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A DANCE EVENING... and a smashing success. Guests who filled the Gaslight Ball to capacity thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the gala evening while adding substance to the Sharon Hospital benefit fund.

Gaslight Ball Proves A "Smasher"

Over 500 persons attended the annual formal dance benefit for the Sharon Hospital last Saturday on the Terrace of the Sharon Center School. The quota was filled and late attempts at reservations had to be gratefully turned down. A huge canopy covered the spacious area where the gaily decorated tables afforded seating accommodations for all guests together with a commodious dance floor which was thronged throughout the evening with enthusiastic couples dancing to the rhythmic strains of a five-piece Lester Lanin orchestra.

"Over Subscribed"

John Rand, who needed 100 signatures to secure a district primary on August 7, has received 103 Rand, who has been the 173rd District Representative in Hartford during the last session, is challenging Gordon Vaill of Goshen who won the nomination in convention.

HVRHS Office Closed

The main office of the Housatonic Valley Regional High School will be closed from July 27 through Aug. 9 and will reopen on Monday, Aug. 12. The guidance office is presently closed and will also reopen Aug. 12.

Site Work Starts On The New Geer Facility

At its annual meeting, the Board of Trustees of the Robert C Geer Memorial Hospital, Inc. announced plans for a program to raise \$400,000 for the Geer Memorial Extended Care Facility. The new Geer unit is now under construction by the contracting firm of Felix Buzzi & Son, Inc. and is scheduled for completion by August 1, 1969 at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000. This will provide 93 beds in three separate nursing services and will provide facilities for the chronically ill and convalescent; and extended care—an extension of hospital nursing care. Provision will also be made in an unfinished area for an additional 25 beds when needed.

NEW GEER UNIT... the new Geer building will have kitchen, dining room, lobby, business office, Chapel and physical therapy room on the ground floor. On the two upper floors will be nursing services, patients' beds, a recreation area, a lounge and treatment room, linen, utility and storage rooms.

SCAF POETS WILL STAGE A READING

Members of the SCAF Poetry Workshop will stage a Coffee House evening Sunday, July 28 at the SCAF Gallery in Sharon, at 8 p.m. The public will be seated at small tables and served refreshments while four or five local writers will read original poems. The program will open with a three-part recitation of Hubris, a dramatic commentary on the ills which plague Connecticut by Patricia Murphy of Sharon. The three writers will read the part of Niobe; William Hain, former concert singer, the part of Job and Helen Cornell, noted actress, Cornelia.



GORDON VAILL

Gordon Vaill To Be Challenged In An Area Primary

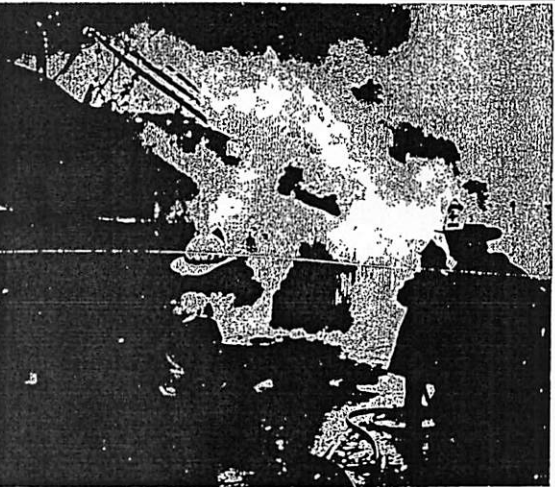
Gordon M. Vaill, Goshen, who has received the Republican Party endorsement for the nomination as candidate for Representative from the 173rd District, will face incumbent John A. Rand of Salisbury in a party primary Aug. 7. Mr. Vaill, who co-owns the 360-acre Crown Hill Dairy Farm in Goshen, has been active in Goshen civic affairs for several years. He has served on the Board of Education, Zoning Board of Appeals, Town Building Committee, Goshen Agricultural Society and the Essex County Farm Bureau. He is a director of the Litchfield County Cooperative Assoc. and The Cooperative Dairy of Torrington. He is president of the Wamogo Horse Show Scholarship Fund and a past president of the Litchfield County Fair. He is a former chief of the Goshen Volunteer Fire Department, a member of the Goshen Historical Society, and Torrington Lodge of Elk.

HEARING ON ASHMAN REQUEST FOR VARIANCE DEFINES DIVERSE OPINIONS ON ZONING

The Zoning Board of Appeals hearing Monday night on the request of Charles D. Ashman for a use variance on his property on the east side of the Road and Route 41 in Salisbury provided an almost classic example of the thinking of people for zoning and those against it. Mr. Ashman, whose property is in the R-20 (residence) Zone, is a quality farmer who wishes to put a gas station and a repair shop on his land at the junction of the two roads.

Saturday Services Curtailed In P. O.'s

Anyone planning to mail a bill, a check, or a love letter on a weekend hereafter had better have the proper stamps in hand. By government ruling, First and Second Class Post Offices will not supply window service on Saturdays. The only mail to be sold, July 27 No stamps will be sold, no packages weighed, no mail handed over the counter. Post offices will be made as usual and the box lobbies will remain open so patrons (who remember their keys) will be able to get their mail. This announcement was made jointly this week by postmasters in Canaan, Norfolk, Lakeville, Salisbury, and Sharon. The Cornwallis have their own postal story on the page (here business call, picked up in order to qualify for a variance. He quoted a case in which the owner of a parcel of land could not use it for any of the purposes listed in the zoning regulations and thus could show hardship. "I owe \$1400 in back taxes. I have a medical discharge from the Army," Ashman said, a doctor says the medicine he is unable to do a full day's work. "How near dead do I have to



BARN FIRE... at the Seymour place in Lakeville, Tory Hill Farm. The fire, one of two major ones last Friday, was started by a lightning bolt. It destroyed a 75 foot machinery shed full of farm equipment. Eugene Trudeau photo

Electric Storm Causes Major Fires

Firemen from four towns converged on Lakeville late last Friday afternoon to try to cope with two major and two minor fires ignited by the severe electric storm which raged over the area. Lakeville and Sharon fire companies were putting forth their efforts in quelling the major blaze in the 75 foot machinery shed at Seymour's Tory Hill Farm on the Sharon-Lakeville road when an alert was sounded by John Branch of Lakeville that the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Pond on Farnham Road was on fire.

Nature Writers Will Have Round Table At Festival

Following three days of field trips and demonstrations covering many different aspects of nature, July 28, 27 and 28, the Audubon Center Festival will end Sunday afternoon with an authors' round table and a special musical program of conservation songs and ballads. Admission to the grounds of the 526 acre wildlife sanctuary is free throughout the weekend. Printed programs list special events for which nominal fees will be charged. Sunday afternoon visitors at the Audubon Festival may join in round table discussions from 2 to 3 o'clock with authors of recent books on nature. Books to be on display, for examination and for sale. Autographed copies may be had on request.

KENT TO STUDY HAUL-AWAY BIDS

Kent, like most towns in the area, has been nagged by recurring "dump" crises. Finding a suitable spot and meeting the state requirements for landfill disposal areas present increasing problems everywhere. Because of the need for providing a dump facility immediately, the Kent Board of Selectmen is reversing its decision to skip an August meeting and will convene on Aug. 12. At this time the selectmen hope to have several bids on a haul-away system of refuse removal. To date haul-away firms from New Milford, Ridgefield and Amenia have indicated interest in bidding for the service. As soon as all bids are in action will be taken. Kent is one of the first area towns to substitute this kind of system for the town dump.

CALENDAR FOR A BUSY WEEKEND

- July 26—WSSC Fair and Food Sale. Fellowship Hall, Lakeville Methodist Church, 2 p.m.
July 26—Kirk-Off picnic, Young Republican Club, Town Grove, Lakeville, 6:30 p.m.
July 26—Special Town Meeting, Sharon Center School, 8 p.m.
July 27—Summer Buffet, Trinity Church, settings 5:30, 7:30
July 27—Cornwallis Town Meeting, Cornwallis Ski Lodge
July 27—SCAF Poets Coffee House and poetry reading, SCAF Gallery, 8 p.m.
July 28, 27, 26—Audubon Nature Festival, Sharon Audubon Center with David McKelvey and feathered friends at Center School, July 27, 8 p.m.
July 28, 27, 26—Kent Firemen Fair and Mover, Fire 7 south of village Sky Diving July 28 promptly at 6 p.m.