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## Registration Of Men 20-45 Here Monday

Hours are 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Town Hall, Georgetown Firehouse

All men born after February 17, 1917 and before December 31, 1921, that is, all men who were 20 years of age on December 31 of last year and who will not reach the age of 45 by next Tuesday, February 17, must be registered for Selective Service next Monday. This does not, of course, include those who have already registered in the two previous registrations.

In Wilton, the registration will take place at the Town Hall and in Georgetown, at the Fire House. The offices will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. At the Town Hall, the registration will be in the assessors' room now occupied by the defense council.

G. Evans Hubbard, a member of Selective Service Board 26B, will be the chief registrar in Wilton. He will be assisted by Mrs. James A. Farr, Mrs. Edwin Johnson and Mrs. Magnus I. Gregerson, as supervisors, and by 16 women recruited by the committee on volunteer registration of the defense council. These registrars will be required to take an oath of office. They will serve two-hour shifts each, in groups of two. They alone can fill out the cards.

Residence

## Corps Discusses Plans for Convoy

Captain Jones Presides; Two New Members Get Pins

Mrs. F. Nelson Breed and Miss Marjorie Pedersen were presented their Red Cross Motor Corps pins and arm insignia at the meeting of the Motor Corps at Red Cross headquarters Monday afternoon. Mrs. Breed and Miss Pedersen have completed their probation period and have now become full-fledged members of the corps.

Captain Ruth W. Jones presided at the meeting and outlined the work ahead in convoy training. Miss Jones distributed convoy instruction sheets and will call another meeting within the next 10 days or two weeks at which time convoy signals will be rehearsed.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the possibility of lessening the mileage for motor corps drivers in all transportation in order to save wear and tear on tires. It is planned to have all calls for transportation registered in the Red Cross headquarters before 9 a.m. each day so that drivers on duty may plan the shortest possible route in the calls for their passengers.

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## 75 Firemen Gather For Annual Dinner

Plenty of rare roast beef, sparkling anecdotes by Master of Ceremonies John O. Disbrow, two interesting moving pictures followed

## Town to Be Blacked Out February 24

Church Bells to Sound Alarm for First Practice Blackout

When bells sound in Wilton on the evening of February 24, the town will be having its first blackout rehearsal. Air raid wardens will patrol the roads to make sure that not a spark of light shines out into the darkness.

Chief Air Raid Warden John O. Disbrow said the blackout would last about half an hour. Alarms will be sounded some time between 8 and 9 p. m. He added that the chief purpose of this test blackout would be to discover how far the bells could be heard. Other communities use sirens to warn of impending blackouts, but Wilton plans to use its church bells.

Householders are instructed to be in readiness for the test, by having blankets or curtains on hand for use on windows in the rooms that are to remain illuminated. Instructions for blackouts received from the State Defense Council in Hartford give detailed pointers for private dwellings. The suggestions:

Remain in the house as much as possible.

Put out all lights at the public alarm signal or on orders from responsible officials or wardens, except in rooms effectively blacked out.

## Council Elects 2 New Members

Mrs. James M. Farr, III, Walton S. Richdale Aid Defense

At the 14th meeting of the Wilton Defense Council last Friday, John F. Goetjen, chairman, announced that he had appointed Mrs. James M. Farr, III, chairman of the committee on volunteer registration, and Walton S. Richdale, chairman of the committee on motor vehicles, as members of the council. The council, at the same meeting, created the post of office manager and Mrs. Farr was appointed to this post. An additional telephone, for incoming calls, was voted.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Wilton Supply Company for the gift of a ton of coal to provide heat at the Chestnut Hill airplane spotting post.

### Police

The course of training of the auxiliary members of the State Police which began at Bethel Monday evening was considered. The classes are to be held three evenings a week for four weeks. The course includes first aid training.

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## Salvage Being Left At Shop in Center

Salvage materials may be taken to the old Red Shed (which is painted white) pending the completion of the collection box. Mrs. Robert van de Velde's former shop

## R. R. Agrees To Establish 3 New Trains

Better Service for Wilton Commuters to Start on May 25

At a conference in New York City yesterday, the New Haven Railroad agreed to put three additional trains for commuters into operation on its Danbury-South Norwalk branch.

News of the successful culmination of the agitation for better service was given to the Bulletin today by Rep. George Van Riper of Wilton, a member of a special committee appointed to confer with railroad officials at the second hearing before the Public Utilities Commission in Wilton last week.

Yesterday's conference was in the railroad's general offices. John P. O'Connell, a member of the utilities commission, presided.

The railroad agreed to increase the present morning service into New York by providing a new train, in addition to the present service, which train will leave Danbury at about 7 o'clock with a stop at Wilton at 7:25. The train will connect with the 7:47 at South Norwalk which arrives in New York at 8:46 a.m.

In addition the 5:31 p.m. train leaving New York will make connection with a train leaving South Norwalk at 6:35 p.m. for Wilton, Branchville and Danbury. A new train from South Norwalk to Danbury with stops at Wilton and Branchville, will be placed in ser-