

Attention — Construction Men

Petty Officer E. R. Little and R. D. McBride, Area Navy Recruiters, in Hornell, recently announced a greatly increased need for skilled construction men to fill the rank of the Navy's Seabees.

Some 3,000 men are vitally needed before June 30th. Those qualifying will be enlisted in the Navy at advanced pay grades depending on the amount of experience they have in past civilian or military duties.

Some of the skills which are most vitally needed are Construction Equipment Operators, Construction electricians and builders. Almost all skills are covered in this new program, however.

Men enlisting for the Seabees, will not attend the normal "boot" training courses. Instead, they attend a 6 week school at Gulfport, Mississippi, then ordered to Construction Battalions, where they receive further training before "shipping out."

Seabees are engaged today in one of the largest construction programs in history in Viet Nam. The famous outfit, dating from WW II days, has the motto "Can Do" and "We build, We fight."

Men with construction and related skills are asked to put these skills to work where they are vitally needed. The local Navy Recruiting Officers at 44 Canisteo St., Hornell has received all information on the program.

Ex-Servicemen are particularly welcome under this program. It offers them a chance to get back into service without taking a pay cut, in most cases. The advanced pay grades insure that most construction men will earn about as much in the Navy as they did in civilian life, sometimes more.

The age limit is up to 40 years old, but waivers can be obtained in the case of especially well qualified applicants.

Grange News

The Annual Visit of New York State Grange Deputy Milton Jennings and Junior Deputy Elnora Jennings to Andover Grange No. 1098 was made at the last meeting, March 27th.

The Grange Regional Princess, Celeste Hein of Belmont, visited us at the same time and presented a talk on the events that have high-lighted her reign during the past year. Emphasis was placed on the importance of interest in youth and promotion of youth activities on the part of the older members. Active in the Belmont Grange, Celeste is the Lecturer, in addition to participating in Young Patrons and being a student at Belmont Central.

During the meeting it was voted that prizes on the local (Andover) level for the Soil and Water Conservation Essay Contest will be 1st prize \$5.00; 2nd prize \$3.00; and 3rd prize \$2.00. Entries must be completed and presented for judging by May 15th. Announcement of winners will be made at the regular meeting of May 22nd, and the winning entry will go to the Pomona Lecturer for judging at the County level by June 1st. Prizes will be awarded at the annual presentation of prizes and awards at graduation time in June.

Income Tax News Missing Signatures

Delivery of Federal income tax refunds to 6,612 taxpayers in the Buffalo District is being held up because the returns were filed without necessary signatures.

"Instead of refund checks, these taxpayers are getting their Forms 1040 or 1040A back to be signed", IRS District Director John E. Foley for the Buffalo District has announced.

As a legal document a tax return must be signed to be valid and to permit the IRS to process

it and issue the refund, Mr. Foley said. Many missing signatures were those of wives required to sign joint returns he said.

Another major reason for delay of refund checks Mr. Foley said, is the neglect of taxpayers to include their correct Social Security number on tax returns.

Incorrect or missing Social Security numbers are delaying 6,096 refunds of Buffalo District taxpayers, he noted.

Mr. Foley reported that refunds also are being held up by other taxpayer errors or failures to comply with instructions that accompany tax returns.

Mistakes in arithmetic — causing delays in sending refunds — so far total 8,837, Mr. Foley said, adding that returns where the wrong tax table was used total 19,306.

The IRS Service Center in Andover, Massachusetts as of last week had processed 621,444 refunds to Buffalo District taxpayers for a total of \$115,032,551.49, Mr. Foley said.

Wellsville Firm Submits Bid

J. Burch McMorrin, State Commissioner of Transportation, has announced receipt of a low bid of \$32,646 from Genesee Valley Nurseries Inc., Wellsville, N. Y. for screening of junkyard areas in the Town of Amity, Allegany County, and the Town of Dansville, Steuben County, under the Highway Beautification Act. Two bids were received.

Trees and shrubs will be planted and eight-foot-tall chain link and wood screen fencing erected for about 1,350 feet at the intersection of Route 19 and 408 in Amity; and for about 1,000 feet on Route 36 one and half miles north of the Village of Arkport in Dansville.

Scheduled for completion by December 4, 1968, all work will be under the supervision of William J. Dennis, District Engineer in charge of the Department's District Office at Hornell.

Robert McNinch Announces Candidacy For Post Of Sheriff

Supervisor Robert McNinch of Belmont, a candidate for the Republican nomination for the office of Sheriff of Allegany County, made the following statement before the Allegany County Republican Committee at their meeting held March 29 in the Court House in Belmont.

Stated Mr. McNinch: "I am familiar with Allegany County activities and resources, and I feel I maintain a good working relationship with law enforcement agencies in this county. I am particularly interested in good, economical governmental procedures. My experience in the field of management and administration, I believe, will be advantageous in maintaining an efficient Sheriff's Department in Allegany County."

Mr. McNinch, owner-operator of a successful 350 acre dairy farm located on the Belmont-Alfred Road, has been a lifetime resident of Belmont. He married to the former Beth Hoyt, Auburn, N. Y., and father of one daughter, Meredith, a Freshman at St. Lawrence University, Canton N. Y.. Mrs. McNinch holds a B.S. degree in Home Economics and has held positions in teaching, F.H. Extension and Social Service in Allegany County.

A graduate of Belmont Central School, McNinch has attended training course for magistrates at University of Buffalo and has completed a course on the New Panel Law at Erie County Technical Institute.

Mr. McNinch is now serving his fifth year as supervisor, and has been associated with town and county government for 10 years. He served for five years as justice of peace and the past two years has been in the sheriff's committee of the board of supervisors. He served as deputy sheriff for 3 years.

Supervisor McNinch is an elder in the Belmont Presbyterian Church, a member of Masonic Lodge F. & A. M., and of Belmont Rotary Club.

Kathleen Joyce To Participate In Concert

Miss Kathleen L. Joyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James V. Joyce of Andover, is a member of the Skidmore College Freshman Chorus, which will present its annual spring concert at 8 p. m. Wednesday, April 17, in the Filene Music Building recital hall on Skidmore's New Campus.

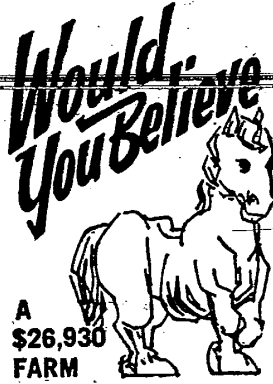
The appearance will be the first of the Freshman Chorus in the new building, which was occupied last fall. The \$40 million New Campus is approximately 40 per cent complete.

The 79-member chorus, directed by Professor Francis S. Carver, will be assisted by the Skidmore College Instrumental Ensemble and other musicians.

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