

## LOOKING BACK 60 YEARS

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THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 1948

### Body of Louis Wilbur Trafton Arrived Home Today

The body of Louis Wilbur Trafton arrived in Guilford on the morning train Thursday, April 8. A full military funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at Elmwood cemetery. Commander Millard Fogg of the Conner-Trafton post asks that all servicemen and Legionnaires meet at the Legion hall, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock to make final arrangements that Trafton, who was one of Guilford's heroes of World War II and won the highest honors that can be bestowed on a U. S. Marine and for whom the local post is named, be given full honors.

The body, which recently arrived at the Schenectady General Distribution Center, U. S. Army, from the Pacific Islands, was escorted home by Sgt. John A. Berger of the U. S. Military Escort Detachment.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1948

### GUILFORD APPROVED AREA SCHOOL BY 91-5 VOTE

At a special town meeting held in the high school auditorium Monday night, E. C. Marriner, moderator, the town voted 91 to 5 in favor of an area secondary school project embracing the towns of Guilford, Sangerville, Abbot and Parkman; and also approved \$25,000 as its share in the initial capital expenses and building of an addition to the Guilford High school building to take care of the school district.

The proposed school district would have a borrowing capacity of \$100,000, officials explained; and additional funds to complete the \$150,000 necessary to construct facilities at the high school would be appropriated by the towns involved.

Sangerville at its town meeting Saturday voted \$14,000, making a total of \$39,000 appropriated thus far, providing other towns in the area vote funds. The additional construction would principally be a gymnasium and auditorium.

Guilford likewise favored the lease of the Guilford high school building for use as an area school for a sum of one dollar a year; and gave its approval to the sale of part of the high school lot to the school district for any future construction.

Under the vote taken Guilford in common with other towns voting for the district would be authorized to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not to exceed five percent of the combined local valuation of the participating towns.

Carl E. McKusick was elected Town Clerk to fill the post vacancy made by the resignation of W. F. West, Jr. same to take effect June 25. 130 people attended the meeting.