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Andover's Own Weekly Newsmagazine



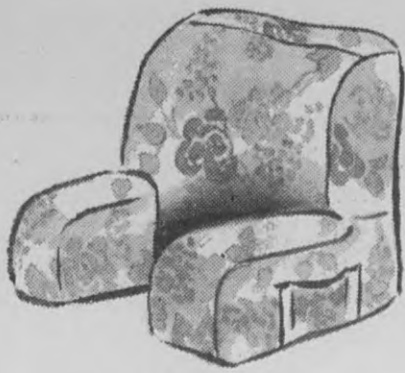
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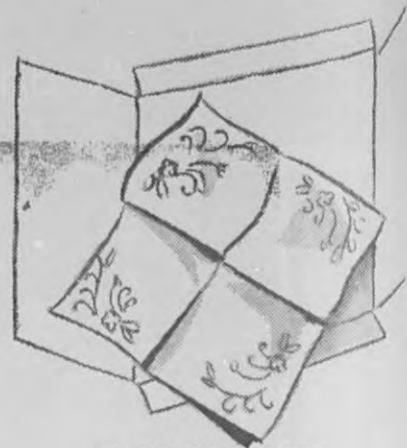
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BED JACKETS

By Textron! A bed jacket of quilted satin in lovely pastel shades with contrasting linings. 8.95. Other bed jackets in prices ranging to 16.50.

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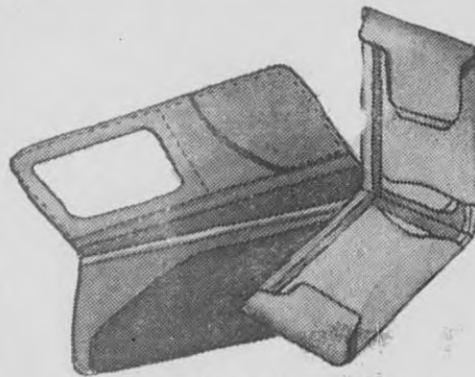
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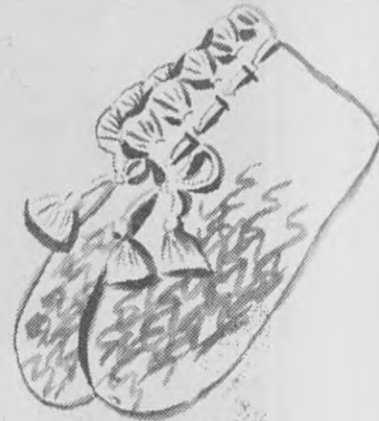
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BILLFOLDS

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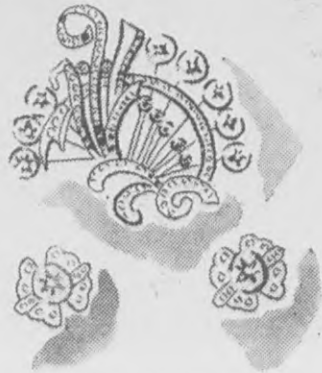
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BOOTIES

For stylish foot comfort when the wind howls outside! Hand crocheted. White with pink, or white with blue. 3.00. Other booties 1.59 to 4.00.

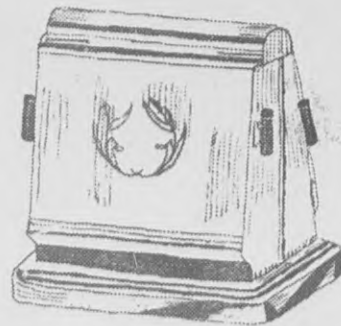
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EISENBERG ICE

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Two-slice, flip-over type toaster. Bright, chrome and black trim. Complete with cord . . . as illustrated. 4.25.

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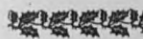
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Make Waste Slowly . . .

Here it is, again—a request from the Public Works employees for another raise, this time \$500 a year or about 20 cents an hour, ten dollars a week.

It has been presented to the Board in December, well prior to town meeting. The petition is worded quite vaguely, but it is assumed that the employees want their raise now, rather than waiting for town meeting — which of course is something of an indication that they're not too sure town meeting would act favorably.

But this is something that the town itself should have a say in, although everyone admits that the Board has the legal right to establish all except elective officials' salaries as it sees fit. It is a legal right that has been abused by previous boards, and the indignation that was aroused in town saw the defeat of two members last March. The present board would do well to postpone any action until town meeting, when the selectmen, the finance committee and the Taxpayers' Association can have formulated some definite policy for every department.

LOST

CASH USUALLY STAYS LOST!

The streets and stores are crowded now, so don't take chances by carrying too much cash on your person.

- Deposit your check by mail, if you wish.
- Pay your bills by check.
- Use Travelers Cheques when traveling — safe dependable, and spendable anywhere.

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There is incontrovertible justification for one of the requests that the men make, however. They now work 47½ hours a week. Most people in private employ now work only 40 hours a week, with time-and-a-half for over 40 hours a week or eight hours a day. These men deserve the same consideration in that regard as private employees do; the town in turn deserves the same kind of performance that workers in private employ have to give.

There is no need of precipitate action on this increase. Let's wait and be square with the people who have to provide the money.

JOY SCISSORS —

WE WILL HAVE FULL LINE OF THIS
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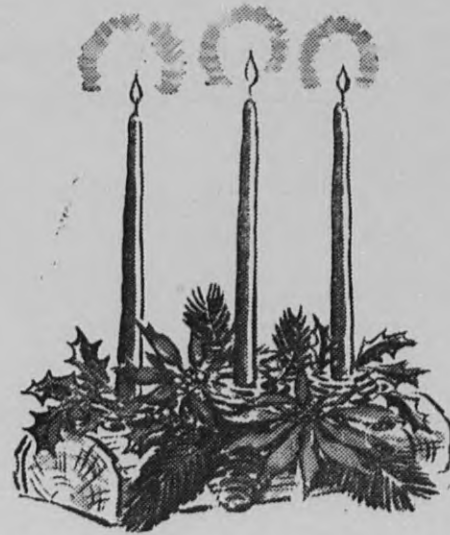
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HARD WOOD — Sawed and delivered, \$20.00 a cord. Telephone Andover 729 J. (29, 7)

FOR SALE — Everlasting flowers and materials for dried flower arrangements. Five cents a bunch. Peter S. Myatt, 3 Highland avenue, Andover. (5, 12)

WANTED TO BUY

ANYTHING OLD FASHIONED OR ANTIQUE. Guy N. Christian, 5 Union St., Georgetown, Mass. Write or Phone 2851. We will call. (tf)

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED — Local man for farm work, Kenneth Thompson, Gould road, Andover, Mass. (5, 12, 19, 26)

G. I. MEN AND WOMEN — Enroll now for January mid-year courses in business training. Enjoy the friendly atmosphere of small classes and individual attention. Malden Business School, Dowling Building, Malden Square. Tel. Malden 0256. (5, 12)

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offers fully accredited nursing course for High School graduates. Approved by State Board of Registration and University of State of New York. This general hospital of 125 beds offers excellent clinical facilities. Located in suburbs of Boston. Classes enter February and September. Request booklet, address Director of School of Nursing, Melrose Hospital, Melrose, Mass. (5, 12, 19, 26)

WORK WANTED

CARETAKER — Married, desires position, or will work as houseman, and wife will cook. Write P. O. Box 6, Danvers. (5, 12)

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

The following pass book issued by the Andover Savings Bank has been lost and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate book. Public notice of such application is hereby given, in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 590, of the Acts of 1908.

Payment has been stopped.

No. 43206.

No. 36625.

LOUIS S. FINGER, Treasurer. (5, 12, 19)

TOWN OF ANDOVER

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

You are hereby required on or before March 1, 1947, to destroy Brown Tail nests and the egg clusters of the Gypsy Moth and Tent Caterpillar on your property in this town.

This notification is in accordance with the general laws of Massachusetts which requires the destruction of the eggs, caterpillars, pupae and nests of the Gypsy Moth, Brown Tail Moth and Tent Caterpillar, under heavy penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of the law.

The Gypsy Moth egg clusters, wherever found should be destroyed with creosote. Brown Tail Moth nests should be cut off and burned. The egg bands of the Tent Caterpillar, found mostly on the twigs of fruit trees and varieties of wild cherry, should be cut off and burned. For further information on these insects consult the local moth superintendent, G. R. Abbott.

ROY E. HARDY
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Selectmen of Andover
(5, 12, 19)

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Large Assortment of Gift Sets
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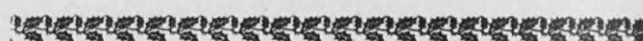
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Perfume 1.00 to 3.00
Toilet Water 1.00 to 2.00
Talcum50
Dusting Powder 1.00

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Tweed — Shanghai — Miracle
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Talc 1.00 — Sachet 1.00
Dusting Powder 1.50
Tweed Perfume 1.75 to 10.00
Shanghai Perfumes 2.00 to 12.50
Miracle 2.00 to 7.00

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Attar of Petals in Apothecary Jars
Toilet Water 1.25
Cologne 1.50 — Talcum 1.00
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Shaving Lotion 1.00
Hair Dress 1.25
Talcum, 1.00 Gift Sets, 2.00 to 3.00
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The Post Office will be opened all day Saturday, December 14, 21, from 7:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m.

The Christmas rush has started at the Post Office and it is anticipated that the Christmas mails this year will be far in excess of past holidays. Good advice is to start mailing now to be sure of Christmas delivery.

Postal receipts for the year are

running far ahead of last year.

Because of the many advantages that result, Postmaster S. A. Bolan urges mailers to send their holiday greetings at the first-class rate of postage, explaining that when so sent the greetings may be sealed and contain personal messages that are not otherwise permitted, usually more highly appreciated by the recipients. Such greetings are dispatched and delivered first, given directory service, and, if necessary, are forwarded without additional charge. Also, if undelivered, they are returned without charge, provided the sender's return address is shown on the envelope.

To Receive At College Ball

Mrs. Myron H. Clark, trustee of Boston University, has been invited to be in the receiving line at the annual "Sargenta" Ball to be held from 9:00 to 1:00 December 6 at the Hotel Continental. The line will be headed by President and Mrs. Daniel L. Marsh and Dean and Mrs. George K. Makechnie, and will include members of the trustee committee, the full-time faculty with their husbands or wives, and the college student social director and her escort.

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Bells Ring

The coal strike is over, and the P. T. A. will hold their Christmas program in the Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, December 15th at 3 p. m. as originally planned, thus enabling the fathers to attend.

The program will be in three parts. The Stowe Choral society, consisting of sixty voices will present "The Christmas Story" in pageant form.

The Junior High school has prepared a one-act Christmas play, "Why the Bells Ring," and Genevieve Murray will represent PUNCHARD High School with vocal selections.

The Parent Teachers Association invites all parents and friends to attend.

The program is as follows:
"The Christmas Story," Pageant
Stowe Choral Society
"Night of Nights"
"There's A Song in the Air" Solos
Genevieve Murray
"Why the Chimes Rang," One Act
Play Junior High School Students



Lights Go On Again

St. Francis Seraphic Seminary in West Andover will again be illuminated this year with a myriad of Christmas lights, and is worth travelling a lot further than the two or three miles that it really is, to see.

The outside of the building is a never-to-be forgotten Christmas spectacle, and on the inside is the nativity scene in miniature, showing the entire town of Bethlehem, with the sky overhead filled with twinkling stars, as well as the Star of Wonder.

Inside the Chapel, carols are sung during the evenings by the boy's choir.

The lights will go on December 22nd, and may be seen each evening thereafter until January 6th, weather permitting.



Legion Legend

Commander William L. McDonald described the annual Christmas party of the American Legion to be held in the Post hall on December 19 as a "stag affair." When asked about the members who are definitely not stags, he said, "Oh, sure, they're coming too."

This is somewhat of an innovation in the legendary Legion party that is one time when business is completely laid aside and everybody concentrates on having a good time.

Legionnaires also have the prerogative of inviting guests so if you receive an interrogation, don't forget to answer with an exclamation.



Queen For A Night

According to the posters displayed around town, the PUNCHARD Alumni Association is planning to choose a queen at their formal dance in Crystal ballroom on December 26. There are a lot of could-be claimants for the title that have already bought tickets for the affair and who should make things a little bit difficult for the judges.

The committee is fast and furiously selling tickets to Alumn-ies and aes who have been waiting for the association to sponsor an affair to attract the "older grads" back for a get-together. A large group of PUNCHARD "exes" home for the holidays are also expected to attend. Tickets may be purchased from members of the board or by telephoning Miss Bessie Dantos at 1106-M.

Frankie Kahn's orchestra will supply the rhythm!



Christmas Story

The Christmas story in tableaux with choral accompaniment by the junior and senior choirs will be presented at 7:30 Sunday evening, December 22, at the Free Christian church. The cantata music was composed by Donald L. Amy, organist, and director of music at the church. The text closely follows the scripture with a few original verses by the composer who has also devised a new setting to Dr. Phillips Brooks' "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Beginning with the annunciation, the tableaux will picture the holy birth, the telling of the shepherds, the search of the kings of the east, the adoration of the shepherds and the bringing of gifts by the wise men.

Mr. Amy came to the Free church in September of this year after completing three years service in the Army. The greater part of his tour of duty was with the Alaska department headquarters in Alaska and in addition to his work with the A. G. D., he was also organist and director of music at the headquarters chapel. Previously he was director-organist at the Methodist church in Oleon, N. Y. for seven years.

LOCAL

Miss Joan Sweeney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sweeney of 64 Central street, and Miss Julia A. Gage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Gage of 100 Great Pond road, North Andover, both seniors at Bennett Junior College, Millbrook, N. Y., will return home on December 18, to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.



Christmas Vespers

The Christmas Vesper Service will be held on Sunday afternoon, December 15th, at 4:30 o'clock. The service will be preceded by an organ recital of French Christmas Carols played by Dr. Pfatteicher.

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Miss Ruth Perkins and John Kerr, who will be the principal soloists in the "Messiah" to be sung at Cochran Chapel on Sunday. Miss Perkins, alto soloist, is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music and a special student of the famed Rise Stevens. Mr. Kerr, baritone, a native of Dublin, Ireland, is a former assistant choir director at the Episcopal Cathedral in St. Louis. Both are from the Second Congregational church in West Newton. The soprano soloist will be Mrs. Dorothy Eccles, whose husband was a former registrar at Phillips Academy.

Mixed Chorus To Present "Messiah" On Sunday

The next and final rehearsal for the "Messiah" will be held in Cochran chapel Saturday night at 7:30. Members of the chorus are hoping it won't go over too well so that the concert on Sunday night at 8:00, also in Cochran chapel, will be super.

There is little doubt as to the superbity of the performance after Tuesday's rehearsal when even the conductor (you know who) broke down and, wiping his excited brow, complimented the singers briefly but with feeling. J. Everett Collins doesn't make a practice of giving out praise BEFORE a performance but when you combine 100 voices, most of them trained in oratorical music, competent direction, music by Handel, and the ebullition of "Hallelujah," there is ample reason to side-step precedent.

The organ will be played by Raymond Wilkinson, male choir pianist and organist, and the solos will be sung by Mrs. Dorothy Eccles, soprano, Miss Ruth Perkins, alto, and John Kerr, baritone.

The following singers from Andover and surrounding towns will be in the chorus:

SOPRANOS—Edith Ambye, Mary Anderson, Anne Campbell, Thelma Christie, Bessie Coutts, Jean Coutts, Carol Davies, Marilyn Duguid, Eileen Flynn, Margaret Forbes, Dorothy Gates, Mary Gates, Mary Geraghty, Evelyn Gordon, Isabelle Harris, Mary Holt, Phyllis Hooper, Sadie Joseph, Bertha Keef, Louise Keller, Joan Lefebvre, Ethel Macdonald, Jean Macdonald, Christine Murray, Doris Passler, Ada Power, Sylvia Rushforth, Barbara Smeltzer, Myra Stone, Hazel Stopford, Audrey Tompkins, Marjorie Weeks, Jane Wetterberg, Ruth Wilkinson, Edna Woodhead, Pauline Zambino.

ALTOS—Hope Alexander, Alice Barcroft, Gertrude Bicknell, Anne

Birdsall, Agnes Burdett, Etta Chadwick, Norma Crocker, Edith Dawson, Jean Duguid, Marion Ellis, Gertrude Freeman, Jessie Hay, Mima Hay, Dora Hodge, Kathryn McCarthy, Barbara Meisner, Johanna Piehler, Hazel Scobie, Marion Sewell, Doris Shaw, Hilda Weeks, Anna White.

TENORS—Burton Abbott, Fred Cheever, William Holland, James Christie, Edward Comtois, Wilfred Gill, Edward Guertin, Harold Holt, George Knipe, Donald Morin, John Murray, John Patti, George Petrie, Leverett Putnam, Arnold Schofield, James Schofield, Ivar Sjostrom, Carl Wetterberg, Raymond Wilcox.

BASSES—David Anderson, Harold Bowen, Alexander Campbell, John Collins, Douglas Dunbar, George Folansbee, David Forbes, Alexander Gibson, John Knowles, Ernest Kress, John O'Connell, Joseph Pearson, Richard Pieters, Calvin Rushforth, William Rushforth, George Sanborn, Peter Southwick, Fred Stone, Thomas Thin, Robert Williams, LeRoy Wilson.

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Gray Ladies Complete Course

Eight Andover volunteers have completed a four-day course in hospital routine and procedures, and on Monday successfully took examinations which qualify them to be Gray Ladies at the Veterans hospital in Bedford.

The Red Cross workers will begin their work at the hospital after the first of the year and will accomplish such tasks as delivering library books to the wards, changing the water in flower vases, playing games and entertaining, feeding patients, delivering gifts or, if Arts and Skills workers, teaching oil painting, leather work, weaving, textile painting or other forms of arts and craft. Each volunteer will spend two half days or one full day a week at the hospital.

Mrs. E. Francis Leland is chairman of the group which includes Mrs. Leon Field, head of the motor corps and driver of the Red Cross beach wagon, Mrs. Malcolm Beattie, Mrs. P. John Connors, Mrs. Charles Gabeler, Mrs. Raymond Hoyer, Mrs. John Lane, and Miss Ann Leslie.

It is expected that another course will be held in the Spring, and the Andover chapter of the Red Cross will appreciate hearing from any women interested in becoming a Gray Lady.

November Club

The Literature Department will present sketches from Dickens by Edward F. Payne on Monday, December 16, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Payne is well known to Dickens lovers in Boston, as he has read "The Christmas Carol" in the Boston Public Library Lecture Course each Christmas season for the past ten years.

There will be crayon sketches in color with dramatic impersonations and readings from "The Christmas Carol."

Andover Grange To Meet

Andover Grange, No. 183, will meet in Grange Hall on Tuesday evening, December 17, at 8:00. The annual Christmas tree with gifts will follow the business meeting.

Woman's Union Election

The annual covered dish luncheon of the Woman's Union of the West church was held on Wednesday. Following the luncheon, small gifts were distributed among the members, and a brief Christmas program followed. Those elected to office were as follows: President, Mrs. John Duguid; vice president, Mrs. Richard Williams; treasurer, Mrs. Grant Silva; secretary, Mrs. Arthur Lewis.

Committees were as follows: Missionary, Mrs. William Trow, chairman; second mile, Mrs. John Brodhead, chairman; social action, Mrs. Herbert Merrick, chairman; neighborhood, Mrs. Austin Huggins, chairman.

There will be a new committee called the planning board with the following chairmen: Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Brodhead, Mrs. Fielding, Mrs. Penwell, Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs. Thomes, and Mrs. Buchan.

SAVE USED FATS

The P. T. A. Christmas program will be held in the Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, December 15, at 3 p. m., as originally planned. For further details, see Where To Go page.

Mr. Sherman Speaks To Wheaton Club

The Merrimack Valley Wheaton club held its second meeting of the year on Friday evening, December 6, at the home of the president, Mrs. Joseph J. Tavern of Andover. Members attending had as their guests Mr. Kenneth L. Sherman, superintendent of schools in Andover, and Mrs. Sherman. Mr. Sherman spoke on "Adventures in the South Pacific" and showed interesting pictures and mementos of his service there during the war. The next meeting of the club will be in January at the home of Mrs. Francis Blaney of Methuen.

Choir Christmas Party

The Andover Male Choir is having a Christmas party for the wives of its members and their auxiliary on Monday evening, December 16, in the Andover Square and Compass Club hall. An enjoyable evening is anticipated, and many surprises are in store.

Each person attending is asked to bring a ten-cent gift for Santa's bag.

There will be an entertainment and refreshments. All who attend are assured of a good time.

Joseph Pearson is chairman of the social committee. Other members are David Forbes, Harold Bowen, George Sanborn, and Burton Abbott.

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Births

A daughter, Leslie Brown, on Sunday, December 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Burton B. Batcheller of 81 Lowell street. Mrs. Batcheller is the former Edith Enderson of Ballardvale.

A daughter Saturday, December 7, at the McGowan Memorial hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fortune of River road.

A son on Friday, December 6, at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. John White, 54 Haverhill street.

A daughter on Wednesday, December 4, at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. George Woodes of 28 York street.

A daughter on Thursday at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Haller of 7 Kenilworth street.

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Public Work Employees Demand Wage Increase

The employees of the department of public works this week petitioned the Board for an increase of \$500 per year in their wages, plus an overtime and sick-leave adjustment. The petition, signed by all members of the department except the administrative staff, was discussed by the Board but no action was taken.

In addition to the \$500 increase, the men asked for time and a half for all overtime, and a new arrangement whereby the present annual ten-day sick leave would be made cumulative up to 60 days. In other words, if an employee had no cause to take any sick leave for two or three years and on the fourth he were out for anything up to 40 days, he would be allowed the 40 days. The overtime stipulation was for anything after five o'clock and for Saturdays and Sundays. The regular work week now is 47½ hours.

The lowest wage in the department now is 85 cents per hour, as compared to 56¼ cents a few years ago. The increase was made in 1945 after town meeting, provoking at that time a great deal of public resentment because it had been implied at town meeting that there would be no increases of a general nature in any department. Many of the men who operate equipment are receiving well over the 85 cent mark. The \$500 increase would amount to a little over 20 cents per hour.



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Pepsi-Cola Scholarship

The Senior class has elected the students whom they wish to represent Punchard in the Pepsi-Cola Scholarship competition. The students are Edith Ambye, Mary, Lord, Genevieve Murray, and Jack Arabian. These students were chosen for scholastic standing as well as popularity. The scholarship pays for (1) full tuition for four college years (36 calendar months) at any accredited college; (2) fees regularly charged all students — such as laboratory, library, and health fees, but not including refundable or partially refundable deposits, or the cost of private instruction in music or sports; (3) \$25 a month for 36 months of college to help defray the cost of board, room, and books; and (4) traveling expenses at the rate of three cents a mile for one round trip from home to college each year. There are at least 121 of these scholarships awarded each year, two for each state and one for the various possessions of the United States. In addition to the regular scholarships there are five scholarships granted each year to students whom the board advisors feels are worthy of support in graduate work. There are also five runner-up awards for each scholarship awarded of \$50 each. Only five percent of the Senior class are permitted to try for these scholarships, however, and the students must be elected by their classmates. The Punchard students were elected last Friday, December 6.

Goldsmith Speaking Contest

This Thursday, December 12, the Goldsmith Prize Speaking Contest will be held in the Memorial Auditorium at 12:30. This is the fifty-second contest, and this year's participants are Ruth Anne Chadwick, '49, Russell Doyle, '49, Joan Gallagher, '48, John Gillis, '48, Genevieve Murray, '47, and William Valentine, '47. Music will be provided while the judges are making their decision, and Genevieve Murray will sing "Night of Nights," by Beardsley Van de Water. The judges for this year's contest will be Mrs. Arthur Bliss, Rev. Frederick Noss, and Rev. Levering Reynolds, Jr. The individual participants have been working for several weeks with their coaches, and hopes are high. Carole Davies will act as mistress of ceremonies.

Girls' Band

Now that the band has been disbanded for the year, many mothers find that their daughters are around the house for various chores, shopping, and other duties. The girls were so loyal to the band that all through the football season many mothers could not plan any affairs for their daughters until they found out whether or not the band was playing on that particular Saturday. The school, of course, appreciates this kind of loyalty, and wishes to thank the mothers who so kindly put up with the interruptions in their schedules during the fall.

Junior Class Rings

Next Monday is the big day for the Juniors. Mr. Grecoe is coming to take the ring sizes, and at that time the students must have the credit slips signed by the parents, and a five dollar deposit. The rings are really handsome this year, and

most of the Juniors are plotting, by hook or by crook, to get one. Many have taken jobs to raise the \$5 for the deposit (and for Christmas, too) and for the remaining sum to be paid upon delivery.

Driving Course

The driving course is progressing very well. Two movies were shown this week on the safety factor in driving an automobile on the open road. One was entitled "The Tip Off" and the other, "Formations." They dealt with the apparatus used in testing new drivers, and the proper way to judge turns and other driving problems.

Basketball Schedule

The basketball schedule has been changed because of difficulties in arranging the games. The game with Central Catholic has been changed from Friday night, January 31, to Tuesday afternoon, February 11. Since the coal strike was called off, it was not necessary to postpone or cancel any of the games.

Book Reports

The Memorial Hall Library has sent out an appeal for students to write book reports for publication. A few of the Seniors and Sophomores are doing this now, but more are requested. All who are interested should apply at the library.

Senior Social Committee

The Senior social committee, under the chairmanship of Lynden Gilman, is the agent for the selling of Punchard pennants with the numerals of the different classes on them. The pennants cost 85c, part of which goes into the Senior treasury.

ury. The Senior social committee, like all the others, is plagued by means to raise money. They chose this as a novel and remunerative means to make some extra change for the class.

Tuberculosis Drive

The annual tuberculosis drive is now on in Punchard. Only a small donation is requested, but sums of any size are gratefully received. When the pupil gives his donation, he is given a small pin in the shape of the T.B. cross. The students are responding to this charity very well and Punchard hopes to be able to turn over a large sum to the National Society for the Prevention and Treatment of Tuberculosis.

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Got Any Candles?

Mrs. Walsh and Miss Donahue, who teach the Therapy classes, would like some candles for use in those classes. They need not be new. They will be most grateful for any that may be donated to them.

Buy Seals

Once again the Christmas season has rolled around and once again tuberculosis seals and stamps have been placed on sale in the home rooms throughout the school. This is one of the most worthy causes toward which one may put his money and it is hoped that a goodly sum will be realized in the Junior High School.

Visit Art Museum

In order to make the life of Christ more real and more interesting to his class in Religious Education at the Christ Church, Mr. Kenneth Sherman, Superintendent of Schools took the group into Boston on Wednesday, December 4, where they visited the Boston Art Museum and studied the religious and historical portraits of Christ. Mrs. P. B. Whittemore and Rev. Frederick Noss accompanied Mr. Sherman on the expedition, and drove cars filled with young people eager to visit the Museum. Mr. Sherman drove a third car.

After visiting the paintings of Christ the young folks went on a tour of the building and marveled at what they saw. They visited the Egyptian Room, the Chinese Room, the Colonial Room and the Ship Room, and saw dolls of all nations, old glass, old pottery, old costume jewelry, old costumes, and many other things too numerous to mention. They were thrilled with their trip and their eyes fairly bulged with having seen so many sights so strange to them. It was a very fine thing that Mr. Sherman did for these young folks—something that will live with them in their memories for many, many years. Those who went were: Winthrop Adkins, Eleanor Bateson, Mary Green, Joan MacMillan, Monte Peck, Louis Skeirik, Alan Douglass, George Peters, Doris Nicoll, David Pingree, Harriett Schofield, Norman Hudgins, Bernice Parker, and Robert Prescott. All are members of the eighth grade.

Mended

Everyone is happy to know that Harold Kasabian has returned to the Junior High School after a long absence due to an injury to his ankle. Harold manages to get about, aided by a pair of crutches, and seems to be very happy, too, to be back with us.

In Quarantine

The first case of scarlet fever in the Junior High School was reported on Monday morning. It is hoped that it will be the last. Ronald Pariseau is the unfortunate fellow, and our wishes for a very light case and a very rapid recovery go out to him from every one of us.

Christmas Is Coming!

It doesn't seem possible, does it? Just one more week and we shall all be out of school for the Christmas vacation. When we came to school in September we all said that it would not be long until Christmas, but we never dreamed that it would come so soon. Now

it's almost here and, as usual, everyone is rushing about in his after school hours doing some precious Christmas shopping. Well, we'll return in January, and again, before we know it, June will be here. Such is the way of our hustling, bustling life in school—the hours there are so short, and we don't make the most of them as we should, and before we know it we are whisked away out of the school and into a higher institution of learning, where we have to work so much harder because we didn't work hard enough while here. But our days and our memories are so happy that often we like to return to say hello to old friends who helped us through many a trying situation which would be less trying because of the experiences felt in that last one and because of those kindly souls who helped us over the hurdles.

PTA Program

With the cancelling of the coal strike all restrictions which had been placed upon the use of the school buildings after 4:00 on weekdays and all day Saturdays and Sundays have also been cancelled, and programs will once again be carried on as before those restrictions were made. This affected the staging of the P. T. A. Christmas program which had originally been planned for Sunday afternoon, December 15, and was changed to Wednesday morning, December 18. Now, however, the original date has been set once more and the program will go on on Sunday afternoon, December at 3:00. The program is appearing in another column of this issue of the Townsman. Mr. Benjamin Dimlich of the faculty will be in charge of lighting and members of Miss Marshall's Dramatic class will set the stage and make up the characters. They are studying and applying stage makeup during these weeks.

Junior Red Cross

The total amount of money raised by the schools of Andover for the Junior Red Cross fund was \$173.32. Of this amount the students of the Junior High School gave \$34.54. This fund is called the "Enrollment for Service" Fund and some of this money is to be used for those requiring medical assistance. In the past this fund has been used for minor operations, dentistry, glasses, etc. Since \$32.50 of this total must go to the American Red Cross, the balance of \$140.82 will be sent to Mr. Philip Ryley of the Andover Chapter, Red Cross, to be added to the Junior Red Cross Fund to be used in cases such as those mentioned above.

Intramural Sports

Intramural sports have started with both the boys' and the girls' classes in the Junior High School. Practice is carried on among the color teams at present, therefore no games have been played. The boys have already played several games of volley ball. Tuesday's results were: Reds 21, Greens 4; Golds 21, Blues 17.

The Reds now remain undefeated under the splendid captaincy of Hilton Cormey. On Tuesday these teams played again and the scores were: Reds 5 points, Greens 3 points, Golds 2 points, Blues 1 point.

Golds lost 21-6 to Reds; Blues lost to Green 21-12.

The Reds are still undefeated, and are the champions.

To Attend Forum

Plans for the first forum of the Student's Committee on State Affairs have been completed following the recommendation of the Steering Committee. The meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 12, at 3:30 in the Old South Meeting House, corner of Milk and Washington streets in Boston. Schools may send as many students as may wish to come. Our Junior High School will send about 29. Presiding will be Robert Abboud of Roxbury Latin School, Chairman, Students' Committee on State Affairs; Dr. John Tilton, Chairman, Education Committee of the Massachusetts Civic League will greet the assembly, and Edmund J. Blake, Jr., Secretary, Students' Committee, will call the roll of all schools represented. The speakers will be Hon. Arthur W. Coolidge, President, Massachusetts Senate, and the Hon. Frederick B. Willis, Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Each will speak for five minutes. There will be an open forum on present-day law-making processes, at which time Senator Burton F. Faulkner, Democrat, of Somerville, and Representative Charles E. Shepard, Republican, of Warren, will make no speeches but will answer questions asked.

Varsity Basketball

Varsity basketball has started, with a large number attending the first practice at the Guild. Coach Dimlich wishes for a third undefeated season. Many games have been scheduled for the Junior five.

Inter-Church League

114 boys turned out for the Inter-Church Basketball League, whose games were played in the Auditorium gymnasium. Of this number the Junior High School is proud to say that about half were members of this school. It is a good thing to see such a league started, and it should lead to other ventures just as valuable. Long may the league continue.

Movie Returns

Following is a report showing the amount of money taken in by each home room, as well as the total sum for the school in the sale of tickets for the movies sponsored by the Central P. T. A.

Room 3, \$17.00; Room 4, \$16.50; Room 5, \$23.70; Room 6, \$23.65; Room 7, \$17.30; Room 8, \$31.10; Room 11, \$22.70; Room 12, \$10.80; Room 9, \$9.30; Room 10, \$3.20; Room 13, \$20.30; Room 14, \$6.40; Total, \$201.95.

Student Government

In the Student Government Association monthly report of November 1 to December 1 the total assets on hand as submitted by Louis Skeirik, School Treasurer, and approved by Miss Bernice G. Stimpson, faculty advisor, are \$511.34. Expenses for the month were \$12.00.

Dance-Time

The second in a series of school dances for the year will be held on Friday afternoon, December 13,

from 2:30 to 4:30. The committee and Mrs. Walsh and Miss Grover, co-sponsors have been working very hard to make the dance a success. Cupcakes have been solicited in the home rooms and they will be sold along with ice cream in the cafeteria during the refreshment period. Music will be furnished by records brought in by members of the school. Mr. Dunn will be the Master of Ceremonies. It is hoped that a very large number of students will attend. It will be necessary for those attending to show their Student Government tickets. Invitations have been written and sent to all teachers in the Andover Schools but the public may visit and see how one of our school dances is conducted.

Basketball Film

At a special assembly called during the first period on Tuesday a "very-hard-to-get" basketball film entitled, "Official Basketball," was shown to the entire Junior High School. The film was loaned to the school as a very special favor by Mr. Oswald Tower, who lives on Hidden Field. Mr. Tower is the official interpreter of the rules of basketball for the United States, and is a member of the National Basketball Rules Committee. The film was an excellent one and it was felt that it would be helpful not only to the Junior High Basketball team, but to the entire school spectators when they attend their school games.

"Information Please"

After the regular meeting of the Library Staff on Thursday, December 5, a quiz game, featuring an "Information, Please" program was presented under the direction of the program committee.

To Attend Prize Speaking

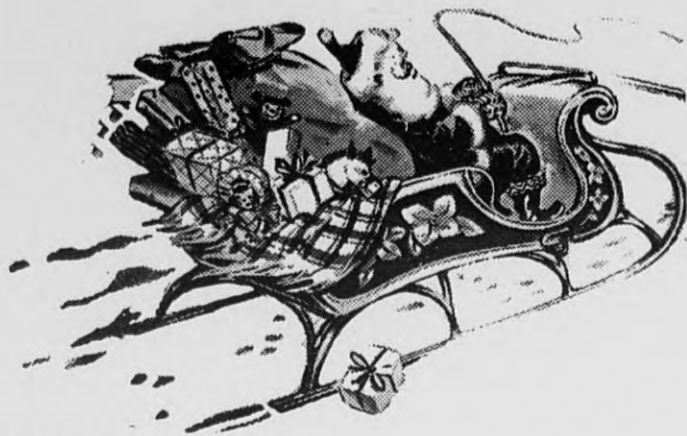
The ninth grade has been invited to attend the Goldsmith Prize Speaking Contest presented by Punchedard in the Auditorium on Thursday at 12:30. They will attend in a body.

Story Hour

Miss Lane of the Memorial Hall Library extended an invitation to the Special Education and Therapy classes to attend the Story Hour. They all attended on Tuesday of this week. Miss Lane's stories were beautifully done and adopted to the needs of the classes and to the Christmas season. The children had an opportunity to study and admire the creche. For the past three years these classes have been getting 20 or more books bi-monthly in order to keep their library well stocked. It is most helpful to receive such cooperation from the library, and the children react favorably to the cordial way in which they are received in the always attractive reading room.

"Views of Hawaii"

Mr. Blanchard, our Junior High principal, spoke on the subject, "Views of Hawaii" at the Whitman Grange, where he was the guest speaker. Mr. Blanchard has been a member of this organization for nearly 25 years. Since he saw duty in Hawaii, Mr. Blanchard was able to take some very beautiful and instructive views of that country, and anyone who has the opportunity to see these pictures and to hear Mr. Blanchard's first hand account of the country, is indeed very fortunate.



Reindeer From the North Pole Visit Andover



'Twas two days before Christmas
And at the North Pole
A reindeer named Dancer
Was shining his sole,
And he was reflecting
That it would be lush
To have a vacation
Fore Christmas Eve rush.
"You know, boys," he said
To the other reindeer
"We go 'round the world
Every single old year
And so quickly we go
We don't have time to see
What the old world is like
And I think it would be
Only fair of old Santa
To let us go down
For a day to explore
A city or town."

They answered in chorus
With smiles bright and gay
"Yes, that would be dandy
But—what's Old Nick say?"
"I know he will let us"
Said Dancer the bold
As long as we're back
At the time we are told"
So dancing and pawing
And hanging his head
He went to see Santa
Just climbing in bed.
Now Santa needs all
Of the rest he can get
For he has to work hard
Getting everything set
Although he has helpers

Lots, from many lands
He really has quite
A big job on his hands.

Well, anyway, Dancer said:
"Santa, we thought
We'd like a vacation
We work quite a lot;
And we've never seen
What it's like down below
We go through so fast
That we really don't know.
We'd like a day off
So that we can go down
And see what it's like
In a city or town"
"Well, well," said old Santa,
A-twinkling his eyes
"So you don't like your trip
When you fly through the skies?
And you'd like to see what
It's like on the ground?
Well, it might do you good
Yes, your plan is quite sound.
You may leave in the morning,
But you must be back
By nightfall, so I
Can load on my pack."
"Oh, thanks," said the deer
With a buck and a wing
And tore through the door
The good tidings to bring.

They left before daybreak
With Comet ahead
As he was the fastest
And earthward they sped
With sixteen eyes gleaming
In anticipation

And eight brown tails flying
In rapid vibration
'Till far down below
They saw houses and people
And up through the treetops
There loomed a church steeple.
They bounded with joy
As their hooves touched the et
And rushed all around
For someone to greet.
As they gazed at the streetligh
And automobiles
"I wonder" said Donder
"Why we don't have wheels.
Just think how much faster
Our Santa could go
If he didn't have to
Depend on the snow.
But they were too busy
To think this one out
They saw lights in a building
Rushed off with a shout.
It was a brick structure
They couldn't get in
But the people inside
Were making a din
"I don't think the boss
Is there yet this morning"
Said Vixen, "It's early;
The day is just dawning.
They're funny, these people
Down here on the ground
They'd not be so loud
If the boss were around."
"What nonsense" said Prancer
They're postal employes
Just sorting the mail
What matter the noise?"
This made Vixen angry

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He tore up the street
And knocked a policeman
Right off of his feet
Ignoring the whistle
He ran down the hill
Till he was so hot
He had to stand still.

And now in the meantime
The town was awake
The noise and the bustle
Made all the deer quake
Poor Dasher got chased
For eating some flowers
In a flower shop and Comet
Wandered for hours
Just looking for ice
To wet his parched throat
Or some snow he could roll in
To cool off his coat.
And so the day passed
The deer hunted around
Till they found what they needed
From down on the ground
They left around 3:00
With the object in tow
People cheering and shouting
Them on down below.
And later, much later
They reached the North Pole
When he saw them old Santa
Said "Well Bless my old soul"
What is this great thing
That you have brought back?"
Said the deer "It's a new
Way of toting your pack.
For we are so tired
We can't even trot
Santa, you should have told us

The earth was so hot.
We went to a town
Called "Andover" I think
And though it was pretty
We wanted a drink
Poor Vixen got angry
And went on a tear
He knocked a Deyermond
Right down in the Square.
We went to some houses
For something to eat
We stood at the doorways
And stamped with our feet
One fille said "come in
See my two little girls
And they were quite pretty
Their hair all in curls
Well, right in the house
They had this big tree
All silver and goldy
So pretty to see
It looked so delicious
I thought 'twas to eat
But when I took a bite
(And it was quite a treat)
She put me outside
I really felt bad
For that one bite was all
The lunch that I had.
We thought t'would be fun
On the earth, but alack!
As soon as we got there
We wished we were back.
We knew we would never
Be able to pull
Your sled dearest Santa
Your pack is so full
So we thought we would bring
A sled that has wheels

Down there they all use them
They're "automobiles"
A bus was too big to
Pull up behind
So we looked for the biggest
Car we could find
It didn't take long
Central street isn't far
And there it is Santa,
The fire chief's new car!"
But he couldn't stand
To have his life changing
Now Santa was patient
He said "I demand
That you pull my sleigh
They must hear on the roof
"The prancing and pawing
Of each little hoof
Or tradition is ruined
Now I'm an old man
Please say that you'll pull it
I know that you can"
So eight tired reindeer
Hooked up to the sled
With the car on behind
And earthward they sped—
Their first stop was here
They took back the car
Then rose in a twinkling,
And hitched to a star
They started their trip
Round the world in a night
With eight brown tails flying
Eight pairs of eyes bright,
And happy that they
Were the chosen reindeer
To pull dear old Santa's
Sleigh, year after year.

Elinor F. Cole



WEDDING BELLS . . .

WHITE—INNES

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Innes of Haggetts Pond road announce the marriage of their daughter, Elinor Beatrice, to Mr. Albert Charles White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles White of 345 Middlesex street, North Andover. The couple were married on November 23 by the Rev. Lewis E. Shields, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Lowell. Mrs. White was tendered a miscellaneous shower last Monday night in honor of her marriage at the home of Mrs. Arnold Ray, Methuen.

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Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon B. Grant of 148 Andover street announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth F., to Mr. Herbert R. Muller, son of Mrs. George Muller of Highplain road.

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Engaged

Dr. and Mrs. William Dyer of Plymouth, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lt. Doris Mae Dyer, W. A. C., to Lt. Bill A. Price, U. S. A., of Appletree lane.

Miss Dyer is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, and was formerly a dietitian at Wellesley College. She is now a dietitian in the Army Medical Corps, stationed at Camp Campbell, Kentucky.

Lt. Price served overseas with the 83rd Chemical Mortar Battalion and received the Bronze Star medal with oak leaf cluster. He is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington.

A December wedding is planned.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Roland M. Joy, 297 Andover street, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gertrude I., to George A. Hutchins, son of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hutchins, 39 Hall avenue.

Miss Joy, who attended Punchard High School, is employed at the Tyer Rubber Company.

Mr. Hutchins attended Punchard High School, and is a veteran of World War II. He served for two and one-half years overseas with the 348th Combat Engineers, and was discharged in October, 1945. He is employed in the shipping department of Tyer Rubber Company.

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Miscellaneous Shower

Miss Elizabeth Cooper was the guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower held at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Cooper, River road. The house was artistically decorated with gold and white lace, all of which was used at the 50th wedding anniversary of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hardy. Miss Cooper is to be married on Saturday, December 21, in the First Calvary Baptist church, Lawrence, to Mr. Evan E. Brown of Granger, Iowa. The refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Arthur Maddox and Mrs. Dean Hudgins. Thirty-eight relatives and friends were present.



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GIRL SCOUT NOTES

Initiation

A secret initiation for the Brownies of Troops 40 and 41 was held Thursday afternoon at 3:15 in the Jackson School. Mrs. Frederick Peterson and Miss Dorothy Wilbur, leaders of the town troops respectively, will officiate, and pins were awarded and Mrs. Harriet Fish from the Lawrence council spoke briefly, and welcomed Mrs. Peterson as a new leader.

The Brownies participating were: Troop 40, Marilyn Carver, Elaine Naughton, Cora Reed, Diane Sorota, and Jane Taylor. Troop 41, Andrena Carbone, Barbara Swanton, Jacquelyn Smith, Judith Reed, Patty Brennan, Sally Bilodeau and Sandra Yancy.

Christmas Investiture

Combining the investiture ceremony with their Christmas party, the girls of Troop No. 27 will receive their pins next Wednesday afternoon at 2:15 in the Music room of the Junior High school. Parents are invited to attend the investiture, which will also include a program of carols and refreshments.

The Scouts should wear full dress uniform.

Troop 27

The troop met as usual on Wednesday afternoon in the Junior High school. Work was done on Second Class requirements, which have been almost completed. In the absence of the Scribe, Carol Stanton, Dolores Jane Bragdon took her place.

Neighborhood Meeting

A meeting for leaders and troop committee members in the Andover area was held last Wednesday evening, December 4th in the Memorial Hall Library, with Mrs. MacGilvery, Commissioner, Miss Stacy, and Mrs.

Council office present.

Harriet Fish from the Lawrence

Several Christmas crafts which could be used at meetings were demonstrated, and Miss Putnam had on display many Christmas books which contained material to be used for meetings, or parties. Miss Putnam offered the complete cooperation of the library in any project undertaken, and the leaders present approved a plan whereby volunteer Scouts would take library books to shut-ins at Miss Putnam's suggestion.

Three Christmas games were played which would be useful at troop meetings, and a question and answer period ended the meeting.

Those present were: Mrs. Harriet Brown, Mrs. T. John Johnson, Miss Dorothy Wilbur, Miss Betty Butler, and Miss Christine Ross.

Christmas Party

Troop 36 will hold their Christmas party on Monday, December 16, at the home of the leader, Mrs. George Follansbee. The girls will exchange ten-cent gifts bought with money they earned themselves.

Carols will be sung, and Joan Gale, assistant leader, will read a Christmas story. Refreshments will be served.

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On Thursday, December 19, the Brownies will go to the Andover Home for the Aged, where they will sing Christmas carols.

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The Man In Gray

James Mason, Margaret Lockwood
2:00; 5:00; 8:00

SUNDAY, MONDAY — December 15, 16

The Cockeyed Miracle

Frank Morgan, Audrey Totter
3:20; 6:25; 9:25

Deadline at Dawn

Paul Lukas, Susan Hayward
2:00; 5:05; 8:05

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY — December 17, 18, 19

Black Angel

Dan Duryea, June Vincent
3:20; 6:15; 9:10

The Runaround

Rod Cameron, Ella Raines
1:55; 4:50; 7:45

FRIDAY, SATURDAY — December 20, 21

They Were Sisters

James Mason, Phyllis Calvert
2:05; 5:25; 8:40

Blonde for a Day

Hugh Beaumont, Kathryn Adams
3:50; 7:10

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LOCAL MAN HEADS NAVAL RESERVE

Lieutenant Commander Frederick A. Peterson, U.S.N.R., of Andover, a member of the faculty of Phillips Academy, has been appointed Commanding Officer of Division 1-18 of the Organized Naval Reserve, with headquarters in Lowell. This is one of two divisions now being organized in that city.

Neither of the two divisions is yet up to its authorized strength of 200 men and 10 officers, and recruits, both officers and men, are desired from Andover and nearby communities. Any men or officers who are, or have been, members of the Naval Reserve are urged to investigate the possibilities of joining. Both the Lowell divisions are "engineering," the purpose of their programs being to train men in and for the following rates: Radiomen,

Radarmen, Electricians, Electronic Technicians, Machinists' Mates, and Water Tenders. Rated men and strikers in these rates are particularly desired, but at the present time men of any rate are welcome. Officers who are qualified to instruct in any of the above fields are urgently needed. Officers of the Coast Guard and Merchant Marine are not now eligible, though the latter may become so by changing their classification in the Naval Reserve.

The program has many attractions. Instruction in elementary mathematics, science, and in general naval subjects will be given, as well as classes leading directly to advancement in rate. Men and officers will be eligible for weekend and longer cruises. An extensive athletic program is being planned. Those enrolled are expected to attend one meeting a week, and, with

the cooperation of their employers, to make one long cruise a year. Pay for the weekly meetings, of which there are a maximum of forty-eight per year, is at the rate of one thirtieth of one month's pay in the rate or rank held. On cruises, men and officers receive the full pay and allowances of their rate or rank.

Men and officers who are interested in joining, or who desire further information, are urged to come to the next meeting, which will be held at eight o'clock, Monday evening, December 16, at the Lowell High School.

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AMVETS To Have "House Warming"

At their meeting Thursday night, the AMVETS made plans for a "housewarming" to be held in their rooms on January 10 at 8:30. Members may invite guests, and an entertainment program is planned. John Anderson heads the committee in charge.

Only a small percentage of the housing forms have been returned to date, but it was announced that a majority of those which were received stated that the veteran is not in a position to BUY, but is desperately in need of RENTAL. It was pointed out that Methuen is already attempting to solve a similar problem, and methods used in other towns in the state in their attempts to make inroads in the housing problem were discussed. Andover's attitude of thumb-twiddling while rationalizing that "nothing can be done now, anyway, so why

even think about it" is magnified by the apathetic attitude of the veteran himself.

The next regular meeting which would normally come on the 26th will not be held. There will be no business carried on at the January 9 meeting, which will be a party for members, wives, and friends.

Christmas Party Held

The annual Ballardvale Parent-Teacher association Christmas party was held Thursday at 8:00 p. m. in the kindergarten room of the Bradlee school.

After a short business meeting, the party got under way with Santa Claus present to give out the gifts. Gifts were exchanged by members, games were played, and refreshments served.

The hostesses were Mrs. Anthony Lumenello, Mrs. Russell Hall, Mrs.

James Nicoll, and Mrs. Elwyn Russell.

The social committee in charge of the party included Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. Joseph Bouleau, and Mrs. Robert Mitchell.

Study Groups "Graduated"

The Andover evening study groups, which were held this year in the fall instead of the winter, closed this week after a successful program with almost 600 people enrolled, which is a larger total than last year.

Of the fifteen courses offered, the most popular were the Swimming and Exercise class for women and the Studio Art course. The classes having the largest enrollment were the "Story of Russia" and the Music Appreciation course, "Seven Great Symphonies." The Square Dancing classes held at the Log Cabin were also very much enjoyed.

YOUR TOWNSMAN

The late arrival of this week's Townsman is occasioned partly of course by its large size, but also because it is being run in smaller sections on a small press, our big cylinder being now entirely devoted to work on the 300th Anniversary Souvenir. We very much regret this situation, but once the book appears we believe delivery will be more nearly back to normal.

Two employees of a Boston newspaper are expected Saturday morning, to set up a third cylinder press which will also alleviate the situation. This press was one of those involved in our purchase of the Lawrence Bindery, but which could not be assembled because of lack of mechanical help.

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OBITUARY

MISS MARY A.

Miss Mary A. street, died Monday after a short illness at the Tyngsboro 80 year member of the of St. August past president man Tent, Lad

Surviving sister, Lavina and nephews.

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OBITUARIES . . .

MISS MARY A. ROBINSON

Miss Mary A. Robinson, 40 Union street, died Monday morning at the Crockett Sanatorium in North Andover after a short illness. Born in Tyngsboro 80 years ago, she was a member of the Holy Family sodality of St. Augustine's church and a past president of Mrs. John E. Gilman Tent, Ladies of the G. A. R.

Surviving are a brother, James; a sister, Lavina; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held from the late home Wednesday morning with a high mass of requiem at St. Augustine's church at 9:30. Burial was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

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DONALD D. LAURIE

A well known and long-time resident of Andover, Donald Duncan Laurie, 73, died Monday evening at his home, 59 Whittier street, following a long illness. A native of Liverpool, England, he had made his home here for the past 40 years, and had been in the employ of Phillips Academy for the past 36 years.

He was a member of the Free church, and was long active in the

Odd Fellows and held a membership in Andover Lodge 230 and Indian Ridge Rebekah Lodge 136.

Surviving besides his wife are two daughters, Margaret B. and Ruby N. Laurie, both of this town; a sister, Mrs. Daniel Cumella of Liverpool, England; and three nieces.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from the late home with services at 2:00 p. m., conducted by Rev. J. Levering Reynolds, Jr., pastor of the Free church.

Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery.

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MRS. SARAH J. CASTLE

Mrs. Sarah Jane (Johnson) Castle, a former resident of Ballardvale, died at her home in Plaistow, N. H., Monday evening after a short illness. She was born in Ireland, and spent her early years in Ballardvale, moving to Plaistow forty years ago.

The funeral was held from the late home Thursday morning with a high mass of requiem in Holy Angels church, Plaistow, at 10:00 o'clock. Burial was in Holy Angels cemetery, Plaistow.

News Of Old Andover . . .

At Turn of the Century

The temperature on December 12th, 50 year's ago was 6° at 6:00 a. m. Look what we're misseng!

The young people were enjoying the skating.

J. E. Whiting was keeping his store open every night to accommodate holiday buyers.

A concert and dance to be given on New Year's eve in the Town Hall was being planned by the H.K.C.B.M.B.C.

The November Club had recently presented "Mr. Bob," as one-act comedy.

Item on Page 4: "There is good reason for believing that before many months have passed a system of free mail delivery will be in existence in Andover, a piece of neys, which, if it proves true, will indeed be welcome to the most of our citizens. Postmaster Goldsmith has lately had considerable correspondence with the Post Office authorities in regard to the matter and the nature of it has led him to feel that it is now more than a possibility.

Should the system be introduced, it will furnish employment for two if not three carriers.

Postmaster Goldsmith told the writer that he now thought, that by spring at least, we would have our mail delivered at our doors.

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BOY SCOUT NOTES



Troop 71--Shawsheen School

The troop met Monday evening, December 9, at 7:15, under the leadership of Scoutmaster Everett MacAskill. Assembly call was executed by Troop Bugler Peter Caswell, who also led the troop in the Scout oath and laws. Roll call was given by Troop Scribe Jack Caswell. Scoutmaster MacAskill announced that Patrol Leader Eddie Dean of the Flying Eagle Patrol and Tommy Wilkinson of the Wolf Patrol have completed the Second Class requirements. Peter Dunlop, Scott Gerrish, Peter Miller, and Emery LeTourneau have only one requirement to complete the Second Class rank. Scoutmaster MacAskill held a period of instruction on semaphore signaling and a short drill on marching.

Second Class tests passed are as follows: First aid, Harold Gens, Emery LeTourneau, and Peter Miller; knife and hatchet, Peter Miller and Louis Mirisola; signaling, Eddie Dean, Joe Spinella, and Tommy Wilkinson; oath and law, Louis Mirisola; service and uniform, Joe Spinella. First Class requirements passed are: Oath and law, Everett MacAskill and Peter Caswell; recruiting and training,

Everett MacAskill. Raymond Skea and Charles Schulze completed their Tenderfoot requirements and William McCarthy completed all requirements except one knot for Tenderfoot. Second Class Scout Allan Barlow, who formerly was patrol leader of the Bear Patrol, is now a member of Troop 161, of Palmer, Mass. The Wolf Patrol met at the home of Patrol Leader Jack Caswell on Wednesday evening, December 11. The troop meeting closed with a half hour period of volley ball. During assembly previous to dismissal, Second Class Scout Peter Caswell was presented with Den Chief insignia by Scoutmaster MacAskill. Troop Committee Chairman Alan F. Dunlop and Advancement Committeeman Walter C. Caswell assisted during the meeting.

Troop 76--Ballardvale

Scoutmaster P. W. Moody announced that there is considerable interest in winter camping, and camping plans may materialize later.

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GOLDSMITH PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

Last Thursday, December 11, The Goldsmith Prize Speaking Contest was held in the Memorial Auditorium. The fifty-second contest was introduced by Mr. Eugene Lovely, principal, who said that this contest was being held as a regular school assembly. The prizes are two \$5 awards, one to the best boy speaker, and one to the best girl speaker. The mistress of ceremonies, Carol Davies, introduced the speakers. The first speaker, Russell Doyle, said Edgar Allen Poe's "The Raven" in a manner that would have sent shivers up the back of the poet himself. Ruth Anne Chadwick, the other Sophomore speaker, said the Preface to a Book of Fishhooks by Dan Marquis. The first Junior speaker was John Gillis, who said "Creed" by Hal Borland, and the girl, Joanne Gallagher, said "A, B, and C—The Human Element in Mathematics," by Stephan Leacock. The Senior speakers were William Valentine, who said "The Whale Hunt" from Moby Dick, and Genevieve Murray, who said "Her First Prom" an amusing excerpt from the book "We Shook the Family Tree by Hildegard Dolsen. The judges, Mrs. Arthur Bliss, Rev. Frederick Noss, and Rev. Levering Reynolds Jr., chose Genevieve Murray and John Gillis as the winners. Genevieve Murray sang "Night of Nights" by Van de Water during the brief intermission while the judges made their decision. The coaches for the participants were Mrs. Emma Carter, Miss Agnes Dugan, Miss Lillian Fox, and Mr. Mervin Stevens.

On Committee

Miss Anne Buckley, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mulvey of 87 Chestnut Street, and a member of the freshman class at Lesley College in Cambridge, Massachusetts, is a member of the advertising committee for a Penny Sale, sponsored by the Freshman Class, which will be held in the college auditorium on Friday evening, De-

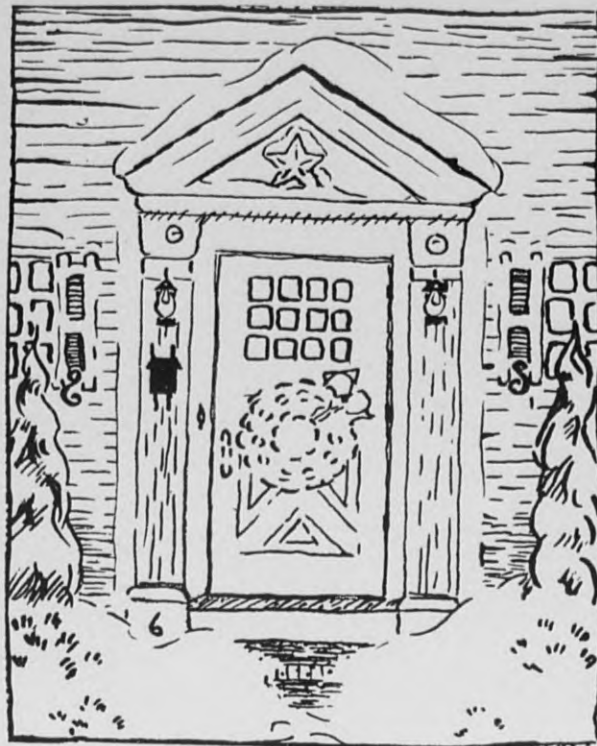
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Your decorations must be ready not later than Sunday, December 22.

If you wish to take part, send a postcard so stating to Mrs. Charles H. Hollis, 69 Salem street, or call Andover 495.

West Parish Notes...

Paul Marier who is a student at Amherst College recently spent the week end with his parents on Walker Ave. He had as his guest George Meeks of Vancouver, British Columbia.

Miss Jean Schubert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Schubert of 6 Chandler Rd. who is a senior at Simmons College Prince School of Retailing, has begun her field work as a junior executive at Wm. Filene's Sons Co. in Boston. She will continue her field work until the Christmas season.

Fred W. Doyle Jr. of Chandler St., who is a Freshman at Princeton University, has been selected for training in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps at the college.

Mr. Leverett Putnum of Lowell St. who is overseer of Dyeing at the Pacific Mill Worsted Division attended the Am. Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists Silver Jubilee Convention at the Hotel in 1946.

Statler in Boston held during the week. He is a charter member and past chairman of the local section.

Mrs. Wm. Belderman who has been quite ill at her home on Lowell St., is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wrigley and family have moved from Lowell St., to Randolph, Mass. where they will now make their home.

Mrs. Chas. Newton of Boutwell Rd. recently visited in Gloucester, Mass.

Mrs. Robert Crosby, who has been spending the past few months with friends left recently for San Francisco, Cal., where she will soon set sail for Japan to join her husband who is located there.

Mrs. Alice Chambers of Lowell St., is seriously ill at the Baker Memorial Hospital, Boston.

Anthony Cavallaro has been selected for training in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps at Tufts College, Medford. He graduated from Punchard High School in 1946.

Local Man Heads New Labor Institute

President A. N. Jorgensen of the University of Connecticut has announced establishment of a new Institute of Labor-Management Relations and the appointment of Myron Clark of Andover to head the new program. The new institute grows out of a long study of the problems of labor-management relations by the Board of Trustees of the university.

Several types of services will be offered by the Institute for employers, employees and other interested citizens. In addition to credit and non-credit courses, it is planned to conduct one and two day conferences on various phases of labor-management relations, and seminars in which the emphasis will be on administrative problems.

An industrial research unit to collect and distribute data and information and to undertake original studies is planned as a part of the Institute's program. Findings of studies will be made available through the press and to interested organizations and individuals.

While the primary goal of the Institute is to make available training facilities to employers and employees, it is anticipated that as the program progresses arrangements will be provided through forums and discussion groups to afford citizens generally an opportunity to become better informed in the principles and practices of employer-employee relationships.

Myron Clark, head of the new institute, was born at Bedford, Mass., and is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was for a number of years connected with the United States Rubber Company, serving in various positions from laborer to general manager.

Teaching experience of Mr. Clark includes courses in the Principles of Management at Boston University, Yale University, University of Connecticut and Massachusetts State College. He has served as president of the American Society for Advancement of Management and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He has served as a panel member of the War Labor Board and the War Production Board.

Mr. Clark resides at 30 Chestnut Street, Andover.

BUMPER CROP



Baptist

Rev. Wendell Sunday, 9:30 a.m. all departments; 6:30 and sermon; 6:30 will meet at the church at Cochran Chapel Monday, Inter-City Wednesday, 7:4 Christmas Party. Thursday, 2:00 7:00 Judson Char try; 8:00, Adult C Friday, After : hearsal at the ho son, 9 Avon street

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Rev. John Sunday, 8:00 a.m. 9:30, Sunday Sch Communion, and Monday, 3:30 367 7:30, Girls' Fr Tuesday, 2:30 Butler's Troop. Friday, 4:00 p.m. Party; 7:00, Boy Saturday, St. T Holy Communion

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Rev. A. Grah Sunday, 3:45 Choir Music; 4:0 Christmas Carols 4:45, Christmas Claude M. Fues Academy.

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Rev. Lever Sunday, 9:30 11:00, Nursery C ship; 7:00 p.m. Progressive Supp Monday, 6:30 ball League. Tuesday, 7:0 Christmas Party Wednesday, 3 mas Party. Thursday, 3:4 hearsal; 6:30, St. Friday, 7:00 Saturday, 2:0 mary Department

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At The Churches

Baptist Church

Rev. Wendell L. Bailey, Pastor

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School for all departments; 10:45, morning worship and sermon; 6:30, Baptist Youth Fellowship will meet at the church to go to the concert at Cochran Chapel, in a body.

Monday, Inter-Church Basketball League, Christmas Party.

Wednesday, 7:45 p. m., Friendly Circle Christmas Party.

Thursday, 2:00 p. m., Woman's Union; 7:00, Judson Chapter Meeting in the Vestry; 8:00, Adult Choir Rehearsal.

Friday, After school, Junior choir rehearsal at the home of Mrs. P. Leroy Wilson, 9 Avon street.

Christ Church

Rev. John S. Moses, Rector

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

Monday, 3:30 p. m., Girl Scouts, Troop 36; 7:30, Girls' Friendly Christmas Party.

Tuesday, 2:30 p. m., Girl Scouts, Miss Butler's Troop.

Friday, 4:00 p. m., Girl Scouts Christmas Party; 7:00, Boy Scouts.

Saturday, St. Thomas' Day, 10:00 a. m., Holy Communion.

Cochran Chapel

Rev. A. Graham Baldwin, Minister

Sunday, 3:45 p. m., Program of Brass Choir Music; 4:00, Organ Recital of French Christmas Carols played by Dr. Pfatteicher; 4:45, Christmas Vesper Service, Speaker, Dr. Claude M. Fuess, Headmaster of Phillips Academy.

Free Church

Rev. Levering Reynolds, Minister

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 11:00, Nursery Class; 11:00, Morning Worship; 7:00 p. m., Alfred C. Church Club Progressive Supper.

Monday, 6:30 p. m., Interchurch Basketball League.

Tuesday, 7:00 p. m., Church School Christmas Party.

Wednesday, 3:45 p. m., Cub Pack Christmas Party.

Thursday, 3:45 p. m., Junior Choir Rehearsal; 6:30, Girl Scouts; 7:30, Senior Choir; 7:30, Standing Committee Meeting.

Friday, 7:00 p. m., Boy Scouts.

Saturday, 2:00 p. m., Sunday School Primary Department Christmas Party.

The Back Yard Gardener

A BIRD IN THE PAN

Two years ago when I bragged that my Christmas dinner was mostly home grown, I had ears pinned back by one Harry Mileham, then of Vermont now with the U. S. D. A. in Washington. He came back at me and listed at least four more home grown items on his Christmas dinner table than I had on ours. So of course I had nothing more to say.

This year, however, I'm betting dollars to doughnuts that we had something which Harry didn't duplicate or better either. It was one of my old hens roasted. She was a year and eight months old in fact, which is supposed to be just a bit old for roasting.

Im not kidding when I say that she looked as nice and tasted as fine as any capon or roasting cockerel I ever had. The idea of roast fowl was a new one to me, and here's how it came about.

The old hens had practically stopped laying so we had been taking them one by one and steaming them for Sunday dinners. As Thanksgiving approached, I decided to try to find a nice capon for roasting. Everywhere I called they were fresh out. I finally called Ralph Beaman who lives up Levett way, thinking he might have a young cockerel. I also wanted to

talk with him about getting some pullets, though I realized it was a bit late on that idea.

When I told Mrs. Beaman my predicament, she suggested a roast fowl. She said the idea had been passed along to her just a few weeks ago, and they had tried it with very good results. So Mum and I decided to try it for our Christmas dinner.

I picked out two of the fattest of the old fowls that I had left and killed and dressed one for ourselves and one for Mr. and Mrs. Ned Holland, our good neighbors to the north, since they wanted a small bird.

As I said before, I'm not kidding. Both roasted as nicely as you could wish. It was just as Mrs. Mrs. Beaman said, the fat in the old hen sort of self basted and softened the meat so that it was tender and juicy. We put them in the oven with the roasting cover on and steamed them for about one-half hour. Then stuffed them and roasted them in the usual way, being sure to give plenty of time to take care of the age of the bird. Mom decided afterwards that the stuffing should have been put in before the steaming. It would have been easier to sew the bird up.

From now on as long as I have old fowl on hand, we'll never lack roasting chicken. The squash pie and the three vegetables were all home grown.

Two Selected For Officer Training

Fred W. Doyle of 56 Chandler rd., has been selected for training in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps at Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., and Anthony Cavallaro, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cavallaro of South Main St., has been selected for training in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps at Tufts College, Medford, Mass.

Selecting these schools as their choice from fifty-two colleges and universities throughout the country, these young men are among the first to take advantage of the new scholarships offered by the Navy in its peace-time officer procurement program. The NROTC program includes a four-year education of the candidate's choice, with all expenses paid and an allowance of \$600 a year. After they receive their degrees, they will be commissioned as officers in either the

United States Navy or Marine Corps, and will serve on active duty for two years.

In January, 1947, another nationwide competitive examination for this opportunity will be offered to all high school seniors and graduates between the ages of 17 and 21. Application form may be obtained from high school principals, college deans, or the nearest Office of Naval Officer Procurement.

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BASKETBALL—

GREY DEFEATS MAROON TEAM

The Grey team defeated the Maroon team 28 to 28 in the Guild Senior League Basketball series last week, while the Orange team was defeated by the Green, 45 to 36.

The summaries:
Green—Points scored by: Morgan 12, MacDonald 4, Moore 18, Brennan 11, Boch 0, Cargill 0—Total points 45.

Orange—Points scored by: Monroe 16, McDonald 2, Davey 12, Knipe 4, Nicol 2, Books 0—Total points 36.

Grey—Points scored by: Ross 2, White 5, Morrissey 6, W. Morrissey 15, Kydol 6, Burnham 4—Total points 38.

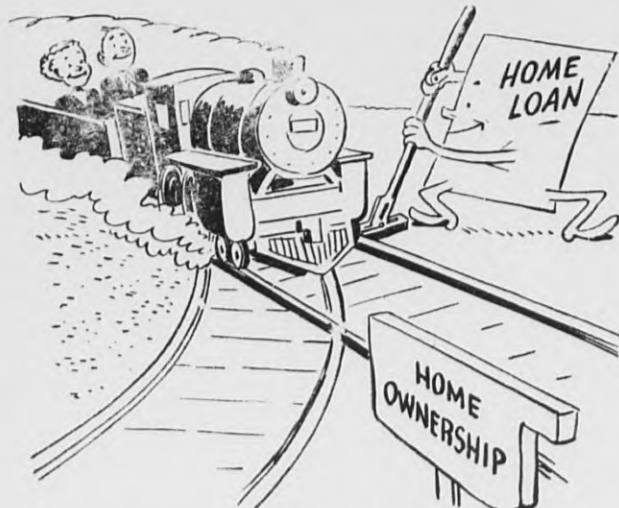
Maroon—Trechert 4, Mooney 4, Brodrick 3, Gordon 13, Anderson 4—Total points 28.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE GAMES

Scores for the Intermediate teams playing Tuesday put the Green ahead of the Grey, 39 to 31,

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and the Orange team ahead of the Maroon, 43 to 28.

The summaries follow:
Green—Points scored by: Carmichael 8, Middleton 4, Connors 15, Dwyer 10, Daly 2—Total points 39.

Grey—Points scored by: Lloyd 8, Ross 0, Beauchesne 0, Craig 14, Wellerberg 8, McNamara 1—Total points 31.

Orange—Points scored by: Noble 11, Chetson 8, Bernardin 16, Young 5, Eastwood 3—Total points 43.

Maroon—White 7, Kydel 10, Morocco 3, Barry 2, Lloyd 6—Total 28.

VETS VS. VETS

Morrissey was high scorer in the recent game between the Andover Guild Vets and the Lawrence Vets gaining 18 points for the local team. Davey was a close second with 16 points to his credit.

The summary:
Andover Guild Vets—Davey 16, Brennan 0, Anderson 10, Gordon 2, Monroe 6, MacDonald 7, Morrissey 18—Total 59.

Lawrence Vets—Kieval 4, Baines 13, Bauchman 6, Kiley 2, Marsh 12, Sullivan 4—Total 41.

INTER-CHURCH LEAGUE ACTIVE

Last Monday evening, Dec. 9, the second series of games in the Inter Church Basketball League were played. The B. Vale Congregational Juniors were defeated by the Christ Church Juniors 3-1. The St. August-

tines defeated the South Church Juniors 9-6. In the Intermediate games, the Baptists defeated the Christ Church 18-14; the St. Augustines defeated the Free Church 16-11. The Senior game was played between the South Church and the St. Augustines, with the South Church winning 16-6. The summaries follow:

Ballardvale Congregational Jrs.—Points scored by: Ferris 0, Lakin 0, Lawrence 0, Ness 1, McFarlan 0, Dykes 0, Nolin 0, Greene 0, Newcomb 0, Sparks 0, Naison 0, Buckley 0, Henderson 0, Lawrence 0, Nasion 0.—Totals points 1.

Christ Church Jrs.—Points scored by: Brown 0, Gale 0, McGrath 9, Bullen 0, Henry 0—Total points 1.

Christ Church—Points scored by: Watson 6, Northam 0, Young 0, Clinton 1, Collins 3, Anderson 0, Tomlinson 0, Northam 0—Total points 14.

Baptist Church—Wilson 5, Wetterburg 8, R Wetterburg 3, Otis 2,

Woodhead 0, Wood 0—Total 18.

South Seniors—Lloyd 0, Cole 0, Back 7, F. Back 6, Southwick 2—Total 15.

St. Augustine Seniors—R. Brooks 8, McCabe 0, White 0, Barry 0, Brogan 0, Morgan 4, Marocco 0, Dwyer 0, Morrissey 0, Conness 0, Bernardin 0—Total 6.

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It is probable that the Board of Public Works will hold up on the payment of the final \$5000 until the road resurfacing has been completed next spring.

Police Relief Group Disbands

The Andover Police Relief Association, which has operated since 1925, was disbanded at a special meeting Thursday evening. The fund will be divided among the members.

The intent of the move was apparently to cut down on the number of men who would share in the association's benefits. At present the association includes men who are no longer active in the police department; any future association would be limited to active officers.

Education Best Hope For India's Future

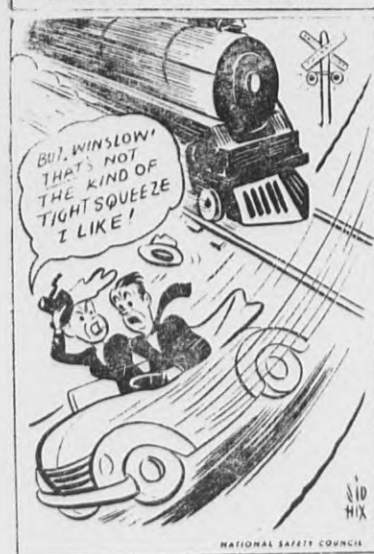
Dr. Eddy Asirvatham of Madras, India, now serving as an exchange professor at Boston University, spoke to the Andover Service club Thursday evening on "India, the Land of People." His talk followed a 6:15 dinner at Fieldstone's.

Dr. Asirvatham gave an over-all picture of the political feelings in India, the different classes of people and their aims in life. He cited the good and bad points of the British holdings in India and outlined a plan that he would like to have followed in settling India's difficulties.

The main issue, as he sees it, is education of the Indian people. The British Empire sponsors only a very incomplete system of education, which applies only to those whom they wish to employ.

Dr. Eddy is hoping that India will be able to have a constitution similar to the one in the United States, and that it would work from the same point that we started ours from.

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The Editor,
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Dear Sir:

Here is a copy of a note sent along to our President and Hon. L. Saltonstall today.

"We all know what should be done. A difficulty is in finding folks with the courage to do it."

The strength of Mr. Lewis, as was with Hitler, is the courage to act in the face of tremendous odds. The weakness of our Federal Government is its inability to put forth even a fair amount of the small amount of courage called for by and from its position to meet the acts of disintegration before it.

If I were President I would try this proclamation. Being bound to uphold the Constitution of the United States even unto bloodshed, and to insure the domestic tranquility and to promote the general welfare in the face of all disruptive forces from without and from with-

in, knowingly or otherwise, I hereby establish Military Law in the appropriate areas from which the present threat to the Tranquility and Welfare of our country pours forth. All able bodied men located in those areas shall at once report to the military authority presently to be made known in their areas, or be removed from that area so as to offer the least possibility of interference with the necessary operations there to be instituted, that of mining coal.

The Welfare and Tranquility of our Country most certainly comes before the welfare of any man, or group of men no matter how skillfully they have designed and succeeded in placing themselves in a position by which they may do injury to that Welfare and Tranquility in their desire to obtain superior amounts of power over other men.

This is a Country of much Freedom, to be sure. But that Freedom cannot be cunningly used as a means by which to circumvent, deny, corrupt, or otherwise place in danger the domestic Tranquility and Welfare of all the people.

Freedom, like all other devices, can be used by cunning artful men to kill itself. As soon as such schemes become apparent, then it becomes the first duty of the Government to correct or abolish them. This it may do according to the urgency of the situation.

The right of free speech is not a license to commit libel. The right to bear arms is not a license to establish a personal army. The right to vote is not a license to force one's will upon all comers. The right to drive an automobile is not a license to operate it at maximum speed and full power through a city street however urgent the driver's business. And so it is with the device called Strike. It is not by any standard of Reasonableness, Freedom, Fairness, Public Welfare, and Justice, a device which confers upon its users a license to ride rough shod over all those who happen to have good and sufficient reason for being on the road. It most certainly is not the will of the people, or of their Government that the Strike device be so perverted in a cunning and extreme use as to render the domes-

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