contest was made. For weeks, many people in this town have been trying their hands at putting down on paper their thoughts as to what this town really needs to make it a better place in which to live. The contest involved submitting a letter of 200 words on the subject: "What New Castle Township Needs Most".

Several of the prize-winning letters are published in this issue and more will appear next week. The judges feel that many of the letters contain very helpful suggestions and should offer a base for discussion and action in the town. The New Castle News hopes that this contest will serve the useful purpose of initiating steps toward a better town for all of us.

The judges of the contest were Robert Stewart, Town Supervisor; Ralph Walker, well-known architect; and Lawrence Malone, advertising expert and lecturer. These three gentlemen were entrusted with making all decisions and the prize-winning entries were selected by them.

Our heartiest congratulations go to Mrs. Marcia Nicolaysen, first prize winner, to whom the New Castle News has handed a check for \$500.00 today. Mrs. Nicolaysen, on being notified that she had won, said: "I'm so thrilled. This is the first time I ever won anything in my life except a \$3 prize for a recipe."

The second prize winner is Mr. Clarence J. Houmiel, science teacher at Horace Greeley High School.

The complete list of prize win-

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Highway Workers Win 15 pc. Increase

Twenty Attend Budget Hearing; Post-war Plans Outlined.

In reporting the proposed budget for 1946 at the public hearing held in the Town Hall, December 6, Robert Stewart, Town Supervisor, announced that the hourly rate of laborers in the highway division would be increased 10 to 15%. This was the increase urged editorially by the New Castle News last week.

The hearing, held in the inner office of our undersized town hall, was crowded with twenty attendants. This is indeed a better showing of civic interest than in former years. The average attendance at budget hearings has been two people outside of town officials and employees.

Supervisor Stewart, beaming as usual, and standing in front of a large American flag which hung from ceiling to floor, faced a large table and the audience. His six assistants were seated about him. Reading fifteen pages of figures is a difficult and tiring job, but Mr. Stewart made the report interesting and was at all times willing and eager to answer the most detailed questions from the audience. He expressed the hope that the budget hearings and other meetings on town matters would draw an ever-increasing audience.

Mr. Stewart took occasion to point out and again emphasize

his policy for the township, that is to reduce the bonded indebtedness to zero. He stated that a total debt service as of January 1, 1946 will have been reduced to \$806,000.00, and the scheduled payments of reductions will amortize this debt within six years.

Post War Plans

Mr. Stewart reported that \$1400.00 has been earmarked to secure an aerial map of New Castle. The State offers the town 50% of the cost of a new town hall and sketches of this have been made by Mr. Ralph Walker's firm of architects. There is a pressing need for space to house town records, and as the town

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THANKS TO THE JUDGES!

The New Castle News takes this occasion to extend its deep thanks for the cooperation of the three judges in the New Castle News contest. Their work and study in choosing the prize winners was a hard task, but one which may go a long way toward improving our township. Thank you Messrs. Stewart, Walker, and Malone.

Sub. Contest Winners Receive Their Bicycles

Boy and Girl Awarded Bikes

The New Castle News subscription contest, in which a number of boys and girls in town participated, came to a close at 6:00 p. m. last Thursday. The winner in the boys' division was David Kuperschmid, son of Murray Kuperschmid, proprietor of the 5c-\$1.00 Store in town, who worked tirelessly during recent weeks, and secured subscriptions from every section of the township.

For many days it was a nip and tuck race between young Kuperschmid and Stanley Wellins, but David came through in the last

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