Thursday, 5. March 1959

CUBS PLANE BILLE & GOLD DINNER

The Annual Blue and Gold Dinner of Cub Scouting will be held Saturday, March 7th at the V.F.W. Hall beginning at 6:30 P.M.

This dinner is traditionally a family affair with families bringing their own dinner. Refreshments for the children and coffee are furnished by

be presented and cartoon movies will complete the entertainment.

Parents of Cubs who work hard to make the Cubbing Program a success in Chugiak are: Bucky Morse, Cub Master; Gib Reid, Assistant Cub Master; Bill Stephens, Institutional Representative; Wes Mickey, Commissioner at Large, Tom Towne, Chairman; Commissioners Joe Wood, Paul Fillmore, Adam Kruscavage, Frank Laukat and Frank Adams. Den Mothers and their Assistants are: Ruth Hartman, Bessie Anna Fillmore Eleanor Braendel, Dora A. Jone Steffie Kruscavage, Marylee Laukat and Elfie Towne. All boys between the ages of 8 and 11 who are interested in Cub Scouting are invited with their brothers, sisters, and parents to have their dinner with all of the other Chugiak Cub Scouts at this annual Blue and Gold Dinner.

M.E.A. NOMINATIONS

Two persons were nominated from the Chugiak area to run for seats on the board of directors of the Matanuska Electric Association. Names to appear on the ballot with those from Palmer, Wasilla and Sutton are Earl Ray and Tom Slanker.

LOCAL MOTORISTS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Alaska

Chugiak,

Last night at 11 Mile, John Steeby and Blake McKinley had a narrow escape as they were coming from Anchorage. Моове Horn Jim and Phil Wells had been called to the scene so were also endangerdd. These motorists were stopped by a local wrecker driver, Harry Whittman, having a cable stretched across the highway in an attempt to pull a car out of the ditch. As they waited for the job to be finished so that they could proceed a car^C driven by Homer Nicklie of Cantwell came from the North and smacked into the cable as there were no flares or warning lights out. The Southbound car was thrown out of control but young Nicklie did an excellent job of driving for he did not hit any of the parked vehicles though he came very close and landed in the ditch with a broken windshield. The owner of the first car in the ditch scrambled up on Moose Horn's wrecker to escape being clobbered. Nicklie sustained a badly cut hand but his passenger,

Allen Dahl, who is the owner of the car, was unhurt.

The Highway Patrol was summoned and the owner of the first car finally ordered Whittman to unhook. Moose Horn took both cars out of the ditch and the Patrolman cited Whittman into court for 'failure to put out proper flares on the highway at night'.

BOROUGH TO BE STUDIED

At a public meeting last Friday night seven persons were appointed to make a careful study of boroughs and bring their findings to a public meeting to be called at some later date. Those chosen were: Reese Tatro, Dorothy Steeby, Don Merrill, Aden Cates, Tom Slanker, Jim Polyefko and JoeAnne Vanover.

from the surrounding area will stage dog races this coming Sunday, March 8th beginning at 1:00 P.M. at Pippel's Field. The competition is not sponsored by any group, the mushers themselves being just interested in furthering the sport. A ten mile course will be run and between events there will be sled rides given.

Local Junior Mushers and teams

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Chugiak boys who will compete are Gary Merrill, Terry Charles Special Awards for Cubbing will Bruce Pettit, Wade Charles, Clayton Petronovich and Preston Johnson. Three of these boys were unable to take part in Rendezvous races because of their dogs having contracted a virus infection. The dogs have all recovered and will have a chance at the prizes offered in the local races. Not too many prizes have been

offered so far but as race day draws near it is hoped that more will have been secured.

Any boy with a team of up to seven dogs may compete in the local race on Sunday.

SNOW RUINS RINK WORK

Last Saturday afternoon Edward Tuck cleared snow at Bear Lake to make a shating rink. Volunteer Firemen from The Chugiak Company then pumped hundreds of gallons of water from the lake onto the surface to make a good rink, one that could be kept smooth by additional spraying of water at intervals. Then came the snow storm and the effort of both Mr. Tuck and Firemen LeDoux, Hahn and Fly were ruined. If the weather clears all report that they will try again.

See the Lovely New Dresses and Hats for Easter at LORRAINE'S

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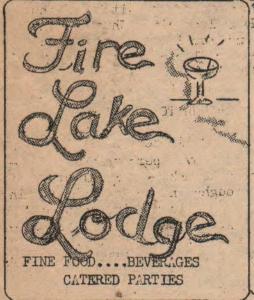
Letter to The Editor: -

There has been much weeping and wailing in the past about Chugiak not having a representative on the Matanuska Electric Board. There's no one at all to blame except the people of Ohugiak themselves. Ohugiak can elect their own member to the Board if they are willing to get out to regular annual meetings and cast their ballot for the man of their choice. If they don't do so they can't expect the Matanuska Valley to elect the man from Chugiak. There are less than 100 Chugiak people who go th the annual meetings yet there are over 400 meters in the area. Any district that doesn't turn out more than 20% of their vote can't expect to elect their In the year that candidate. we had the big hassel in M.E.A and Chugiak made such a good showing there were only 86 votes from here.

So if the Chugiak people feel that they have been treated unfaitly in the past, when be election and annual meeting comes up in April it is time to get! out to that meeting and elect those whom you want on the board of M.E.A.

Reese Tatro

THE LEGISLATURE: There are only 15 days left. What else will they forget ?



HOUSE BILL # 114

House Bill # 114, the Reorganization Bill, contains the sec-tion for the Department of Education but by no means does it include the recommendations of the Territorial School Board or of the Alaska Education Association. Your Chugiak Parent Teacher Association has endorsed the recommendations of both groups so all citizens are urged to study the bill and the recommendations and consider the best way to protest this portion of the bill which puts politics into education in Alaska. Mrs. Dorothy Steeby is chairman of the P.T.A. Legislative Committee and will be glad to talk over the problem with any interested person and also to listen to ideas for correcting the serious situation. It is the opinion of The Knik Arm Courier that an ammendment to the State Constitution is needed at this point. Protests

are not going to do the job for the bill will no doubt be passed into law in its entirety by In this case this afternoon. protests only make a commotion. We need to take a positive app- to completely push the roach and come up with someth- idea out of the picture.

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GRUBSTAKE JOHN

The Knik Arm Courier takes great pleasure in introducing our Hero, Grubstake John, to our readers this Since our last issue week. no progress report has been recieved from John but as the session is drawing to a close there will no doubt be a long one soon.

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MARCH 5 PAGE 3 Cook of The N

The recipes we are invited to share this month originate in the Kitchen of one of the lov-eliest homes in the Peters Creek area. Cleda Stephens is justifiably proud of the beautiful house that she and husband Bill built on their homesite. The Stephens' settled in our community in 1952 but at that time they were not strangers to Alaska. They first came to the Territory in 1945. At that time they COOK for owned a home in Anchorage, but COOK for had filed on some homestead land in this area. However, befor they had a chance to prove up, they decided to return to their original home in Yakama Wash. Cleda says that at the time they had no intention of ever returning, but they too discovered that "Alaska fever" is incurable and after two years on the outside Bill returned to Anchorage in 1949, to be follow-ed by his family in 150. They lived in Anchorage until 1952 when they again filed on land in this community, this time to stay.

Cleda is well known to all az she is one of the busiest homemakers in the community. She belongs to almost all of the clubs and either holds or has held an office in all. At the present time she is President of the Health Council, P.T.A. Vice President, she is the Brownie leader for the Peters Creek Area, past-president of the Homemakers Club and the past Vice-President of the Women's Christian Service of the Methodist Church she is also a member of the Friendly Neighbor Club, and



ization.

One wonders how Cleda can find time for so many activities, maintain a spotles home and still care for such a large family; for the Stephens children number 6. Ronnie is 19, Barbra 16, Lester 10, Ricky 8, Aprile 6, and Kaye is 4. The last three of these youngsters were born in Alaska. Ronnie has to offer this simple cookie graduated from High School and recipe that even a small ch is employed at the local Market Basket. Cleda also manages to find time for her numerous hobbies. A talanted artist, she is interested in any form of creative handicraft, and her Christmas displays always manage to take a prize in the local contest, this past year taking first place in the

private homes division. However it is at sewing that Cleda has a natural born skill. She can turn out the most stunning original garments without the need of a pattern, and her friends never cease to marvel at the way that she can sit down to her sewing machine and in the course of an afternoon produce an exquisitly fashioned garment with apparently less effort than some of usput forth in making a ready-mix cake.

The most unusual duality about Cleda, however is her CPNCIS extreme modesty. She admits

to no unusual ability and we is past treasurer of that organ-were able to persuade her that she would be an interesting subject for this column, only by the greatest of effort. So, it is with great pride that we are able to present to you our cook for March, Cleda Stephens.

********* For the benefit of her many Brownie friends, Cleda wishes recipe that even a small child can make, and since they require no balting, one need not worry about the hazards involved in the use of an oven.

> NO-BAKE COOKIES (children can make these) (cont. on page 4,

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The GREEN THUMB Corners

Has the snowstorm of the past few days dampened your enthusiasm for gardening? Remember the old saying about March coming in like a lion, now we know that Spring is surely just "around the corner".

In order that we be ready when ENDIVE: we turn that corner, we will Br continue with our list of recom- Gr mended vegetable varieties. LETTUCE

SQUASH: summor CASSERTA HARRIS IMPROVED COCOZELLE ZUCCHINI

SWISS CHARD: Fordbook Giant

TURNIP: carly EARLY WHITE MILAN PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAF Lato: PETROWSKI

The following varieties are suggested for trial only. They have been favorable observed for the past 4 years; however further tests should be made before these varieties are planted on a large scale.

BEAN:

Burpee's Tonderpod Express Wax (Weibill's) Top Notch Goldon Wax (Golden Was, top notch) CABBAGE: early EARLY MARVEL MORDEN DWARF midscason: FARIBO SHORT STEM GREEN ACRE

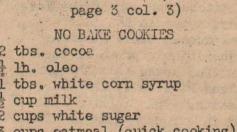
> DIVE: Broad leaved Batavian Green Curled

LETTUCE: head GREAT LAKES No. 407 GREAT LAKES No. 659 LAKE SURPERIOR PENNLAKE leaf: SALAD TRIM SLOBOLT COS(Romaine) DARK GREEN

PEAS: midseason KELVEDON WONDER Edible pedded: DWARF GRAY SUGAR

POTATO: rod-skinned RED BEAUTY

This concludes the list of recommended vegetable vericties. Most of these may be obtained locally at the Palmar Ce-op, or at the Alaska Farm Supply in Sponard. If seeds are ordered from catalogs, allow ample time for thom to arrive.



COOK OF THE HONTH (cont. from

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3 cups catmeal (quick cooking) 1 cup coccout.

Melt oleo in a pan, add cocoa, syrup, milk and sugar. Bring to a boil; add oatmeal and coconut. Remove from the fire and drop on waxed paper from a spoon.

SEVING LESSON POSTPONED

The final lesson of the Bishop sewing course which a would have been held on Wed. March 4th. was postponed until Wed. March 11th, as the instrastor, Mrs. Frances Hulbert had conflicting oblightions.







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CHUGIAK CHAPEL (Assemblies of GOD Rev. Bernard Tewell Sunday School 10:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Christs Ambassadors (Young people)....6:00 PM Evangelistic Service ... 7:30 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 PM Workers training course (Bible docterines, Fri.7:30 PM ********** CHUGIAK, ST. ANTHONY'S Catechism, Saturday 1:00 PM until 2:00 PM Two classes: at Mcganns basement & Rosemary Johnson's home. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MILE 14 EAGLE RIVER E.C. Chron, Minister Sunday School 9:45 MM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Evening Worship 7:00 PM Wed. Prayer Meeting ... 7:30 PM The 4th Wednesday of each month the following groups meet at7:30 PM GIRLS AUXILLARY SUNBEANS WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION MEN'S BROTHERHOOD REVIVAL SERVICES: every night this week until March 8th. at Nursery open during services. *******

BIRCHWOOD BAPTIST MISSION Sunday School 10:00 AM Morning Worship L1:00 AM *******

PETERS CREEK INDEPENDENT BAPTIST MISSION Sunday School 10:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM



METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Nelson Moyer Morning Worship 11.00 AM Evening Worship.....8:00 PM ******

CHRISTIAN CHAPEL Ali B. Jarman, Minister Sunday School 10:00 AM Morning Worship & Communion. AM Evening Worship 7:30 PM ********

EMMANUEL CHAPEL

Rev. Joseph Overy, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 RM Morning Worship 11:00 RM Evening Worship 7:30 PM Tuesday Morning Prayer meeting 11:00 AM Wednesday prayer meeting and bible study.7:30 Youth Fellowship, Friday

••••••7:30 PM *******

Page 6 FRIENDLY NEIGHBORS

philes.

It was all pleasure and no business at the dinner meeting of Feb. 27th. at the Glacier Romm at Ft. Richard-Sunday School 10:00 AM son. The ladies relaxed and enjoyed a sumptous buffet of ham and chicken. The cost was low, the service excel-lent and the food both plentiful and delicious; and the club wishes to highly recommend this dining spot for catared parties. Guests at the dinner were Mrs. Arthur Johnson and Miss Barbra Stephens. The ladies were very happy to welcome back Elsie Oberg, who had been absent on a two month vacation in the states. Elsie discovered a Christmas present from her Secret Pal awaiting her; a byely cobblers apron.

> The next meeting will be in the afternoon of March 11th. at 1:30 PM at the home of Liz Harriman in Birchwood,

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ALASKA METHODIST UNIVERSITY TO GIVE PROGRESS REPORT IN MARCH 11th PALMER

The Alaska Methodist University, which is a College of Liveral Arts, will be ready for Freshman and Sophomore students in September, 1960. They are hopeful that students from. Palmer, Wasilla and Chugiak will be in the first graduation class.

President Donald F. Ebright will be in Palmer on Wednesday March 11th to meet with parents, friends and future students of AMU. He will speak to the High School students in the afternoon and in the evening at 7:00 p.m. there will be a pot-luck dinner in the High School Cafeteria where President Ebright will afterward give a Progress Report. Miss Louise Kellogg, a Trustee of AMU is making arrangements

Anyone interested in college in 1960 is cordially invited to attend any part or all of the day's program. ******

RUSTY BELLRINGER is the girl-responsible for the original art work in The Knik Arm Courier. She also does a great deal of the news gathering.

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IN THE SPRING

In the spring

When Slippery Slanker Lightly trims the old fuel bills

The embattled Chugiakans Sagely scan the snowy hills.

Only five more months of winterion. To these parents, we are There'll be thaws dome next July And besides now we have Statehood Taxes will not be so hi.

Says the com-moose in the thicket

To her husky last years calf

"Pay no heed to funny people, All they do is make me laugh."

BOB KLEM XXXXXX

Our good friend, Poet Bob, enjoys lampooning us here in

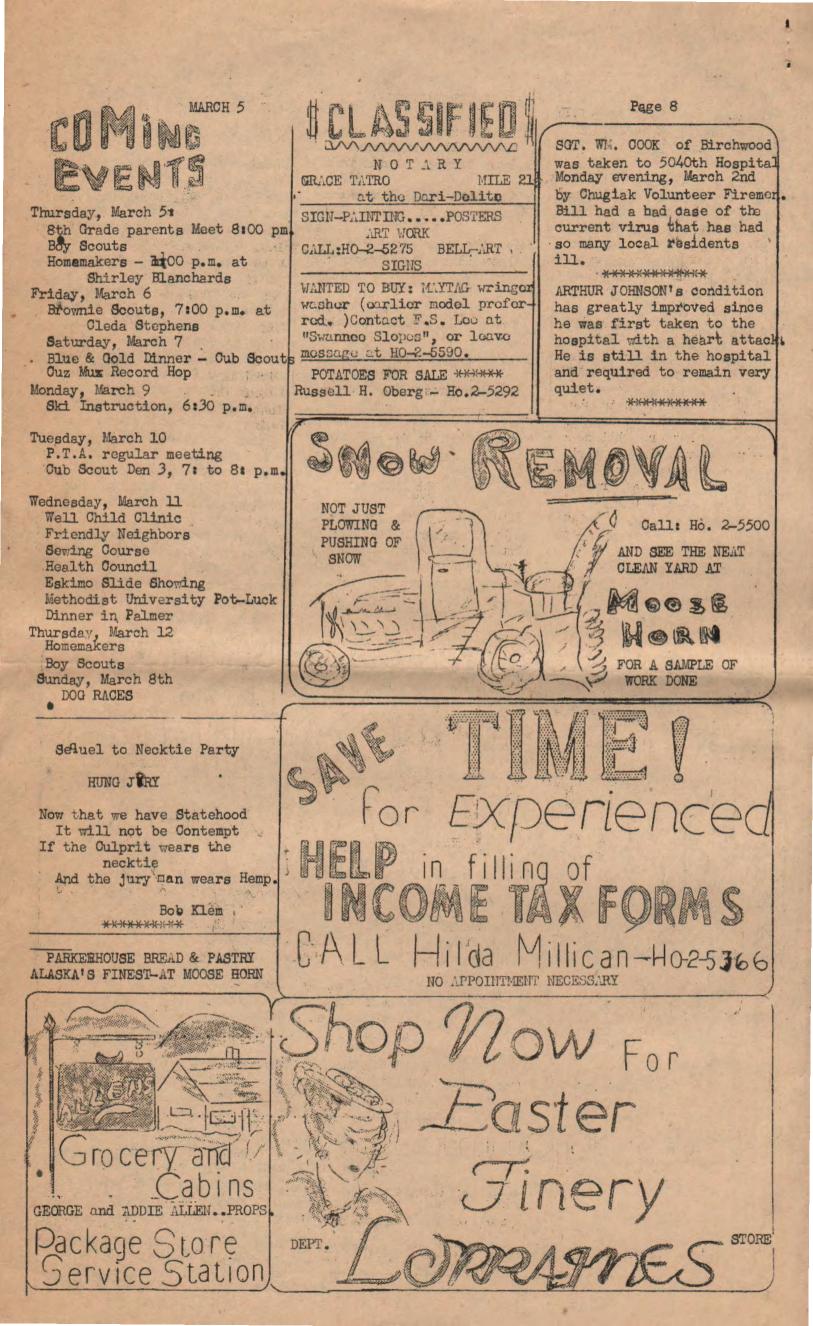
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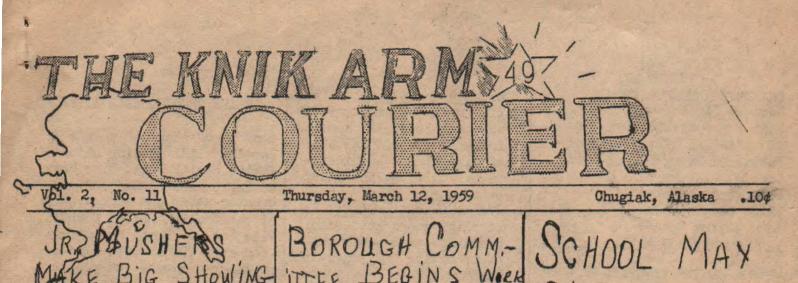
Although many parents would like to give their children the benefit of dancing lossons, most are loath to drive to town for the sake of one hours instructhappy to report that there is available in our community a very component teacher of tap, ballet, hula and modern dance. Miss Vicki Johnson, of Eagle River is conducting in her home classes in all the above dancos. Vicki is a former student of Gloria Cross, and is an excellent instructor in addition to boing a talanted dancer.

Vicki will instruct boys, as woll as girls and is particularly adopt; in teaching the small preschool students who need so much special attention and un- . dorstanding . .

Anyone interested in obtaining further information, may call H0-2-5317, and Miss Johnson will be happy to answer all questions and arrange for con-







MIKE STEPHANS IS WINNER

In the first race of a series to be run each Sunday in the Chugiak area as long as the snow holds, Mike Stephans, a junior musher from Anchorage ran away with first prize. Bruce Pettit came in second, and Clayton Petronovich took third place.

During the entire race the snow was falling heavily which hampered the dogs and partly obliterated the trail which the boys had prepared. but all were undaunted and will race each Sunday despite the weather.

The First prize for Sunday's race was a handsome trophy presented by Niagracycle Massage. Second, third and fourth prizes were 70 pounds, 50 pou-nds and 30 pounds of dog feed which had been presented by Mrs. Richard Burg of Burg's Dog Kennels, Birchwood, and by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jones of Alaska Farm Supply of Spenard. Elapsed time for each racer was as follows: Mike Stephans 1:11:04 Bruce Pettit 1:16:30 Clayton Petronovich 1:17:56 Joe Reddington 4th 1:20:16 Pat Stephans 1:20:40 Gary Merrill 1:28:42 Bob Lee 1:54:04

Walter Pippel provided the field for the 10 mile course, Ray Gay and Dan Bell cleared parking space, and the mushers were grateful to these men and all others who helped to make the races a success. The next race will be held Sunday, March 15th at 1:00 p.m. borough area. at Pippel's Field.

ITTEE BEGINS

ADVISORY COMMITTEE GATHERS INFORMATION

The advisory committee on the establishment of a borough for the Chugiak area met at Moose Horn last Friday evening. Those present were Mrs. John Vanover, Aden Cates, Reese Tatro, Tom Slanker and Don Merrill. Mrs. Garl Steeby and Jim Polyefko were not present. Tom Slanker acted as chairman and Don Merrill as secretary. Mr. Tatro raad a letter from the Matanuska Valley Chamber of Commerce inviting representatives from the Chugiak area to participate in a borough meeting to be held in Palmer on or before March 20th. Mr. Tatro and Mr. Cates will represent the committee at this meeting.

It was decided that more information was needed before any recommendations could be made regarding the forming of a borough. Mrs. Vanover will contact Mr. Emmert on school finances with emphasis on the following points: Cost of operation of school, cost of bus operation for both high school and grade school transporation cost per student for High school, percentage of possible annual student increase and information on present existing quonset hut use. Mr. Tatro will gather data on the Palmer tax structure and how it would affect the Chugiak area if the Palmer borough were joined. Mrs. Vanover will gather data on the Anchorage tax structure in regard to joining that

MEMBERSHIP ARROUSED OVER HAZZARDS AT CHUGIAK SCHOOL

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At the regular monthly meeting of the Chugiak Parent Teacher Association held Tuesday evening a very disturbing report of safety conditions at the newer building at the Chugiak School was made by a committee who had been appointed at a previous meeting to inspect the school. The inspection and subsequent report was made Tuesday morning by Ed Willis, Charles Harriman and Mr. Berger a Fire Commissioner, after repeated attempts by Fire

Chief Jim McDowell and Superintendant Lee Emmert have failed to get the Board of Education to make the needed safety corrections and in the fear that similar hazzards would be built into the new addition which is soon to be constructed.

Three serious deficiencies are: 1. Fire exits blocked

by ice and snow 2. Combustible materials

in storage

3. Heating plant not properly cut off by partitions and fire doors.

The following suggestions were made after the inspection: 1. Keep exits free at all times of any and all obst-

ructions. 2. Doors should swing in direction of exits. Cont. Page 3, Col. 1

Cont. Page 8, Col. 1 COME ONE ! COME ALL'I TROPHIES PRIZES COME ALL I COME ONE ! Sunday lar. 2 ANY KIND & ANY NUMBER OF DOGS OR A.DULTS ONLY NO EXPERIENCE ONLY QUALIFICATION TO ENTER : PIPPEL'S FIELD 13 MILE 1:00 P.M MARCH 22.