

## Church Buys Farm for Home for Aged

### Lithuanian National Catholic Church of Lawrence Purchases 123-acre Farm on Argilla Road—Products to Be Given to Needy

The 123 acre farm of Joseph Dombrowski on Argilla road has been purchased by the Lithuanian National Catholic church of Lawrence for the purpose of maintaining a home for the aged members of the parish and also of supplying needy families of the church with farm products. Rev. Michael Valadka, pastor of the church, was the leading factor in negotiating the sale.

The farm, formerly known as the Shawshen Dairy farm, is fully equipped with 37 head of cattle and some young stock. The buildings include a large modern house, an immense cattle barn, capable of housing 75 cattle, ice houses, wagon sheds and many needed out-buildings. They were constructed some years ago by the late William M. Wood as part of the Shawshen village development.

Ample farming equipment is available with which to carry on the spring operations of the church. The house has been partially renovated recently and is all ready for the first six residents. Repair work is still going on.

The property will be chartered under the name of the Lithuanian National Catholic Old Folks Home and the following charter members are named: Rev. Michael Valadka, Boles Zuromskas, John Mulolis, John Kibidlis, Karolius Begonis, Paul Krukonis, Anton Hatal, Alberts Pilvelis, Kajetas Vidmanas, John Grigalunas and John Matuchunas.

Rev. Michael Valadka has been leader of the church for a little more than a year and, through his enterprise and ability, has succeeded in extending its influence and membership. It possesses an ideally located church at the corner of Garden and Newbury streets and Rev. Valadka has his residence at 156 Garden street, Lawrence.

The Dombrowski family has moved to Peabody.

## Shawsheen P.T.A. Chooses Officers

Stafford A. Lindsay was elected president of the Shawsheen Parent-teacher association at the annual meeting held Wednesday evening in the school hall. The retiring president, Mrs. Frederick C. Smith in her closing address reviewed some of the most important events during her administration. A speech of appreciation was made by Harold Rafton and both Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Ware were presented with bouquets.

The secretary, Mrs. Charles L. Ware gave an interesting resume of the years work in her annual report showing that the association had accomplished some very worthwhile things during the past year. The auditors' report read by Harold T. Houston showed the association to be in fine financial condition. Reports were also given by the Program chairman, Mrs. Clinton H. Stevens, the Ways and Means chairman, Mrs. Harold Houston and the hospital chairman, Mrs. Harold Hathaway, all of whom reported a fine spirit of cooperation among the members of the association.

Miss Harnedy's room won the banner and book for largest percentage of attendance. Mrs. Paul Cheney and Mrs. John Batal were the room managers. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Arthur Steinert, Mrs. James Bigby, Mrs. Albert E. Knowles and Mrs. Harold Hathaway.

Mrs. Smith announced that the Essex County Parent-Teachers Associations would hold an all day conference at the New Ocean House, Swampscott May 25th from 10 A. M. to 4:30 P. M.

The newly elected officers for 1934-35 were President Stafford A. Lindsay; First Vice President, Arthur Steinert; Second Vice President, Mrs. Harry I. Emmons; Secretary, Mrs. Clinton H. Stevens; Treasurer, Harold Rafton. Directors for two years, Mrs. Frederick C. Smith, Mrs. J. Everett Collins.

## May Party Held by Junior Guild

The regular meeting of the Junior Women's Guild of Christ church was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Roland Weeks on Carmel Road, in the form of a May party. Each member brought a May basket and after the short business meeting, these were auctioned off and the proceeds went into the treasury. The remainder of the evening was spent playing various games.

Refreshments of cake, candy and punch were served by the hostesses; Miss Helen Bickell and Mrs. Weeks.

Those present were: Mrs. C. W. Henry, Mrs. Homer Judge, Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Mrs. Stafford Lindsay, Mrs. Richard Whipple, Mrs. Roland Weeks, Miss Eleanor Thompson, Miss Evelyn Parker, Miss Virginia Remington, Miss Rita Granville, Miss Elizabeth Ryan, Miss Lota Todd, Miss Elizabeth Wade, Miss Dorothy Weymouth, and Miss Helen Bickell.

## To Install Union Officers May 28

The Executive Committee of Andover C. E. Union held a business meeting at the home of Jessie and Mary Dobbie, Elm Court, Monday evening.

The report of the nominating committee was read by Robert Graham. The names of the officers for next year will be announced and the officers will be installed at the next Union meeting to be held on Monday evening, May 28th, at the Baptist Church. A member of the Essex County C. E. Union also intends to send a delegate to the Northfield Conference to be held from August 20th to August 27th.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by Jessie and Mary Dobbie. The following members were present: Priscilla Abbott, Frances Hall, Agnes Lang, Charrell Mason, Mary Lang, Jessie Dobbie, Mary Dobbie, Robert Graham, Wallace Rennie, and Stanley Swanton.

## District Attorney in Service Club Talk

Further plans for the drive for playground funds were formalized at the meeting of the Service club last night. It was voted to send out a circular letter to the townspeople asking for contributions. President Charles R. Scott read the proposed letter at the meeting.

The speaker of the evening was District Attorney Hugh Clegg, who gave an interesting talk on crime. He stated that a very important advance has been made in preventing crime by clearing the dockets. All the state district attorneys, he said, seem to feel that cleared dockets are advantageous.

He declared that most of the suggestions for combating crime applied to crimes after they were committed. Something should be done about the cause, he told his listeners.

People are beginning to think more and more about the crime problem, he stated, because the depression has impressed upon them the fact that crime costs money. The cost in the United States, he said, is 13 billion dollars. "We'll stop crime," he asserted, "when you and I become conscious of our civic duty." He stated that the public is responsible for the printing of gangster stories in magazines and the filming of racketeer movies, because the public demand for these types was great.

"What we need is a little more of the old-time fence where we talk about the things we used to do, where we can convince the younger generation that there is something in life other than the almighty dollar," the district attorney asserted. Today, he said, we have our children in the frame of mind where if they can't get money legally, they get it with a gun.

A prosecutor's job is two-fold: (1) to find the truth, and (2) to put the truth across to the jury. He must find, he said, if there is something in a fellow that can be salvaged. No official takes pleasure in sending anyone to an institution, he declared, because once in an institution, he goes from bad to worse.

The nice part of the work, he declared, is where you can help the accidental criminal and put him back in the right direction.

The supper committee follows: Carl E. Elander, Walter E. Curtis, William A. Doherty, Matthew Burns, Howell Shepard, George A. Dane and Rowland Lane.

## Phillips Club Ladies' Night

Dr. Tyler Dennett will speak at the Phillips Club this evening May 11th, at 8:15. Dr. Dennett is Professor of International Relations at Princeton University. He was formerly Historical Advisor to the State Department of the United States, and is an authority on America's relationship to Far Eastern Affairs. He has, within a few days, been awarded the Pulitzer Prize for biography, for his "John Hay," the first biography he has written. The subject for his address will be, "Patterns in International Relations." This will be a Ladies' Night.

Miss Miriam Lawton of Arlington spent a few days recently with Mrs. George Napier of summer street.

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The Buxford Oratorio Society has appointed the following committee in charge of enrolling associate members for the season: Buxford, Miss Hazel Killam; North Andover, Mrs. Edith P. Whittier; Danvers, Mrs. Walter Weston; Haverhill, Miss Ella Thayer; Groveland, Harvill Jordan; and Dr. Carrie Bacon, Andover.

Dr. C. Norman Bartlett, former pastor of the local Baptist church, has accepted a call to the Greene Ave. Baptist church of Brooklyn, N. Y., effective May 15. This is one of the outstanding Baptist churches of the city with a large membership and a beautiful building. Among former pastors of this church have been Dr. Cornelius Woolfkin and Dr. C. L. Laws, editor of the Watchman Examiner.

The Bradford Choral Society of 60 mixed voices, and directed by Lynne Killam of Andover will sing three numbers alone, two unaccompanied, at Symphony Hall Sunday afternoon at the Festival of the American Choral and Festival Alliance, when fourteen choral groups will sing under their own directors. Tickets at popular prices may be obtained at any Boston music store or at Symphony Hall. Over two thousand choralists will take part during the afternoon and evening.

Natural History Bird Walk

The Andover Natural History Society will meet for a Bird Walk on Saturday May 12 at 6 a.m. in the P. A. Sanctuary. Groups will start from Judson road and other points, meeting at Mr. Brewster's at 7:30 to compare notes and have coffee.

## What's Going On (from today until next Friday)

**Tonight**  
Annual Lincoln Spelling Matches, Town Hall, 7:30  
Tyler Dennett at Phillips Club, 8:15  
Silver tea by British Veterans auxiliary, 98 North Main street

**Saturday**  
British Veterans Flag Day  
Visiting Day, Abbot Academy  
Natural History Society Bird Walk, 6 a.m.

**Sunday**  
Mothers' Day Services at churches  
K. C. C. D. A. Communion breakfast  
Vespers, Free Church

**Monday**  
Entertainment at South church, children at 3:45, adults at 7:30

**Tuesday**  
Mothers' Club Whist, K. C. hall, 7:45

**Thursday**  
A.P.C. Mother-Daughter Banquet, 6:30

## LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Alex Campbell of Florence street visited in Boston Sunday.

J. Phillip Higgins spent the week-end in New York city, making the trip by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Sullivan of Red Spring road visited in Winchester Sunday.

The town memorial day committee will meet this evening in the Legion quarters.

Mrs. Peter McGregor of Florence street visited friends in Connecticut over the week-end.

William Haigh of New York city spent the week-end with his family on Washington avenue.

Miss Helen Goodwin of Ludlow visited at her family home on North Main street over the week-end.

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## Guild to Remain Open until June 2

The Andover Guild will remain open this year until June 2 rather than May 12, according to a vote taken at the annual meeting of the directors Tuesday evening. Last year's officers were re-elected.

The weenie roast scheduled for last night at Schermer's farm was postponed until May 24 because of the weather. Yesterday afternoon the elementary children's fun club was entertained at the Log Cabin in the Phillips academy bird sanctuary. Games were enjoyed and a delicious supper was served. Mrs. Horace Poynter, Mrs. Frederick W. H. Stott, Mrs. Henry Hopper and Mrs. Roger Higgins were in charge.

The bowling leagues concluded this week, and prizes, donated by the Toc H society of Phillips academy, were awarded to the best bowlers as follows: elementary girls, Florence Nichol; junior girls, Theresa Burbine; intermediate girls, Bessie Cargill; junior boys, Harold Gordon; elementary boys, William Yancy.

The children's picnic, scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed to the end of the season. The C. C. work on Monday nights is to be continued.

Tomorrow evening a social will be held for the colored members and their friends. Dancing will be enjoyed from 8 to 11 o'clock with music by Frederick Yancy's orchestra.

Last Friday night a May party was held for the members of teen age. The gymnasium was attractively decorated with Japanese lanterns for the occasion. Valentine's orchestra furnished the music. Refreshments were served.

The girl winners of the various contests were: prize waltz, Lillian Murray; elimination contest, Miss Helen Sharpe; balloon contest, Miss Elsie Thompson.

## Girl Scout Rally Here Next Friday

The Andover Girl Scout Rally will be held at the Town Hall Friday, May 18 at 7:30 o'clock. The exhibitions of scout work and demonstrations of Scout Activities will be interesting. Badges for proficiency will be awarded.

Everyone is invited and admission is free.

## Silver Tea Tonight

A silver tea will be held this evening at the home of Mrs. Peter Campbell, 98 North Main street, by the Ladies' auxiliary to the British War Veterans for the uniform fund. Friends of the veterans and auxiliary members are invited.

Any member wishing to go to Boston June 18 is asked to give her name to Mrs. Alex Duke.

At the meeting Wednesday night Mrs. Joseph Keith presided.

## Plan to Start Work on Razing Old School

The Old Pundarch school will very probably be razed, or in the process of being razed, when the seventy-fifth anniversary of the school is to be observed in late June, according to the plans of architect F. T. Gilbert.

The building is to be razed to begin the razing work immediately so that the new building will be roofed over by winter. He expects to have the new heating plant ready for fall.

The architect hopes to start work on razing the building about June 4. This job will be done under separate contract, and the materials will be salvaged for use in the new building.

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The anniversary program will probably be run off as scheduled with the town hall as the meeting place instead of the school hall. The alumni banquet will also probably be held in the town hall. No plans have been made for the dance which is usually held in Pundarch hall following the class day exercises. The junior prom, previously scheduled for the eighth, has been moved up to the first.

## Sawyer Concert Held at Academy

The Meeting Room of George Washington hall was crowded last Sunday evening when the Harvard Glee club and Radcliffe Choral society presented the eighth annual concert on the James C. Sawyer foundation.

Among the selections rendered were a Gloria from the "Mass in B. Minor," Morley's "Shoot, False Love," "Bonnie Dundee" choruses from "The Gondoliers," Mendelssohn's noted "Laudate Pueri," Brahms' "Gesung der Pargen," a group of folk songs, and the Italian "Crudele Irene."

## Chief of Police's Name on Petition

Chief of Police George A. Dane is one of twelve Massachusetts police officials who have signed a petition to the General Court for the passage of legislation requiring both front and rear registration plates on motor vehicles to be illuminated in order that they may be read at a distance of sixty feet.

The other signers were: Chief Harry Ainsworth of Willimington; Chief Thomas Crosswell of North Reading; Capt. Edward M. Woods, executive officer of the Metropolitan district police; Capt. Louis B. Heaton, Melrose; Sgt. William H. W'foole; Stoneham; Sgt. John J. Gates, Wakefield; Chief Albert S. Bedford, Lynnfield; Chief George D. Kenney, Everett; Sgt. Michael T. Hickey, Woburn; Captain John H. Alyman, Malden; and Chief John J. McBride, Cambridge.

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### Annual Lincoln Contests in Town Hall Tonight with 118 Public School Students Contesting—Two Academy Teachers to Officiate

## British Vets Flag Day Tomorrow

A flag day will be held tomorrow by the British War Veterans for the purpose of raising funds to supply music on Memorial day. Some of the town's Memorial day appropriation is available to the British veterans, and accordingly this organization is selling flags in order to make possible the hiring of the Clan McPherson pipe band of Lawrence on Memorial Sunday and Memorial day. The flags are purchased here in Andover.

On Memorial Sunday the British veterans will parade to the church service, after which they will march to St. Augustine's cemetery to decorate the graves of British veterans there. On Memorial day they will join with the other local organizations in decorating the graves and the Memorial Tower.

The flag day committee follows: John Greenbow, chairman; Alex Auchterlonie, secretary; James Batty, William Batty, Harry Warring, William Beswick, Roy Sharpe, George Craig, James Grant, George Mitchell and Arthur Anderson.

## Abbot Academy to Hold Visiting Day

Visiting Day at Abbot academy, which proved a success last year, will be repeated on Saturday, May 12. Many guests are expected, and they will be taken on a tour of the buildings and grounds by student guides.

The work of various classes will be shown in the laboratories and class rooms, and then a gymkhana will be the main entertainment. Riding in drill and for form, games in which the Gargoyles and Griffins will compete, will entertain everyone on the playing fields.

After the riding will come tea in Davis Hall, followed by music contributed by Mr. Howe and Miss Friskin.

## Prom Date Changed

The Junior Prom at Pundarch has been changed from June 8 to June 1 because of the building operations soon to begin. Mrs. Emma G. Carter and Miss Mary Smith are the teachers who will have charge.

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## Garden Club Will Hold Flower Show

Wednesday, May 23, is the date chosen for the annual spring flower show of the Andover Garden Club which is to be held on the estate of Jerome W. Cross at the corner of School and Phillips street. The show will be open from two o'clock until six and the public is invited to attend.

An interesting schedule of exhibits has been arranged and competition will be open to members of the club, their children, and children of the public schools.

The judges will be Mrs. William E. Bradford, Mrs. Daniel Needham, a graduate of the Lowthorpe school and a member of the West Newton Garden club, and Mrs. Ashley Day of Newton.

## Petitioners Charge B.P.W. Favoritism

A petition complaining of favoritism on the part of the Board of Public Works in choosing its work projects has been sent to the board by a group of Lowell Junction men, consisting of Clarence G. Wormwood, Joseph Fredericks, and others.

The petition follows:  
Board of Public Works  
Andover, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

Six months ago we presented for your consideration our petition for water and road improvement for Lowell Jet Road, but up to this moment we had not received any consideration from you. Your biggest objection being that Lowell Junction Road was not an accepted road, but we have proof that your Board has authorized construction of water extension along Rattle Snake Hill Road, which according to our information is not an accepted road, therefore, we request a hearing, as soon as possible, to endeavor to settle this question and to know why there has been such unjust and flagrant discrimination.

## Plans Formulated by Mothers' Club

Plans for various events were formed at the postponed meeting of the Mothers' club Tuesday afternoon. Next Wednesday evening a benefit bridge and whist for a Pundarch graduate will be held at 7:45 in K. of C. hall.

The annual dinner will be held May 23, with President Mrs. Alexander Crockett as chairman. On June 14 the annual outing will be held at Beverly Beach and Salem Willows, with Mrs. Harold S. Cates as chairman.

The next meeting is to be held Tuesday June 5, instead of Wednesday at the Pundarch school. Each member will bring a guest.

An invitation was accepted to visit the Bradlee Mothers' club June 1 in the Ballardville community rooms.

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One hundred and eighteen local public school children will appear in the annual Lincoln spelling contests to be held in the town hall tonight at 7:30. Of these twenty are in the fifth grade, twenty-eight in the sixth grade, twenty-seven in the seventh, twenty-five in the eighth and eighteen in the high school.

Horace M. Poynter of the Phillips academy faculty will be the conductor and Arthur W. Leonard will again act as umpire. The awards will be presented by Frederick C. Smith, chairman of the school committee.

The teachers who will be in charge of the contestants are: Miss Sargent, Miss Conant, Miss Harnedy, Miss Atkinson, Miss Hill, Miss Putnam, Mrs. Derrah, Mrs. Carter and Miss Grogan.

The contestants are:

Grade five: Barbara Lacey, John White, Ruth Cashman, Isabella Dobbie, Helen Carmichael, Albert Lynch, Marjorie Smalley, Barbara Lyle, Joseph Payne, Ruth Gallant, Madeleine Gould, Irene Baduviski, Charles Lawrence, Wright Bolton, Doris Lowe, Florence Nicoll, Edward Valentine, Melcolm Yoghmoorian, Barbara Corney and Barbara Parker.

Grade six: Albert Fritschy, Stafford Lindsay, Eleanor Rafton, Theresa Whalen, Helen Gahm, Dorothy Barnett, Thomas Dea, Marjory Dunn, Eleanor Gorrie, Andrew Hamilton, Carol Holmelund, Vaso Loosigian, Warren Richardson, Ursula Schultz, Dorothy O'Leary, Catharine Smart, Pauline Peters, Bradford Holt, Eleanor Houston, Ruth Cowan, Barbara MacLellan, Priscilla Moss, Darrell Sprague, Jean MacLeish, Dorothy Munro, Isabel Mills, Ruth Nicoll and Edward Schultz.

Grade seven: Priscilla Glines, Harold Gordon, Margaret Hadley, Mary Hagopian, Edmond Hammond, Phyllis Henderson, Joseph Hendrick, George Nicoll, James Buntin, Donald Cole, Mary Deyerdand, Gladys Downs, Norman Druin, Richard Emmert, Mary Zecchini, Marjorie Higgins, Robert Hinman, Marilyn Lewis, Walker Lindsay, Irene Ness, Margaret Saribogian, Benjamin Smalley, Ruth Porter, Marion Albers, Amelia Bernard, Gordon Boddy and Ethel Brierly.

Grade eight: Virginia Batcheller, Lucy Cavallo, Elizabeth Cooper, McClain Reinhart, John Rogge, Mary Elliott, Jacqueline Ferguson, Frances Jamieson, Charles Tower, Scott Walker, Harold Chase, Gloria King, Ruth Napier, Jean Cooper, Barbara Rice, June Swenson, Edith Ross, Phyllis Burridge, Marie Hutchins, Edith Woodman, Dorothy Coats, Christopher Shorter, Robert Crosby, Marion Dennison and Hedwige Babicka.

High school: Betty Ross, Bruce Gesing, Mary Winters, Jaelyn Dunn, Preston Wade, James Trott, John Anderson, John Shattuck, Everett Gorrie, Mary Harkin, Louis Broughton, Morris Krinsky, Elizabeth McNeill, Harriet Sellars, Mary Sparks, Helen Harkin, Alice Donovan and Reginald Wallace.

These are several prize winners from previous years competing again this evening. Three, Preston Wade, Edmond Hammond, and Frances Jamieson have won prizes in the finals.

Previous prize-winners competing are: Preston Wade, 1933, first in finals, first in eighth grade; 1932, second in finals, first in seventh grade; 1931, first prize, sixth grade; 1930, first prize, fifth grade; Edmond Hammond, 1933, third in finals, second in sixth grade; Lucy Cavallo, 1933, first in seventh grade; 1932, second in sixth grade; Margaret Hadley, 1933, first in sixth grade; Warren Richardson, 1933, second in fifth grade; George Nicoll, 1933, second in fifth grade; Robert Hinman, 1933, second in fifth grade; Frances Jamieson, 1931, second in finals; second in fifth grade; and Everett Gorrie, 1931, second in sixth grade.

## Woman's Guild Re-elects Officers

All the officers of the Christ church Woman's Guild were re-elected yesterday afternoon at the annual meeting. They are: president, Mrs. Ralph T. Berry; first vice-president, Mrs. Robert Clements; second vice-president, Mrs. Charles A. Hill; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Warden; secretary, Mrs. Isaac N. Brockbank.

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Fee for the Playstead

The Board of Public Works and the local baseball teams which use the Playstead diamond have been engaged in a controversy lately over the payment of a dollar charge for every game played at the field this year. The teams claim that on a public field they should not be required to pay a fee, while the board claims that according to the agreement made with the owner of the adjoining property they must keep a man there to retrieve the foul balls which go over into that property. The public works board states that out of its budget it cannot afford to pay a man for working there nights, and the teams also argue that they cannot afford to pay this charge either.

It really is a difficult problem which faces the board of public works. When the town hall is used, any organization which uses it, must pay for policing. If it is a charitable organization, it need pay only the policing charge; if not, it must also pay a charge for hiring the hall. The board of public works has the same right legally, it is claimed, to require a charge for the use of the playstead as the board of selectmen has for the use of the hall. The question mainly is whether it is just to charge for the use of a playground built for the use of the public.

No one has a justifiable complaint if the board requires a fee from teams which take up a collection at the games. These teams come under the same heading as organizations which use the town hall for profit. The situation, however, is slightly different with the other teams which do not take a collection and which, if they did take up one, would not have enough spectators present to contribute even a dollar. When teams play at the playstead merely for the fun of playing, they should not be made to pay for the use of a public playing field. That field was built there for public recreation, and those who use it should not be made to pay for its use unless they are charging people to watch their games.

The town hall janitor does not receive an extra stipend for his services rendered evenings when the hall is in use. This work goes with his job. The high school janitor must serve free of charge on school purposes. Similarly, it would seem that the caretaker of parks and playgrounds should not receive extra pay from those who use the playstead, at least if there is no collection. The board of public works might reach a compromise agreement on this matter. Certainly teams which are charging the spectators for watching the games and teams which play for the fun of it should not be treated alike.

One Year of the C. C. C.

It has been very pleasing to learn that the C. C. C. officials at Washington

Siftings

Another new traffic hazard for Andover. Motorists are looking more for "slow" signs with wrongside to "S's" than they are at the approaching traffic.

A new NRA committee for giving cut information has been chosen, presumably with the purpose of proving that the eagle's wings are carrying him up and not down.

The baseball team don't seem to like the B. P. W. "No payee, no player" dictum.

The radio has a new "alarm clock" program from 7:45 to 8:00 a. m., and most of us wish that we could stay in bed late enough for it to wake us up.

Tonight comes the annual spelling bee, when new and unique combinations of letters are perpetuated—and incidentally, when the children show us how much better spellers they are than we.

Complains of Library "Muzzling the Public"

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is only one of a large class that the trustees do not see fit to place within the reach of the library's readers. The "Saturday Evening Post," "Collier's," the "American Magazine," the "Cosmopolitan," "Hampton's," the "Twentieth Century," "Everybody's," "Review of Reviews," "Metropolitan," "Pearson's" and "Success" are also conspicuous by their absence—in fact, "Met Lane's" and the "World's Work" are the only periodicals of "muckracking" tendencies represented upon the library shelves. The assistant librarian said that, as she understands it, the policy of the trustees has been to purchase only the high priced periodicals, on the theory that the citizens of Andover can provide the cheaper ones for themselves.  
President Smith was reached by long distance telephone, but declined to give more than the "I do not like thee, Dr. Fell!" explanation of what he claimed to be the unanimous decision of the trustees. The Board would not, he said, buy The Common

have been so very well satisfied with the educational program at the local camp and with the co-operation of the local town, academy and Guild officials that they are planning to use this camp's work as a basis upon which to build up the educational programs in other camps throughout the whole United States. This is a singular honor, one which the town and the camp should strive to uphold.

It is almost a year now since we in Andover saw a train load of men in blue denim jumpers and dungarees enter the town, with many forebodings on the town's part. Two hundred young men dumped upon a town to the minds of most people means nothing but trouble, and on last Memorial day there were many people here who wished that the state forest was located anywhere but in Andover. But now, in retrospect, we find that the experience was nothing to be afraid of; in fact, Andover can be rather proud of the conduct of the local camp.

There is a very good reason for the co-operation given by the local officials and social agencies, and that is that the camp has been so very well controlled that there was really no chance of trouble resulting from a liberal attitude on the town's part. The boys turned out to be just ordinary boys and offered no more, probably less, trouble than our own local boys do. They have acted very well here in town, and that is why Andover has been so cordial to the forest workers. If anybody is to be thanked for the co-operation given by the people of Andover, it is the boys and the leaders at the camp, for they have merited co-operation here.

Editorial Cinders

Tomorrow the British Empire War Veterans association of Andover is holding a flag day, the proceeds of which will be used to furnish music in the annual Memorial day parade. No part of the town appropriation for Memorial day is used by the British veterans, and accordingly, this method of raising the necessary money is being used. It is a very live organization, one which has done much good in Andover in its brief existence, and it deserves the support of the townspeople. So buy a flag tomorrow.

In the last week of so painters have been at work adorning our streets with white paint for traffic purposes. On Bartlett street and Chestnut street, one of the painters evidently forgot that the letter "S" starts on the right-hand side at the top, with the result that the word "Slow" is painted on the street with the "S" in reverse. This could well be rectified soon, because an "S" painted as it is seen only in comic strips looks out of place on the streets of a town noted for its educational institutions.

of its own volition, and saw no reason; that being the case, why the gift of a year's subscription should be accepted. He added that so far as he personally was concerned he had only seen one number, but the fact that Louis D. Brandeis is one of the Common's owners was "enough to queer it" with him. He declined also the offer to publish any criticism of the paper that he might desire to make. It appears that the unwillingness of their readers conviction that whatever is in right in the affairs of State and Nation under standpat control is shared by the library authorities of other Republican strongholds. The Brookline Library, for instance, not only excludes from its shelves the "muckrakers," also named—with the "World's Work" and "McLure's" as well—but denies to its readers even in book form the more significant at least of the later contributions of such writers as Ida Tarbell, Charles Edward Russell, Lincoln Steffens, Ray Stannard Baker, Wm. Allen White, Geo. Kibbe Turner, Geo. Graham Phillips, Ben Lindsey and Alfred Henry Lewis to the unanswered and unanswerable exposures of ring rule and high finance which have so deeply stirred the nation in recent years.

For the benefit of residents of Andover who may wish to read a progressive journal not afraid to express its convictions, we add that The Common is for sale by O. P. Chase or may be had by mail at the regular price, \$1 a year.

V. F. W. Auxiliary Whist Winners

The winners at the V. F. W. auxiliary whist party last night were: door prize, Mrs. Walter Shaw; consolations, Charles Shorten and Mrs. Mason; Mrs. Guy Martin, Mr. Ruth Lee, Fred Westcott, Gertrude Robinson, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. J. Wilkinson, Joseph Davey, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Harold Cates, Mrs. Alex. Duke, Mrs. Johnson, George Hatch, Mrs. Westcott, Miss Agnes Stewart, Mrs. William Snyder and Mrs. Thompson.

Another party will be held next Thursday. A regular meeting of the auxiliary, with election of delegates and memorial service, will be held on May 23. A military whist will be held on May 24 for the National Home in Eaton Rapids, Mich. Mrs. James Feeney is in charge.

On the 29th of May Mrs. Catherine Olsen of Quincy, state department president, will make her official visit.

Fine Program for State Library Club

Residents of Andover and North Andover and those in the vicinity who are interested, are invited to attend the morning and evening sessions of the two-day meeting of the Massachusetts Library Club, May 31 and June 1. Miss Dorothy Hopkins, second vice-president of the club, and librarian of Abbot Academy, is in charge of arrangements. The committee cooperating with her consists of Miss Edna A. Brown, librarian of the Memorial Hall Library, Andover; Miss Sarah L. Frost, librarian of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library, Phillips Academy, Mass.; Caroline M. Underhill, Philip Ripley and Frederick Jones, all of Andover.

Morning meetings begin at ten o'clock. On Thursday, May 31, in Abbot Hall, three witty and well-known authors will speak. Mrs. Barton Corneau, who writes under the name of Octavia Roberts, will talk on "The Writing of an Adventure Story." Mrs. Ira Rich Kent, who as Louise Andrews Kent, has written "The Red Rajah," "Douglas of Porcupine" and "Two Children of Tyre," will give her point of view: "The Stay-at-Home Author." "Confessions of a Fine Payer" is the title chosen by Mrs. Mayoy Dyer Hersey, better known for her large circle of readers as Frances Lester Warner. Those who have enjoyed the humor of "Life's Minor Collisions," "Endicott and I," and her other delightful essays, will anticipate the opportunity of hearing and meeting Frances Lester Warner.

Friday morning, June 1, the meeting will be in the Memorial Hall. Rex Miller, editor of the Magazine of the Christian Science Monitor will talk on "Geneva and the Press." He will be followed by the poet, David McCord, who will read from his "The Crows," and other poems.

At the conclusion of the morning meetings, the three libraries will be open to visitors, and motor trips are planned to show the club members the many historic houses of Andover and North Andover. The Historical Society House will be open, and a special trip will be made through the Phillips Academy campus.

Thursday evening, in Davis Hall, Abbot Academy, Dr. Charles Park of Boston will give his illustrated lecture: "The Development of the Clipper Ship" at eight o'clock. The speaker on Friday evening in George Washington Hall, will be Dr. Samuel Lind. His subject is "The Harvest of Dictators—A Challenge to Democracy."

The afternoon sessions will be devoted to professional topics, and will be followed by tea. Miss Bailey is to be hostess on Thursday at Abbot, and on Friday the Trustees and Staff of the Memorial Hall Library are to entertain the club members at tea at the Phillips Inn.

The open sessions, then, are the mornings and evenings of the two days, May 31 and June 1, and it is sincerely hoped that they may be of interest to townspeople.

Obituaries

FLEMING

The funeral of Michael M. Fleming, 29, who passed away last Friday afternoon at his home, 3 Hillside avenue, Shawsheen village, was held Monday morning with a mass of requiem sung in St. Augustine's church by Rev. John B. Leonard, O. S. A. Miss Katherine E. Donovan rendered "O Meritum Passionis" at the offertory and Miss Anne G. Donovan, organist, played Chopin's funeral march as the body was borne from the church. Father Leonard conducted committal services at the interment at the family lot in the church cemetery.

The bearers were: Dr. William A. Hopkins, William A. Fleming, James H. McGrady, Harold Welsh, Frank Welsh and John Reilly. Deceased is survived by his father, Edward; five brothers, James J. of New York, John J., Edward H., Dr. William A. and Patrick T. Fleming.

CALLISON

Miss Sara A. Callison, a resident of Andover for eleven years, passed away Saturday night at the home of Miss Lizzie Crabtree, 97 Greenwood street, Lawrence. She had been ill for some time. She was a native of County Armagh, Ireland.

The funeral services were held at the Crabtree home Tuesday afternoon by Rev. Alfred Church in pastor and twenty-four years ago, of which he had spent in Ballardvale. He was an employee of the Shawsheen Mills.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, Martha; one brother, Harold of Methuen; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Shine and Mrs. Annie Wells of England.

The bearers were: Ira D. Carty, Thomas Wainwright, Joseph Cote, Henry Duffresne, Earl Leslie, William Coram, all members of Court Lincoln, A. of F. of North Andover. They also conducted services at the grave.

LEES

The funeral of Ernest Lees of Andover street, Ballardvale, who passed away Sunday was held Wednesday afternoon at his late home. Services were conducted by Rev. Charles W. Henry and interment was in Ridgewood cemetery, North Andover.

The late Mr. Lees, a native of England, had lived in Andover for twenty-four years, five of which he had spent in Ballardvale. He was an employee of the Shawsheen Mills.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, Martha; one brother, Harold of Methuen; two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Shine and Mrs. Annie Wells of England.

LUCY

Funeral services for Ernest Lucy, who died in Andover on May 2, in Washington, D. C., were held Friday afternoon at the Lundgren funeral parlors, Andover. Members of the Mystic Valley lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Winchester officiated and also acted as bearers. Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery.

MENZIES

Mrs. William Menzies, mother of Mrs. K. M. Pinckney of Shawsheen Road, died in Thomasville, Ga., on May 5th.

Solace

Mither, th' Memory eye lingers  
An' m'ks me ken ye are no vera far,  
'Tis like th' touch of your soft stroking fingers  
Easing a' o' my hertaches awa'.  
God in his infinite wisdom  
Heals a' wounds, w' th' passin' o' time;  
An' gies peace tae oor herts, an' some  
Solace, that is, taught frae Love Lublime.  
God grant ye rest, then, we Mither,  
'Twill no' be lang noo, I feel  
'Till wi' ye an' my Faither th' gither  
'I'll be met, in th' Land o' th' Leal.  
SARAH ANN SAUNDERS

ALMANAC

"OH BOY MY FAVORITE DESERT!"  
"A drop of honey catches more flies than a hoghead of vinegar."

- MAY  
14—Lewis & Clark start famous exploration trip, 1804.  
15—First regular air mail service in U. S., 1918.  
16—"Peek-a-boo" shirt waists first appear, 1900.  
17—First Wild West show visits New York city, 1883.  
18—California becomes a province of Mexico, 1822.  
19—Henry VIII's wife, Anne Boleyn, loses head, 1536.  
20—United States gives Cuba its full freedom, 1903.

Town's Financial Standing

The condition of the town accounts, showing expenditures and balances, as of May 1, follows:

	Spent, May 1	Balance
Assessors' survey	79.13	1910.87
Election, Registration	882.36	2117.64
Municipal Bldgs.	984.99	2252.01
Police Dept.	6762.81	17142.19
Police Auto	615.70	68.33
Fire Dept.	7016.40	18924.30
Wire Inspector	120.00	300.00
Weights and Measures	121.03	348.97
Moth suppression	1165.61	2834.39
Tree warden	1117.42	3382.58
Forest fires	234.90	775.10
Moth truck	900.00	000.00
Health Dept.	428.49	3371.13
Tuberculosis	000.00	2000.00
Th. Hospital	3562.58	000.00
Public dump	000.00	470.00
Sewer Maint.	1012.99	4687.01
Porter Rd. Sewer	2.07	1372.93
Carmel Rd. Sewer	19.49	3170.51
Corbett Rd. Sewer	26.87	68.33
Hyw. Maint.	12472.60	42527.40
Hyw. Constr.	623.63	5458.32
River Rd. Constr.	0000.00	5000.00
Brechin Terr. Constr.	0000.00	1500.00
C.W.A. Material	3134.81	4865.19
B.P.W. Truck	893.00	7.00
C.W.A. (1933)	4195.77	118.13
Shaw's Road	29285.49	5214.86
Street lighting	3223.74	16223.70
Mothers' aid	416.55	5583.45
Infirmary	1726.51	6173.49
State aid	40.00	460.00
Soldiers' relief	122.00	2378.00
Old Age Assist.	4866.57	12133.43
School Dept.	53273.49	93048.59
Library	2592.06	18512.05
Parks, Playgrounds	000.00	3377.19
Bathing beach	000.00	1556.00
Damages	7.85	492.15
Legion Quarters	150.00	450.00
V.F.W. Quarters	120.00	360.00
Insurance	6723.38	800.00
Memorial Day	621.00	79.00
Town Reports	000.00	150.00
Armistice Day	000.00	117.50
Town Sales	100.00	25.00
Beer Rebates	000.00	100.00
Basso Agreement	7887.90	1912.10
Water Maint.	2238.87	7761.13
Water Constr.	3033.43	6966.57
Water Extensions	000.00	825.50
Cemetery truck	1128.65	6271.35
Cemetery	3908.91	9091.09
Interest	5794.68	12425.32
Town officers	1688.80	2811.20
Public Welfare		

\*Includes refund of \$3.00.  
\*Includes \$604.11, Dog account refunds

Abbot Academy Notes

Miss Jessie De Mille spoke most interestingly on Sunday afternoon, May 6, of the work of the Bryn Mawr summer school. In the evening, a large party from Abbot attended the Harvard-Radcliffe concert in George Washington Hall.

Betty Swint of Wilmington, Delaware, has been elected song leader of the Junior class, and Clara Holland of Andover is song leader of the Junior Middle class.

Major Yale, who spoke on Tuesday evening, May 8, ended his talk all too soon. His audience would have liked to hear much more of his thrilling experiences in Palestine, of

ANDOVER CHURCHES

- FREE CHURCH  
9-30, Sunday, Church School; 10:45, Morning Worship with Mother's Day sermon by the pastor. Subject: Choosing a Mother; 10:45, Kindergarten; 12:00, Margaret Slattery Class; 12:00, Brotherhood.  
7-30, Tuesday, Boy Scouts.  
6-30, Friday, Mother and Daughter Banquet under the auspices of the Margaret Slattery Class. The banquet is to be served by the Women's Alliance.
- SOUTH CHURCH  
9-45, Sunday, Church School; 10:45, Morning Worship; "The Spiritual Responsibility of Mothers"; 10:45, Church Kindergarten; 6-30, Christian Endeavor; 7-30, Vespers Service.  
3-45, Monday, Children's Entertainment; 7-30, Adult Entertainment by Misses Starrett and Young with violin and theremin.  
6-30, Thursday, Mother's and Daughter's Banquet. A. P. C.; 4:00, Junior Church; 7:00, Senior Choir.  
7:00, Friday, Troop 3, Boy Scouts.
- BAPTIST CHURCH  
9-30, Sunday, Sunday School; 10:45, Morning Service. Music and Sermonette appropriate for the day. Sermon theme, "God—and the World's Greatest Need." Music by girls' choir. Soloist, Mrs. W. B. Liddy of Dracont. Trumpet soloist, Master Liddy. Baptism; 5:15, Junior Christian Endeavor; 6:15, Senior Christian Endeavor, Miss Sarah Wisl. Leader. Special music and program.  
7-30, Monday, The W. W. G. girls meet at the home of Mrs. Henry Jenkins.  
7-45, Wednesday, Mid-week meeting and Sunday School Council at the home of Clifford Dannels.  
7:00, Thursday, Choir Rehearsal.  
7:15, Friday, Boy Scout Troop No. 74.
- NORTH PARISH CHURCH  
10-30, Sunday, Rev. S. C. Beans will take as his subject: The Greatest "Beatitude." Singing by the Vestal Choir; 11:45, Church School; 7:30 p. m., Special meeting of the Y. P. R. U.  
10-10 a. m. An automobile leaves the Andover Bookstore for the Unitarian Church at North Andover. A welcome to all.
- CHRIST CHURCH  
8-00, Sunday, Holy Communion; 9-30, Church School; 10:45, Morning Prayer and Sermon.  
8-00 Monday, Vestry meeting.  
4-00, Tuesday, Choir boys; 7-30, Sherrill Club.  
4-00, Wednesday, Choir boys; 7-30, Young People's Fellowship Party.  
7-15, Thursday, Choir boys and adults; 7-30, a. m. Holy Communion.  
7-00, Friday, Boy Scouts, Troop 5.  
4-30, Saturday, Service with Address: W. Merrimack Branch; 6-00, Supper.
- WEST CHURCH  
10-30, Sunday, Public Worship with sermon by the Pastor; 12-00, Sunday School in the Vestry.  
7-45, Wednesday, Meeting for Prayer and Study.
- PHILLIPS ACADEMY CHAPEL  
Morning Service: Dr. Erdman Harris, Union Theological Seminary, New York City.
- SHAWSHEEN COMMUNITY CHURCH  
9-30, Sunday, School in Ballardvale hall.
- ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH  
Sunday Masses: 6-30, 8-15, 9-30, 10-30 a. m.—Benediction after late mass.  
Holy Day Masses: 5-30, 7-00, 8-30 a. m.  
Sunday evening: 7-45, Rosary, Sermon, Benediction.  
Baptisms: Sunday 3:00 p. m.  
First Friday Masses: 5-30, 6-45, 7-30 a. m. Communion 7:00 a. m.  
First Sunday of Month Communion Day for Sacred Heart Sodality.  
Third Sunday of Month: Children's Communion Day.  
Fourth Sunday of Month: B. V. M. Sodality Communion Day.  
Devotions in honor of St. Therese every Friday evening, 7-45.  
Confessions: Saturday afternoons and evenings, and afternoons and evenings before Holy Days of obligation.

NEWS OF OTHER DAYS

Twenty-five Years Ago  
William A. Allen has purchased a fine new cash register.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Brewster and family have moved to Locke street.  
Daniel Hartigan of North Main street has entered the employ of Franklin Stacey.  
The Phillips Academy trustees have purchased a new horse gasoline lawn mower and roller comb.  
J. C. Clement from Alva, Scotland, is visiting his uncle, David M. Scott in Frye village.  
Last Tuesday evening a spelling match was held by the Grange, with Miss M. Winnie Burt winning.  
William Doherty, Jr., is ill at his home on Harding street.  
Leonard Saunders has been confined to his home with illness part of the week.  
Dr. W. D. Walker was elected president of the Guild Tuesday evening. Philip F. Ripley was elected treasurer, and Mrs. M. S. McCurdy clerk.  
Ten Years Ago  
Miss Mary O'Dowd, principal of the grammar school in South Royalston, spent

plans to restock the store and to redecorate it.  
Mr. Grece graduated in 1923 from the Bradley Polytechnic Institute at Peoria, Ill., the largest and oldest horological school in the world. After his graduation he worked for the largest importers of Swiss watches in New England, specializing in the repairing of delicate Swiss watches. For the last five and a half years he has been in complete charge of the service department of a store in St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Here he had the task of inspecting watches for three railroads.  
Mr. Grece plans to do all kinds of watch, clock and jewelry repairing, all work to be done on the premises.  
He intends to live with his wife and three children on Duffon road.

with great distinction in 1926. She attended Bridgewater State Teachers' college and was prominent in school activities. She excelled in athletics and attained high honors in penmanship. For the last four years she has been supervisor of penmanship in Lexington and Bedford.  
Mr. Frederic W. Whittemore of Mansfield announces the engagement of his daughter, Miss Fricilla Brooks Whittemore to Charles Howe Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Reed of Lewiston, Maine.

Street Work Being Done  
The water extension work on Bartlett street is nearly finished and on Monday an extension will be started on River road.  
The Board of Public Works is at present blanketing some of the roads and is also rebuilding Woburn street between Andover and Abbot streets. The department is almost ready to start on the reconstruction of the upper end of Morton street.  
Twenty-five hundred hemlocks are set to be planted in Carmel woods.

Engagements Announced  
Mr. and Mrs. James Blamire, 93 Haverhill street, Shawsheen Village, announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn, to Lindley H. Peavey of Lexington. The wedding will take place in the early summer.  
Miss Blamire is a graduate of Lawrence high school where she received her diploma

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