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RED CROSS COLLECTS 132 BLOOD UNITS

Over Minimum Quota for Local Chap't

The minimum quota of 125 pints of blood set by the Northern Otsego Chapter of the American Red Cross, was exceeded by seven pints, as the Bloodmobile visited Cooperstown on Thursday and 132 pints were collected.

Even though the stated goal of the Chapter set at 135 pints, was missed, Thursday's visit still swelled the blood total in Northern Otsego to 253 pints since July 1, a total called "very worthy of mention" by Mrs. Francis P. Harrison, blood program chairman.

The figure was reached, she stated, when Thursday's 132 pint collection and the 144 pints collected at the August visit were added to 109 pints used at the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital during the period for special purposes (leukemia) and over and above the regular needs of the hospital.

Mrs. Harrison drew attention in particular to the Town of Otsego, which furnished 52 donors. Thursday, and also noted that this town stands the brunt of the hospital needs.

Other townships to exceed their regular quotas were Cherry Valley and Westford. Richfield Springs, with a quota of 20 donors, had 20 persons on hand.

Of the total, there were 132 applicants; 105 of them kept; 41 walk-in donors, and a total registration of 145.

Three-gallon donors at this visit were Foster Tree of Edmeston; Robert Fish, Frederick H. McGowan and Francis W. Sheveller of Otsego; two-gallon, Homer Osterhout of Otsego; and one-gallon, Edward Schellhammer of Burlington; Mrs. Waldo Ellsworth and Earl A. Wolfe of Otsego and Miss Ise Heinrich of Roseboom.

Staff aides included Mrs. F. F. Harrison, Mrs. Angelo V. Pugliese, Mrs. F. Hamilton McGowan, Mrs. Robert Hall, Mrs. E. Pomeroy Staats, Mrs. William L. Taylor, Mrs. Robert Streeter, Mrs. Roy Wires, Miss Florence P. Thompson, Mrs. Percy B. Rosenthal, Mrs. Albert DePuy, Mrs. J. William Thayer, Mrs. Frank Stevens, Miss Louise Russell, Mrs. William Wilkin, Mrs. Frank McCarthy, Mrs. Charles Nevill, Mrs. Eleanor Compton and Mrs. Loren E. Pierce, all of Cooperstown and Mrs. John Burrington of Richfield Springs.

Volunteer Registered Nurses were, Mrs. Ellis Springer of Richfield Springs, chairman; Mrs. Newell Wilder, Springfield Center; Mrs. Parker Snyder, Middlefield; Mrs. Kenneth Cady, Hartwick and Mrs. Arthur Rouse, Mrs. Arthur T. Peeters, Miss Elizabeth Davidson, Miss Arlene Van Heusen, and Miss Vera Spalt, all of Cooperstown.

Nurses Aides included Mrs. Clayton H. Bantham, Mrs. Daniel Romano, Miss Beatrice Barr and Miss Patricia All, all of Cooperstown. Dr. Peter Lombardi of the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital staff was the physician in attendance.

Members of the Motor Service were Mrs. Walter R. Littell, Mrs. Frederick Lewis, Mrs. Walter Campbell, Miss Elizabeth A. Prine, Mrs. LeRoy L. Parshall, and Mrs. J. Harry Cook, all of Cooperstown.

Loading and unloading was done by members of the Hartwick Seminary Grange and included Porter Backus, Marshall Green, Robert Elliott, Twycyn O. Williams and Bruce Shipman of the Cooperstown Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, also assisted.

The Cantee was handled by members of the West Exeter Home Demonstration Unit, under the direction of Mrs. W. James Davidson of Cooperstown. Those assisting were Mrs. Leslie Matteson, Mrs. Ronald Douglas, Mrs. Lawrence Watkins, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Pat Ferris, Mrs. Francis Trux, Mrs. Howard Higgins, Mrs. Russell Bowen, Mrs. William Conklin, Mrs. Ambrose Smith, Mrs. Rex Davies, Mrs. Willard Armstrong, Mrs. Harold Higgins, Mrs. Herbert Mayne, Mrs. Keith Mayne, Mrs. Frances Mayne, Mrs. Clarence Bingham, Mrs. Fred Igel and Mrs. Lee Wright.

Will Observe Veteran's Day

Commander Leslie J. Woodbeck of Clark F. Simmons Post No. 579, American Legion and Commander George Tucker of Sgt. Walter P. Egerton Post No. 528, V.F.W. of Cooperstown have formally requested of the Chamber of Commerce and it has been endorsed by that organization, that business places will close from 9 a. m. until noon on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11 in observation of the day.



FARM CENSUS STARTS: Enumerators, under the direction of Mrs. Ernest R. Lippitt (left) of Cooperstown, started work Monday taking farm census for U. S. Department of Agriculture. Here Pierstown farmer Lloyd Huff has just finished giving information on his farm to Mrs. John F. Gordon of Cooperstown, as County Agricultural Agent W. Dale Brown (right) looks on.

LESS SPENT HERE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Well Below National Average, Study Reveals

Less money is spent in Cooperstown, on a per capita basis, to keep the wheels of municipal government turning, than is spent in most of the other communities in the United States.

That conclusion is drawn from a voluminous official study, recently completed by the Department of Commerce in connection with its Census of Governments.

The financial statistics, covering some 15,000 cities and villages in the United States, are all based for comparative purposes on the same period, the year ending January, 1958.

Whether or not residents of Cooperstown get more or less in the way of services for their money is another question, not gone into.

Locally, the amount spent in the year for general operating expenses, such as highways, sanitation, police protection and the like, was at the rate of \$33 per capita, the report shows.

In the other cities of the United States, such spending amounted to \$55 per capita. It averaged \$80 in the Middle Atlantic States. Population figures were based on the last census.

The figures are exclusive of education costs, utility operation expenditures and employee retirement outlays, which are not common to all cities.

General expenditures in the nation's cities showed a 54 percent rise since 1952, when the last previous survey of the type was made.

Offsetting this increase, but only partially, was the gain in revenue in the period. Overall collections, comprising tax receipts, intergovernmental payments and other income, rose 46 percent.

To close the gap and cope with the continuing increase in expenses, cities all over the country have been boosting levies and seeking additional sources of revenue. A great variety of new taxes have come into being, as a result.

In Cooperstown, general revenue in the year amounted to \$42 per capita, compared with \$62 per capita in the United States and \$109 in the Middle Atlantic States.

SS BENEFITS TOTAL \$3,437,472 ANNUALLY HERE

Payments Are a Big Aid to County's Economy

As of February, 1959, old-age, survivors, and disability insurance monthly benefits were being paid in Otsego County at the rate of \$3,437,472 a year, according to Anthony D. Anella, manager of the Otsego Social Security District Office.

Mr. Anella stressed that while the benefits are intended primarily for the beneficiary's economic security, the payment of social security benefits at the rate of \$3,437,472 a year in Otsego Counties help business in the community generally because most of the money is spent immediately on food, clothing, and other necessities.

"In February social security benefits were being paid nationally at a rate of nearly 10 billion dollars annually."

"Payments to a retired worker with no dependents receiving benefits averaged \$67.50 a month nationally in February, and to a retired couple \$119.40 a month," Mr. Anella said.

"There are several reasons for the increase in beneficiaries over last year," Mr. Anella said. The long-term growth of the aged population and of the proportion of the aged population eligible for benefits are important factors in the continuing increase of the number of beneficiaries. Other reasons for the increase of beneficiaries are found in the provisions of the 1958 Amendments to the Social Security Act which now make it possible for the wife, dependent husband, and children of a disabled-worker beneficiary to receive monthly payments. These amendments also provide for benefits to aged dependent parents of a deceased worker even though survivors are entitled to payment.

Moreover, Mr. Anella pointed out, it is now easier for a disabled worker to qualify for benefit payments. He no longer needs social security credit for 1 1/2 years of work in the last 3 years before he became disabled. If he worked under social security for at least 5 years out of the 10 before he became disabled he may be eligible for disability benefits.

"Increases in average benefit payments reflect the 7 percent raise in benefit amounts which became effective with the checks for January 1959," Mr. Anella said. Average disability benefit payments also reflect the elimination of the so-called "offset" provision in the old law. Disability benefits are also payable under State workmen's compensation or under some other Federal Government program.

The table below shows the number and amount of each type of benefit being paid in Otsego County as of February 28, 1959, the date of the latest available tabulation:

Beneficiary	Number of	Monthly Benefits Paid
Retired Worker	2,829	\$20,084
Wife or Husband	881	\$8,801
Child	1,111	\$11,111
Dependent Parents	46	\$71

For the entire State of New York, social security payments at the end of February 1959 were being paid to 1,315,495 beneficiaries at the rate of \$86,522,814 per month.

Competing for State 'Farmer of Year'

Henry Dunning of Springfield Center, named "Outstanding Young Farmer of the year" by the Otsego Jaycees will now vie with four others for state-wide honors.

MRS. HANSEN HEADS EXTENSION SERVICE

Annual County Meeting Held Here on Saturday

Mrs. Laurence Hansen of South Valley was named president of the Otsego County Extension Service Association at the annual meeting of the organization held Saturday at the Cooperstown Elementary School, with 183 members present.

She succeeds Mrs. Gertrude Row of Milford and was elected over Joseph Keene of Gilbertsville by a 68-36 vote.

Richard Lynch of Portlandville was elected vice-president over Lewis Sovocool of Oneonta, and Mrs. Stephen Gregory of Pittsfield was elected secretary over Mrs. Anthony Reginald Reeves of Otsego Executive Committee members elected for the 4-H department of the Association were Mrs. Homer Carr of Laurens; Mrs. Henry Murdock of Hartwick and Mrs. Wilbur Russ of Maryland.

Committee members for the home and farm departments elected were Mrs. Keith Matteson of Laurens and Mrs. Ray Green of Westford for two year terms and Mrs. Harold Wedge of Oneonta for one year. Agricultural department executive committee members elected were Erwin Fassett of East Springfield, representing the Cherry Valley, Middlefield, Roseboom, Springfield and Peter Huntington of Westford, for Decatur, Maryland, Westford and Worcester.

Representing Extension Cooperators in Butternuts, Morris and Unadilla Eugene Quintin of Morris won a one-year term. Others nominated were David Baurenfield of Cherry Valley; Wilbur C. Russ of Maryland; and Stanley Lobdell of Otsego.

Membership prize money in Home Demonstration Recruitment went to:

Class A—(Average membership of 20 and below), 24 units, first, \$5, Edna Young, Mrs. Anthony Konchar, vice chairman; second, \$3, Cliffside Unit, Mrs. Chester Ellwell, vice chairman; third, \$2, Hartwick Seminary Unit, Mrs. Charles Hadcock, vice chairman.

Class B—(Average membership of 32 and over), 19 units, first, \$5, Unadilla Unit, Mrs. Robert Ansel, vice chairman; second, \$3, Hartwick Unit, Mrs. Thomas Mottram, vice chairman; third, \$2, West Laurens Unit, Mrs. Elmer Gardner, vice chairman.

Special contest for most members: Class A—first, \$3, Edson Corners Unit, nine new members; second, \$2, Monticello Unit, Mrs. Harold Bond, vice chairman, six new members; Class B—first, \$3, Unadilla Unit, 14 new members; second, \$2, Hartwick Unit, 13 new members.

One of the highlights of the meeting was a panel discussion "Forty-five Years of History and Looking to the Future," with Matt Smith as moderator, and panel members, Herbert Pickett, Pete Huntington, Gertrude Hansen, and J. Stanley Lee.

A song, "The Chipmunk Song," was presented by Anita Hurtubise, Roxanne Conklin, Janice Langerhans, Diane Bush, members of the Hartwick Hustlers 4-H Club; a ballad dance by Sandra Ainslie of the Hartwick Club, and a guitar and singing duet by Ida Mae and Kathy Christian, members of the Luthy Clover 4-H Club of Otsego.

Agricultural Department members honored for their many years in the organization were: Mrs. M. Arnold, 45 years—Lyle M. Arnold, August Book Store, Harry D. Bilderbeck, Briggs Lumber Co., C. E. Brown and Son, Buchanan Hardware Co., Bennett Bulson, L. P. Butts, Earl C. Chase & Sons, Abraham D. Cox, Ray E. Fitch, C. G. Harrison & Sons, Lyman Harrison & Son, Henry Hexco, Lippitt Brothers, McEwan Hardware Co., Michaels Market, H. Guy Roberts, Albert E. Smith & Sons, Frank M. Smith, Earl W. Snyder, Wilber National Bank, Milford Branch, and W. J. Woodard.

30 years—E. C. Blencoe, W. R. Cope, Ellsworth & Sill, D. M. Gregory & Son, Mrs. H. S. Hackley and Burton Hoyt.

35 years—Earl Armstrong, Frank C. Carpenter, Mrs. Leslie Gardner, Henderson's Clothing, Inc., Iroquois Farm, Walter McClintock, Oneonta Department Store, Ames, Sargent, Willard C. Smith, E. C. Talbot's.

20 years—Howard J. Aufmuth Sons, Ellery R. Barney, Howard Bishop & Son, Arthur Colvin, Danny's Market, Stanley Earl, General Ice Cream Corp., G.L.F. Service, West Winfield; J. Howard Heald, C. R. Hutchins, Fred Igel, Mike Kellan & Sons, David Marble, Carl Mitchell, Dr. C. H. Payne, James Rowe, Scholman's, Truitt Young Farmers, R. J. Skinner Co., Ambrose Smith, Walter W. Stokes, J. Andrew Wahl, Badgley Webb, Arnold Weeks, and W. B. Westman.

NOVEMBER COURT TERM OPENS HERE

29 Cases Listed Ready for Trial; Grand Jury Meets

The November trial and special term of Supreme Court opened at the Court House here Monday morning, with 29 cases from a total calendar of 70 marked ready for trial during the term.

Juries were scheduled to be drawn Wednesday afternoon for two actions, and for two more Thursday morning. The first scheduled to go to trial is a divorce action brought by Edward V. Spencer against Anita T. Spencer.

Attorney Chester T. Winslow, Jr. is appearing for the plaintiff, while Attorney Joseph Pofezsky is representing Mrs. Spencer. The second action set for trial is one brought by the Lewis D. Oliver, Leland Oliver, Rosetta Oliver Pearson, Walter R. Oliver and Harry J. Oliver to recover on a funeral contract. The Oneonta law firm of Leamy, VanWert and Dunn represents the funeral home, while Attorney Scott E. Greene of Cooperstown is appearing for Sylvia Oliver, and Farone and Steidel of Oneonta for the other defendants. Juries in both cases were scheduled to be drawn Wednesday afternoon before Justice Joseph P. Molinari of Oneonta who is presiding at the term.

Juries will be drawn Thursday morning in the motor vehicle negligence action brought by Robert A. Mattice and Marlene B. Mattice, by Robert A. Mattice, her guardian ad litem, against Ambrose W. Demoisie, Jr., and a companion case brought by Theodore Rumsey against Robert Mattice, Marlene Mattice, Ambrose Demoisie and Ambrose Demoisie, Jr. A jury also will be drawn Thursday in an action brought by Ceperly-Morgan Real Estate Company, Inc. and Markson's Furniture Stores, Inc. against Niel K. Nielson and Julian H. Nikula, doing business as Souther Tier Steel Products and Nikula Construction Company, Inc.

Although more than a third of the cases on the civil calendar were marked ready for trial, it is expected that only a few will actually go to trial. Settlements are pending in some, and more settlements undoubtedly will be made before they are called for trial.

Twelve actions were listed as settled on the calendar call Monday morning. They include: —vs. Edna Young, motor vehicle negligence; Carmen Dubac vs. Briggs Lumber Company, negligence; Kenneth J. Nolan by his guardian ad litem, Thomas A. Nolan, and Mr. Nolan individually, vs. Arthur and George Cook, motor vehicle negligence; Victor R. Cagky vs. Alfred Andorf, motor vehicle negligence; Victor R. Cagky, as administrator of the goods, chattels and credits of Bertha Caskey, deceased, against Alfred Andorf, negligence; John R. K. O'Connell, by his guardian ad litem, Thomas F. O'Connell, and Mr. O'Connell individually, vs. New York Telephone Company and Ralph J. Haskell, Inc., negligence; Otto J. Kroeger vs. Rockell Corp., venditor; Stark, Ernest W. Johnson, Burr B. Chamelin, Emmanuel, Kostbas, Vasilios, George and Katina Pappamakarion, Kondilia Syka, Chrysolida Georlimatos, Aphrodite Kotsiyani, Steven L. Strat, John Carbulon, George J. Caparelli and Custer G. Rockas, negligence; Arthur Gallucci, by Frank Gallucci, his guardian ad litem, vs. Paul Ploutz, false arrest and malicious prosecution; Amand E. Hester, Jr. by his father as guardian ad litem, vs. Albert Rowe, motor vehicle negligence; Fred John Krueger, Jr. vs. Lawrence J. Lista, motor vehicle negligence; Richard W. Nutt, and Owen L. Nutt, by Mr. Nutt, his guardian ad litem, vs. Floyd Wilkinson, motor vehicle negligence.

Ten cases were stricken from the calendar, and 17 were put over the term.

The Grand Jury, meeting in conjunction with the November court term, went to work Monday morning after receiving its charge from Justice Molinari.

District Attorney Quentin E. Grant of Oneonta said he would present information to the Grand Jury against 15 defendants, including Mrs. Katherine H. Harris, aged 26, of Laurens, charged with the slayings of her husband, Howard, aged 28, and Miss Alice Pierce, aged 21, of Richfield Springs. The double shooting took place in the Harris apartment in Laurens last September 19. Mrs. Harris has been in the County Jail in Cooperstown on charges of first degree murder pending action of the Grand Jury.

Mr. Grant said the Grand Jury probably would report its findings on all cases the middle of next week.

Canned foods of the future may look and taste much like fresh foods. Experimental methods have been developed to reduce the amount of processing time for canned foods and thereby retain many fresh food characteristics.

Edgar Harris & Son, Dan Horan, Arthur Kinney, Guy Madaleno, Clyde A. Mather, Paul M. Myers, Oneida National Bank & Trust Co., and W. B. Westman.

Atwell and Jones Lead With Normal Majorities

NEW BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Following are members of the Board of Supervisors, elected Tuesday, and who will take office January 1:

Burlington—Leon O. Eckert (D) Butternuts—A. B. Musson (R) Cherry Valley—Walter F. Gilday (R) Decatur—Ronald L. Hunt (D) Edmeston—Harold Brooks (D) Exeter—Harry Ferner (D) Hartwick—William S. Powers (D) Laurens—Harvey A. Strong (R) Maryland—Guy Maddalone (R) Middlefield—Ambrose C. Green (R)

Milford—James Tomasi (D) Morris—Guy E. Rathbun (R) New Lisbon—C. Lloyd Gregory (D) Oneonta Town—Clifford J. Eldred (R) Oneonta City (First and Second Wards)—Joseph F. Mitchell (D) Oneonta City (Third and Fourth Wards)—Winger C. Still (R) Oneonta City (Fifth and Sixth Wards)—Jack F. Ranieri (D) Otsego—Millard R. Trask (R) Otsego—Alton G. Dunn (R) Pittsfield—LeRoy Taylor (D) Plainfield—Earl Saunders (R) Richfield—Burrill W. House (R) Roseboom—Badgley Webb (R) Springfield—George C. Hinds (R) Unadilla—Lee Pierce (D) Westford—Robert Dickson, Sr. (R) Worcester—Maynard B. Skinner (D)

*Incumbent.

4 Amendments Win Approval in County

Following is the Tuesday vote in Otsego County on the nine amendments to the State Constitution:

Amendment No. 1—Yes 2994 No 2992. Establish a new Department of Motor Vehicles, headed by a commissioner of cabinet rank, to replace the Motor Vehicle Bureau now in the State Department of Taxation and Finance.

Amendment No. 2—Yes 3786 No 2761. Permit the state to build the Northway, an expressway scheduled to run from Albany to Montreal, through the eastern fringe of the Adirondack Forest Preserve, using up to 300 acres of land that would otherwise be kept "forever wild" by constitutional mandate.

Amendment No. 3—Yes 3359 No 2290. Permit discharge or disqualification for public employment for five years of a public official who refuses to sign a waiver of immunity or to answer questions when called by a grand jury to testify about his present job or any public position he held during the previous five years.

Amendment No. 4—Yes 2537 No 3211. Grant New York City the right to borrow \$500,000,000 outside its present debt limit to be used for school construction.

Amendment No. 5—Yes 1945 No 3642. Stipulate that no locality would be required to hold primary elections, either for nominations to public office or for the election of party officials, if no one had challenged the organization candidate and the primary was thus uncontested.

Amendment No. 6—Yes 1963 No 4012. Give the right to the Legislature, with the approval of the Governor, to lease or transfer the state's 525-mile barge canal system, successor to the Erie Canal, to the Federal Government for operation under its supervision.

Amendment No. 7—Yes 2824 No 2928. Authorize the cities, counties and towns to supplement pensions they are paying retired policemen or firemen or their widows or dependents.

Amendment No. 8—Yes 2854 No 2719. Permit the Legislature to base the state income tax on the definitions, regulations and laws governing payment of the Federal income tax.

Amendment No. 9—Yes 2550 No 2198. Permit two or more units of local government to join forces to build a joint public project or to provide joint governmental services, borrowing and taxing jointly for that purpose.

Democrats Pick up Four New Supervisor Seats by Narrow Margin

Easy victories for Republican candidates Robert M. Atwell for county clerk, and Mrs. Bernice C. Jones, for county treasurer with normal "off-year" majorities marked Tuesday's election.

Chief Judge, Court of Appeals	Supreme Court	County Justice	County Clerk	County Treasurer				
Diamond (R)	Diamond (D & L)	Simpsen (R)	Truman (D)	Atwell (R)	McRorie (D)	Jones (R)	McGowan (D & L)	
Burlington 1	281	117	252	126	270	111	263	115
Butternuts 1	344	91	350	96	365	87	352	84
Cherry Valley 1	309	180	313	178	338	181	310	180
Decatur 1	606	57	57	55	55	50	58	
Edmeston 1	379	131	398	139	422	123	398	138
Exeter 1	166	96	168	99	175	93	171	102
Laurens 1	160	67	167	73	173	66	168	42
Hartwick 2	250	128	271	127	285	121	289	131
Hartwick 3	122	69	131	68	140	70	135	71
Laurens 2	160	77	166	77	173	70	171	74
Laurens 3	78	31	81	35	89	39	85	33
Laurens 4	114	55	120	53	127	53	124	24
Maryland 1	154	59	156	65	159	68	150	61
Maryland 2	130	69	133	77	142	76	144	78
Maryland 3	161	53	179	54	187	54	187	55
Middlefield 1	212	113	218	113	225	117	232	112
Middlefield 2	149	55	150	61	155	58	150	58
Middlefield 3	158	71	160	79	172	85	154	75
Milford 1	189	100	192	102	197	119	193	108
Morris 1	214	53	217	57	226	41	219	58
Morris 2	82	11	82	11	86	10	87	10
Morris 3	181	38	185	42	191	36	181	47
New Lisbon 1	244	125	246	138	278	123	267	129
New Lisbon 2	164	69	166	75	170	75	167	70
Oneonta Town 2	213	72	214	89	225	81	225	79
Oneonta Town 3	420	192	420	202	432	199	420	198
Oneonta City 1-6	290	131	295	135	300	140	287	132
Otego 1	395	110	393	120	403	111	400	122
Otego 1-2	1049	376	1060	389	1101	400	1098	427
Springfield 1	165	80	167	82	170	82	167	82
Springfield 2	150	15	148	38	152	20	149	21
Richfield 1	386	136	314	123	329	124	315	142
Richfield 2	234	133	235	139	240	139	238	142
Richfield 3	67	61	71	65	74	66	69	68
Roseboom 1	135	38	137	36	147	36	143	34
Roseboom 2	171	101						