

# 1940's

	USA	FANWOOD
Population	131,669,275	2,310

## Mayors of Fanwood

RONALD F. RIBLET 1948-1953

## Life in Fanwood

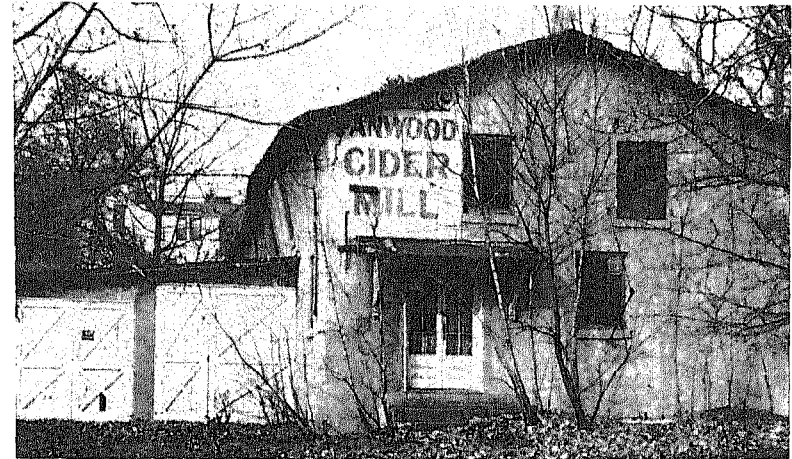
The high school senior class went to Washington, D.C. for five days as their senior trip . . . the old Fanwood cider mill was on LaGrande Avenue where you could watch your apples being pressed into cider . . . Fanwood Old Men's softball league was founded . . . when most people in town had a telephone party line and could speak with an operator . . . the ice storm of 1948 left most of the borough residents without power for 4 to 5 days . . . the pride Fanwood had for it's armed forces members who served in WWII . . . the third Saturday of every month was "Junk Rally Day" to collect scrap metal and rubber to support the war effort . . . every home had a lock on the door but no one ever used it or could even find the key . . . the Fanwood Fire Company alarm bell was presented to the Presbyterian Church for use in their new bell tower . . . annual average income in Fanwood was \$5,690.

## Tunes of the Times

Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy — The Last Time I Saw Paris — Anything You Can Do — Bewitched — June Is Bustin' Out All Over — The Anniversary Waltz — Some Enchanted Evening — Mule Train — Oh What a Beautiful Morning — Tennessee Waltz — Buttons & Bows.

## Movies and Actors

Mrs. Miniver — Casablanca — How Green Was My Valley — The Lost Weekend — Going My Way — Gaslight.  
Gary Cooper — Laurence Olivier — Joan Crawford — Jane Wyman — Greer Garson — Ray Milland.



*The Fanwood Cider Mill was adjacent to LaGrande School on South Avenue. It was owned and operated by the Phillips family.*

## Signs of the Times

**1941**

Japan bombs Pearl Harbor, devastates U.S. fleet, U.S. enters WWII

**1944**

Honor Roll and Fanwood Flag Pole dedicated to Fanwood residents serving in WWII at Fanwood Station

**1945**

WWII ends with Germany . . . U.S. drops atomic bomb on Japan

**1947**

Fanwood Fire Company purchased 1947 Mack, one of the first fire engines manufactured after WWII

**1948**

Fanwood Rescue Squad formed . . . they purchased a used 1938 LaSalle Ambulance.