

of the French towns have been destroyed by bombardment, but in some parts the orchards are beautiful, but the fruit as yet is not ripe. He also writes that the French have some wonderful wine, stronger than our whiskey, and makes your hair stand on end. He had some, and it almost got him.

U. S. Agency Asks Industry for More Subcontracting

Mr. R. R. Stratton, District Manager of the Smaller War Plants Corporation, a United States Government Agency, stated that while many services are rendered today to small plants, the utilization of the productive facilities of small plants for the war effort remains the main function of SWPC.

He said that with the changing conditions in the various theatres of the war causing cutbacks and cancellations of certain prime contracts the subcontractor is likewise cutback or cancelled.

As the contract is probably the only job he is working on he must be taken care of at once—he cannot keep going if he does not have work. SWPC's services in assisting these plants is needed more today than ever before.

Subcontracting helps three ways: 1st. It speeds up production of material for the armed services. 2nd. It breaks up bottlenecks for the prime contractor caused by shortage of labor and machinery. 3rd. It keeps the small plants—the backbone of our economic structure—operating.

Mr. Stratton said that SWPC maintains up to date records of open capacity, facilities and know how manpower of 1134 plants located in the Cleveland District and in addition because of their close working arrangements with the other districts of the 5th Region with General Offices in Cleveland they have records of 3128 more plants at their disposal.

Many of the large prime contractors are familiar with our work, he said, thanks to the newspapers in making known our functions and services but we want to get our message across to still more of them.

The local office of Smaller War Plants Corporation is located on 1st Floor Union Commerce Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Births

Announcing the birth of a baby girl are Pfc. and Mrs. Albert Jancigar. The proud father is home on a fourteen day furlough from Scott Field, Ill. Mother's maiden name is Louise Germ. They are residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Germ, 16705 Waterloo Road.

The birth of a baby boy was announced this past week by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Muzic, 505 East 153 Street. Mother and son are doing nicely at Glenville Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kuhar, 24995 Lake Shore Blvd., announce the birth of their first child, a baby boy. Mother's maiden name is Elizabeth Seliskar. Mother and son are at St. Ann's Hospital. Congratulations!

Wounded in Action

Pvt. Charles Zivoder, son of Mrs. Nancy Braidich, 9810 Heath Ave. was wounded in his right leg on the Anzio beach head on May 23. Pvt. Zivoder sent word to his wife Rita, that he expects to be released soon. He is a graduate of South High School, and was employed at the Aluminum Co. of America, before his call to the army in May, 1943. He received his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and was sent overseas in Nov. 1943, with the engineers. A brother, Petty Officer Matthew, is stationed in the Pacific War Zone.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wess, 317 East 200 Street, were notified by the War Department that their son, Pfc. Edward Wess, was wounded in Rome on June 10th. He was awarded the Purple Heart. On June 18th, he returned to his outfit and was wounded for the second time on June 28th. He is now recuperating in a hospital in Rome. In a letter to his parents, written by an army nurse, it is stated that Pfc. Wess was wounded in his right arm. Entering the army as a volunteer in August of 1943, he was sent overseas in March of this year. He was serving with the 361 Infantry, of the Fifth Army. On June 1st, Pfc. Wess was 19 years of age, and he wrote that it will never leave his memory. Before his enlistment in the service Pfc. Wess was graduated from Central High School in Euclid. His friends may write to him at the following address: Pfc. Edward F. Wess, 35912979, Co. "B," 861st Infantry, APO 91, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Another holder of the Purple Heart is Raymond F. Kovac, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kovac, 18621 Shawnee Avenue, who was wounded in action on Bougainville, March 12th. Raymond is a graduate of Collinwood High School, and prior to leaving for the army in March 1943 he was employed by the McKinney Tool Co. Pvt. Kovac has five brothers in the service. Pfc. Anthony and Corporal Frank are stationed in England. Petty Officer Carl, and Fireman Joseph are with the Navy in the Pacific. Corp. Edward is stationed in North Carolina. Another brother, Victor, was recently discharged after 33 months of service with the army.

Pvt. Samuel Javitch, age 26 years, was wounded on June 26th, somewhere in France. His residence is at 3437 Ormond Rd. Cleve. Hgts.

Pvt. Peter Lubich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lubich, 1633 E. 33 Street, was wounded in action in Italy on June 3rd. A graduate of Willson Junior High, and East Tech High School, Pvt. Lubich was employed at the Clark Mfg. Co. before his call to the service. He has been overseas since February of this year.

Wounded in action in France, was Pvt. Mark Galovich, age 33 years, husband of Eleanor Galovich, 8215 Kosciuszko Ave. He is recovering from wounds in his leg, in a hospital in England. His mother, Mrs. Emily Galovich, resides at 1082 East 64 Street. Before entering the service, Pvt. Galovich was an employee of the Aluminum Co. of America.

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LOKAR WILL DIRECT LAUSCHE CAMPAIGN



John E. Lokar

Frank J. Lausche, Democratic candidate for Governor and Cleveland's wartime Mayor, this week appointed John E. Lokar as manager and treasurer of the Lausche for Governor Committee. Lokar has directed all of Lausche's political campaigns, totaling seven, all of which have been successful.

Lausche headquarters have been opened in Columbus at The Neil House and in Cleveland at 401 Leader Bldg. Until taking the helm of the Lausche campaign, Lokar was secretary to Mayor Lausche, which position he resigned.

Killed in Action

On May 26th, Pfc. Edward Sintic, age 30 years, fell in battle in New Guinea, his parents Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas Sintic, Rock Creek, Ohio, were notified recently. He was wounded in the hip, his letter of May 14th stated. Pfc. Sintic was a graduate of Geneva High School, and was employed by the Fisher Body Co., and gasoline station on E. 156th and Waterloo Rd., before entering the army. He was stationed in Panama for one year, after which he was sent to Australia. He was serving in New Guinea for the past year and a half.

Surviving the young soldier, in addition to his parents, are two sisters, Mrs. Frances Rock, 14203 Thames Avenue, with whom he made his home before entering the service, and Miss Mary Sintic, 14206 Thames Avenue. Two brothers, Pvt. Joseph, stationed somewhere in the Pacific, and John of Rock Creek, Ohio, also survive.

Comrades Weiner Roast

J. F. Fitolt

Comrades Lodge will hold a weiner roast at Vehar's Villa, located at 820 E. 222nd St., Saturday, July 22nd at 8:45 p. m. rain or moonshine.

Auditing Committee meeting will be held prior to the roast. The regular monthly meeting will also be held and if weather permits will be novel in that it will be a firelight ceremony.

Members and friends planning to attend should notify Albina Vehar at KE 2380 so that we'll have enough stock on hand.

JADRAN REHEARSALS SUSPENDED

Members of Singing Chorus "Jadran" are advised that rehearsals have been suspended for the months of July and August. The next rehearsal will take place on Tuesday, September 12th, when rehearsals for the operetta to be held sometime in January 1945, will begin.

The next meeting of the chorus will be held on Sunday, September 10th.

—Secretary

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La Scala Opera

The Philadelphia La Scala Opera Company, under the general management of Francesco Pelosi, will inaugurate a fall season this year in Cleveland beginning October 4 and running through October 8, according to announcements made today by G. Bernardi, Cleveland impresario. The seven performances will be presented from the stage of the Cleveland Public Auditorium.

An established institution, the Philadelphia La Scala Opera Company ranks among the four major operatic organizations of the United States, the other three being the Metropolitan, San Francisco and Chicago troupes.

The Philadelphia La Scala has been known for years as a company presenting artists of world repute in favorite works of the repertoire. For more than a score of years, the organization has existed under the direction of Francesco Pelosi and exemplifies his idea of presenting artists of top rank at a considerably lower scale of prices than usually prevails for productions of the highest quality.

Here are some of the personal highlights of the coming Cleveland Fall Opera Festival:

Bruna Castagna, probably the foremost contralto of the period; Zinka Milanov, Jugoslav dramatic soprano, accounted as first in her field today and the undoubted successor of Emmy Destinne and Rosa Ponselle; Hilde Reggiani, leading coloratura soprano; Elda Ercole, dramatic soprano of high place; and the unique and unapproaching resilient tenor, Giovanni Martinelli.

Other featured artists will be Sydney Sayner, American dramatic tenor; Franco Perulli, Italian lyric tenor; Dorothy Kirsten, well-known American lyric soprano; Mildred Ipolito, soprano; Winifred Heidt and Lillian Marcheto, contraltos; Wilfred Engelman, baritone; Paul Dennis, basso; and Alexander Sved, eminent Metropolitan baritone. Zinka Milanov, ranking in the Italian school with Helen Traubel in the Wagnerian opera, will also appear.

The Cleveland season by the Philadelphia La Scala forces will consist of seven performances; Puccini's "Tosca," Verdi's "Aida," "La Traviata," "Il Trovatore," "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I pagliacci" Donizetti's "Lucia de Lammermoor," and Puccini's "La Boheme." The series will open on October 4th with "Tosca" and close on the evening of October 8th, with "Lucia de Lammermoor." There will be two matinees, Saturday, October 7th, with "La Boheme," and Sunday, October 8th, with "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci."

"Decision" at Cain Park

"Decision" the new Edward Chedorov melodrama coming to Cain Park July 26-29th, has been playing on Broadway since midwinter. It is the gripping story of a fearless high school principal who undertakes an expose of a reactionary senator's efforts to stir up race hatred. It is a bold indictment of the dangers of a variety of home-front troubles sometimes linked together under the heading of "native fascism."

This play is very, very different from the author's other huge success, "Junior Miss," but the character portrayal is just as true to life.

The character of Mr. Riggs, the principal of the high school is played by Walter Reimer, and his soldier son Tommy is Warren Burmeister. Vi Oakes plays opposite him as Harriet, the girl he is going to marry, and Mary Jane Chiles is Miss Baines, the secretary who stands so firmly behind Mr. Riggs. Helen W. Watkins plays Virgie, the Riggs family retainer for years, who now has a job in a war plant. Clarence Cavanaugh is Masters, the editor of the Free Press, the medium through which the senator works in inciting the riots through lies and scathing editorials. Other influential citizens are represented by Lee Hebbard, Robley Evans, Florence Fletcher, Florence Oday, Ted Bennink, Cliff Cothren, Jim Maloney, Howard Shenery, John Eykyn and Beaumont Bruestle.

Season tickets can be purchased from the Cleveland office of the Philadelphia La Scala Opera Company in the WJW Building until the public sale begin at Taylor's on September 11th.

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