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Andover's Own Weekly Newsmagazine



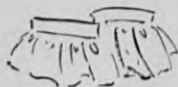
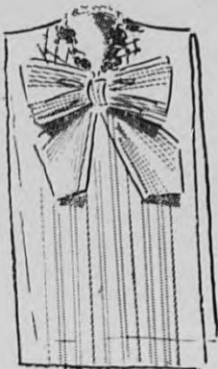
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March 14, 1946 — 5 Cents



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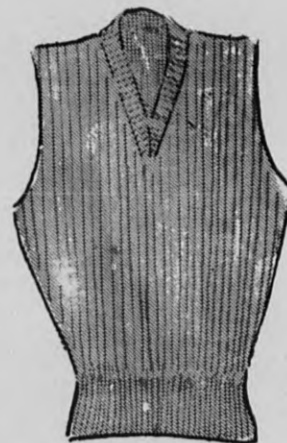
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# Wages, Appropriations and Taxes UP — UP — UP

The fact that town employees are paying just as much extra to live as everybody else was the thing that hurt most, and it was something that the voters knew they'd have to face willingly. But they agreed with the town officials that some limits would have to be placed on a wage raise, and they were unanimous in endorsing Selectman Hardy's motion which in effect gave an additional ten percent increase after making the one of a few years ago a permanent one — but which very definitely instructed the Board of Public Works that their employees were not to be increased. Chairman Sidney White later answered a direct request by stating that no increase was contemplated. That vote meant several changes in the budgets as approved by the finance committee, the most sizable one being in the school department appropriation, which jumped \$11,000. It also meant increases for some of the elective town officials: town clerk from \$2200 to \$2400; tax collector and town treasurer from \$2500 to \$2750; moth superintendent and tree warden from \$40.50 per week to \$48.00 per week.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT UP

The biggest percentage increase went to the fire department, with an appropriation jumping from 1945's \$38,880 to \$49,843. A combination of factors, including the addition of new men last year now for a full year, the change from an 84 hour week to a 70 hour week, and the wage increase brought about this heavy jump.

There was very little discussion on the main budget. Atty. Walter Mondale spoke on the insurance appropriation, urging an equal division of the town's insurance among agents who have been established here for five years, but Chairman Hardy, reinforced by Selectman Collins, convinced the town that the present set-up whereby one agency handles the account, with the others getting a share of the commissions, was the best manner of handling it.

Tree Warden G. Richard Abbott, the hard-luck guy of many a town meeting, came through with flying colors, having his appropriation upped to \$8480, and later securing all the equipment he had asked for.

Chairman Sidney P. White of the public works board had a little difficulty with the highway maintenance appropriation, but reinforced by the finance committee, he succeeded in having it approved at his figure of \$52,300. On snow removal, Ned Hammond did a little apple-cart upsetting with a motion which in effect incorporated the private way plowing in the regular appropriation. This plowing was approved by ballot a year ago.

After taking care of the regular budget, the meeting went merrily on and approved the \$141,000 water project. On the \$35,000 sewer project John O'Connell's amendment to finance it by borrowing won town meeting approval after something of a verbal skirmish.

## TERCENTENARY THIS YEAR

The Tercentenary committee, ably represented by Headmaster Fuess, succeeded in having its \$5,000 observance article passed, and also its \$2,000 historical research article.

The largest crowd in Memorial auditorium town meeting history went to town meeting Monday night in the hope that it could stem the 1946 tide of heavy expenditures; the largest crowd in town meeting history on Monday night went home after voting the largest appropriations in town meeting history.

Everybody wanted to save money; nobody could. There was a little tightening up here and there, but by and large the voters just had to be swept along with the tide, knowing full well that when the tax bills arrive next summer, they're going to have to do some pretty strenuous belt-tightening.

The fire department also did pretty well in the matter of equipment, being voted a new ambulance, new FM radio telephone equipment, a new floor for the Ballardvale fire station—BUT no new car for the chief.

The Board of Public Works had an average meeting. Approved were the bleacher repair job, new sidewalks, the light truck, the street sweeper; disapproved were the Rogers Brook article, the new bleacher article, the tool shed \$1500, the private way plowing appropriation; withdrawn was the Chapter 90 article.

Andover wants its garbage collected, but doesn't want to pay \$18,000 for it; through a successful motion to lay on the table, the voters were unable to say that they'd be willing to okay the article if it could be taken care of for less than \$18,000. Tossing this out also meant the withdrawal of the \$8,000 dump truck article.

The school committee got its \$900 for vocational education, \$3200 for kindergarten (without a bit of a squabble) and \$600 for a new lawn mower—BUT the \$9020 it wanted for heating plant improvements went the way of the table.

The cemetery trustees were given a generator and \$1500 for a new chassis and cab.

Recreation didn't provoke the anticipated discussion, possibly be-

cause it was getting late and possibly because Moderator Frank Dunn, having relinquished the chair to Moderator-Emeritus Selectman Shepard, didn't bother to answer the barbs of Staf Lindsay.

The town's appointed another committee, this time centralized, and it's going to investigate the town's swimming facilities, but it's not going to have a National Recreation association survey. The total of \$950 was appropriated for winter recreation, \$450 of it earmarked for Hussey's.

Water extensions approved included: Blanchard street, \$4500; Ballardvale road, \$1800; Vine street, \$1800; Spring Grove road, \$1250; Virginia road, \$600; William street, \$1950; William street sewer, \$1650.

Disapproved or withdrawn were: Haggetts pond road, \$15,950; Beacon street, \$5500; Gould road, \$15,380; Haverhill street sewer, \$6000; Tewksbury street, \$3400.

The Riverina road fence along the banks of the Shawsheen got a finance committee approval after its original disapproval, the lot of land was accepted and the \$3000 appropriated.

Under the final article it was voted to continue the water and sewer committee, appoint a traffic committee, continue the recreation committee, appoint a committee of three to study the advisability of cutting the school board from nine to five.

## Town Meeting Incidentals

Moderator Frank Dunn was just a little shaky, but on the whole did a pretty good job, his sense of humor lightening the meeting at times.

Harvey Turner, retiring member of the finance committee, did not once use the verb "clarify." At one point in the meeting he got the crowd in an uproar when someone asked where some department had found money for something; in his best past grand master twang said Harvey: "Why look at me?"

Ev Collins went to bat on the insurance question, and he gave the old ball quite a belt. He's not on the floor much at town meetings, but he proved that he could be.

A nice lady came up to Fire Chief Eddie Buchan and asked him where the telephone was. Being an obliging sort of a fellow, Ed took her downstairs to the phone booth, which he found isn't where it used to be. So he hunted up Janitor Bill Snyder and finally got the situation straightened out. On his way back into the hall he heard a resounding "No." Fireman Tim Madden very lugubriously said: "Chief, they just threw out your car." But, gee—she was such a nice lady.

Thanks, Roy, for the compliment about the Townsman.

Seems as though Staf Lindsay and Moderator Dunn aren't exactly friends or something. However, even as a lay citizen, Frank moderated more than Staf did; the latter seemed hot in the upper clavicle region.

Golly, for a minute we wondered—but it's really all right: the school committee and the Board of Public Works really do like each other; they both said so. For a while the school committee was saying, "You can't play in our yard — or leave your tools there, either." The town said they had to be left somewhere, but you can't have \$1500 for a house for them.

The meeting was getting a little dead when the cemetery special articles came up, and we couldn't help but chuckle once again to ourself about a little sentence in the annual report of the cemetery trustees. Talking about the truck problem, the trustees of the cemetery in their best professional and technical language, say: "We propose to transfer the body to the new chassis."

We decide to centralize all the recreational committees. Then we decide to continue the services of the present recreation survey committee. And so it goes.

## THE WAGE INCREASE VOTE

Voted, that the wage increase, not to exceed \$2.00 a week, voted at the 1945 Town Meeting be incorporated in the basic rates, and that in addition thereto, a general wage increase be granted to all full-time employees who have received less than a 25% wage increase since January, 1941. Such General Increase is not to exceed 10%, and not to exceed \$5.00 per week to any individual, and is not to result in a total increase, of more than 25% to any individual over his or her January, 1941, rate. Officials determining amount of increased wages shall make every effort to equalize total wage increases, so that employees of equal merit, and on the same wage basis in January, 1941, will be on the same wage basis on and after April 1, 1946, when this motion shall take effect.

## DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

American Legion, \$600; Veterans of Foreign Wars, \$600; Armistice Day, \$150; Memorial Day, \$1,026; Aid to Dependent Children, \$8,000; Soldiers' Benefits, \$9,800; Old Age Assistance, \$55,000; Public Welfare, \$10,000; Retirement Fund, \$17,591; Damages to Persons and Property, \$500; Elections and Registrations, \$4,500; Civilian Defense, \$250; State Guard, \$250; Insurance, \$11,900; Tuberculosis Hospital, \$10,129; Poms Pond, \$2,200; Public Dump, \$1,000; Printing Town Report, \$1,053.50; Selectmen, \$2,380; Treasurer, \$3,440; Collector of Taxes, \$5,556; Accountant, \$3,729; Assessors, \$5,718; Town Clerk, \$3,582; Moderator, \$20; Town Counsel, \$750; Finance Committee, \$20; Planning Board and Survey, \$200; Dog Officer, \$225; Animal Inspector, \$350; Building Inspector, \$525; Town Scales, \$175; Inspector of Wires, \$425; Sealer of Weights and Measures, \$450; Municipal Buildings, \$5,420; Infirmary, \$9,800; Moth Suppression, \$5,830; Police Department, \$37,324; Fire Department, \$49,843; Brush Fires, \$1,925; Interest, \$5,716.25; Retirement of Bonds, \$40,737.42; Tree Warden, \$8,480; Board of Health, \$4,868; Care of TB Patients, \$5,000; Trustees of Memorial Library, \$20,603; Spring Grove Cemetery, \$12,734.60; School Committee, \$220,978; Playground Committee, \$3,344; Highway Maintenance, \$52,300; Water Construction Maintenance, \$48,000; Parks, \$4,600; Sewer, \$5,800; Snow Removal and Sanding, \$25,000; Trucks, Garage and Repair Shop, \$9,000; Street Lighting, \$20,000.

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## Gotta Go To Town Meetin'

An overwhelming number of the said voters of the said town of Andover accepted the standing invitation to attend the town meeting at the auditorium, Monday night. However, most were able to sit down after the folding doors to the gymnasium were opened and chairs were placed within range of the stage. The range did not include the speaking range of normal voices and the aid of two mikes was enlisted so that all present could hear what the said citizens said. The variances in the heights of the speakers who took the floor necessitated quite a bit of microphone manipulation to prevent Robert Deyermond from bending over double and E. V. French from standing on tippy toe.

There was no floor show. The meeting was carried on in a dignified and economical manner; wherein it was possible to slash, said town slashed, but wherein said town's progressiveness was challenged, said town showed great generosity of spirit. With mathematical agility, John F. O'Connell kept an account of the mounting tax rate from time to time and announced the approximate figures that property-owners would be paying at subtle and pertinent points in the warrant with the result of much snapping of pocket-books-shut.

It almost seemed that the warmed over garbage article, No. 22, had been included in the warrant to inject a whiff of humor in the meeting and after some discussion, Dr. Stovers arose to say, "I don't wish to seem facetious in my choice of words but I move that the question of garbage be placed on the table." His motion carried and the two (2) trucks "with enclosed bodies" were laid away.

Moderator Frank Dunn proved himself to be apt at tongue twisters and was not stumped when the question came up regarding Article 21, "How many streets will the street sweeper sweep?" The reply met the approval of the voters who rejected the proposal last year and we can look forward to seeing the street sweeper sweeping any day.

With the end of the war and with the defeat of Article 11, it would not be amiss to see the little shan-



ty in the square change its sign from "SERVICEMENS PICK UP STATION" to "FIRE CHIEF'S PICK UP STATION" in the event that the old red bus breaks down at an inopportune moment, and the chief is left at the corner of Main and Park wagging his thumb.

To build or not to build new football bleachers caused a few sparks in the comparatively cool meeting with Harold Wennik taking the floor and Finance Committee chairman Turner speaking AGAINST, not because of the finances involved but because of the materials which could be better deflected to more important uses.

Mr. Deyermond tried to get "a mother" on the committee on arrangements for the observance of Andover's 300th Anniversary but his amendment to Article 7 did not carry so there will be no women with a voice in the Tercentary plan.

When the moderator relinquished his chair to speak on an appropriation for a survey of Andover's program and facilities of recreation, newly elected Selectman Shepard took over for a portion of the meeting which should have netted him about 50 cents.

Perhaps the greatest suspense in the entire meeting was shown when Fred Collins entered the stage and sat at the piano.

"What would he play?"  
"A cantata, maybe?"  
Mr. Haselton wanted Chopin.  
"Would Everett Collins sing?"

Votes were taken and bets were placed, but Fred Collins continued to sit there, fixing his gaze on the speakers. There would be a pause in the proceedings. "Now, Fred?" But no, Fred was immovable. Rogers Brook, man-made or otherwise, could run rampage all over town knocking over barns or anything in its way and still Fred wouldn't even play "Roll On, Roll On."

It went on and on. Members in the audience seemed to feel that when West Andover asks for water extension, they get, not water but ice. And so into the wee hours of 12:22½ when all articles of the warrant were finally voted upon and the said meeting was adjourned.

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## LIFE'S LIKE THAT

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"... As I was saying when you left three years ago ...!"

### ARMCHAIR WORKER

A shiftless individual recently knocked on the door of a certain well-known clergyman and applied for aid, and as proof of his deserving piety pointed to patches on the knees of his trousers.

"But," objected the observant minister, "what about those patches on the seat of your pants?"

"Oh," replied the bum, apologetically, "I have been a backslider."

### CAUGHT BY A COPPER

Old Lady (at edge of crowd gathered outside church) — What happened here?

Young Scamp—A policeman went in the church and brought the bride out.

Old Lady—Oh, my, what had she done?

Young Scamp — Married the policeman!

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## Service

RT 3/c Frederick has been discharged having completed his service. He spent some time at the Atlantic-Pacific theater of operations. His assignment was at 3149, Samar, P. I. He was with P. I. Punchar and W. Eastman was with the engineering department in Boston. He is a member of the Navy. He is a member of the W. Eastman of 83.

Radio Technician son of the Merchant Marine, a week-end guest at home on Greenwood street, just returned from the Pacific and is having a vacation before reporting for duty. He is the son of Nelson Johnson of New Dover residents.

Pvt. Allen Munn, Mrs. Raymond Munn, street, has just completed a three-year term of service in the U. S. Army Air Corps in Texas and expects to return soon for service in Germany. He has already had a furlough and is on his way to his credit, his re-enlistment in the Army.

Corp. Robert E. left Hamilton field, many, where he was in the Army of Occupation of Mrs. Gladys B. street, and was on a 60-day furlough.

Word reaches the town on leave with (in China), "Jack" he has been promoted and is now "The Stars and Stripes" Miss Elinor Hamerly seaman. He has been discharged from service. She is Mrs. Sara Young, road.

Eddie Kirwin, after about three years in the Army. For his service he was assigned as guard of prisoners.

A recent discharge, Dufton, has tendered as police officer on duty on the town on Thursday.

Lt. Comdr. I. who has served in the Intelligence, with discharge at the Center in Boston. Comdr. received (Intelligence) and also attended the University of Maryland, and was recently stationed at the intelligence branch of the Government at the Distribution Center. Now on termination of his parental duty, Charles M. New has made his home in the town.





## Servicemen...

RT 3/c Frederick C. Eastman has been discharged from the Navy, having completed 20 months service. He spent some time in the Asiatic-Pacific theater, and his last assignment was at Naval Station 3149, Samar, P. I. A graduate of Pynchard and Wentworth Institute, Mr. Eastman was employed in the engineering department of Westinghouse in Boston before entering the Navy. He is the son of Floyd W. Eastman of 83 Chestnut street.

Radio Technician Elmer T. Johnson of the Merchant Marines was a week-end guest at the Peterson home on Greenwood road. He has just returned from the South Pacific and is having a short leave before reporting for further service. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albion Johnson of Norfolk, former Andover residents.

Pvt. Allen Munroe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Munroe of Lowell street, has just re-enlisted for a three-year term of service in the U. S. Army Air Force. He is now in Texas and expects to be leaving soon for service in the Army of Occupation in Germany. Pvt. Munroe already has nearly two years service to his credit, and at the time of his re-enlistment was a senior at Pynchard.

Corp. Robert Batcheller recently left Hamilton field, N. J., for Germany, where he will serve with the Army of Occupation. He is the son of Mrs. Gladys Batcheller of Lowell street, and was recently home on a 60-day furlough.

Word reaches us from our "Editor on leave with the Armed Forces (in China)," Jack Moynihan, that he has been promoted to staff sergeant and is now feature editor of "The Stars and Stripes."

Miss Elinor Harden, who was formerly seaman 1/c in the Waves, has been discharged after 16 months of service. She is the daughter of Mrs. Sara Young of 4 Stratford road.

Eddie Kirwin is back in town after about three years service in the Army. For some time, he was assigned as guard of German prisoners.

A recent dischargee, George F. Dufton, has tendered his resignation as police officer, and completed his duties on the Police Force last Thursday.

Lt. Comdr. Harlan P. Newton, who has served 40 months in Navy Intelligence, will soon receive his discharge at the Navy Separation Center in Boston. The former Lt. Comdr. received his indoctrination (Intelligence) at Dartmouth, N. H., and also attended N. T. S. at Fredricks, Md., and New York City. He was recently stationed in the Intelligence branch of the military government at the Training and Distribution Center, Treasure Island. Now on terminal leave, he is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Newton of Boutwell road. He is a graduate of Pynchard and of Northeastern University, and has made his home in Watertown.



## Mysteries of Physics Intrigue Army Regulars



This group of soldiers is learning the intricacies of electrolysis in a special class at Wiesbaden, Germany. This is but one of hundreds of interesting subjects now being taught to men serving in the Regular Army. Qualified civilians, 17 to 34 years of age, inclusive, may now join as "Guardians of Victory."

The number of World War II Veterans who will be initiated into the Andover Post, 8, American Legion in Memorial auditorium tonight keeps growing and growing.

This initiation will take place under the newly elected Senior Vice-Commander Arthur F. Steinert replacing Carl H. Stevens who resigned because of ill health. Benjamin C. Brown has been advanced to First Vice-Commander and James O'Hagan to Second Vice-Commander.

New members will be accepted up to the time of the meeting and the present list of candidates is as follows:

Francis L. Applebee, William D. Barrow, William Beaulieu, James T. Bisset, J. Eugene Bonin, Francis Boucher, Henry Boulanger, Lionel Boulanger, Benjamin C. Brown, David D. Burns, Jr., Ralph Bushway, Fred A. Barrett, Milton H. Blanchard, Joseph F. Barrett, George Campbell, Dr. Stanley G. Chart, Albert Cole, Jr., James J. Coleman, William Collins, William G. Coutts, Wilson T. Crawford, James D. Doherty, Allan P. Dea, Thomas P. Dea, Jr., Samuel Deyermund, Warren H. Deyermund, Ed-

ward C. Dole, Kenneth L. Dole, Thomas Dole, George F. Dufton, J. Harold Eastwood, Robert W. Emmert, Thomas M. Fallon, Thomas Frain, Jerome Gallant, Mason H. Gould, Milton O. Gray, Charles H. Greenfield, James A. Green, Donald C. Haigh, Thomas W. Harris, Henry G. Holt, Jr., William Hulse, Arthur Heifetz, Carl Heifetz, Arthur W. Hutton, James V. Irvine, Charles Johnson, Joseph Keith, William J. Kelly, Albert E. Lamontagne, Joseph N. Levi, Jr., Thomas C. Lewis, Stafford A. Lindsay, Jr., Herbert A. Lister, George R. Mackenzie, Gordon Mackenzie, Donald MacLellan, John G. McDonald, Albert J. Miller, Jr., Roland P. Masse, Victor J. Mill, Jr., Dorothy Muise, John T. Miller, Christopher E. Murphy, Joseph A. McCarthy, Jr., Timothy A. McCarthy, James M. O'Hagan, Wilfred Pelletier, Clarence G. Scholtz, Gardner R. Shaw, Richard L. Steinert, Peter C. Smith, Frank J. Schiebler, Frank J. Symosek, Arthur S. Taylor, Harold C. Waldie, Kenneth H. Wallace, Richard H. Weeks, Philip L. Wood, Alexander Yancy, James F. Robjant, George U. Gilman, Jr., Garrett L. Burke, John Jaul Jones, Jr., William A. McCartney and William L. McDonald.



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WASHINGTON, D. C. — Thirteen cash awards totaling \$2500, with a top prize of \$1000, are being offered by the American Legion for the best essay on "Jobs for All."

The contest opens March 15 and closes April 30, 1946. Essays must not exceed 3000 words.

Second prize will be \$500; third, \$250; there will be five prizes of \$100 each and five more of \$50 each.

National American Legion Employment Chairman Lawrence J.

Fenlon of Chicago, Ill., has announced the following contest rules:

1. Essays must suggest how best the Legion's programs for maximum employment and veterans' employment can be carried out.
2. Everybody except paid employees of the American Legion is eligible to enter the contest.
3. Essays must be typed, double-spaced, not exceed 3000 words, and be submitted in quadruplicate to the Employment Division, the American Legion, 1608 K street, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.
4. The contest opens March 15 and closes April 30, 1946.
5. Three nationally-known leaders in the employment field will serve as judges.
6. Contestants may obtain copies of the American Legion's program for maximum employment and veterans' employment by writing to national headquarters, 777 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis 6, Ind., or to the Washington Legion office, or to any Legion state headquarters.



## A Soldier Speaks

Dear Editor:

If lend-lease to Russia has not been written off already, here is a simple, effective, and practical manner in which she should be asked to repay it to us.

The United States is now morally responsible to feed much of Europe the next four years. To fulfill our obligation we shall be as hard put as Russia was a while ago to get guns and tanks. We went to much trouble to get and give those items to Russia.

Now Russia has much more good land and natural resources than the United States has. Consequently, let her raise the food and send it to the countries that need it, and credit the cost to our lend-lease account. It will save us from much defeat in Europe the same as we saved her with different weapons from much defeat in Europe.

Since the United States used much of its natural resources in filling Russia's needs during the war, and we have many idle Liberty ships, let Russia return those natural resources to us from her vast untapped supplies. She could pay our ship crews our wages in gold, of which she has billions of dollars' worth. Natural resources brought into our land would create many jobs rather than do away with them as finished products would.

Though England cannot afford to repay us in this manner and since we did save both England and Russia, let Russia repay also half of the amount England owes us on lend-lease and thereby spread the costs of the war in a far more fair manner than just calling upon the American people to bear the full dollar cost of lend-lease.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

T/3 KARL HAARTZ

## World War II Vets To Hear Representatives

All veterans of World War II are urged to attend a meeting at the Memorial auditorium at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, March 20. The purpose of the meeting is to thank the town for the many courtesies extended to local veterans while in service and to meet and hear representatives of veteran organizations and activities.

President of the Servicemen's Fund Harold Wennik, Veterans' Agent for the Board of Selectmen Frank Markey and officers of other organizations are scheduled to speak.

## V. A. OFFICE MOVES

All activities of the Lawrence sub-regional office of the Veterans Administration will be transferred today from the Bay State Building to the fifth floor of the Blakeley building, 477 Essex street.

The American Legion will celebrate its 28th birthday, March 15 to 17, 1946, with appropriate exercises by its 13,500 posts.



# WHO IS STEVEN BYINGTON? —



STEVEN T. BYINGTON

## READER POPS QUESTION

I take my pen in hand to say  
I read your paper every day;  
I think the letters are great fun.  
But WHO is Steven Byington?

I don't impugn his scholarship,  
He catches every tiny slip!  
He knows the answers, every one.  
But who IS Steven Byington?

He sorts out bits of wrong from right  
From an august Olympian height.  
Count that day lost whose setting sun  
Finds nothing here from Byington!

So please, dear Editor, answer pray  
Before my golden locks turn gray.  
I ask once more and then I'm done:  
WHO IS THIS STEVEN BYINGTON?

GLOBESTER

(Copied from the Boston Daily Globe Tuesday, March 12, 1946)

Who is Steven Byington?

Why should the prospect of meeting a man who has delved into languages in which the Bible was originally written, who speaks casually of having "a tolerable smattering of Arabic," cause a shiver of timidity to tingle the back of the neck or be responsible for a moment's hesitation in front of the Vale post office before inquiring, "Where does Mr. Byington live?" Perhaps the same thrill, partly of anticipation and partly of fear felt before stepping into a place for the first time, to travel in a sphere never traveled before and to attempt to understand forces beyond the powers of comprehension. Mr. O'Brien stepped out in front of the store, pointed to the Union Congre-

## CAUGHT BY A PROFESSIONAL

In our February 14 issue of the Townsman, our cover pictured the branch library at Ballardvale, showing Steven T. Byington in the background. We described him as a "proofreader for the Christian Science Monitor, and a master of several languages, including Sanskrit." We were in error and received the following letter from Mr. Byington in emendation.

"You batted a poor score in identifying me; and if I do not contradict you, I shall have people telling me, 'I know this is true about you because I saw it in the Townsman.' You said I had long been a proofreader for the Christian Science Monitor and that one of the languages I knew was Sanskrit. I have a tolerable smattering of Arabic, and have tried to contribute to the world's knowledge of Biblical Hebrew by several notes published in specialist periodicals, but I have never dug into Sanskrit. My many years as a proofreader were in the services of Ginn and Company, schoolbook publishers, not of any periodicals. I have never been associated with the Christian Science movement."

After a visit to Mr. Byington, we now attempt to correct our mis-statements and present to you a much-loved character and a great scholar.

gational church and said companionably, "Steve lives three houses this side of the church on High street." A person whom townspeople call "Steve" in that friendly manner is not formidable, then.

There was an iron gate in front of the house with an intricate catch that refused to open for inexperienced hands, until the front door of the house opened and a smiling visitor solved the mystery of the gate with hardly more than a look. The living room was in semi-darkness. In front of the long windows was a desk, the kind chosen not for looks but to write on, and everywhere there were books and more books. Mr. Byington entered quietly and above the luxury of his white beard, his eyes were clear grey and smiling. They changed expression as he talked, grew thoughtful as he spoke of his work, flashed with humor as he recalled amusing incidents in his life, were kindly tolerant when his questioner was too obviously ignorant.

While still a boy, Mr. Byington had made up his mind to make the translation of the Bible into a living modern English, his life work and his efforts from childhood were toward that goal. Born in 1868, he is a descendant of a straight Yankee line and his father was a Vermont minister, the son of a farmer. In 1891, he graduated from the University of Vermont, then followed ten years when he "knocked about as an unsuccessful school-teacher." In college, he had studied Greek authors and since Hebrew was not offered, he took books from the library and picked up the language "on his own." When New York Union Seminary offered a prize scholarship, he entered the contest with five others. Here he put in with a smile that he was "always good at passing examinations" and when he came to the portion of the examination devoted to Hebrew, he "passed it, hands down." He remained at the Seminary only one year since it was impossible to receive advanced courses in Hebrew and later he studied at Oberlin, Ohio, for one-half a year.

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Previously, he had studied at Castleton Normal school which, he explained, taught "ordinary subjects beyond ordinary attainment" and encouraged the students to "correct each other's mistakes." This, he enjoyed, and since he had always tried to know "everything all around" he found his proper medium in a position as a proofreader with Ginn and Company which he accepted about 44 years ago. "Proofreading," he mused, "is after all only professional fault-finding." Here, he not only corrected errors in printing, but also offered suggestions to the authors. Here, too, he gained more and more knowledge on all kinds of subjects, since his work was on text books, mostly of higher grades.

He began his translation of the Bible at the beginning of the century and he worked on it up until October, 1943 when the great work was completed.

"My aim," he has written, "was to translate the Hebrew and Greek into living English as the people of the present day know it, and at the same time to reproduce closely the original form of expression; my claim is that in each of these two respects I have surpassed the other translations and revisions of recent years."

He had started his translation of the Gospels before working at Ginn and Company but a great volume of his work was done while he was employed there. On Sundays, he would study the portions that he wished to translate the following week and then armed with many books such as The Book of English Synonyms and a text of the original language of the Bible and others, he would work on the translations riding back and forth to Boston on the train. He always carried three or four books of the Old Testament and the New so that if there were something that required further study, he could go on to something else and put aside, temporarily, the troublesome sections. "At one time," he said, "I was held up for six months on a translation while I waited for a bookseller in Germany to locate and send to me "Hippocrates, His Works In Greek." The thing that stumped him was the true meaning of the phrase "gnashing of teeth."

Here, Mr. Byington looked immensely pleased and it could be imagined that his characteristic of being a stickler for detail had led him to many fascinating discoveries and that the search for these isolated bits of fact had been a fascinating study that had brought him a great deal of pleasure.

While waiting to find a publisher who would like the idea of printing a new translation of the Bible, Mr. Byington continues to make revisions and corrections and he also contributes many articles in such magazines as American Speech and The Journal of Biblical Literature. At the present time he is shortening and polishing an article entitled "Meter of Hebrew Poetry" for the Journal Book of Literature. His keen and critical eye also leads him to write many "Letters to the Editor" bringing such enjoyment and curiosity to the readers that one "Globester" was moved to write the poem headed "Reader Pops Question" that we have copied.

But this confining and studious work does not make of Mr. Byington a recluse. Far from that. He has many friends and many hobbies. He likes to work in his garden, walk in the woods, and has been an ardent enthusiast of mountain climbing.

He tells of climbing Mount Mansfield in the late summer

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## Chapter XIII 1. Corinthians

As Translated by Steven T. Byington

If I speak the languages of men and angels but do not have love, I turn into a gong sounding or a cymbal clashing; and if I have prophecy and know all secrets and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing; and if I give all my possessions in charity, and if I give up my body to boast, but do not have love, I am none the better. Love is patient, kind; love is not jealous; love does not show off, does not get inflated, does not shock people, does not look out for its own interest, does not get provoked, does not count its injuries, is not glad at a wrong deed but is glad to have the truth made glad, stands everything, believes everything, hopes everything, holds out through everything. Love never drops away; but as for prophecies they will be superseded, as for languages they will come to a stop, as for knowledge it will be superseded; for it is in part that we know and in part that we prophesy, but when the complete comes the partial will be superseded. When I was a child I used a child's language, took a child's views, made a child's calculations; since I have become a man I have superseded the child's ways. For we see now by a mirror, as a puzzle to be guessed at, but then face to face; now I know in part, but then I shall be aware in the same way as he was aware of me. And now there remain faith, hope, love—these three. And greatest of these is love.

of his sixty-ninth year. He was climbing a trail that led to a lodge where he planned to spend the night. The trail he described as stretching farther and zigzagging more than he had thought and when it became dark he found it impossible to keep on the trail even with the help of a flashlight. The thought of the loose stones and broken branches made him fearful of spraining an ankle, so he lay down, right where he was, covering himself with all the clothing he had, which, he said, remembering, "was not enough," and spent the night. The opportunity of seeing the beauty of the mountainside in the early morning was his reward and he described in his picturesque language, a great cliff facing the rising sun and a great "crash of sound of birds singing."

The interview closed with the sound of that singing lingering in the room. The iron gate once more refused to open. Nothing to do but to vault over it and land with a healthy thud on the sidewalk beyond.

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## THE RIGHT KEY MAN

It was the very futility of it all that got us—the inevitableness of mounting costs made necessary by other mounting costs—inflation a la 1946 which rendered a town meeting powerless to do anything but submit to the inevitable.

And really there's nothing quite so futile as that Article 4 in which we spend the bulk of our money. We're helpless. We're at the mercy of the department heads. Later in the warrant we can kick a little about a \$1,000 item, because we can grasp that—but under Article 4, if a department asks for \$52,000 or \$221,000, it's too much for us to comprehend; we cross our fingers, put all our trust in the department heads, swallow hard and very weakly say "Aye."

It's so dependent on humans, and humans are so subject to error and excess. A committee, even a good committee, can become so engrossed in its own department, can become so fired with enthusiasm, that it wants everything for its department; the town has to decide how much of everything it can give each department, and the poor town has no facts and figures worth paying any attention to. Sure, every department will give an itemized breakdown, but how can Joe Voter know whether the school committee is asking for too much for floor oil, or whether the public works department has too much tarvia allowed for in its budget, or whether they're buying their floor oil or their tarvia in the best possible way?

Well, let's get back to that sentence earlier in this editorial: "We're at the mercy of the department heads." We have to place our trust in them; some 7,000 voters can't spend the time to delve into all the details of the budgets. Nor can the boards themselves spend all the time necessary to see that their departments are operated efficiently. The basic point to attack then is the men who actually have the spending of the money under their immediate control, the men who hire and fire, the men who give the orders to everybody else in the department, the superintendents, the foremen. If our boards have the business acumen, if they have the wisdom and the courage to do the job of appointing these officials as they should be appointed, we can go into town meeting and skip through Article 4 so fast that it won't even know it was ever in the warrant.

There's going to be a new foreman in the public works department, for in-

stance. He's going to be a key figure in the department, and he's got to be the right man. If he isn't the right man, everything the town has worked for and prayed for and voted for in this department will come to naught. This foreman is going to be the man whose job it is to see that the other men return to the town a full day's work for the money they get; he's going to be the one who will be with them, who will arrange their work so that it will be efficiently organized. Though subordinate to the superintendent, in many ways he's going to be more important than the superintendent because he's the man right on the spot.

And that leaves the board with a real problem, puts them on a spot in a way. They're going to get, as every board gets, hints from everybody on the department that he or a pal is just the right man for the job, and he and all his friends are going to be pretty much peeved if he doesn't get the job. But the board's obligation is to the Town of Andover and to no one individual or group of individuals. The board has to think of nothing else but that. So-and-so may be a nice fellow, and he may have been in the department a long time, but if he can't control the men, if he doesn't have their respect, if he's been too close to them, he's not the right man for foreman. Far better would it be for the members to incur the wrath of those who always feel the thing to do is to give a break to someone in the department, to promote someone who's been in harness for a long time; it would be much better to incur their wrath and gain the admiration and respect of the bulk of the town by going outside the department for a foreman, appointing someone who hasn't been hobnobbing on the same level with the regular laborers, someone who will be above them.

With some it would be an unpopular move; with the town it would be popular, because at long last the board would have made one of the basic improvements that means all the difference between waste and economy.

## FIVE IS ENOUGH

Now—the school committee.

There's going to be a committee appointed to investigate the advisability of cutting the school committee from nine members to five members. The thing has so much merit that it shouldn't even have to be investigated.

A few years back the same proposition was presented at town meeting, and it was defeated; but practically everybody agreed that it was defeated not on its merits but on the circumstances of its presentation. A retiring member of the school committee presented the plan, and to those who have a tendency to irrationalize, it was obvious that the motives weren't all broad-minded. But to those who really think things through, it was just as obvious that Mr. Erving, having served on the board, had spotted a fundamental weakness in the system and was making an attempt to correct it.

As a matter of fact, you don't have to be actually on the board to realize that it's unwieldy and unbusinesslike in its present set-up. In the first place, the school committee shouldn't be as much concerned with many of the details of administration as it now is concerned with. In this as in any department, the committee's chief function should be policy-forming and not administering. Their most important job is the one that comes seldom, appointing a superintendent, and if they pick the right man, then they can turn the reins over to him and pay attention to their own job and let him handle his.

Now what happens? The committee consists of nine members. If they go into minor problems, nine members can waste plenty of time discussing these little details. The superintendent can have nine people on his neck, and that's an awful lot of people for one neck. It would be far better to have a small business-like board than to have the present cumbersome set-up.

Then, too, it's not the easiest job in the world to get nine good members on one board. In fact, we don't have nine good members now. In fact, maybe we only have five good members. The nine are divided up into four sub-committees, and they pretty much have to place their faith in each other. It would be much better to have a smaller committee that was entirely conversant with all the major problems than have this large committee parts of which are conversant with a lot of minor problems.

By next town meeting, let's change this set-up. It's one of the fundamental changes that we should make, that we should have made long ago, and if we make it, don't be at all surprised if that \$220,000 which made us all gasp Monday night goes down quite a bit without in any way impairing our school system.

## Annivers

A meeting of the anniversary committee of the Town House at March 12, 1946. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Goldsmith, and attended by Mr. Flagg, Henry Tr. Bernard McDonal, Thaxter Eaton, Collins and Fra.

The interrelated anniversary observance of Memorial Day was discussed at length by the parade chairman. The total cost of the observance exceeded \$1000.

Messrs. Shepard, Cheever, Collins and the parade committee. Mr. Shepard, chairman of Memorial Day, expressed his appreciation for the work done by the committee and the combined observance of Memorial Day.

Mr. Flagg was chairman of the parade and was voted chairman of the celebration.

Mr. Collins was chairman of the music committee. There was a concert on Friday at the banquet. A sacred concert was given at the Chapel on Sunday. Cochran organ and hundred voices.

Mr. McDonal was chairman of the sports committee. The sports program on June 1, will be held with morning exercises at the playstead for adults in the

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## Anniversary Plans Under Way

A meeting of the 300th Anniversary Committee was held at the Town House at 7:38 p. m., Tuesday, March 12, 1946. Dr. Claude M. Fuess presided with the following in attendance: Dr. Fuess, Miss Bessie Goldsmith, and Messrs. Burton S. Flagg, Henry Trow, Howell Shepard, Bernard McDonald, Fred Cheever, Thaxter Eaton, Henry Tyer, Everett Collins and Frank Hardy.

The interrelations of the anniversary observance and the regular Memorial Day exercises was discussed at length. Mr. Shepard, the parade chairman, advised that the total cost of the parade should not exceed \$1000. It was voted that Messrs. Shepard, Eaton, McDonald, Cheever, Collins, Hardy, and the parade committee, as appointed by Mr. Shepard, take charge of the Memorial Day, exercises and parade in so far as these features are under the control of the anniversary committee, and that the committee contact the veterans' organizations and work out with them the proper combined observance of Memorial Day.

Mr. Flagg was re-appointed chairman of the pageant committee. It was voted that the schools be requested to carry out this part of our celebration.

Mr. Collins reported that the music committee was already at work. There will be a tercentenary concert on Friday, May 31, music at the banquet, Saturday, June 1, and a sacred concert in the Cochran Chapel on Sunday, June 2, with the Cochran organ and a chorus of two hundred voices.

Mr. McDonald advised that his active sub-committee would see that the sports to be held on Saturday, June 1, will be well taken care of, with morning sports for children at the playstead and various features for adults in the afternoon.

Dr. Fuess, in charge of the banquet to be held at 6:30 p. m., Saturday, June 1, reported that Governor Tobin and Senator Saltonstall had already accepted invitations to be present. The dinner will be as nearly self-supporting as is possible and practical, with a ticket charge in the vicinity of \$2.00. The chairman promised every effort to obtain outstanding guests to make this banquet a memorable affair.

The pastors of all churches will be asked to deliver historical sermons on Sunday, June 2. It is hoped that Sunday afternoon will be used in visiting our historical homes, and the anniversary will be completed with the sacred concert in the evening.

It was moved and voted that Mr. Trow and the historical committee be given an appropriation of \$500 for the preparation of the historical homes, arranging of historical exhibits, and the printing of a descriptive folder covering these homes and exhibitions.

Mr. Tyer advised the committee that the manufacturing and trades exhibit, to be held in the Memorial gymnasium, had been planned and would quickly assume definite shape now that the town had assured the celebration.

Considerable discussion then took place concerning the research work necessary for the proper writing of the town history. It was moved and voted that Dr. Fuess be the supervising editor and that he be authorized to engage Leonard F. James to collaborate in the research work preparatory to writing and publishing a history of Andover up to and including World War II.

At 9 p. m., the meeting adjourned to reconvene at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, April 3, 1946.

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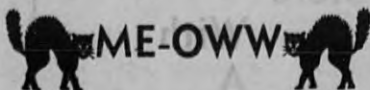
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# WHERE TO GO...AND WHEN



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Just as we are feeling great satisfaction in this proof of the humanity of man, we hear that there is more to this story, that the tale of the cat is longer than at first represented. It seems that before the feline found herself out on a limb literally, she was there figuratively. She had paid a visit to the beauty parlor in the village and had been shown the door. She had tried the barber shop (could it be she wanted to be a bob-tailed cat and have the tale cut short?) and was met with the same lack of hospitality. In desperation, she wandered into the tailor shop, knowing full well she couldn't get a new coat, and once more she went flying over the threshold encouraged by a piece of shoe leather. We can almost guess her catty thoughts as she sat on her tree-top looking down at a hard and cruel world. Her wounded pride must

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have been somewhat palliated, however, when she saw the Fire department going to so much trouble, because she scrambled down the tree a little ways to a place where she could better watch the proceedings.

## "COME TO ERIN"

Sunday night at 8:00 in Memorial auditorium, Irish songs and lyrics will be sung by the boys and girls of the Parochial school from the first grade through the eighth. It will be well worth the 50 cents admission to view this "bit o' Ireland" in Andover in honor of St. Patrick's Day.



## FAIR WEATHER

A night of fun and good fellowship is promised at the Young People's Fair and Stunt night to be given at the South church March 22 at 6:30. At 7:45, skits and stunts will be presented by various groups of the church with songs and instrumental music between the acts. Community singing will follow.

Supper will not be served, as originally reported, so that everyone is asked to eat early and come early and ice cream will be on sale for dessert. White elephants of all descriptions will be sold at the fair with a goodly supply of games, sporting equipment, books, etc.

## DOS-ET-DOS

There will only be three more of the weekly square dances in West Parish, and if you haven't swung your partner at one of them, you'll want to make a date to go to the West church vestry this Friday, the Grange next Friday, or the vestry March 29, or perhaps all three of them. These dances with Harold Phinney as master of ceremonies have been very popular, averaging about fifty couples a Friday, and it looks very much as if the old time jitterbugging has come into its own again.

## FORGET-IT-NOT

The Boston Mechanics building in the present stage of its preparation for the Diamond Jubilee Spring Flower show looks very much like a group of motion picture sets. A brook is needed—with a waterfall, and PRESTO, the floor, bare of anything except dust, becomes a brook with a waterfall. Hillside appears without the help of a glacier, and houses and walls are built as if by magic, but it isn't magic, we know, because hundreds of gardeners, carpenters, electricians, plumbers and painters are toiling hurriedly against time to perform the miracles of beauty which will be open for your inspection from March 18 through the 23rd.

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SUNDAY, MONDAY — March 17, 18

### What Next, Corporal Hargrove?

Robert Walker, Jean Porter  
3:05; 6:00; 8:55

### Crime Doctor's Warning

Warner Baxter, Helen Stewart  
1:45; 4:40; 7:35

TUES., WED., THURS., FRI., SAT. — March 19, 20, 21, 22, 23

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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZES TO COLLECT PAPER BUT NO TIN

The School Committee held an organization meeting on Tuesday night, welcoming its newly elected member, Gordon L. Colquhoun. Mr. Harrington, state representative of the Department of Education, was present to discuss the prospect of using federal funds to subsidize the school lunches. The committee decided to adopt the proposed plan, which allows for a subsidization of nine cents a plate for each child, for a trial period of ten days. It is hoped that the school cafeteria will thus be enabled to serve a hot and nutritious lunch to each child at a minimum cost. Should the plan prove to be successful, the board will then consider a similar subsidization for serving milk in the grade schools which will make it possible to serve milk to each child at two cents a bottle or ten cents a week. Chairman Arthur Lewis states that in many of the towns that are already operating under this plan, organizations have volunteered to provide the two cents difference per bottle so that all children may receive milk during the school year.

During the war, the policy of not hiring married women to teach in the Andover schools was waived temporarily and after a long discussion, it was decided to revert to the former regulation, to be effective

September 1, 1946. This rule will affect four of the teachers employed under the waiver and will leave a vacancy in the fall for eight new teachers, four for the kindergarten grades as voted in town meeting, and one in the North school, one in Shawsheen, one in the Central schools and one in the special room.

A revised salary schedule was also adopted in accordance with the town's vote of Article III. The long range school building program was also briefly discussed.

Arthur Lewis, re-elected School Board chairman, with William Doherty as secretary, appointed the following sub-committees: T. and C., Miss Barbara Loomer, chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Partridge and Rev. John S. Moses; F. and A., Mrs. Kathryn Baldwin, chairman; Gordon Colquhoun and Arthur Lewis; B. and G., William Doherty, chairman; Dr. Malcolm B. McTernan and Gordon Thompson. The special athletic sub-committee organized last year to enlarge and perfect the physical education program will be continued for another year, with Dr. McTernan serving as chairman, and William Doherty and Rev. Mr. Moses assisting.

The sub-committees held short meetings following the regular Board meeting.

There is still an urgent need for waste paper. In view of this, the Andover Servicemen's Fund association will sponsor a waste paper collection Sunday afternoon, April 7. Townspeople are asked to save their waste paper and place it on the curb in front of the house by noon of that day. This will be an opportunity to dispose of paper from spring housecleaning and help the Servicemen's Fund as well. All receipts received from the drive will go to that organization.

In answer to the numerous inquiries, the association announces the tin collections which it has sponsored in the past will be discontinued.

### "THE OPEN DOOR"

An article entitled "The Open Door" which appears in the February issue of the Clearing House was written by Miss Evelyn I. Banning of Summer street. Miss Banning was formerly the acting principal of the Junior High school.

Describing a cooperative plan by which principal and Librarian can work together to enrich the school curriculum, the paper was read at the fall meeting of the Massachusetts School Library Association held in the Junior High school library and, at the request of the association, was afterwards sent to the magazine for publication.

## WINDOW CONVERSATION by Gluyas Williams



### YOUTHFUL ARTISTS RECEIVE AWARDS

Four youthful town artists, students of Miss Frances Dalton, were awarded gold achievement keys at the Jordan Marsh Regional Exhibit for Junior and High school pupils. The original compositions in water colors were submitted by Kent Donovan, Robert Bachmann, Alan Wood and Edwin Weaver.

The paintings will be sent to the Fine Art Galleries, Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., where they will have an opportunity to be considered for larger prizes and shown in the National exhibit. This is the first year that the students have entered the exhibit.

### SCHOOL DANCE

The monthly school dance will be held Friday, March 15. Programs will be given to all who attend and will include specialty dances, such as the grand march, a prize spot dance, a polka and a prize statue dance. Miss Marshall is in charge of the committee on arrangements.

**SPECIAL ASSEMBLY**  
The boys were invited by the High school to hear a lecture given by Mr. Hogan of the Lawrence Industrial school.

LAST STEPS

# Let's Tackle Inflation While We Can

You don't want your savings to melt away! Or the value of your life insurance to dwindle!

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Yet that is what inflation can do to all of us. Therefore, thoughtful people

time hinder the production of goods. Business cannot live by producing at a loss. And so, goods that can't be made to sell at the prices fixed by the government just don't get made.

Nor will the raising of price ceilings solve the problem. When costs and selling



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One major cause of inflation is a shortage of goods when people have money to spend for things they want.

That cause can be eliminated by the production of goods — fast — in quantity.

### BUT THERE'S A BOTTLENECK

During the war there wasn't enough labor and materials to meet the needs of war and still produce all the civilian goods people wanted and could buy.

Therefore price controls on civilian goods were substituted for competition to keep prices down.

Today this country has all the labor and materials necessary to turn out the things people want.

Yet goods are still scarce. Store shelves are still bare. The national pocketbook continues to bulge. Inflation grows.

**LET'S SMOTHER INFLATION...** *A postcard addressed to the National Association of Manufacturers, 14 West 49th Street, New York 20, N. Y., will bring your copy of a booklet explaining in detail why price controls cause inflation.*

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Nor will the raising of price ceilings solve the problem. When costs and selling prices are subject to change at any moment by government action, production has to be on a day-to-day basis.

That means uncertainty . . . reduced output . . . more inflation.

### ISN'T THIS THE ANSWER?

Remove price controls on manufactured goods and production will step up fast.

Goods will then pour into the market and, within a reasonable time, prices will adjust themselves naturally — as they always have — in line with the real worth of things.

Competition has never failed to produce this result.

This is the way you can get the goods you want at prices you can afford to pay.

Please think this over. Then tell your representatives in Congress what you believe should be done. You owe it to yourself . . . and to your country's welfare.



## At The Library . . .

Here are a few of the books recently added to the Memorial Hall Library. They may be reserved by the simple process of filling out a penny postal at the desk and self-addressing it!

**Foxes of Harrow** Yerby  
The founding of Harrow, a great plantation in the South, and the fortunes of the Fox family through the Civil War period. An amazing number of characters enter the tale, and the customs of the period and the Creole country are woven into the story with a clever hand.

**The Street** Petry  
Here is a story of Harlem that should not be overlooked. The author has worked in the neighborhood of the locale of the book's setting and has written with amazing facility and, unfortunately, a ring of truth, a splendid story of a beautiful woman's struggle against the evils of "the Street."

**David The King** Schmitt  
A new version of the old story of David, the shepherd boy who became King of Israel. Book-minded people predict this to be a book that will endure.

**Shadow Of The Badlands** Halleran  
A quickpaced tale of the early west which was patterned around an authentic situation and locale.

**Written on the Wind** Wilder  
Piratical old Andrew Whitfield had made millions out of the tobacco business in North Carolina, and with this he proceeded to spoil his children. This is the result of that childhood of undisciplined living, with the tragedy of neurotic, bored adulthood.

**Nine Strings To Your Bow** Walsh  
Maurice Walsh, who gave us such perfect romances as "While Rivers Run" and the "Key Above The Door" has turned his hand to mystery writing, and has done a fine job!

**Appointment in Manila** Chamberlain  
**Bedside Book Of Famous French Stories** Becker  
**Burning Gold** Andrews  
**Mr. Digby** Welch  
**The Silver Tombstone** Gruber  
**Murder Within Murder** Lockridge  
**Wildwood** Johnson  
**Panama Passage** Chidsey  
**Pearls Before Swine** Allingham  
**Lay That Pistol Down** Powell  
**Winter Meeting** Vance  
**Kitty** Marshall  
**Chucklebait; a book of funny stories** Scoggin

**Beneath The Stone** Tabori  
**Before The Sun Goes Down** Howard  
**Royal Street** Roberts  
**Wasteland** Sinclair

**NON-FICTION:**  
**Russia And The Western World** Laserson

This book provides a background and point of view for an understanding of Russia's place and role in the world and its affairs. It seeks to clarify the attitude of the Soviet

Union toward other, especially western countries.

**Good Troupers All** Malvern  
The story of the Jeffersons soon after Joseph's birth in 1829 and their careers in the theater from the early years of Jefferson's apprenticeship to the day of his greatest triumph in the title role of Washington Irving's "Rip Van Winkle."

**Road To Reaction** Finer  
An answer to Hayek's "Road To Serfdom" refuting his theories as reactionary, exposing inconsistencies and distortions of truth. Dr. Finer substitutes positive arguments in favor of democracy.

**The B. O. W. S.** Gillmore  
An account of the American theatre wing's overseas production of the Barretts Of Wimpole Street, the Browning play.

**Key To Japan** Price  
An expose of fundamentals of Japanese militarism, their indoctrination of hatred of the white race, the plan for "hundred years' war," and promises of freedom for all East Asia. The author lived with these people and presents them as willing to adopt foreign ideas superficially and for their own ends.

**Democracy's Children** Duncan  
Suggestions for school programs and recreations which enlarge the theme of intercultural education.

**The Four Cornerstones Of Peace** Dean  
The Research Director of the Foreign Policy Association has written a primer of the four world conferences, including a transcript of the entire texts. For the average, intelligent person who wants to know what has transpired and what it all means.

**Back To Life** Kupper  
**How A Baby Grows** Gesell  
**The Shenandoah** Davis  
**Man From Kansas** Hinshaw  
**From My Library Walls** Orcutt  
**Plans For World Peace Through Six Centuries** Hemleben  
**Joe Louis** Miller  
**Lost Woods** Teale  
**Naturalist In Cuba** Barbour  
**Farmer Takes A Wife** Gould  
**What The Informed Citizen Needs To Know** Bliven  
**Football: Facts And Figures** Baker  
**Sociology Of The Family** Elmer  
**The Girl's Daily Life**  
**History Of Western Philosophy** Russell

**New Mexico**  
**Federal Writers' Project**  
**The Arab Island** Stark  
**Mathematics Of Finance** Raiford  
**South By Thunderbird** Strode  
**Prehistoric Cave Paintings** Raphael  
**Russian Fair Tales** Afanasev  
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# NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

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## THREATENED VETO POWER ON LABOR LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—WNU.—Confidential canvassers have found congress in almost total disagreement as to what will be done about strikes and the unions.

Twenty of the men, best placed to know, gave 20 differing private predictions. Many said from the first that the steel strike would be settled, then autos, then the big others; whereupon interest would die, while congress argued without a decision until after their election next November.



Pres. Truman

Others did not believe congress could longer duck the problem and expected various union-curbing enactments. But Mr. Truman had told his leaders privately he would veto anything which might be called an anti-union law.

Surely nothing opposed by the unions could get two-thirds majority necessary to pass over such a veto. The confused and confusing predictions, in the last analysis, therefore, appeared to add up to just about the same total — nothing, or little-or-nothing.

A nice neat hole in the wall is quite evidently being dug, through which all may escape. A commentator or two started it with toothpicks, but behind them some congressmen are ready with drills.

## FACT-FINDING WITHOUT POWER OR TEETH

This is a proposal to cut the Truman fact-finding bill down to fact-finding alone. It would be stripped of its power of subpoena, to which General Motors objects, and the cooling-off period of 30 days before strikes, to which the union objects. Just pass a law letting the President appoint commissions to find facts.

The only trouble about this escape is too many people can see the hole. It might be better to go brazenly out the window, or keep arguing interminably in hopes everyone will forget about the whole matter.

Such legislation simply proposes what already has been done. Without legislation Mr. Truman has established precisely that kind of fact-finding. General Motors walked out on it.



Hillman

The question raised by such a permanent fact-finding law is: Would anyone ever show up for the hearings? To handle the problem that way would be like waving back a windstorm with a feather.

If congressional leaders try to push their boys through this hole here will of course be trouble. The labor committees of both houses are

closely controlled by the unions. Nothing can escape them which is opposed by the unions, or nothing ever has.

On the open senate and house floors, however, their bill would be open to amendment by the attachment of every possible solution every congressman has proposed. The problem of Mr. Truman's leaders will then be

to prevent any important action,

and they are likely to wind up with conflicting bills from the two houses.

Certainly anyone looking for solutions from congress must wear long range glasses, and anyone looking toward consideration of the fundamentals of the problem will have to look hard.

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## At Andover's Churches . . .

### South Church

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School and the Junior Church; 9:30, Men's Group; 10:45, Morning Worship and Sermon; 10:45, Church Kindergarten; 11:15, Educational Motion Pictures; 6:00 p. m., Young People's Society; 7:00, the Minister's Confirmation Class.

Tuesday, 1:15 p. m., Week-Day School of the Christian Religion; 7:30, The Prudential Committee.

Wednesday, 1:15 p. m., Week-Day School of the Christian Religion; 7:30, Church Choir.

Thursday, 10:30 a. m., Inter-Church Missionary Rally Day; 4:00 p. m., The Junior Choir; 7:30, The Junior Courteous Circle of The King's Daughters.

Friday, 6:30 p. m., Young People's Fair and Stunt Night.

### St. Augustine's Church

Sunday, Masses at 6:30, 8:30, 9:45 and 11:30 a. m. (followed by benediction)

### Christ Church

Sunday, 8:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 9:30, Church School; 11:00, Holy Communion and Sermon.

Monday, 7:30 p. m., Girls' Friendly Society.

Tuesday, 2:30 p. m., Girl Scouts.  
Thursday, 7:00 and 10:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 10:45, Rector's Bible Class; 7:45 p. m., Litany and Sermon, Rev. Wilbur J. Kingwill of the St. John's Church in Lowell.

### Free Church

Sunday, 8:30 a. m., Pastor's Class; 9:30, Church School; 11:00, Morning Worship with Sermon; 11:00, Nursery School; 12:00 noon, Standing Committee Meeting; 3:30 p. m., Andover Council of Churches, Delegates Meeting; 4:30, Andover Council of Churches, open meeting for the public, with Rev. Oscar Maurer speaking; 7:00, Pilgrim Fellowship Meeting.  
Monday, 8:35 a. m., Mr. Reynolds will

speaking over WLAW on the Morning Devotions program; 8:00 p. m., Veterans Club meeting.

Tuesday, 1:15 p. m., Mid-week Religious Education Class; 3:00, Pastor's Class.

Wednesday, 1:15 p. m., Mid-week Religious Education Class; 7:00 p. m., Lenten Devotional Meeting; 8:00, Bible Study Class for S. S. Teachers and others; 8:00, Alfred C. Church Club meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Sorrie, 405 No. Main street.

Thursday, 10:30 a. m., Inter-Church Day at the South Church, morning session, Mrs. John Reuling, Speaker; 1:30, Afternoon Session, Mrs. Manley Allbright, Speaker; 3:45, Junior Choir Rehearsal; 6:30, Girl Scouts; 7:30, Senior Choir Rehearsal.  
Friday, 7:00 p. m., Boy Scouts, Troop 72.

### West Church

Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Morning Worship; 10:30, Sunday School; 4:45 p. m., Young People's Meeting in the Vestry.

### Cochran Chapel

Services suspended for three weeks — Vacation Period.

### Baptist Church

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 10:45, Morning Worship, sermon: "A Crusading Christianity for Today"; 3:30 p. m., March meeting of Andover Council of Churches in the Baptist Church. Following the business meeting there will be a religious service in the Church Sanctuary to which the public is invited; 6:00, Baptist Youth Fellowship meeting; 7:30, Lenten Service; 8:30, Young Adult meeting in the Church Vestry.  
Thursday, Inter-Church Day for the women of the Andover Churches at the South Church; 2:30 p. m., Woman's Union meeting; 8:00, Adult Choir Rehearsal.  
Friday, After School, Junior Choir Rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Leroy Wilson, 9 Avon street; 6:30, Father and Son banquet.

### FATHER AND SON BANQUET

Rev. O. R. Loverude, pastor of the First United Baptist church of Lowell, will be the speaker at the Father and Son banquet to be held in the Baptist church vestry, March 22, at 6:30. A popular speaker in and around New England, Rev. Loverude will tell of his trip through Europe on a bicycle. Following the catered supper, the program will conclude with an hour of sound moving pictures.

Tickets are now on sale and may be purchased from Leroy Wilson, Clinton Stevens, Everett Ward, Herbert Otis, Russell Stevens or Henry Bernstein.

### COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The Andover Council of Churches will meet next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 in the Baptist church. Rev. Oscar Maurer, D.D., will speak on Christian Rehabilitation in Europe and Asia, following the business meeting which will adjourn at 4:30. Mrs. John S. Moses will preside.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

### TROOP 73 COMMENDED

The Camp Onway shield for 55½% scout participation in camping was given to Troop No. 73 of the South Congregational church. Robert Hatton is the scoutmaster.

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## DR. MAURER AT SOUTH CHURCH

Dr. Oscar E. Maurer of New Haven, Connecticut, distinguished Congregational churchman and former moderator of the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches, will speak Sunday morning, March 17, at 10:45 a. m. in the South Congregational church. Dr. Maurer will also speak at an interdenominational meeting Sunday evening in the same church.

Following his graduation from Yale Divinity school (cum laude), Dr. Maurer held a brief pastorate at Great Barrington, Massachusetts' and then in 1909 he was called to Center church, New Haven, as the twelfth pastor of that historic institution. There he served with distinction for 34 years, voluntarily relinquishing his active duties in 1943 and becoming pastor emeritus.

In October, 1943, after retiring from the active pastorate of Center church, Dr. Maurer went to the Hawaiian Islands, where he served as interim pastor of Central Union church, Honolulu, and Union church' Wailuku, on Maui. This rich experience has given him a fund of valuable material on the Hawaiian Islands, where one of the most successful and interesting experiments in the building of an interracial community is going on. On returning to the mainland he was called to a similar post in the Second Congregational church of Berlin, Conn.

Dr. Maurer was born in Iowa and is a graduate of Beloit College (magna cum laude), Yale University and Yale Divinity school. He is the author of "The Brotherhood of the Burning Heart," "Pilgrim Principles," "A Puritan Church," "How the Gospel Came to Hawaii," and "Three Early Hawaiian Christians."

During World War I Dr. Maurer was released by his church for duty with the Army YMCA and served both in America and with the AEF in France. While on canteen duty in Death Valley near Verdun, ministering to the walking wounded, he was gassed. He was in Verdun at the time of the Armistice, November 11, 1918.

In line with the tradition of Puritan ministry, Dr. Maurer has taken an active part in the civic and social life of the city and state. He was chaplain of the Second company, Governor's Foot Guards, for



DR. OSCAR E. MAURER

35 years. He was an incorporator of the Crippled Children's society and Dixwell Community house as well as serving for six years as president of the New Haven Family society. Dr. Maurer was a director of the Free Public Library, the New Haven Red Cross, and the Connecticut Temperance society. He acted as chairman of the committee which sponsored the Old Age Assistance law of Connecticut.

In national church life Dr. Maurer has held many important posts, among them membership on the executive committee of the American Missionary association, for whom he did some appraisal work in Puerto Rico, and as recording secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions. He has been active in the work of Talladega college, being on its board of trustees, and also on the committee on war victims and services. In 1930 he was a delegate and speaker at the International Congregational council in England.

Dr. Maurer was elected moderator of the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches in 1938, one of the highest honors which can be accorded a minister or a layman in the Congregational Christian fellowship.



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## Personals . . .

Among the students home for the mid-term holiday is James Burke, son of Michael A. Burke, 383 N. Main street, who is continuing his secondary school education at Tilton school, Tilton, N. H.

Miss Lucy Jean MacLeod was one of the basketball players on the Stephens college Senior class team which came out of the inter-campus playoffs as champions of 1946. Miss MacLeod is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. MacLeod of this town.

## West Parish

Friends of Miss Mary Fraser of Haggetts Pond road will be sorry to learn that she is ill at her home . . . Fred H. Sargent is convalescing at his home following two operations performed recently at the Palmer Memorial hospital.

## ACCEPTS TEACHING POSITION

Allan Trott of Salem street has accepted a position as teacher of English and algebra in the Bethel High school, Bethel, Conn. Mr. Trott was recently discharged from the Army after nearly five years of service, one year being spent in the South Pacific theater. He is a graduate of Boston University.

## U.N.O. You Should Hear—

Thomas H. Mahoney, prominent Boston attorney, will address the Catholic Men's club at 8:00 Monday evening, March 18 in St. Augustine's school hall.

Legal advisor to the United States State Department at the San Francisco Conference as well as vice-president of the International Peace society and member of the Foreign Policy association, Mr. Mahoney is well equipped to speak on his subject, "The U. N. O. and the Atomic Bomb."

On March 4 at the Lowell General hospital, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dixon of Boutwell road.

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## New Manager At Andover Inn

Edward A. Romeo, for many years connected with the Treadway organization, was appointed manager of the Andover Inn on March 1, to replace Mr. George M. Brakey, who is reported to have acquired a hotel in New Hampshire. Mr. Romeo graduated from Middlebury college in 1939, and during his experience with the Treadway organization was manager of the Waterville Inn at Waterville Valley, New Hampshire. He left this position in 1942 and went into the United States Navy. He was engineering officer on a mine sweeper in the Pacific and was honorably discharged on January 10, 1946, with the rank of lieutenant. Mr. and Mrs. Romeo and their daughter will reside at 87 Bartlet street.

## NOVEMBER CLUB NOTES

The November Club will meet in the Club house next Monday afternoon, March 18th, at 3:00 o'clock. The meeting is in charge of Mrs. Jesse Bottomley who will present a "Doll Pageant." Mrs. Bottomley is first vice-president of The Doll Collectors' Association of America, Inc., and her collection is large and

## PTA Tea

Tea for the parents of Stowe school children will be held Wednesday afternoon, March 20, from 3:00 to 5:00, in the Stowe assembly hall under the sponsorship of the Andover Parent-Teachers Association. Several children will participate in the program and Miss Catherine M. Barrett, principal, will speak on "Stowe Reply."



## Weddings, Etc.

### SMITH—JAMIESON

At a pretty home wedding at the family residence on 23 Washington avenue, Miss Ann Jamieson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jamieson, became the bride of Myron G. Smith of Portland, Maine, last Saturday evening.

Miss Frances Jamieson, sister of the bride, and Robert D. Kefferstan, a friend of the bridegroom, were the attendants, with Rev. Levering Reynolds, Jr., performing the ceremony.

### Crane-Stearns

Miss Phyllis Stearns was married on February 21 in Dedham to Mr. Bayard T. Crane, Jr. who has just returned from three years service in the European area. They will reside for the present at 326 Beacon street, Boston.

Mrs. Crane is school dietician at PUNCHARD who recently succeeded Mrs. John T. Bevington.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kuczun of 49 Dunlap street, Salem, have announced the engagement of their daughter Olga to Radio Technician Thomas P. Dea, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Dea of 28 Summer street.

Miss Kuczun is a senior at Jackson college and is vice president of Chi Omega sorority. Mr. Dea is a graduate of Phillips academy and of Tufts college, magna cum laude, class of 1943. Before entering the service, he was an instructor in mathematics at Tufts and at present he is stationed aboard the cruiser Louisville in Philadelphia.

The engagement of Miss Charlotte Poyner McIlwain of Bay State road, Methuen, to Joseph W. Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lawrence of Clark road, Ballardvale, was recently announced by Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. McIlwain. Mr. Lawrence was recently discharged from the Army Air corps.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Drake of Friendship, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter Harriet to Lincoln W. Morrison, 13 State street, Schenectady, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Morrison of 5 Canterbury street.

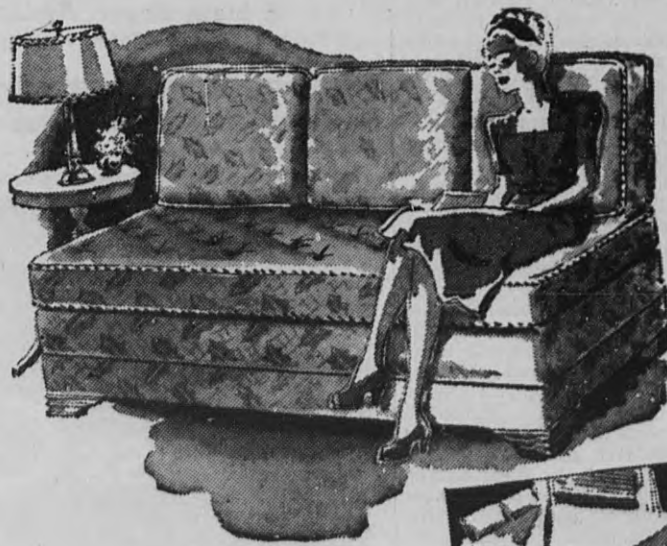
Miss Drake is a graduate of the College of Wooster, Ohio, and Mr. Morrison attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is a graduate of Northeastern University.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Keith of 68 Essex street announce the engagement of their daughter, Lt. Ruth B. Keith, to Third Mate Charles Conrad Ford of Seattle, Wash.

An Army nurse, Lt. Keith has been in the service for about 1½ years, and both she and Mr. Ford are stationed aboard the U. S. S. Louis A. Millan Hospital ship. The wedding will take place some time this month.

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## News of Old Andover...



### 50 YEARS AGO

A flag pole was raised on the Town House . . . Alfred L. Ripley was re-elected vice-president of the Longwood Cricket club . . . A steam sawmill was put up ready for operation nearly opposite the home of Henry Boynton . . . Andover was refused the free delivery service of the post office because of lack of receipts . . . Senator Hale made a forcible speech against recognizing Cuba as a belligerent . . . The funeral of Governor Greenhalge was marked by simplicity and quiet dignity . . . M. T. Stevens was chosen chairman of the town celebration committee . . . A pack of mad dogs was stirring everybody up in the vicinity of Dracut . . . The Abbot Academy club met at the Parker house and elected Mrs. Harriet Baldwin president . . . A cent apiece was given to each school child for the capture of caterpillar-cocoon.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Pi Eta of Harvard university presented a musical comedy before a large audience in the Town hall . . . A party of pupils and teachers of Punchard went to Boston to see the play, "Abraham Lincoln" . . . Mrs. Frank H. Kendall received first prize at a whist party at the home of Warren L. Johnson . . . Mrs. Arthur Hall, Mrs. Ralph Hadley, Mrs. Frank Buttrick and Mrs. P. Bartlett Whittemore were among those on the committee which conducted a food sale for the benefit of the Andover Guild . . . Chief Frank M. Smith and some officers raided a farm in West Andover and discovered two stills and four quarts of moonshine . . . The Andover Fish and Game club received a consignment of pheasant eggs . . . Joseph I. Pitman and Alvah Wright took care of the hatching.

### 10 YEARS AGO

The fire department was called to extinguish a small blaze at the home of R. P. Hennessey, 54 Summer street . . . The Social Justice union was conducting a two weeks' membership drive . . . European paintings were being displayed at the Addison Art gallery . . . The Woman's Union of the West church gave a supper and entertainment under the able management of Mrs. Porter Livingston . . . James W. Souter, William B. McCoubrie and Arthur Leary paid a visit to the Charlestown State prison . . . Bradford Holt was the Ass't Business Manager of the Stowe School Notes . . . "Alone" was the hit song of the week.

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## "CHOICEST" CHOICES CHOSEN

"Museums' Choice," the title of the current exhibition at the Addison Gallery, means that the directors of sixteen well-known museums have been asked to "stick their necks out" and make a choice of three pictures from those painted since 1930 and acquired by their museums. A museum, in buying or accepting paintings for its collection, must maintain a high standard of good taste but strict impartiality. It must choose the best work of any school, any trend and style, any artist which is currently judged of artistic merit. A museum cannot express its personal preferences by its purchases, but only its most objective judgement of quality. However, when its director undertakes to choose three from its necessarily varied array of acquisitions, the choice, being so limited, becomes most personal.

In the resulting groups of three contained in this exhibition, there is perhaps a revelation of the museum's private opinion of what is good in contemporary American art. On the other hand it may be simply a reflection of the current popularity of certain artists or even a director's forecast of the names that will remain when fashion has done with these artists and the more impartial critics of the future have passed judgement.

Whatever prompted the choices, the results are varied and surprising in some cases. The most startling discovery is to find that the most abstract picture, a completely non-objective composition in pure line, color and shape, is among the three submitted by the Metropolitan Museum of New York. Another interesting point is to see where repetitions occur. Of the forty-five pictures, five are by Marsden Hartley, an artist whose pictures of the woods, coast and ocean of Maine have in their painting the roughness and strength of their very appealing subject matter. Among the four pictures of Edward Hopper are a Cape Cod cottage in the brilliance of summer sun and a city lunch counter in the depressing stillness of three o'clock in the morning.

The exhibition was assembled and first exhibited at the Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design, and will be on exhibition at Andover until April eighth.

### NURSES NEEDED

On March 29 a new class in nursing will open at the Boston City Hospital in which, according to Miss Cecilia Knox, Supt. of Nurses, there are still 15 vacancies.

Interviews are still being given candidates for the March 29th class and application should be made directly to the Boston City Hospital or to the Massachusetts Nursing Council at 420 Boylston street in Boston where information may be obtained on all schools of nursing in the state.

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## Of Things Educational . . . . The Origin of John Dove

Because so many schools in Andover have been named Central Grammar school, it was a little difficult at first to trace the history of the John Dove school. Undoubtedly it was voted at town meeting in 1876 to build a new building, and the work was given to an architect, George A. Clough. The result of his labors was called "A work of art." The school committee at this time was composed of three members: Francis H. Johnson, chairman; Samuel H. Boutwell and George Foster.

It is interesting to note in the old reports that for years Shawsheen was spelled Shawshin and Ballard Vale was two words. School committee reports were full of protests against "new and easy methods" and against "learning to read before learning the alphabet." Twenty weeks attendance were required during these days and even this had great opposition from the mill owners.

During the fifty years following the Civil war, proceeds from the Proprietor's fund were used for globes, maps, books, and general supplies.

In all probability Miss M. Abbie Whitehouse was the first principal of the John Dove school, although not yet named John Dove, with Miss Laura F. Pasho and Miss Susie M. Wilbur as assistants. Truant officers in 1881 were Richard M. Abbott and Warren Mears, Jr.

During the 70's and 80's school committee reports were full of high praise for the administration of Miss Whitehouse. In 1883, with Varum Lincoln as chairman of the school board, all schools were in session for at least six hours a day.

The early years of the John Dove school were directed by Miss Whitehouse, assisted by Miss Mary Woodbridge, who later was Mrs. John Manning and is still living in Andover, and Miss Carrie Berry. Miss M. Alice Jaquith was added to the staff in 1886. At a regular meeting of the school board held on December 30, 1890, it was voted that the superintendent of schools prepare the annual school report, and that year Mr. H. A. Halstead, superintendent of schools, submitted his first report.

January 1, 1894, found Edith McLawlin as principal of the school, and it was this year that the schools were named John Dove, Stowe, and Bradley. Teachers of the John Dove school in 1894 were as follows: Car-

rie B. Deane, Lucy A. Roach, Annie O. S. Clemons, Jennie S. Abbott, and Laura Farnum.

In 1896 the superintendent, Mr. Baldwin, and Miss Wilbur, principal of the Stowe school, resigned, and J. Newton Cole said in his report: "It has been plainly demonstrated that we cannot hold our best teachers unless we approach nearer to the compensation given for similar work in other towns."

In 1898 kindergarten was added to the John Dove with Mary A. Dacey as principal and Evelyn Reed as assistant. In the fall of 1902 Annie M. Downs became principal and Adele H. Duval was added to the staff. In 1905, while John Alden was chairman of the school committee, a contract was awarded to Hardy and Cole to install sanitariums in the school. The Jackson school became a part of the John Dove organization in 1909 under the principalship of Annie M. Downs.

The winners of the spelling matches in 1917 were: John Sanborn, VIII; Catherine Barrett, VII; Theresa Lavey, VI; and Marguerite McDonald, V.

Alice S. Coutts became principal of the John Dove school in 1918 and remained the principal until Mrs. Margaret Kimball succeeded her in 1923. Teachers under Mrs. Kimball were: Blanche Hinds, Mae C. Dana, Eunice Stack, Alice Stack, Margaret Tate, Edith Fuller, Avis Thrasher, Adele Duval, Florence Prevost, and Florence Abbott, with Miss Helen McGraw added to the staff in 1926. Florence Abbott was transferred from Ballardvale to John Dove in 1910 and was retired in 1935. Catherine Barrett joined the staff in 1927. In 1933 Mrs. Margaret Kimball resigned after forty-four years of faithful service to the town of Andover. A letter of commendation from the school committee was sent to her by Mrs. May Evelyn Barnes for her splendid work.

In May, 1933, after seven years' successful teaching, Miss Catherine Barrett was elected principal on the recommendation of Mr. Henry C. Sanborn, superintendent of schools. Miss Barrett remained principal at the John Dove school until 1936, when she and her entire staff were moved to their present quarters in the Stowe school. For several years the John Dove school was used for special classes and manual training work, but in December, 1945, it was closed in order to save fuel.

KENNETH L. SHERMAN

## At Punchard

By JOCELYN WHITE

### GRADUATION SPEAKERS

The five top ranking students of the senior class were announced by Principal Eugene V. Lovely, Thursday morning. They are as follows: valedictorian, Mary Lynch with an average of 92.9; salutatorian, Virginia Hardy with 92; honor essay, Ruth Glennie with 88.4; honor essay, Letitia Noss with 87.93 and Lillian Dimlich with 86.53.

### SENIORS TOP PLAYERS

The seniors came out first in the intra-mural basketball series with the Junior high following in second place. The sophomores and juniors won third and fourth places respectively.

### BASEBALL TEAM MEETING

Coach Ken McKiniry plans to have a meeting of the prospective baseball players some time this week.

### TOUGHENING UP

Boys going out for track are "hardening up" in the gym until the weather is suitable for outside work.

### 'NUFF SAID

Report cards were issued last week for the third term.

### RECEIVES EAGLE BADGE

Jack Arabian, Senior Patrol Leader of Troop No. 72 of the Free Church, has been awarded the Eagle Scout Badge, the highest award that can be earned by a Boy Scout.

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#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Minnie Poor Cole late of Andover, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purport-

ing to be the last will of said deceased by Philip P. Cole (named in said will as Philip Poor Cole) of Andover in said County, praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Newburyport before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fifth day of March 1946, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

WILLIAM F. SHANAHAN, Register  
(7-14-21)

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Mary W. Buck late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of certain instruments purporting to be the last will and a codicil of said deceased by William H. Eaton of Pittsfield in the County of Berkshire, praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Newburyport before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fifth day of March 1946, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

WILLIAM F. SHANAHAN, Register  
(7-14-21)

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Martha Trautmann late of Andover, in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court praying that William H. Trautmann of Boston in the County of Suffolk be appointed administrator of said estate without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of March 1946, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

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It makes us want to travel far;  
And skip up Main street. Oh, tra-la.

But then, why blame it on the Spring?  
We think we know what caused this thing.

Could it be our predilection  
In knowing just the wind's direction?  
And when we started vivisection—  
Well, wasn't it a good election?

## Obituaries...

### MRS. JOHN McKEON

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth McKeon, wife of John McKeon, 116 South Common street, Lynn, was held from the M. A. Burke funeral home Monday morning with a high mass of requiem in St. Augustine's church. Rev. Matthew F. McDonald, O.S.A. was the celebrant.

Burial was in the St. Augustine's cemetery with John McKeon, Thomas R. McKeon, Patrick McGovern and Robert Stewart as bearers.

Frank A. Brittingham, chairman of Organization and Extension for the Andover District, and Walter C. Caswell, District Scout Commissioner, visited the Ballardvale Troop No. 76, Thursday evening.

At the 20th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the North Essex Council of Boy Scouts of America recently, the following awards were made: ten year veteran awards, Edwin Brown and George G. Brown, Troop 76 committeemen; the Camp Onway Shield to the Troop in recognition of the 71% attendance at Camp Onway

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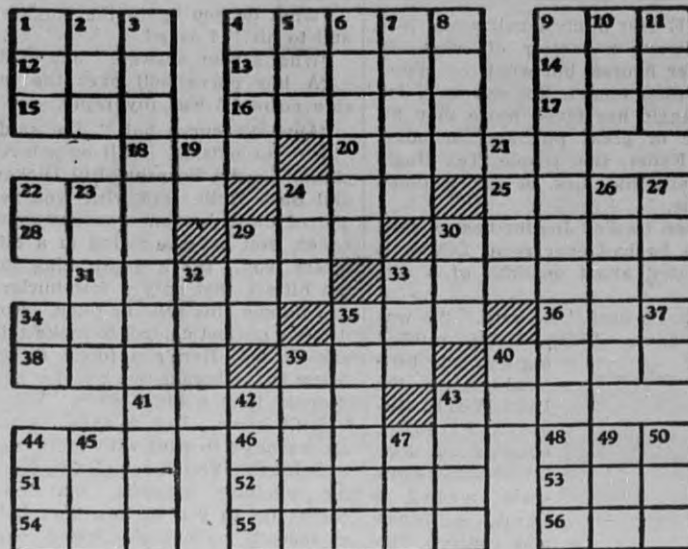
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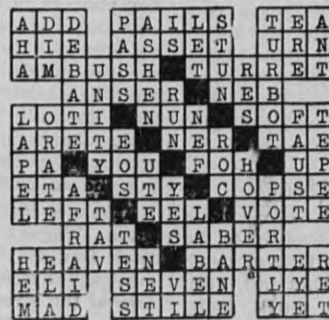
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- 20 Grasslike herb
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- 24 Foundation
- 25 Man's name
- 28 Sick
- 29 Swordsman's dummy stake
- 30 Pitiless
- 31 Motherless calf
- 33 Mythological Greek king
- 34 Wigwam
- 35 Herb of the bean family
- 36 Southwestern Indian
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- 39 Numeral
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- 48 Sea eagle
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- 53 To petition
- 54 Ocean
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- 56 To mend

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- 4 Section
- 5 Silkworm
- 6 Glittering bits of metal
- 7 Ancient chariot
- 8 Tall grass
- 9 Eagerness
- 10 Kiwi
- 11 To consume

- 19 Latin conjunction
- 21 To penetrate
- 22 Note of scale
- 23 Tree of the oak family
- 24 Insect
- 26 Movable shelters
- 27 Symbol for oleum
- 29 Pastry
- 30 To weep
- 32 Micro-organism
- 33 To study thoroughly
- 34 Symbol for tantalum
- 35 South American shawl
- 37 Babylonian deity
- 39 Weblike membranes
- 40 Periodic windstorm
- 42 Male singing voice
- 43 Pronoun
- 44 Footlike part
- 45 Simian
- 47 Male cat
- 49 To regret
- 50 Unused

Answer to Puzzle No. 22.



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"That's easy," he said. "It was the game Dizzy Dean pitched against the Yankees in the 1938 World Series. Pitching consists of four important details—an arm, a head, a heart and control. The arm is supposed to be the most important. I guess maybe it is—if you have an arm like Walter Johnson, Lefty Grove or



Dizzy Dean

Bob Feller. But in this World Series game Dizzy had no arm. It was gone. We watched him warm up and he could just about get the ball up to his warm-up catcher. This was to be our day. We figured we ought to get about three hits apiece from that daffy-dill Diz was pushing over. It was something pitiful.

"Well, anyway," DiMaggio continued, "here was our pushover. And we all knew that Dizzy Dean had been one of the great pitchers of all time. One of the tops. But he was a crippled duck now. He had no arm.

### Just 'Head and Heart'

"So what happens? Here come these dinky-dinks floating up to the plate. No speed at all. Not much of a curve. Just a shot put. But they would come at tough spots. Low and inside—around your shoulders—just balls you don't like. Balls that are hard to hit solidly. And we swing and pop up or go out—and there's Diz grinning at us and getting by with only a head and a heart. No stuff at all.

"And if those two Cub infielders hadn't collided early in the game to give us two runs on a weak, dribbling infield roller, Diz would have had us shut out 3 to 0 up to the 8th and I think would have beaten us.

"This game convinced me that

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Dizzy Dean was one of the greatest of all time. Think what he must have been when he had his arm. I'm glad he was in the other league when he was right."

### More About Pitching

At this point DiMaggio and your correspondent became involved in a discussion.

"What do you figure the toughest ball to hit?" I asked.

"What's your answer?" Joe said. "A low curve ball over the inside corner," was my reply.

"Any low curve ball," Joe said, "inside or outside. I hit on a level plane. So did Hornsby, Bill Dickey and Babe Ruth. But when you get one of those low ones around your knees, you have to swing in a different way. It's a great thing for the hitters that only a few hurlers can handle this type of pitch. For it takes perfect control to make this low throw. Here's a funny thing. A low curve breaks much faster and sharper than a high curve. Why? I don't know. But it does. After all we have to deal with facts, not with ideas. You know, Grant, from the pitching distance, that ball comes up to you in less than half a second. Johnson's speed was 130 feet a second. You don't have time to do much figuring in half a second. It's different with just a fast ball. You can time that. But you can't time a fast breaking curve around your knees."

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Essex, ss.  
To all persons interested in the petition hereinafter described.

A petition has been presented to said Court geon, his wife, of Andover in said County, by Amos Baillargeon and Alfonnie Baillarpraying that their names may be changed as follows:

Amos Baillargeon to Ernest Baillargeon.  
Alfonnie Baillargeon to Anna Baillargeon.  
If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of March 1946, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

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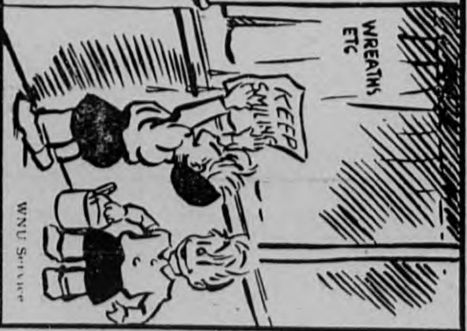
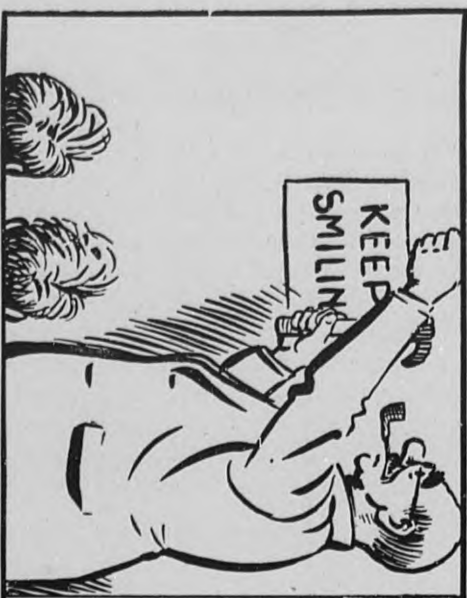


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