

Willmott's and Why-Not's

By David J. Willmott, Editor

Happy Mother's Day!

To the-unsung heros, the silent majority, the forgotten ones...MOTHERS, we say "Thank you." On this day we thank you for all you have done to guide us and for all the times you have been exhausted and still found the time to do the many little, unnoticed things that have made our lives happier. We thank you for all the love and affection you have showered upon us without receiving acknowledgment in return. We are grateful for the times you have brought us up short when we have tried to take a short cut on the road of life and for giving us a perfect example of what love, peace and diplomacy are all about. For all the things, big and small, you have done for us we thank you and wish that this day may be special for you. We love you. And why not?

What a Price to Pay

The new abortion law becomes effective on July 1st. We are saddened. The law will permit the murder of a child right up to the time of delivery in some cases. Now a woman in New York State will be able to have an abortion for whatever reason she so desires and, for the most part, it will be for convenience sake.

We pity the politicians who voted for this bill. We pity the man who has put politics above respect for human life. We trust he will remain convinced of his rightness when he puts a hand on his wife's stomach, feels the quickening life within and knows that he voted to destroy that life. How utterly awful it must be to realize that you have taken the power of God into your own hands. How soul shattering it must be to know that, by your action, you have made it legal to take a human life.

We pity the politicians, and particularly those whose votes were critical to the passage of this law. What a price these men must pay to hold claim to their jobs. And why not?

Mecca or Mistake

Suffolk County took title to the Suffolk County Air Force Base last week. At the same time they took the first step in what we consider to be a waste of time and money. They hired an outside planning firm to study the situation and recommend uses for the base property. This firm is not expected to return its findings for at least six months. Couple this with the five months that the base has been closed and you have lost a year of productivity. The loss of payroll dollars has been significant.

The county had a good idea that they would eventually acquire this property; why didn't they plan for it a long time ago? Why can't the eighteen men, to whom we are paying nearly a quarter of a million dollars to run the county, come up with some ideas about the utilization of the base property? Don't they have any ideas of their own? What are we paying them for? Aren't they independent enough to decide the fate of this facility? We realize that these men are only



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(After we get finished studyingMAYBE!)

holding down part-time \$10,000 per year jobs, and that therefore we can only expect them to give a limited amount of their valuable time, but, let's face it, our entire economy is being hurt by their inactivity.

Government officials without ambition or intelligence, or both, have a way of studying projects to death. By ordering "feasibility studies" they get maximum mileage out of the publicity and avoid the painful process of having to make firm decisions. Their delaying tactics are costing us money. When the planning firm returns its suggestions will the county go along with them? Who knows? How long will it take to put those suggestions into practice? Who knows? We may be talking about years of inactivity in this matter. It all means that many residents of our area will be unable to find work. It will mean that moneys will not be generated to pay taxes so that everyone else will have to dig a little deeper to finance the insatiable demands of our county.

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It is only with the help of public spirited publishers like yourself and the generosity of friends and supporters that make it possible for me to put my name before the public.
I hope you will urge all residents of the Union Free School District 2 (Westhampton Beach, Westhampton and Quogue) who are American citizens, over 21 and have resided in our district 30 days or more, to go to the polls at the Westhampton Beach High School on Wed., May 6th, from 3 to 9 pm, and vote for the candidate best qualified to serve on any board of education.

Sincerely
Mardythe DiPirro
Westhampton Beach

Thank you so much for sending your Mr. Corwin to cover the First Annual Dinner of the Riverhead Senior Citizens.

He was so cooperative and your courtesy is appreciated by all.

Sincerely
Catherine Nielsen
Public Relations

Dear Mr. Willmott,
Your Editorial April 22 asks the housewife to use soap or biodegradables instead of detergents. I have



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read several times that despite claims to the contrary, biodegradables do NOT break down after entering the ground.

I have been using soap only for the past twenty years for general use and in the several washing machines I have had during that time, with excellent results.

I would most certainly appreciate your looking further into the matter of biodegradables and report to us.

Many thanks.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Jac Saffer
Cutchogue

P.S. Would you also comment on the use of chemicals in foods. This needs to be brought out into the open and discussed.

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munity: volunteer fire department members, members of Rotary, as well as in one case at least, a High School Booster Club member. Both have children in the schools. They are men who have proven their qualifications to represent the people.

Let us keep the real control of the schools in the hands of the community as should be; it is our money that makes it all possible. Teachers are merely employees of the taxpayers and as such should not be the ones who determine policy and spend our money.

Vote for the experienced team, Ted Alpert and Tommy Lavelle, for reelection on May 6, 3-9 pm.

United Taxpayers of Westhampton Beach School District

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This may be the political or governmental way of doing things, but it is not the practical way and it is time we got down to business and ran government as a business. The people of Suffolk County cannot afford the luxury of incompetence. Those who perpetuate it will be turned out. Grass roots action is what is needed in the matter of the air base. We don't need another study in order to buy time. And why not?

Gypsy Moth Battle On

Property owners invaded by gypsy moths are battling to destroy this pest on Eastern Long Island. This leaf-eating insect possesses a voracious appetite and can defoliate the biggest trees in no time flat. The big problem is to destroy as many of these pests as fast as possible. If they eat pine and other coniferous trees they can destroy those trees in one season. Deciduous trees (oaks, elms, apples, poplar et al) may withstand one defoliation but will probably die the second time around. There is quite a controversy raging now as to whether it is safe or not for the state to spray Sevin from the air. Sevin, as you may have read, is an insecticide less harmful to humans than DDT, but it is toxic nevertheless. While the hearings drag on, Suffolk Life suggests you take the following steps to wipe out the gypsy moth.

If there is any question in your mind as to whether or

not your property has been invaded by this pest, the chances are it has not. You would remember last summer's swarms of moths and the subsequent buff colored egg clusters on the trunks and limbs of your trees. If those egg clusters are still there they can be destroyed but a day's delay now will make your job harder. Don't scrape the clusters off the trees; they will just hatch on the ground. Coat them with black creosote (so you can see where you've been) by using either a paint brush or one of those trigger-operated oil cans. Saturate the egg clusters thoroughly but do it today. As you read this the gypsy moths may be hatching out or are about to.

If you see hundreds of tiny caterpillars on your trees you will know that the creosote method is too late, and you should take the following action. Buy Sevin at your local hardware or garden supply store and follow directions carefully. Sevin in powder form makes a very effective insect killer when mixed with water and sprayed on the caterpillars and foliage. To kill as many of these insects as possible you should begin spraying as soon as you see the first caterpillars. They will not all hatch at once, so if you wait until all are hatched chances are your trees will have undergone some extensive leaf perforation.

Sevin is safe when used as directed. Make very sure that you neither swallow nor inhale it. If it gets on your skin wash as soon as possible. Don't store the diluted spray. Make a new batch for each use. Now, let's get going and wipe out the gypsy moth: And why not?

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A Deaf Ear

Last week we discussed the discontent of today's youth and some of the reasons we felt are responsible for it. Basically we stated that the discontent and frustration, so magnified in our young people, has been brought about by the failure of our government leaders to listen to the people they represent. It is not only the young who are calling out for honest representation in government. The average person is very dissatisfied with the way things are going. He is fed up with the prevalent attitude of our officials who seem to think they know more about what is best for people than the people themselves.

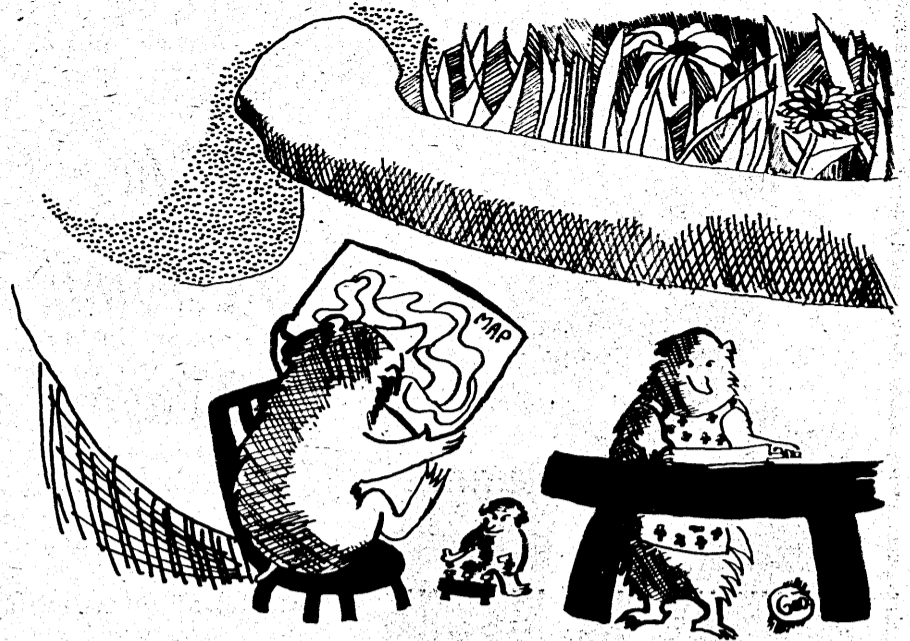
We see this attitude manifested in our basic organizations, such as school boards, all the way up to the office of the presidency of the United States. If the voters turn down a proposition on a school board budget then the board calls for a revote and then another and another. The board uses the people's money to wear them down until they finally give in. We feel that it is wrong to keep pressuring the voters when they have already indicated their position on a matter. It is no wonder the people become frustrated when they can't seem to get their message across. The same situations prevail on the town, county and state level. On the state level it is even more frustrating because state government seems so far removed from the people. Even in the elections people cannot express their views clearly. As an example, this year's gubernatorial election in New York State will probably pit Rockefeller against Goldberg. Both are ultra-liberal; neither represent the mainstream of the thinking of the residents of New York State. As you move up to the federal government the situation becomes even more confusing and frustrating which leads us to the chaos we have been observing during the past few weeks.

We fear that this frustration will become even more militant as the days wear on and as our leaders continue to turn a deaf ear to the wants of the majority. Somehow they must be convinced that they must listen to the majority and act accordingly. We live in a great country and the channels of communication must be left open and the messages heeded. Otherwise turmoil and violence will prevail. Listen now and listen well, lest our country be torn apart by a breakdown in the very system that made it great in the first place. And why not?

Invaded

This editor believes that when it comes to nature the best philosophy is to live and let live. A few years ago, while cutting our grass, we came across a mole tunnel. It was tucked away in the back of the property and seemed so harmless that we did nothing to disturb this innocent little rodent. As the months and years passed we observed that ambition had fired the imagination of our mole. He seemed to have improved his living accommodations and, by the looks of things, had taken on at least one wife.

This Spring down there in Moleville there seems to have been a population explosion. What once was one



Let's see, the front yard should be right about here.

simple tunnel is now a network of super-highways leading from one condominium to another. There must be more roads and tunnels in Moleville than Robert Moses has been able to build in all of New York State.

With this super invasion from down under we hope that these ugly and industrious little creatures believe in our philosophy of live and let live. If they don't we are quite sure that one of these days we will sink down into one of their excavations and never be heard from again - which, we are sure, wouldn't make some people too unhappy. And why not?

Shop Around

All of the standard indicators tell us that the U. S. economy is on pretty shaky ground. Inflation doesn't show many signs of abating as any housewife can tell you. Borrowing is off while debt repayment clips along at a record pace. People just seem to want to get out from under existing obligations before they go off and

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We're a complete furniture store and growing bigger every day, better to serve you everything for the Home Beautiful.



FLAXMAN FURNITURE

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RIVERHEAD CIRCLE

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take on further debts. Unemployment is increasing nationwide though, with the advent of the summer season, our E.L.I. employment situation is improving. There is a kind of wait and see attitude as Americans watch the Dow Jones averages decline. Retail sales are slightly ahead of last year dollar-wise but prices are up, so actual retail volume is down. What does this mean for our eastern Suffolk consumer?

Generally speaking, there are some pretty good bargains to be had in today's market if people will take the time to shop around. Auto dealers are bending over backwards to make auto prices more attractive. They are anxious to move their stock as the 1970 model year enters its final quarter. They want to clear the decks for the '71 models and they must sell cars to keep dollars coming in to meet overhead. The wise shopper will watch the ads in his favorite paper. The dealers who advertise are the ones who are going out after the business and are offering the best deals. Watch for sales and promotions in clothing and shoes. Particularly look for bargains in luxury items. As the economic situation tends to make people stick to basic purchases, many retailers are finding themselves with higher-than-average inventories in luxury items. They are cutting prices and the shopper will benefit. Shop the specials at your supermarket. You can really get the most out of your food budget if you will watch for food specials and take advantage of them. Basically, we can only conclude with a huge plug for our Suffolk Life advertisers. They want your business and are doing everything they can to tell you so and to make their prices attractive. To sum it all up - Shop the pages of Suffolk Life...and SAVE! And why not?

Albert C. Addison : New U.S. Conservationist For N.Y.

The new state conservationist of the USDA Soil Conservation Service for New York State is Albert C. Addison. He was promoted to the federal agency's state headquarters in Syracuse, effective May 18. His position, when selected for this job by SCS administrator Kenneth E. Grant, was state conservationist for New Hampshire at Durham.

Bob Addison was born in Virginia but his family moved to Ohio when he was still in school. He graduated from Ohio State University with a B.S. degree in agriculture in 1941. He has served his country in two wars. He entered the Army in 1941 as a private, received a meritorious service award in 1944, and was discharged as a captain in 1946. He was recalled during the Korean conflict from 1950 to 1952.

Addison's conservation career began in 1936 in the Civilian Conservation Corps. He became a professional Soil Conservation Service employee in 1946, serving as a soil conservationist, work unit conservationist and area conservationist in Ohio. In 1961 he transferred to New Hampshire as assistant state conservationist, and accepted the top post in his state in 1964.

At Syracuse, Addison replaces Wallace L. Anderson who was promoted to the directorship of the Resource Development Division of SCS in Washington. New York's state conservationist is responsible for providing conservation planning assistance to 56 soil and water conservation districts. Staff members headquartered in 53 offices serving these districts also furnish survey, design, and construction or application help to landowners and landusers who want to establish conservation practices. District cooperators range from farmers and rural landowners to urban dwellers and city governing bodies.

Two multi-county resource conservation and development projects are administered by SCS in New York State, and three

1770 to 1970 The 1770 House



1770 and still going.

The 1770 House on Main Street in East Hampton is still held together by wooden pegs. It shows some wrinkles of age, but somehow people like that in a house. They even become excited to see a floor that dips, a wall that curls, or a beautiful old fireplace that works.

No one's really sure if the 1770 House was really fashioned 200 years ago. It's possible, but there are old-age experts in East Hampton who feel the place has been around longer.

It seems impossible that it took the white shingle home 200, or more years to trap Henry Nicholas through its front door and put an apron around his waist, a telephone in his right hand and bed warmer in the other. But it did.

Henry, who lives in East Hampton, failed to give any of his talents to East Hampton until he was coaxed into the management job March 1. Henry's a "food specialist, in case you didn't know that. Truth is, he too, gets kind of a kick out of old houses. Combine his food talents with the 1770 House and what do you think's bound to happen?



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Memorial Day 1970

Memorial Day is traditionally one of America's most emotional holidays. This year it will be particularly so. To those who have lost a loved one in war it is a day of sadness, for it evokes memories and opens wounds that have never really healed. To some it brings anger that our country permitted itself to become involved in wars that killed some of the best of our youth; others are resentful that we have fought to assist countries who often seem ungrateful. Many are filled with pride that they or their loved ones were able to have a part in keeping this country free. For children watching parades it is a time of joy and excitement. They do not fully comprehend the solemnity of the occasion, but the parades and ceremonies seem very grand.

Instead of being at peace in 1970 we find ourselves committed to what seems to be an unending battle in Southeast Asia. We ask ourselves if there will ever be a Memorial Day when we will not have to see new names of those we knew and loved added to the rolls of the dead. Why have we fought in past wars, and why are we fighting now? Have we accepted the responsibilities thrust upon us by the gaining of our own freedom or have "our honored dead" in the words of Abraham Lincoln "died in vain"?

America has never declared war on a nation for the sake of conquering that country for gain. We have never built a military machine for the purpose of offensive conquest or to physically foster our way of life on other countries. We have no desire to control the world. Our treatment of the defeated nations after World War II bears us out. Germany and Japan were not only returned to their own people but America poured billions of dollars into their rebuilding. Today both countries rank at the top industrially and economically because of our help.

If we do not choose to conquer and gain the spoils of the victor why do we fight in wars? There is no gain in giving up American men on battlefields that are thousands of miles away. There is no gain in using our industrial might to supply armaments when that money could be used to cure some of the social ills within this country. Why should we tax ourselves enormously to finance this war effort?

With each war the answer is the same. We fought and are fighting so that we can guarantee that we and our children could continue to enjoy the life that the founders of this country fought for in the first place - the principles that are guaranteed to all of us under the Constitution and the Bill of Rights: the right to be able to express ourselves freely in this editorial and the right of our readers to rebut through a letter to the editor. The right to be able to express ourselves freely in public without the fear of being sent to a concentration camp without trial. The right to choose the school we want, the job or profession we seek or the girl we choose to marry. The preservation of these and many other rights that we enjoy as citizens of this republic are the reason we have fought in wars.

Up to the present time we got involved in war because our security had been threatened by either a direct attack on a protectorate, such as Hawaii, or a direct attack on a prime ally such as France or England. The reasons were crystal clear. If they had failed the war would have been fought on our own

shores. The war today, however, is not so simple. No one, including the President has been able to answer clearly and decisively why we are fighting in Southeast Asia. The most common answer we get to the question is that we are fighting to hold back communism - to contain it to this locale. This simple answer is shattered when you see the lack of support from the surrounding countries. Where are the Japanese, the Nationalist Chinese, the Thais, the Indians and all the rest. If they feel threatened why don't they put up their manpower and military armament? In all other wars our purpose was clear - we were involved to defeat the enemy. Our tactics may have been questioned but our purpose never. We were in it to win and we spared no weapon to get the job done in the shortest period of time. In this war we have used just enough weapons and have fought just enough to hold back the enemy but never enough to win and get it over with. In the process we have given up almost 50,000 men and the end is not yet in sight. We seem to be more concerned about world politics than in protecting the men we have given to the war effort.

The basic premise, that we are fighting to stop communism, does not seem to be the whole truth as far as the American public is concerned. It is the administration's lack of answers that is causing the frustrations, to young and old alike, that are tearing this country apart.

We, as many of our young people, question what is going on in Southeast Asia today. We wish our government would be more communicative and answer more of these questions. We recognize the legitimate efforts that the administration is making to get us out of Viet Nam but we do ask is this war being fought fundamentally for the same reasons that the First and Second World Wars were fought for - to stop enemy aggression that might lead to fighting here on our own shores. We do not believe that there is a prson in the government who wishes to capture an inch of Southeast Asia for the United States. We do not believe for one minute that we would not pull out of this area if it were guaranteed that there would be no further

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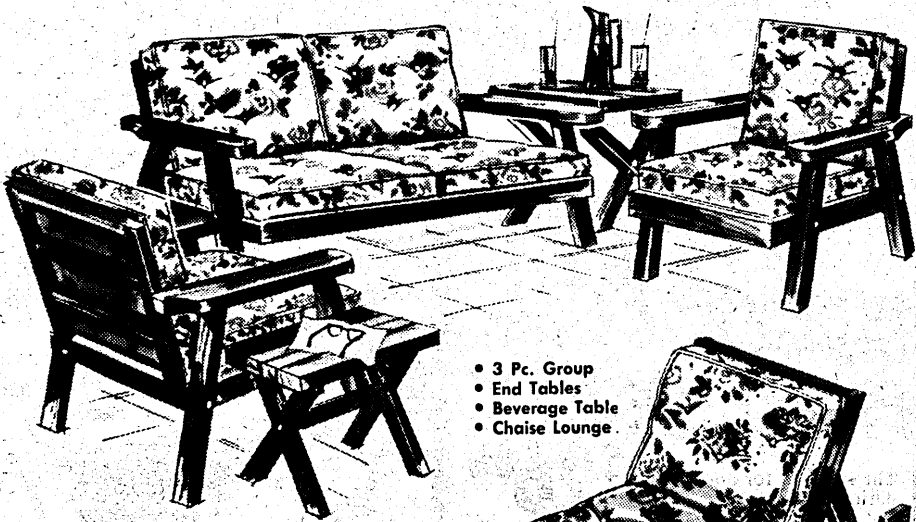
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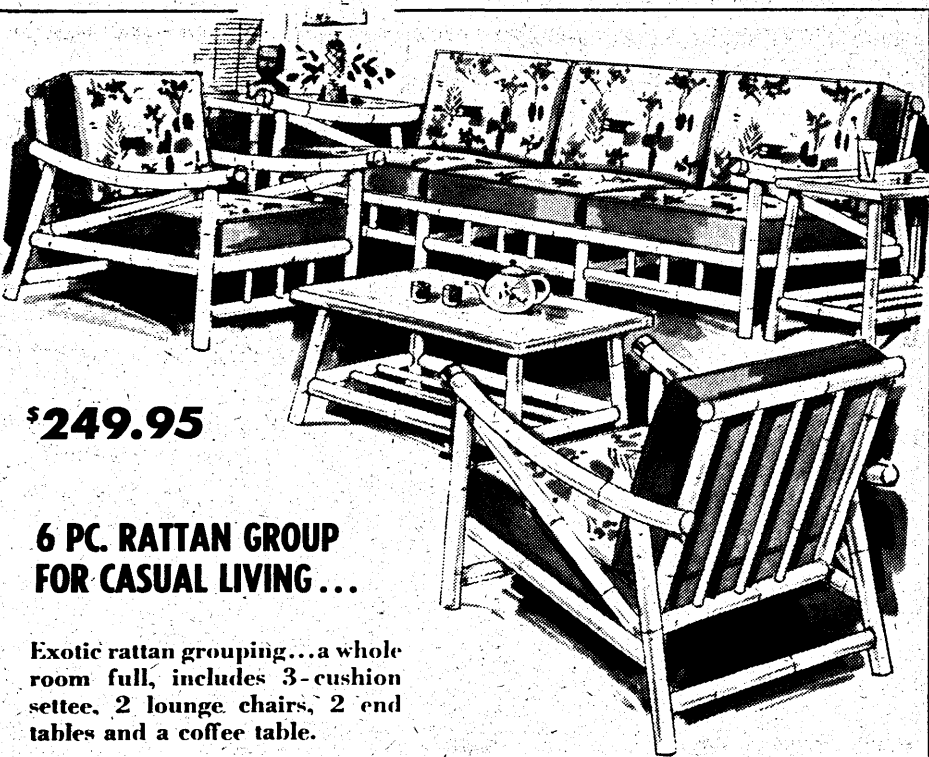


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aggression on this country or our allies from this day forth.

Unfortunately, the other side does not feel this way. Therefore we must keep a military machine in readiness, equipped with the latest and the best in weaponry. It is the only language that the enemy respects. If we are going to stop communism through war then we should commit ourselves to using every weapon in our arsenal this side of atomic weaponry and place no target off-limits. We should act like the strong country we are supposed to be and announce once and for all that if any aggressive acts are made against us, the aggressor will bear the full consequences of that move. We should announce that the countries we are pledged to protect are to be considered the same as the land within our own physical boundaries and any attempts to violate those countries will be construed as a direct attack upon ourselves.

If we cannot make commitments then we should get the hell off the battlefield, develop an isolationist policy and prepare for an attack upon the continental U.S.A. with the most powerful defense system we can devise.

The middle ground that we have taken in Southeast Asia is the reason we are in trouble today. We are involved in a war without a clear-cut purpose. We must bring this to an end. And why not?

County Police Up For Memorial Weekend

Suffolk County Police Commissioner John L. Barry has directed an all out "Police Effort" during the coming Memorial Day weekend to prevent highway deaths and injuries.

Though there were no fatalities during the Memorial Day weekend last year, 67 persons were injured as a result of 246 accidents. "Particular attention will be again given to the intoxicated driver as was evidenced by 12 arrests for driving while intoxicated during the 1969 Memorial Day weekend," said Commissioner Barry.

Barry called on motorists to drive defensively.

Photo-News Coverage

For photo coverage and printed notice of your events and happenings, Suffolk Life must now require that you mail us information at least two weeks prior to the date of occurrence. We can no longer accept information concerning events and happenings over the telephone. We sincerely encourage you to take advantage of our expanded space. We need you to make us better. Mail to: News Editor, Box 262, Montauk Highway, Westhampton, New York 11977.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

We, of the North Shore Beach Fire Company of the Rocky Point Fire Department wish to take exception to the letter sent to you by members of H Battery, Niki Missile Base 25, Rocky Point, New York.

We wish to inform the members of H Battery, Niki Missile Base 25, that our flag has flown faithfully for many months, however, due to the fact that the flag became ragged from its excessive use, we felt it a dishonor to continue to fly this particular flag.

A new flag has been ordered and will arrive in the very near future, and you can be sure it will again be flown regularly.

May we also point out that each of our trucks carry a flag on each front fender, also a symbol of our patriotism. We would further inform the members of H Battery Niki Missile Base 25, that 90 percent of the members of the North Shore Beach Fire Co. are veterans of foreign wars.

In answer to their inability to contact a responsible person of the Fire Department, we wish to inform the members of H Battery, Niki Missile Base 25, that our phone number is listed in all of the phone books, and there are usually men standing by at the Fire House to answer any alarm.

Respectfully yours,

Tom Owens,
Captain for the men of the North Shore Beach Fire Co., Rocky Point Fire Department

Dear Mr. Willmott:

I wish to disagree with your last two why-nots. A race track is the last thing we want around here. Aside from the additional traffic jams it would cause, it will draw the gambling element, and other undesirable types. Money isn't everything, and many of us cherish our peace more. I could cite additional police needed for such an enterprise - and other expenses. Enough on that.

As for a Riverhead airport - why can't Suffolk Airbase be utilized? It is conveniently located, and all ready. Why cement over any more Country Side?

Sincerely,
Margarita B. Kipp
Quogue