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## ORINDA DEFENSE PERSONNEL

The Orinda Civilian Defense Council is now functioning with smoothness and effectiveness, and is fast making preparations to render the community completely efficient in the advent of any emergency.

In answer to questions asked by residents of the territory included in the Orinda School District, a complete list of committee chairmen functioning in the present set-up has been compiled: The executive board of the Orinda Civilian Defense Council is composed of Herbert Hauser, president of the Moraga Improvement Association; Dr. John Morrison, president of the Orinda Improvement Association; Clay Sorrick, Kenneth Morrish, and W. D. Scott. Sub-committee chairmen were announced as follows: Red Cross, Mrs. F. A. Kales; Relief, Mrs. J. A. Barden; Transportation, B. Randall; Fire, Joe Varni; Police, Ray Curtis; Roads, Arthur C. Creek; Personnel, Mrs. E. J. Unruh; Finance, Kenneth Gelwix; Water, Bill Jordan; Power, Homer Keesling; Medical, Dr. H. Stewart Kimball; Communications, Roy Stuart.

W. D. Scott is the coordinator for Orinda and U. B. Smith assistant coordinator. Mrs. R. D. Harrison is serving in the capacity of secretary for the Orinda Civilian Defense Council.

The Defense Council office is located in the Orinda Store building, Post Office Box 36, phone number Orinda 2027. The office hours are from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m., and during these hours someone is always on duty to answer questions pertaining to activities and responsibilities of the Civilian Defense set-up. All printed matter and special reports will be posted on the bulletin board in the office.

Sign-up sheets for local Red Cross First Aid classes and Nutrition classes are available at the defense office. Classes were recently started for air raid warden instruction. Air Raid wardens functioning under the council have been instructed as to their duties, and have contacted residents in their respective sections as to procedure during black-outs. Warning sirens are being purchased and will be installed in the near future.

## NOTICE

**AIR RAID ALARM is an up-and-down wail on the siren for two minutes.**

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**For any emergency call Orinda 3451.  
For all other calls to Fire House, call Orinda 2006.**

## FEBRUARY MEETING NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Orinda Improvement Association will be held Friday evening, February 6th, at 8:15 p. m.

At this meeting Mr. C. E. Fleager will explain tire rationing and other forms of rationing which may be in effect. Mr. Edward Sibbett will discuss the progress made on the road work, and Mr. Stanley Smith will give us the latest information concerning the Cross-Roads problem. Each speaker has consented to answer questions from the floor so come to the meeting and discuss community problems.

## ORINDA SALVAGE DRIVE

Plans have now been completed to collect all salvage which Orindans have carefully been putting aside for the past few weeks. Salvageable items include the following:

Scrap iron, brass, copper, aluminum and lead; wool, cotton and silk rags; all kinds of paper and cardboard *tied in bundles*; old items of leather and rubber.

These things should be placed at the edge of the roads, early Saturday morning, February 7th. If you live on a blind road, bring your collection to the nearest main road. These items will be collected early Saturday and disposed of to local junk men who offer the best price. In this way your salvage will be made available to industry and the proceeds to our needs here in Orinda. Let's all get behind this drive and at the same time take the opportunity to clean out your basement and attic.

PUT IT OUT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

## HACIENDA HOMES MAKES ASSESSMENTS

The Board of Directors of Hacienda Homes has passed a resolution to make an assessment on property, east of San Pablo Dam Highway of five cents a front foot, excepting those properties wholly on county roads. The total sum to be collected in this manner is \$5,025 of which approximately \$2,000 has been collected. All lots on county roads or west of the San Pablo Dam Highway will be assessed one dollar per lot. Statements have been mailed to property owners. To date the majority of replies have come from non-resident owners.

Work has begun on the roads, some patching has been done and with the good weather a great deal more may be accomplished.


The board has also examined plans for several dwellings, issuing only one permit however. Several requests were turned down due to the attempt to build on half a lot. The policy of the board will not approve of this. The board is also checking on past permits and will take legal action where the permit to build on half a lot was not obtained.

## DISASTER RELIEF STATION

The Orinda Disaster Relief Station is urgently in need of the following materials and supplies. If you can donate any item on the following list, please call Mrs. Frank Kales, Orinda 4271, or better, bring the article to the Defense Council rooms behind the Orinda Store.

Kitchen table, 6 ft. long  
Wash stands  
Folding "Army" cots  
Mattresses  
Blankets  
Hot water bottles  
Heavy restaurant cups  
Teaspoons  
Enamel dishpans  
Enamel washbasins  
Enamel pans about 6 to 8 inches diameter  
Trash cans  
Gas plate with at least 2 burners

The Orinda Disaster Relief Station is located behind the Orinda Store and is being equipped by your donations and by material from the Red Cross. As the Red Cross is in a position to supply only certain types of materials, the items in the above list are urgently required.



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**DISTRICT AIR RAID WARDENS**

Listed below are the Air Raid Wardens for the Orinda District. Each individual should become acquainted with his warden so that in time of emergency all may know where to look for help and information.

Orinda is divided into twenty-four districts with a chief air raid warden and assistants for each district. Note from this list your warden.

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Assistant, Walter Wood  
Assistant, Alden Macomber  
Assistant, Dr. A. P. Wold
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Assistant, Andrew Catherall  
Assistant, Leonard Phillips  
Assistant, Martin Jefferies  
Assistant, Verne Kenny
15. Peter Ratcliff — 12 Camino Encinas  
Assistant, Geo. Fitch  
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Assistant, August Reuter  
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**EDITORIAL**

If your neighbor's septic tank should overflow onto your premises, what would you do?

It took months of hard work by a Committee of the Improvement Association to arrange for County Relief in such cases, but it is now available.

Do you worry about traffic hazards at the Crossroads?

A Committee of the Improvement Association, working with other organizations, had that problem licked and the work would probably have been under way now except for the emergency". We will have to do that work over again later.

If your property should be threatened by the erection of an unsuitable structure near by, the affiliate of the Improvement Association, acquired through the work of a Committee of the Improvement Association, can

give relief in many parts of our territory, if notified in time.

These are samples of the problems arising, which, in the absence of a city form of government, can be controlled only by the Improvement Association.

Do you think that YOU need the Improvement Association?

If so, cooperate with it. Support it by your attendance at the meetings and send your 1942 dues — \$1.00 for each member of your household who wishes to participate — to the writer; or leave it with Mr. Kenneth Allen at the office of Mitchell & Austin in the civic center; or bring it to the next meeting, Friday, February 6th, at 8:15 p. m., in the Orinda School.

Membership Committee,  
Martyn F. Warner, *Chairman.*



**WALNUT CREEK RED CROSS**

Our Walnut Creek Chapter of the American Red Cross has been asked by the Bay Area Council for Camp and Hospital Service and Supplies to locate the following items to be supplied to nearby Hospitals and Camps (Army and Navy):

- Used playing cards
- Ping Pong balls and paddles
- Radios—any kind (Even battery sets)
- Late phonograph records
- Coal oil heaters—new or used
- Camp equipment, viz. lamps and grills, stoves

If you have any of the above items and would like to contribute them for the use of convalescents in these camps and hospitals, please notify one of the following committee on the location of the items — but do not send the supplies unless notified to do so:

- Mrs. D. W. de Laveaga, Orinda
- Mrs. Walter T. Wood, Lafayette
- Mrs. J. Ghirardelli, Walnut Creek
- Mrs. Solon Pearce, Diablo

**ACALANES HIGH SCHOOL BRIEFS**

Due to the fact that basketball games have been scheduled for the afternoons, the students are planning to give one extra dance during the school year. This dance, a Superstition Dance, will be held at the school gymnasium on Friday, February 13th, from 8:30 to 11 o'clock. Proceeds will go toward the purchasing of a Defense Bond.

The basketball team have had a good season so far. Acalanes is tied with Pittsburg for second place in the conference. Martinez holds first place. Acalanes has defeated Pittsburg, Antioch, and Crockett, but was defeated by Martinez.

Spelling tests have been given to the students during the past few weeks with gratifying results. Almost half of the papers received 91%. There were some students who did not do so well and special attention is to be given to them.

Coach Matson was the guest speaker at the Lions Club in Walnut Creek recently. He spoke about athletics in general and basketball in particular.

Dr. Lucy Adams, head of the English Department at Mills College, spoke to the assembled classes of English at Acalanes on January 21st. Her talk was enthusiastically received by the students.



**DEFENSE AT ACALANES**

Air raid drills, which were begun soon after war was declared, are being continued at Acalanes, according to Mr. Stanley Warburton, Principal. Mr. Warburton points out, as an assurance to parents, that the school is one of the safest places children can be, considering the scattered area of the school and its light Celotex Acoustic Tile roof. It has been discovered in studying earthquake disasters that the greatest danger is from falling plaster. The Acalanes ceiling is so light even a fragile child would not be hurt by its fall.

The Faculty First Aid Courses are drawing to a close. It is estimated that there will be about 35 who will qualify as certified First Aiders. Day and evening classes in Home Nursing are also in progress at the school. A night course in Nutrition is to start soon.

Mr. Norman Wilson, County Coordinator of Civilian Defense, met with the faculty on Wednesday, January 28th. He brought official answers to the questions that are being raised concerning aspects of Civilian Defense, speaking of aliens, Civilian Defense structure, basic information about bombs, fire protection, organization of the Fourth Interceptor Command, as well as speaking of the legal framework of Civilian Defense.

Defense stamps are being sold at Advisory meetings each Monday afternoon. This practice was started not only to make it easier for the students to buy stamps but also to remind them to do so.

**ACALANES HOST TO PRINCIPALS**

On Thursday, January 29th, Acalanes High School was host to the principals of both Alameda and Contra Costa schools. Mr. Stanley Warburton, Principal of Acalanes, was chairman at the meeting. A number of prominent personnel men in the county were invited to attend and give their opinions concerning the adequacy of the training now being given to high school students as it affects their prospects after graduation.

The personnel men who were present at the meeting were: M. L. Neiswonger of Western Electric Co., Harry Barnes of Associated Oil Co., Walter Eells of Fiber Board Products at Antioch, and Charles Weeks, Manager of Balfour-Guthrie, one of the largest apricot ranches in the county.

Dinner was served to the principals and the guests by the Home Economics Class under the direction of Miss Helen Williamson. Mr. Martin Rauhut of the Music Department arranged the musical program for the evening.



**ACALANES PARENT CLUB VOTES MONEY FOR LANDSCAPING**

The Acalanes Parent Club, at the monthly meeting held January 19th, voted \$150 for landscaping the central court at the school. The landscaping plans include 19 Oriental Plane trees for shade and decoration, Pittosporum for background in the borders, a low hedge and Shasta daisies. There will also be lawn and wisteria climbing over the connecting corridors. The boys in the landscaping class at school will aid the gardener and William Penn Mott, landscape architect for Acalanes, in planting the court.

The Senior Class, having won the prize for obtaining the greatest number of new members in a recent Parent Club Membership Drive, were presented \$15 at a Student Body Council Meeting on January 30th. The membership of the club is now at 177.

The program for the January meeting consisted of a technicolor motion picture presented by the Greyhound Bus Company, "This Amazing America." The next meeting of the Parent Club will be held Monday evening, February 16th, at the school.



**HIGH SCHOOL MOTHERS**

Orinda High School mothers held their regular monthly meeting at one o'clock, February 2, at the home of Mrs. Leo Alexander, 51 Via Hermosa. Following a short business meeting, Orinda's Civilian Defense Co-ordinator, Mr. W. D. Scott, explained the Civilian Defense organization in Orinda, and answered questions about the functions of various departments.



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**ORINDA GRAMMAR SCHOOL  
SPONSORS FORUM SERIES**

The Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the Orinda Grammar School are sponsoring a series of forums to be held at the school during the coming four months. Speakers at these meetings will be outstanding educators. The presentation in each case will be followed by discussion by a panel composed of well known members of the teaching profession and others who are known in the community. At each meeting an opportunity for audience discussion will be provided.

The general topic for discussion at these meetings is: "Social Influences Affecting the Behavior of Children." The first forum was held Monday evening, January 26th, at the school auditorium. Dr. George Gibson, Professor of History at the San Francisco State College, was the speaker. His subject was "The Place of the Child in Society." He gave an analysis of the historical background and the various concepts held today of the place of the child in the community.

On the panel for that night were: Miss Marian Bryant, Orinda Grammar School teacher; Mr. T. A. Goodrick, member of Board of Trustees; Mrs. Isabel Wayne, Orinda Grammar School teacher; Mr. Mervyn Gibson, Principal of Walnut Creek Grammar School; Mr. Stanley Warburton, Principal of Acalanes High School; and Mrs. Melvin Jacobus, Orinda. Mr. Richard Davis, Principal of the Orinda Grammar School, was chairman for the night.

The next forum in the series will be held Thursday, February 26th, at 8:00 p. m. Dr. Edith Bryon of the Berkeley School Department and the University of California will be the speaker. Her topic, "The Mental and Physical Growth of the Child", will present a discussion of home, school, and community factors in bringing our elementary school children to the adult stage mentally and physically equipped for the responsibilities of leadership.

The panel for the night will consist of: Mrs. Gertrude Williams, teacher, Orinda Union School; Mr. Mervyn Gibson, Principal, Walnut Creek Grammar School; Mrs. Anna S. Bennett, President, Board of Trustees, Orinda Grammar School; Mrs. Violet Bedwell, School Nurse, Contra Costa County; Mr. Wilbur Ellis, Principal, Lafayette Grammar School; Mrs. G. T. Cooper, Supervisor of Contra Costa Schools; Miss Mary J. Seifker, teacher, Orinda Union School. For the meeting, Mr. Stanley Warburton, Principal, Acalanes Union High School, will be chairman.

**WOMEN WANTED**

The new Red Cross Sewing Group at the home of Mrs. George Hickok on El Toyonal needs more women to sew on Thursdays. Mrs. Ernest Drews is in charge, and workers are making Children's sleepers. The work room opens at 10:00 o'clock.

**RED CROSS SPEAKER FOR  
ORINDA P. T. A.**

The January meeting of the Orinda P. T. A. was held Tuesday, January 20th, at the grammar school auditorium. Mrs. Mary Liggett was the speaker for this meeting. She covered all phases of the Red Cross, telling what it stands for and what we could do to forward its work.

In order to aid the Dad's Club in providing basketball equipment for the school, fifty dollars was voted by the P. T. A. members to be turned over to the fund.

Mrs. Wickman, president of the Orinda P. T. A., announced that the Old Time Dances will start as soon as blackout arrangements are completed at the school. The first dance will probably be held Friday, February 13th. There is no admission charge. Mr. Harold Farquar and Mrs. Melvin Jacobus will lead the dances.



**THANKS**

The war production group of the Red Cross wishes to express its gratitude for the new sewing machines donated by the Orinda Improvement Association, the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church, and the 12:15 Club.

Thanks is also due to Mr. Joe Navone for the use of his truck, tires and gasoline, for a full half-day to transport the sewing machines.



**CHILDREN CARED FOR**

Mrs. Kenneth St. Claire, 12 La Campana, has kindly offered to care for small children in her home while mothers sew for the Red Cross. Mrs. St. Claire is a trained nurse with small children of her own. Her home is near both the sewing room at Mrs. Stanley Smith's, on Dias Dorados, and that in Mrs. A. K. Pettengill's home on La Espiral.

**Church Notices**

**ORINDA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Sunday Services at Casa Verano, El Toyonal and Orinda Highway — Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Church worship at 11:00 a. m. Dr. Miles B. Fisher, pastor. Christian Endeavor for 'teen age young people at 7 p. m. New residents and visitors in the community cordially welcome.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

The Christian Science Society of Orinda holds regular Sunday services at 11:00 a. m., and one evening meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p. m. Sunday School meets at 9:30 a. m. Pupils up to 20 years are admitted. Reading room open every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

**CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Sunday Morning Masses the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays at 10 o'clock, and the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 8:30 o'clock.

The next meeting of the Santa Maria Church Association will be held at the home Mr. and Mrs. John Boyen on Via Floreada, Tuesday evening, February 2.

**MINUTES OF  
JANUARY MEETING**

Clarence Fleager reported activities and progress of the new Hacienda Homes organization. He announced that part of the \$300.00 advanced by this Association had already been used for organization expenses, etc., and that \$90.00 back assessments had been received. Joe Navone had been employed, he said, for four months from December 14 to April 14, to keep gutters clear. Regarding road work, he reported some patch paving already started on La Espiral, and some holes on Las Vegas taken care of. He said plans were also being discussed to include in the program our so-called Grand Canyon on the lower loop of La Espiral. Mentioning a recent meeting with Supervisor Jack Cummings, he intimated that all hope is not lost for a connecting link between Las Vegas and Monte Vista, but that nothing could probably be done before Spring.

Harrison Ketcham brought up the subject of our customary after-meeting refreshments, the cost of which, he said, runs between \$35.00 and \$45.00 per year. He suggested discontinuance, in view of the current need for conservation of funds. After some discussion, Clarence Fleager moved the refreshments be discontinued. After being assured that provision — and provisions — had already been taken care of for the current meeting, the motion was put to a vote and carried.

President Morrison then discussed Civilian Defense measures and the steps taken leading up to the mass meeting December 11, and subsequently. He said 750 people in the district are eligible for assignment to duties, and that a three-way cross file has been made of the 350 applications turned in to this date. He announced a meeting to be held at the Orinda Theatre Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, at which plans will be discussed for future activities, and reports made of the current situation.

**DISTRICT AIR RAID WARDENS**

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- 17. James Ryan — 478 Moraga Highway  
Assistant, Dr. F. A. Donovan  
Assistant, A. N. Mattes
- 18. Dorr Yeager — 52 Oak Drive  
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- 19. Bill Terkildsen
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- 22. H. L. Cox — 55 Irvine Drive  
Assistant, Harry Leighton
- 23. Bob Harrison — Camino Lenada  
Assistant, C. C. Fratzke
- 24. Homer Irwin — 11 La Noria  
Assistant, James L. Manning

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
ORINDA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

The third annual meeting of the Orinda Community Church was held on January 18th in the church building, Dr. Miles B. Fisher acting as Chairman.

According to the Treasurer Mrs. Ralph Sisson's report, and Mr. William Penn Mott, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the church has made progress during the past year. Mrs. Herbert Dills, Superintendent of Sunday School, reported the enrollment of children has increased from 74 last year to 104 to date. Other very interesting reports were given: Mrs. Lance Barden, Women's Guild; Mrs. B. B. Seim, Dorcas; Mrs. V. Bedwell, Deaconess; Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Choir; and Mr. David W. Hendry, Young People's Society.

Mrs. G. Stephen Perkins submitted a report of the Nominating Committee for the new officers for the year as follows: Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph Sisson; Superintendent of Sunday School, Mrs. Herbert Dills; Choir, Mrs. Ralph Wilson; New Trustees, Mr. William Penn Mott, Jr., and Dr. Edward Harrington; Clerk of the Board, Mrs. L. R. Givens; Deaconesses, Mrs. Lily Dorrington and Mrs. G. F. Hickok; Deacon, Mr. Edward Miller. A new Nominating Committee was also elected to serve for the coming year: Mrs. B. B. Seim, Chairman, Mrs. E. A. Dawson and Mrs. Edward Miller.

The meeting closed with the serving of refreshments by the members of the Executive Board of the Women's Guild.



**WOMEN'S GUILD**

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Alex Bailey Hayward, 56 Orchard Road, on Tuesday, February 3rd, at 12:30 p. m. Mrs. Theo Castle will be co-hostess.

Especially interesting at this time will be a talk on India by Mrs. John B. Weir of Berkeley. Mrs. Weir went to Jahore as a bride and lived there for nineteen years, serving as Manager of the Girls Missionary School. Her husband was a teacher in the Forman Christian College and served as Secretary for the Indian Council Co-ordinating Organization for all three Presbyterian Mission Areas. Mrs. Weir traveled with her husband through India and is well informed on conditions there. She will appear in official Indian dress.

Also on the program is Mrs. Guthrie Clark of Berkeley, formerly of Orinda, who will sing a group of solos, playing her own accompaniment.



**COUNTRY CLUB NEWS**

The annual meeting of the Orinda Country Club to elect officers for the coming year was held Saturday, January 24th.

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Rumors help the enemy. Trace the facts. Face the facts. Don't exaggerate. Make your community —  
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Every patriot shoots a rumor dead on sight.

**Meet Shortage by Sharing**

Use all of everything. Don't hoard. If everybody cares enough, and everybody shares enough, everybody will have enough. No waste in your ice-box, cash-box, brain-box!

**Keep the Moral Standards of the  
Nation High**

Don't weaken the home-front by wangling something for yourself on the side. Dishonesty and indulgence in you saps the nation's fighting strength. A decent world tomorrow depends on how you live today.

**The Secret of Steadiness and Inner  
Strength is on every Penny:**

"In God we trust." Telephone wires may be cut, radio stations off the air, but no bombardment can stop us from being directed by God. To listen to God and obey wherever you are is your highest national service.

**Hang This in Your Home, Office,  
Store and Factory.**

The text of this Morale Poster printed above will probably be used as a basis for a class for building morale for defense. This poster was used so effectively to panic-proof Britain's blitzed cities that civil authorities in Singapore have authorized full page newspaper publication of the poster to mobilize all resources for total defense. Widespread use of the poster for preparedness in Australia and New Zealand has also been reported.



**RAINFALL**

To January 29, 1941 .....	21.82
To January 29, 1942 .....	22.93

**GIRL SCOUT NEWS**

Several Senior Girl Scouts, under the leadership of Mrs. A. W. Elkinton, are taking a pioneer and handiwoman training course in Berkeley each Saturday morning at the Little House, so they will be able to take their place in the community should an emergency arise. At one of their recent meetings Joe Varni talked to the girls on their part in Civilian Defense of Orinda and explained various things they could do, such as taking care of small children, putting out incendiary bombs and fires.

As a sequel to giving a family a Thanksgiving basket, when the Scouts went to deliver their Christmas basket to the family, they found the mother of the little girl had become so grateful to know about Scouting, she enrolled her girl in a Richmond troop.

Troop 74, Intermediate Girl Scouts, under the leadership of Mrs. H. A. Summers, had an election of patrol leaders and officers recently. Claire Stoffel was elected Scribe and Charlene Bennett, Treasurer. New patrol leaders are Nancy Camp, Joan Woolsey, Shirley Sands, and assistant patrol leaders are Patsy Teiche, Dorothea Miner and Nancy Schroll.

The scrap books which the troop have had as a project for the past term are just about finished and will be presented to the Children's Hospital.

The group are working on the music and dancing field for Second Class. Mrs. P. J. Hawkes, mother of the assistant leader of the troop, Mrs. D. H. Williams, will give the instruction in folk dancing.

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## MARCH OF DIMES

The March of Dimes campaign is under way in Orinda. Warren Harold, chairman for the campaign in Orinda, announces that workers are busy throughout the entire community asking that everyone place their donations in the lucky cans.

Half of every dime received goes to help someone suffering from the dreaded infantile paralysis, so give freely and willingly to this worthy cause. This money stays in our county and is used only for persons in Contra Costa County.

The other half of every dime goes into the national fund for experimental and research work for the purpose of finding the cure and prevention for this disease.

Give when you are asked and if you are not at home when called upon give in the wishing wells located in all the stores and offices in the community.



## SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to Vida Schworer on the death of her father, Mr. Fred R. Schworer on January 28th. Mr. Schworer was fatally injured in an accident while at work.



## PRACTICAL GARDENING

A practical gardening course for Orinda residents is offered by Helene Wolf.

Mrs. Wolf received her training in gardening in Austria, and is now teaching at Californian School for Gardening, Stanford University. The course offered includes, vegetable growth, treatment of fruit trees, cuttings, seeds, methods of pruning, patio plants and fertilizers.

For further information call Mrs. Wolf at Minor Hardware store or Hayward 2470.



## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE WAR RELIEF

The Christian Science War Relief Committee of Christian Science Society, Orinda, working under the direction of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., wishes to express its appreciation to those who so generously contributed to this activity during the past year.

These contributions of time and money enabled the workers to recondition and ship to England over three hundred pounds of woolen clothing, bedding and knitted goods to be distributed to those in need regardless of race or creed.

Contributions may be left at the work room, 261 La Espiral Road, or call the chairman, ORinda 5511.

## POST OFFICE PETITION

The petitions which were circulated throughout the Orinda School District requesting the establishment of an Orinda Post Office at the Cross Roads have now been gathered up and sent to Washington.

Mr. Fred Schlaman, chairman of the Petition Committee, states that the total number of signatures obtained was about an even three hundred, of which one hundred and twenty-seven were from the west side of the Cross Roads.

Many Orindans feel that the Community has outgrown the present postal setup, and are looking forward to the possibility of the Department granting the improved services which an independent office would provide.



## EIGHTH GRADE CANDY SALE PROJECT

In order to obtain some first hand knowledge of the rudiments of selling and of bookkeeping, the students of the eighth grade have started a candy selling project during the noon hour at the Orinda Grammar School. It was discovered that so many children left the school grounds in order to purchase candy that it was decided it might be safer to have the candy sold at school. Purchasers will be limited, however, to the spending of five cents only. All profits, if any, will be turned over to some worthy school project.



## 12-15 CLUB

At the regular business meeting of the 12:15 Club, held at the home of Mrs. Claude Donaldson on January 13th, it was voted that the Club devote the usual social meeting of each month to sewing for the Red Cross. The next meeting, therefore, will be held at the home of Mrs. G. F. Hickok on El Toyonal Road, and Mrs. A. Pasteris will act as hostess to the group. A Red Cross sewing unit has recently been opened on Thursdays from 10:00 a. m. until 4:00 p. m. at the Hickok home under the supervision of Mrs. Ernest C. Drews. Women who can machine sew are invited to share in this great work for the Red Cross.



## ORINDA THEATRE

Mr. Randall has arranged many interesting and excellent programs for the coming month. He has interspersed single and double bills and would like the opinion of the community about these bills. Which do you prefer, single or double bills? Tell Mr. Randall.

During the month of February the theatre will also inaugurate the Saturday afternoon program for the children. These programs will be from 2 to 5 and will include cowboy pictures, cartoons, a serial and shorts suitable for children.

## ORINDA PARK POOL, INC., HOLDS ELECTION

At the meeting of the Orinda Park Pool, Inc., held Thursday, January 15th, three new members were elected to the Board. Dr. Lloyd Farrar, Jack Peddar, and A. K. Pettingill are the three new members who will meet with Emil Wickman and Ed. Miller during the coming year. Mr. Wickman and Mr. Miller were re-elected.



## LIONS CLUB

At the first regular meeting of the year, held Wednesday, January 14th, the Lions Club discussed their program for Civilian Defense. It was decided that they would sponsor a paper drive in Orinda and plans have been made to use the Nursery building in the village, where people can bring their papers the first week in every month. The proceeds from the drive will be used for various projects of this organization.



## BOY SCOUTS AID DEFENSE

The Orinda troop of Boy Scouts is continuing its defense training and work in the community. They have completed a few signs for the Disaster Relief Station and have plans for more signs. The boys' training in blackout first aid is most realistic as they wear blindfolds in their practice on the victim.

January 20th, there was a troop officers' meeting to decide future plans.



## FRED ELKINTON WEDS

January 11th was the date chosen by Miss Dorothy Cleobelle Probst of Berkeley for her wedding to Mr. Fred W. Elkinton. The ceremony took place at the Friends Church, Berkeley, Rev. Gorman Doubleday officiating. Miss Probst is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burke of Berkeley. Miss Joan Pemberton and Miss Martha Landfeldt were bridesmaids, and Miss Patricia Calhoun maid of honor. Bob Elkinton attended his brother as best man. The newly-weds went north on their honeymoon and while in Portland visited the bride's mother, Mrs. Lynne Probst. Fred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Elkinton on Ardilla Road.

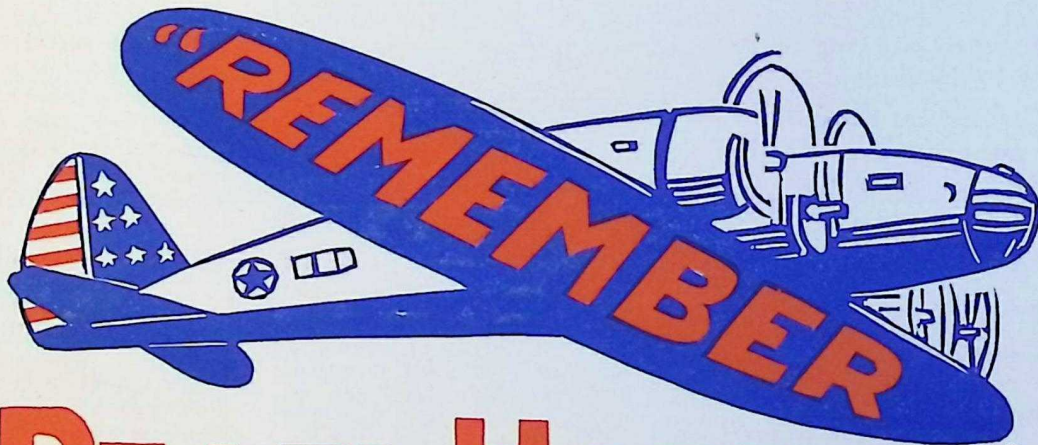


## JOHN CLEBORNE SOMEWHERE IN PACIFIC

Mrs. Beatrice Cleborne received a cable from her son John recently, assuring her of his well-being. John is serving in the Merchant Marine somewhere in the Pacific, and Orinda is proud to have such fine boys as he in the Service of our Country.

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