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Some Who Should, Don't

There were 25 high school students voted into town meeting on Monday night, most of whom were doing special work in social studies. As an introduction to the town democratic system at work, the meeting for the most part should have impressed the prospective citizens favorably, although they must have been slightly confused when, at the conclusion of the vote on the school committee appropriation, several members of the school faculties calmly left the auditorium.

The students are being instructed in civic responsibility, something that should be taught at an early age, but shouldn't it grow with the years?

Some Who Shouldn't Do

Other people voted into the meeting were: Charles Quinn, court stenographer, Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh of Osgood road, Donald Look, Townsman photographer, Miss Elinor Cole, also of the Townsman staff, and Atty. Thomas Burns, formerly of South Main street. There were no objections raised to the admittance of these visitors and their presence was in order. However, they were apparently not the only non-voters in the audience.

During a discussion of Town Meeting, a couple residing in Andover, but not voters in town, was questioned, "But how did you get in?"

"How did we get in?" was their surprised reply, "Why, we just walked in." As simple as that!

Bean Supper

A Saturday night baked bean supper is being served by the West Parish Men's Brotherhood on Mar. 22, in the church vestry. As the accommodations are limited to a seating of 125 people, the committee in charge asks that reservations be made by telephone as far as possible within the next few days. These reservations can be made by calling the home of Halbert Dow (1553).

The supper is scheduled for 6 p. m.

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Under the auspices of the Y's Men's Club of Greater Lawrence, Mr. Henry L. Scott, America's first concert humorist-pianist, has consented to appear at the Punchard Memorial Auditorium, on Monday evening, March 24. Mr. Scott, who has been appearing on the West Coast, comes well recommended, as he has in a very short time become the leading sensation of the concert humor world. Acclaimed by radio, stage and dramatic critics as the style master of the piano, Mr. Scott will present a diversified program of piano music pleasing to his entire audience. His impressions of famous pianists, his interpretations of modern music, from swing to boogie-woogie, and his playing of the music of the masters, including Liszt, Chopin, and Scarlatti, tend to entertain his audience with each person's individual taste in music.

Mr. Scott has appeared at the famous Rainbow Room in New York City, Town Hall and Carnegie Hall in New York City, at all of the leading colleges of the Mid-West and West, and has presented his concert in all of the principal auditoriums and music halls across the country.

Opening Concert

Percy Grainger will be the guest artist with the Cecilia Society at the opening concert of its 70th season, April 16, at Symphony Hall, Boston. The program, which will be conducted by Arthur W. Howes of the Phillips Academy faculty, ranges from 16th century choral polyphony to 20th century arrangements of folk songs and original compositions.

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Spring Frolic

The Punchard Alumni "Spring Frolic" comes on the first day of spring, March 21, and will be held at the Memorial gymnasium at 8. Tickets at 50 cents may be obtained from members of the committee or purchased at the door.

Not a One-Horse Town

It isn't too early to think about getting a derby to wear to the Horse Show, to be held in Andover on May 31 and June 1, at the farm owned by Howell Shepard on Dascorb road, Ballardvale. It's quite an exciting prospect, since it is some time since Andover has heard the pitter-patter of horses' feet on its paved streets—although there was a time.

A large committee is making the arrangements and includes: program and advertising, W. Crowley, F. Sparks, A. Cole, Jr., K. Sparks, S. Caldwell, C. Murname; trophy committee, H. Shepard, E. Buchan, G. Williams, F. Collins, K. Sparks; publicity, John Cole, A. Cole, Jr., R. Baker, R. Draper; general grounds committee, S. Caldwell, W. Collins, H. Shepard, E. Nolan, H. Amrey, G. Adams; grounds sub-committee on jumps, R. Greenwood, R. Greenwood, Jr., T. Deyermond, L. Hilton, L. Beaulieu, H. Brown, D. Simes, J. Connors; decorations, F. Sparks, J. Williams, Clyde Mears; buffet, W. Crowley, G. Adams, J. Moore, T. Madden; ticket committee, A. Cole, Sr., C. Murname, R. Greenwood, Sr., A. Cole, Jr., J. Moore, G. Williams, F. Sparks; seating, parking and ushering, G. Coutts, J. Cole, F. Nelligan, R. Baker, H. Colbath, W. Crawford; general office committee, L. Noyes, A. MacKenzie and G. Williams.

On The Square

Square dancing gets more and more popular as an indoor sport, and those who don't consider it a sport ought to go to the Free church the night of March 19 at 8:30 and see if the contortions that Harold Phinney puts his dancers through are or are not in the realm of sports.

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SUNDAY, MONDAY — March 16, 17

Earl Carroll Sketchbook

Constance Moore, William Marshall

3:15; 6:15; 9:15

Shadow of A Woman

Helmut Dantine, Andrea King

1:55; 4:55; 7:55

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY — March 18, 19, 20

Notorious

Ingrid Bergman, Cary Grant

3:00; 5:55; 8:50

Selected Short Subjects

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FRIDAY, SATURDAY — March 21, 22

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2:30; 5:25; 8:20

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Where Were The Leaders At Town Meeting?

We're really kidding ourselves a bit, aren't we? Theoretically, it is the most democratic form of government, but it takes human beings to run any form of government. Monday night, who were the human beings?

Well, really, there weren't any, were there? Nobody who could really lead things, nobody who could guide the meeting, nobody who really knew the answers to a lot of things that went unanswered, nobody who could help a bunch of taxpayers mend a hole in their pockets that's getting bigger and bigger every year. A thousand taxpayers went to that meeting. Some went with a few axes that they wanted ground, but most of them were there in a desperately futile hope that they could in some way reduce expenditures. They left the meeting knowing they had failed, but this year we think they had a little better idea as to why they failed.

We have an idea, too—and of course we're going to tell what our idea is—but first let's see who really did do the talking and acting at town meeting.

Telling It To Sweeney—

Our new moderator, to us, was a pleasant surprise. We hadn't known Arthur Sweeney too well—he'd been town counsel for a while, we'd printed now and then some probate citations from the office of Sweeney and Sargent, and once or twice we'd seen him at the Bay State Merchants where he holds the auspicious position of chairman of the board. From these meager runnings-into we had gained the impression that he was rather a severe person who might be a bit of a stuffed shirt handling a town meeting. We were wrong, very much so.

We liked his philosophy of running such a conglomerate mass as a town meeting. Ever since the day when John O'Connell back in depression times had told new moderator Fred Butler that we had always used a certain parliamentary procedure, and Fred out of the side of

that mouth of his had said, "This is the dawn of a new era," we had known that an indispensable part of town meeting was to have someone tell the moderator what could and couldn't be done under parliamentary law. Monday night was no exception. Moderator-initiate Sweeney was queried from the floor several times to this effect: "Under parliamentary law can you do what the previous speaker just did?" And the gavel wielder merely smiled and said, "Well, he did." We got the impression that this philosophy would help a lot in not making meetings too straight-laced; other things that happened gave us the further impression that when necessary the new moderator could give that gavel all the impetus it needed. It looks pretty good for future meetings. In fact, we feel that had the moderator's salary been voted on at the end of the meeting instead of the beginning, all those who had been telling it to Sweeney might have voted him a cost-of-living bonus so that his yearly remuneration would be \$10.39 instead of just \$10.00.

There's another duty the moderator has, and if Arthur Sweeney performs it as well as he took care of his first duty, town meeting members in the future won't feel that it's as futile as it definitely was Monday night. And that brings us down to the other personae of our annual meeting.

They Took Care of Their Departments—

Take Roy Hardy. As chairman of the town fathers he did a very commendable job for his various departments. He had the necessary knowledge and was effective in presenting it, although despite the information he advanced, the meeting did give the police and the fire departments more of a raise than the other town employees received. **Whether they deserved it or not, the town meeting didn't know.** Roy gave an explanation—but he was only one.

And then there was the school committee. Gordon Colquhoun carried the

ball for this group, doing very well for his first time at the mike. We're not too sure we liked the proposed economies, or the not too subtle reasoning that prompted the board to suggest such sympathy-raisers as the North school closing, the elimination of the kindergarten, or the giving up of veterans' education—but for the school board, a good job was done. **Whether it was right or not, the town meeting didn't know.**

For the public works department, there was Sid White. Sid's an old hand at it now—and you've got to give the fellow credit. He knows when to stop talking, he knows when just to make a motion and not talk, he knows what questions to answer and what questions to ignore. He does a grand job as front man for the Board of Public Works. **Whether it is right or not, the public doesn't know.**

The other department heads did pretty well. Bill Emmons, Frank Petty, Staf Lindsay and the other smaller departments just had to make their motions. Dick Abbott ran into trouble in his special requests. He got his saw, but talked too long on the other articles. **Whether it was right to defeat them or not, the public didn't know.**

But Who's Taking Care of Us?

Why was it futile? Didn't the departments do a good job in justifying their own requests? They did—they should. That's what we elected them for. They're taking care of their departments, but who's taking care of us? Where were the leaders who should look at the forest as a whole instead of just as a lot of individual trees? They weren't there. We didn't analyze Monday night—all we did was add, and keep on adding.

Now there's John O'Connell. He was really the only one who did much in the way of economy-talking from the floor. John's been doing it a long time, too—and he doesn't get anywhere. But he said something the other night that

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Why Are Questions Left Unanswered?

could have been said a little louder: "... the Taxpayers' association; incidentally, where is it?"

The school committee budget was the only one where there was any real wrangling. It wasn't reduced—but we're wondering about how some 400 people felt about it, 400 people who were at the meeting and didn't vote. We wonder perhaps if they weren't also wondering how they felt about it. We don't think they knew. We don't see how they could. John suggested a straight cut of some \$15,000 which would bring it down to an even quarter of a million. The school committee said it couldn't be done; others said it could; some others wanted to know how; nobody knew how. The finance committee thought expenditures could be cut, but thought maybe the school committee would know how. How could a poor fellow who hadn't investigated for himself really provide a good sensible vote on a question like that?

Where Was The T. P. A.?

Where were the Taxpayers' association? Why couldn't they have stepped into this breach, this big gap in our knowledge? Why is it that the public doesn't know? Why isn't there somebody to guide our town meeting votes? Why wasn't an investigation made beforehand? Why was the town meeting presented with the choice between a school department with all the money it asked for and a school department with a budget that it said it couldn't exist on? Why, meeting after meeting, have mothers arisen to say that their children must have the best regardless of cost, without anyone having some down-to-earth figures and facts to prove that merely spending more and more money each year doesn't mean giving the children the best and might even mean,

through shifting of emphasis to non-essentials, giving them something of less value than they'd been getting? Why was it that from all those present, only one, an ex-school-committeeman, could get up to say that he thought he could read between the lines of what the finance committee was getting at?

And why do we need a Taxpayers' association anyway? Its only purpose, if everything were run the way it should be, is to get taxpayers to attend the meeting, and to keep them organized behind a sensible program of economic town government. But to recommend the same as the finance committee is just an overlapping of functions and a duplication of work that has for years been nothing but a very superficial scanning of town budgets without much of an attempt at getting into the actual workings of the government.

A More Active Finance Committee Is Definitely Needed

We started out with the moderator, and we're going to end up with him. He's got a finance committee to appoint. We've said this before, and we haven't gotten anywhere with it except to get a few members of the finance committee a little peeved at us. But it's an important committee. It should be the most important committee at town meeting, but it can't be important unless it's an important part of town government all the year through.

Arthur Sweeney was chairman of this committee until his election as moderator decapitated it. Possibly he saw what we saw in our several years with the Taxpayers' association directors. Possibly he saw figures being submitted by the departments a few weeks before town meeting, figures which were as capably justified as they were Monday

night, but figures which that committee wondered about just as much as the town meeting members did.

He has to appoint a new committee of seven. One of them has to be capable of carrying the ball at town meeting—a good speaker, a quick thinker. Harvey Turner was that; he did a great deal of clarifying as finance committee chairman, but the trouble was that a third qualification was necessary: a knowledge of the real facts. Harvey didn't have that, because his committee hadn't looked far enough into it.

All seven of them have to be men who will give much more time than past committees have given. It's an advisory committee, but you can't advise unless you know, and you can't know unless you study, and you can't cram town government at the last minute. It's a year-round job: it's a job that takes time, courage, independence of thought, regard only for what is best for the whole town. It's a job that needs a follow-through to the very end, a continuous expounding of facts at town meeting, a continuous rebuttal of non-weight-carrying arguments.

We need leaders for our town meetings, Mr. Moderator. Please give them to us so that next year we'll have a real program lined up for reducing expenditures, a program that can be logically defended. This year there was a lot of fumbling; let's have some good ball-carriers next year, men who can represent the town as a whole as well as Roy and Sid and Gordon represented their departments.

Communications on any town subject are welcome, but they must bear the signature of the writer, although on request the name need not be printed.

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Y. W. C. A. CAMPAIGN GOES "OVER THE TOP"

Andover women who helped in the Greater Lawrence Y. W. C. A. campaign for the round-the-world reconstruction fund have been rewarded by having the drive go over the top. The quota for the Lawrence "Y" was \$1800, and \$2600 was raised in solicitation of residents of Andover, Lawrence, North Andover and Methuen. The

funds will be used in helping the Young Women's Christian Associations in 30 foreign countries to rehabilitate their organizations.

The final report of the campaign was given at a tea held at the Lawrence Y. W. C. A. Thursday afternoon, March 6. Mrs. Howell M. Stillman and Mrs. Ralph B. Wilkinson were co-chairmen of the drive and sponsors of the tea. Mrs. Stillman presided. She expressed her appreciation to all who assisted in making the campaign a success.

Guests at the tea were the president of the Y. W. C. A., Mrs. George E. Brown, the board of directors, members of the staff, and the solicitors in the drive.

During the afternoon the Junior Carollers under the direction of Mrs. Linda Kocher sang a medley of Stephen Foster's songs, with Mrs. Kocher as accompanist and Miss Audrey Connall as reader.

The tea table was attractive with an arrangement of acacia and yellow candles. Mrs. Ernest L. Wilkinson and Mrs. Carl W. Knightly poured.

Mrs. Roland H. Sherman and Mrs. George B. Thomas directed special gifts for the drive, and sponsors included: Rev. and Mrs. George E. Brown, D.D., Rev. and Mrs. A. Graham Baldwin, Attorney and Mrs. Joseph F. Bagicalupo, Miss Marion Barker, Attorney and Mrs. Michael J. Batal, Mr. and Mrs. Walter V. Demers, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gagne, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Gaunt, Mr. Russell Knight, Attorney Irving W. Sargent, Attorney and Mrs. Roland Siskind, Mr. and Mrs. Abbot Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Wade, and Mr. and Mrs. Irving E. Rogers.

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MARKETING with Marjorie

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STRETCHING EXERCISE FOR MEAT

To make one lb. of ground beef serve 6 people, combine it with 1 medium onion (chopped), 1 can of vegetable soup and 2 cups of SUNNYFIELD RICE GEMS. Season, pack into baking dish and bake in a moderate oven, 375° F., 1 hour. You get extra nourishment as well as extra portions by using SUNNYFIELD RICE GEMS as a meat extender, because they contain precious vitamins and minerals. Serve them often for breakfast, too. They're thriftily priced at A&P.



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SHAMROCK SALAD

Come St. Patrick's Day, stuff green peppers with softened cream cheese tinted green, chill 4 hours, cut in 1/4" slices and arrange in threes like shamrock leaves, with strips of pepper for stems. Pretty as a colleen . . . and delicious with this dressing: Blend 1/2 tsp. mustard, 1/2 tsp. salt, dash of cayenne and 2 tbsps. sugar with 1 cup undiluted WHITE HOUSE MILK; add 1 tbsp. vinegar gradually, stirring till thickened. Smooth? Of course—thanks to creamy-rich WHITE HOUSE MILK from the A&P. Try it!

CAKE THAT TAKES THE CAKE

Do your cakes crack, hump or have tough crusts? Then chances are you use too much flour. Be careful to measure accurately. Sift and spoon flour lightly into cup without packing down. Level cup with knife. For lighter, finer-textured cakes, be sure to use SUNNYFIELD CAKE FLOUR from the A&P.



Punchard Memorial Fund Needs Bolstering From Loyal Alumni

The Punchard Alumni association is planning to place the order for a memorial plaque for the Punchard men who died in the service of their country during World War II. The association is

making every attempt to include the names of all Punchard graduates and former students who paid the supreme sacrifice, and would welcome any additions to the present list in order that it may be a complete record.

WOMAN'S UNION NOTES

The Woman's Union of the Free church has been actively engaged in a project for refinishing the church kitchen. Each of the eight circles is raising the sum of \$50 towards new dishes and utensils and the general project will continue until the kitchen is entirely renovated and restocked.

Mrs. William Orr is chairman of the committee, and will be assisted by representatives from each circle.

The March 5 meeting was attended by 57 members and was the largest gathering so far.

Slides of Tougaloo college were shown as part of the program. The Union is packing a box of dormitory supplies and clothing to send to the Missionary school under the chairmanship of Mrs. Thomas Dea.

The executive board met on March 10 at the home of Mrs. Leslie Christison, and the program for the remainder of the current year was arranged. The date of the 1947 church fair was set as November 14.

The April 2 meeting of the Union will be a Lenten devotional meeting with Rev. Levering Reynolds, Jr., in charge. All Free church people and friends are invited to attend.

Name	Class
Bourassa, Emile L.	1939
Brown, David B.	1936
Brown, David W.	1942
Burrige, George T.	1934
Colizzi, Frank R.	1942
Dombrowski, Walter J.	1931
Drouin, Norman A.	1939
Edmands, Allan C.	1929
Flaherty, Leo J.	1938
Gauthier, Arthur	1936
Gage, Kenneth A.	1939
Guild, Edward P.	1940
Haigh, Robert	1938
Hamlin, Gilbert	1943
Hayward, Ralph L.	1942
Herrick, Roger M.	1934
Hamilton, Andrew	1940
Hill, Edmund B., Jr.	1937
MacLachlan, Gordon	1937
Mears, Gordon	1942
Medolo, Paul V.	1941
Morgan, Francis J.	1922
Neil, John W.	1942
Reading, John W.	1938
Reidy, Paul D.	1945
Ryan, Thomas A.	1936
Thomas, John H.	1938
Valentine, Charles	1945

All alumni who have not yet contributed are requested to do so in the very near future, as it is hoped that the plaque will be placed in the Punchard entrance hall by Memorial day of this year. The cost of the memorial is considerably higher than the present fund, and any contributions, either large or small, will be helpful. They did not fail us.



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MRS. CATHER

The funeral (McNamara) S chael J. Stack, following a lon from her hon street Monday high mass of in St. Augu Very Rev. Th O.S.A., as cele B. Smith, O.S Rev. Matthew I as sub-deacon. Born in Ir ago, the decea Andover for th Surviving a Joseph Stack Thomas A. St dover; two da E. Cox of And F. McCall of grandchildren and nephews. Burial was cemetery, wher ducted the con The bearers Timothy Madde Martin Darby, John Collins.

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A high mas offered in St. Ballardvale, W for William T. Sunday at th torium followi ness. Rev. Hen officiated, and Augustine's ce The life-long lardvale was em man by the Bos road at Lowell years, and also mail carrier be fice and the t He is surv Catherine (Qui nephew, Franl burg. The bearers Herman Pfeiff Edward York, John Sweeney.

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MRS. CATHERINE STACK

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine (McNamara) Stack, widow of Michael J. Stack, who died Thursday following a long illness, was held from her home at 38 Pearson street Monday morning. A solemn high mass of requiem was offered in St. Augustine's church with Very Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty, O.S.A., as celebrant, Rev. Henry B. Smith, O.S.A., as deacon, and Rev. Matthew F. McDonald, O.S.A., as sub-deacon.

Born in Ireland eighty years ago, the deceased has resided in Andover for the past 68 years.

Surviving are two sons, John Joseph Stack of Andover and Thomas A. Stack of North Andover; two daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Cox of Andover and Mrs. Esther F. McCall of Pennsylvania; nine grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Burial was in St. Augustine's cemetery, where Father Smith conducted the committal services.

The bearers were John Trainor, Timothy Madden, Charles Sheehan, Martin Darby, Robert Stack and John Collins.

WILLIAM T. CAFFEY

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The bearers were Joseph Lynch, Herman Pfeiffer, Joseph Comber, Edward York, Edward Daley and John Sweeney.

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The funeral of Mrs. Lila May (Campbell) Davison, wife of Hedley I. Davison, was held from the late home on River street, Ballardvale, Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. William S. Crawford, pastor of the Ballardvale Methodist church, officiating.

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BIRTHS

A daughter, Ingrid Hoel, March 4, to Rev. and Mrs. Felix Danford Lion of Dunkirk, N. Y. The mother is the former Eva Hoel of Andover. The grandparents are Rev. and Mrs. Herman F. Lion of Marlboro, and Mr. and Mrs. Nils Hoel of Andover.

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In what was going to be said;
For after the meeting was over,
Some of the hopes would be dead.

Voices deep and sonorous
(Wonder who **that** could be?)
Feminine voices and southern,
Rose to the gallery;
Soprano, alto, and tenor,
A town meeting symphony;
Everyone giving opinions—
Small-town democracy.

Of course for the school committee
Everyone had a plan,
Though they didn't fall into the fire,
They're still in the frying pan.
Another thing sizzled slightly—
That was the chief's sedan;
The much-hoped-for salary question
Was only an "also ran".

The part that really hurt was
Committees trying to duck
Questions about economies,
When money's nip and tuck.
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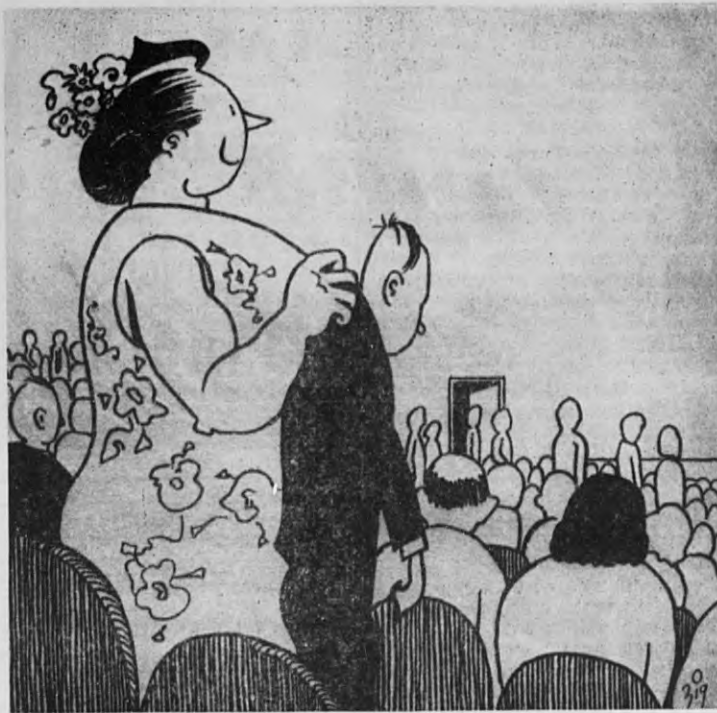
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THIS SOBER TOWN . . .



We're both voting contrary-minded, aren't we, dear?

Drawing by Z. KUPIS

Gentlemen, Be Seated

The New England town meeting has become the most dameocratic form of government.

We really saw this with our own eyes. She was sitting three seats away from us, and her husband was right behind her. Before the house was the motion to reduce the school committee expenditures, and a rising vote had been asked. She sat and we looked around to see what her husband was doing. He was up on his feet to express his opinion in favor of reducing expenditures, but all of a sudden a dazed look came on his face as he sat down with considerable emphasis. The motivating power came from a feminine arm, and until the vote had been counted, that arm pressed firmly downward against his. We could imagine him saying under his breath: "So this is American democracy at its purest."

When the contrary-minded stood up to support the school committee request, we looked around again; both of them were on their feet.

Either we've got to have the Australian ballot at town meetings—or we men had better start a movement for male suffrage.

Stingy—not Sting-y

The Townsman is emphatically back of the movement against race discrimination. Last week one of our linotype operators came in to ask if we were sure we wanted to use the word "niggardly" in a story.

Let the Door Open, Harold

There have been lots of tear-jerk speeches at town meetings, and

people have been moved by them. But we think that Harold Houston had the most moving experience in town meeting history when that big machine-operated stage door found Harold seated comfortably in its path. It just couldn't be denied as it continued on its inexorable way; for the first time in town meeting history a voter yielded the floor to a door.

SNUFF SAID?

One of our male teachers, with an ill-fitting down-the-nose attitude, asked our assistant editor after town meeting what "up to snuff" meant, of course referring to our comment last week that "neither Punched or the Junior high were 'up to snuff.'"

Sorry that this well-known American idiom was beyond the knowledge of this particular teacher. In order to help him understand it, we'll define "not up to snuff" as "not what they should be," "not up to par," "not giving our youngsters the kind of education they need." Is that plainer? In the Navy they'd probably say, "Snafu."

We heard one youngster say this week he was glad that the school appropriation wasn't cut, because now they can put on a gym exhibit like the one the Springfield college team put on a few weeks ago. Quick—hand us our snuff-box!

TAXPAYERS' DEAL

For a while it looked as if the school committee and finance committee were passing the buck. Unfortunately in such cases, it's always the taxpayer's buck.

Wage Boost and Uncut Budgets Make Tax Rate Soar — and Soar

O'Connell Unsuccessful in Tightening Taxpayers' Purse Strings

Andover citizens were feeling pretty flush Monday night at town meeting and without too much ado passed all articles in the warrant approved by the finance committee, even going so far as to approve a disapproved article in the supplementary warrant giving the Tree department a \$750.00 appropriation for a power chain saw and upping the recommended cost of living bonus for the Police and Fire departments from an amount not to exceed \$4.00 per week to a permanent raise of \$250.00 per year. All other full-time town employees except the School department will receive the bonus not to exceed the \$4.00 amount.

Elected town officials whose salaries are affected by the \$200 cost of living bonus are: town clerk, who will receive \$2600; collector of taxes and town treasurer, who will both receive \$2950; the moth superintendent and tree warden, the combined salary of which is now \$52.00 per week. The salaries of other elected officials remain the same.

Departmental

The amounts recommended by the finance committee under Article 4 and all duly approved by the voting body were also increased to accommodate the raises as follows: American Legion, \$600; Veterans of Foreign Wars, \$600; Armistice Day, \$150; Memorial Day, \$1,125; Aid to Dependent Children, \$8,700; Veterans' Services, \$8,800; Old Age Assistance, \$50,000; Retirement Fund, \$10,000; Damages to Persons and Property, \$2,000; Elections and Registration, \$2,700; Insurance, \$11,600; Essex T. B. Hospital, \$10,484.82; Recreation, \$7,104; Public Dump, \$1,200; Printing Town Report, \$943.50; Selectmen, \$2,438; Treasurer, \$3,710; Collector of taxes, \$6,091; Accountant, \$4,300.50; Assessors, \$7,769; Town Clerk, \$3,890; Moderator, \$20; Town Counsel, \$750; Finance Committee, \$20; Planning Board and Survey, \$200; Dog Officer, \$225; Animal Inspector, \$350; Building Inspector, \$550; Town Scales, \$425; Inspector of Wires, \$425; Sealer of Weights and Measures, \$450; Municipal Buildings, \$6,170; Infirmary, \$9,800; Moth Suppression, \$6,220; Police Department, \$42,347; Fire Department, \$56,190; Brush Fires, \$1,800; Interest, \$4,933.75; Retirement of Bonds, \$41,000. The Public Welfare was cut from \$10,500 to \$7,000 upon the amendment of John O'Connell, who advised that the difference could be made up by approving Article 47, under which the town later voted to accept a gift of \$3,834.25 to be used for welfare purposes.

The departmental appropriations were also approved with their increases as follows: Tree Warden, \$9,300; Board of Health, \$5,072; Care of T. B. Patients, \$5,000; Trustees of Memorial Library, \$23,659; Spring Grove Cemetery, \$14,434; School Committee, \$267,131.

Appropriations under control of the Board of Public Works in the following amounts included increases: Highway Maintenance, \$53,120; Water Maintenance, \$49,100; Parks, \$5,000; Sewer

Maintenance, \$5,960; Snow Removal and Sanding, \$1,800; Trucks, Garage and Repair Shop, \$10,160; Street Lighting, \$20,000; Engineering, \$1,500.

Stenographic excerpts from the meeting follow:

Article 2: Edward P. Hall was elected trustee of the Cornell fund for three years.

Article 3: To establish salaries. Mr. Hardy proposed "that a general wage increase not to exceed \$4.00 per week to any individual be granted to all full-time employees except as hereinafter noted, and that funds to meet the increases referred to be included in the departmental budgets. This additional compensation, a cost of living bonus, shall start April 1, 1947, and end March 31, 1948, unless extended or altered at the 1948 annual Town Meeting. This increase does not apply to the school department."

Mrs. Minzner: I am speaking in behalf of the Police Department and from the figures that have been given to me, I find that the police force of Andover are the lowest paid anywhere around Greater Lawrence, and therefore, I think that they should have at least a \$300.00 per year increase. After all, they gave such an increase to the employees in the mill, and we should pay that sum to men we respect and look up to, and who are intelligent enough to act as policemen. Therefore I make a motion that the Police Department be given an increase of \$300 a year.

Mr. Hardy: In justice to the citizens of Andover I wish to offer a few facts and figures and opinions upon which the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen has been based. It is rather embarrassing to be put in the position of minimizing any feeling the town may have over and beyond the \$4.00 per week figure. There is no question that the cost of living has increased considerably since March, 1946. With that in mind, we endeavored to arrive at a figure that we thought would be fair

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School Committee Runs Town Meeting Gamut

to all the employees of the town. Now, the town budget is increasing each year, as you well know. If the recommendation of the selectmen goes through, the police department will have been increased 11% above average. The 1946 figures for 22 towns of our size show that Andover has advanced from tenth to fifth. In 11 years our wages have increased from \$287,000 in 1936 to \$487,000 in 1946, or \$200,000 in 11 years. The value of our property increase was \$300,000. This increase would amount to \$16 on our tax rate if we had no help from state and government sources. In a survey of ten comparable towns, the average in Andover before this increase was \$41.00 less for the regular men and the chief \$238.00 less. The fire department shows the same. The police, of course, have some advantages that others do not have. They retire five years earlier and their pensions are given in full effect. We have 25 individuals on our pension lists today. The average pension of expolicemen and firemen is \$103 per month. The average pension of remaining employees on pension is \$48 per month.

The other side is this. The wage that we have recommended is less than the actual cost of living increase of last year. We also admit that the difference between the police and fire pay and the average town employee's pay is less now than it was ten or eleven years ago. They have caught up with the other departments.

Mr. Philip Allen: The thing that worries me most is that it is a cost of living bonus. I would like to see this made a permanent raise. I have had a good deal of occasion lately, and I know everybody else has, to notice the increase in crime, and we have between us and a lot of trouble, eleven men in the police department, eleven men who now get \$47.00 per week, if they have been in the department for five years. That is not take-home pay. That is the maximum from which, of course, withholding taxes are drawn. I feel that in justice to the job which they have to do, and the job that we expect them to do, and the job that we also expect of the fire department, they should be recognized by a payment rate that is sufficient, and I would suggest that this \$4.00 per week be made permanent. I would like to see it \$5.00 a week to bring it within at least shouting distance with what the police in Reading and Stoneham get. It just seems to me that we ought to look at our own town and make up our minds once and for all whether we are going to have a good police force made up of more members. It's hard to get them when they can go over and get a much higher wage in the mills, and I feel that it is only just that we should raise them up over \$50 so that their take-home pay can be enough to keep them going.

Mr. O'Connell: I believe with Mr. Allen that it should be not only \$4, but \$5. I would like to make it \$10. I would like to ask the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen through the Moderator whether there is any new source of income this year that might help to pay this well-deserved increase in wages.

Mr. Hardy: I know of no great increase in the real estate which makes up the greatest part of our income.

Mr. O'Connell: Mr. Hardy answered intelligently as he always does, that this is coming from real estate. There are requests here for the running of the town for approximately \$600,000. Of that amount, the astonishing figure of \$595,000 is to be received on taxes on real estate. The other taxes come from you people who do not happen to be burdened with real estate. I am heartily in favor of the increase to policemen. I am not rising to protest this well-deserved increase, but to ask that you people watch for the rest of the evening.

Leo Daly: I quite agree with Mr. O'Connell that we do have to watch the budget and be very careful about it. On the other hand, I must agree with Mr. Allen that a permanent raise for both the firemen and the policemen is in order. When you stop to consider the pay of \$42 per week in these days for the work they have to perform, it is unduly small. Consequently, I feel as Mr. Allen does that a \$250 increase, a permanent increase, would be in order. And a permanent increase in the police department would amount to \$2,448, or 16 cents on the tax rate, and an increase to firemen would amount to \$3,269.23, or 21 cents on the tax rate. All in all, you can say that it would figure about 37 cents on the tax rate, and I think these men, who are intelligent, and who do an excellent job, deserve it. I think it is well to remember that recently the police had an examination, and in the town of Andover only twenty people thought the job

was worthy enough to take the exam. Of those that passed, one refused, one accepted, and one was forced to take it by some strong arguments on the part of the chief. I think that is a sad story on the part of the police department, and I think a permanent raise should be given to both departments. I so move.

(Motion was passed as amended.)

Article 4: Departmental budgets. Amounts were voted as printed above. Significant excerpts from the talks follow:

Mr. O'Connell: I would like to draw to the attention of the voters an astonishing and disturbing situation which disturbs me very much. This is an enormous appropriation of our school, which we always regret after we have voted, but never put a brake upon. The appropriation in 1933 was \$138,000. Today it has doubled in 14 years. Notwithstanding that, you will notice that we have 58 less pupils than we had 14 years ago. I know the costs go up, there are increases in every department, new ideas are brought in. Notwithstanding the fewer number of pupils more teachers are employed and no talk of retrenching. I thought there was a slight whispering of curtailment when the Finance Committee found in the library appropriation a recommendation that their appropriation be cut \$2,000 and you must have thought as I did that they would cut 10% off the school committee. But doesn't it occur to you sometimes that perhaps with a little justifiable pruning on the enormous sum of 1/4-million, they could find opportunity to take care of this raise in wages? Does any man or woman here think that he or she

couldn't go on to the school committee and see an opportunity to cut out, say 20,000 dollars and bring the appropriation down from the shocking 1/4-million sum? In fact, everyone who ever runs for school committee says: "I'm going to show them." When they do become members, they are lost in the amiable kindnesses of the other members, and you never hear any suggestion of curtailment. I'm not trying to be funny. Musn't we stop sometime and say: "We don't know where the money is coming from." I was hoping that the Finance Committee and the Taxpayers' Association would recommend that we curtail some of these things and start with this enormous sum which they have here now. If they cut it down 10% as they cut down the library committee, all right, but I don't think 10% is the right amount to suggest curtailing. Supposing we had the audacity to suggest to this committee of nine competent people that they curtail their appropriation to a small 5%, \$13,000, bringing it down to 1/4-million, and then let's say another year: "don't go above 1/4-million until you explain why you're doing it. I move an amendment to the item, Mr. Moderator, for the consideration of the voters. I move that the sum be \$250,000, a miniscule reduction, and say to the School Committeemen: "Work within that!"

Mr. Colquhoun: Before this motion is passed upon I would like to call to the attention of the town, two or three things. You have just passed a motion, a \$4.00 per week increase to the town employees. That means \$208 per year. The school teachers were awarded the school teacher's bonus of only \$150 per year. In other words, you have already cut our budget \$5400.00. If the motion of Mr. O'Connell goes through, some curtailments would have to be made, as follows:

We would have to close the North School starting September 1st, which would mean a saving of \$1600 per year.

We could give up the kindergartens starting the first of September, saving \$3200 per year.

Veterans' education service would have to be curtailed, saving \$1,000.

Between now and the first of September it might be possible for us to reduce our teaching force a possible three. Any figure such as Mr. O'Connell mentions would greatly curtail your school department for the coming year.

Mr. O'Connell: That is the standard reply. But if you give them the money and say "Live within it," they'll do it.

Mr. Mondale: I would like to have Mr. O'Connell say why he picked the school department and not the police or fire department, who give him special services.

Mr. O'Connell: We've got to start somewhere!

Mr. Mondale: The Andover schools are not paying anywhere near an equivalent to what schools are paying teachers elsewhere. To prove that point, you'll only have to ask your school board members how many teachers they have lost in past years because of higher pay in other towns.

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Where To Cut?

Somebody: Does the finance committee agree with the statement made by the school committee?

Mr. Mill of the Finance Committee: In addition to various things that have already been mentioned, in our suggestions we mentioned a re-grouping of school years. In our opinion, certain savings could be made by going from the 6-3-3 system to a 6-6 system.

Mrs. Minzner: I wonder how many of the taxpayers in this hall have children going to the public schools. I can't see where there is any sense in cutting the budget and depriving our children of getting a good education. If you want your children to go out on the street, vote for the amendment. But if you want your children taken care of as children should be taken care of, vote for the budget.

Some Man: Why do we spend ¼ million on education in the town of Andover and have to send our children to Lawrence for an education?

Dr. Stowers: We should bear in mind a couple of angles that haven't been mentioned. I am in favor of reducing the school committee budget. I think Mr. O'Connell has chosen the method which the TPA and finance committee don't say anything about. It looks to me as if the TPA or finance committee had thought the reduction was feasible, they would have recommended such a cut. I believe we can vote against Mr. O'Connell's motion without indicating that we want the school committee's expenditures to keep on the way they have been going.

Mrs. Minzner: There's a difference of 58 pupils from 1932 to 1947. I would like to ask the school committee if there are three less teachers now than there were in 1932. There is a place where we could economize. And another thing, the difference between \$211,000 and \$250,000 for school supplies is a lot of money. When you are balancing your own family budget, you have to cut out some things. The children don't need new books every year.

Some Man: I think that somebody should speak from our tax committee here in town. I am a member of the TPA. I think we should hear from somebody in that association.

Mr. Treanor: Why doesn't somebody in authority explain the 6-6 and the 6-3-3 systems to us?

Finance Committee: 6-6 means 6 elementary grades and 6 secondary. The present system is 6-3-3, which is primary, junior high, and senior high.

Somebody: I should like to ask how much could be eliminated from the budget by that process?

Mr. Colquhoun: We're not in a position to give that.

Mr. Houston: As a former member of the school board I should like to say that I know what these people are going through. They're trying to give your children everything possible that they should have under the circumstances. I don't believe that they're wasting your money, and I think the children should have the best that we can give them.

Dr. Stowers: I think the difficulty is that we're on a very delicate subject. The finance committee suggests that there might be a

possibility of retrenchment, by a change from 6-3-3 to 6-6. Having been a member of the school committee for seven years, I perhaps can read between the lines. I might take the opportunity to interpret between the lines, because I think this is the finest thing that has happened for a long time, that we ask some questions about the school committee. This sum which we have here of \$267,000 is what the school committee would like to have.

If now and then questions are asked, it is a good thing. We can cut out some luxuries. In my opinion the kindergartens are a luxury. We have here in the high school and junior high not over 750 pupils. We run them as two separate departments, and with two separate principals, highly paid men. I don't know the exact cost, but it probably costs around \$8,000 to run these two schools. There's no earthly reason why we need two principals. I believe they could be co-ordinated under one man at one salary, and get better co-ordination and better co-operation. But it is a delicate subject because we now have two principals whom we don't want to fire or offend.

Mr. Hammond: The representatives of the TPA met with the school department not once, but two or three times. It was an earnest endeavor on our part to get information. I made up my mind I wasn't going to speak. I got on the floor about three years ago and said that we had practically the highest cost of a school system in Massachusetts. I was laughed at at the time, but the next year the school committee admitted it. They said the high cost was due to the fact that we didn't have pupils enough. That, of course, is foolish. We're high cost, and if anybody says that our cost is not high, there was an article in The New York Times the other day that gave teacher salaries, and of course school teachers' salaries are a topic of everyone's discussion these days. The New York Times had an article that gave all the states of the Union, and Massachusetts was almost at the top on teachers' salaries. We can show you that Andover is right up at the top in Massachusetts. Now, if our pupils in Andover went out into the world and into the business world where they have to go—they can't all go to college—and if you can show me that Andover children are better prepared than most of the other children in other communities, then I will humbly beg your pardon. I think Andover pupils should be well-educated. I think, for the money we're spending they should be awfully well-educated. There are apparently communities around here who educate their children at lower rates. I don't want to sit here year after year after year and see the budget increasing. No doubt there are things that have grown year after year, but there comes a time when it will be well to stop it. We have not had the answer yet.

What are we going to cut out? A number of tender subjects are brought before us, the closing of the North school, or the kindergarten. We ask about the salary of teachers and if the teachers are all we could wish for. "No," it seems they are not. Then why give



"THIS STREET SLIPPERY WHEN WET" and it was wet Monday morning. The Ford sedan pictured above skidded on Lowell street when trying to slow down to avoid hitting the preceding car. It hit both the car and telephone pole.

(Look Photo)

POLICE BLOTTER

Chicken-Hearted

John Carroll of Woburn street, Ballardvale, reported that someone was trying to enter his chicken coop about 11:45 p. m. March 8 and again at 8:15 p. m. March 9. An investigation was made but no feather snatchers were discovered.

Accident

Investigating a report of an accident on Lowell street at 7:45 Monday morning, Officers O'Brien and Davis found a Ford sedan with New Hampshire plates wrapped around a telephone pole and a second car, a Ford coupe, parked about a 100 yards away on the opposite side of the street. The operator of the coupe, Mr. J. Spurr, of Groveland, stated that he was driving West on Lowell street, traveling

from 20 to 25 miles an hour because of the condition of the road when a second car came up in back of him driving much faster. In attempting to slow down, the second car skidded into him and then into the telephone pole.

The operator of the damaged car, a Mr. Spaulding of Lowell, was taken to the hospital and suffered lacerations and abrasions. The rear of the coupe was also damaged.

them a bonus? "That's not the way to get rid of teachers," they say. I'm not prepared to tell you how this budget could be cut. We simply try to get at the root of it to see what could be cut. We are successful in other budgets. That budget can be cut and I believe it can be cut and the children of Andover will get a good education if the school committee get together and make up their minds that the people of Andover WILL BE SERVED.

Mr. Baldwin: I would like to ask Mr. Hammond exactly what he would propose be the significant cut in the school budget. Also, whether or not he believes that a school system can bring and hold good teachers if they do not follow the policy of tenure which most good communities do follow.

Mr. Noss: We have had it suggested that the school board cut its budget by 17,000 dollars. But no one has had the courage to tell just how to cut it, I would recommend that unless they tell how that money can be saved, we turn it down.

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Hit and Run

Monday evening at 9:45, a hit and run driver struck the Ford sedan owned by Miss Florence Abbot of Abbot street while it was parked on Main street near Dr. Look's residence. Miss Abbot was attending Town Meeting. The driver was traced by Officers Lynch and O'Brien to a rooming house in Lawrence. He was Ernest H. Bradden of 91 Salem street. The front of his car was damaged and Miss Abbot's car was pushed onto the sidewalk.

Mr. Bradden was fined \$35.00 in court.

Parking on Park St.

Chief Dane announced that as a result of the report of the traffic committee at Town meeting Monday night, a tightening up of parking regulations would be ordered. Double parkers will receive only one warning from the local police instead of two before being required to appear in the Lawrence District court. The Lawrence court issues one warning but a fine will be placed on second offenders.

In the near future, one hour parking on Park street will be instituted and the police plan to place signs to that effect on the street. It is expected that further steps will be taken to try to eliminate congestion and provide parking areas conveniently located.

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Mr. O'Connell: In answer to my good friend, Dr. Noss, I don't know how to cut it down, but I think if I were a member of the school committee for six or seven years I'd know how.

Dr. Stowers: I thought I indicated a way. (Meaning one principal.)

Mr. Colquhoun: May I ask Dr. Stowers a question, please. How much would that cut the budget?

Dr. Stowers: I explained that I did not know how much because I did not know just how much the salaries were. I assumed that the two salaries would aggregate \$8,000. I would presume that you could save \$3,000.

Mr. Colquhoun: The saving of \$3,000 would cut the budget only \$3,000, not \$17,000.

Dr. Stowers: I would like to ask him how much it would save. What is the present salary of the two men?

Mr. Lovely: Having had quite a good deal to do with education, I know that you will find that if you had one head for the school, you would have to have a sub-master or two part-time sub-masters with 750 pupils.

Mrs. Hatton: I would like to speak as a mother who has a son in Junior high school. I would like to say that my son does not get new books every year. My son has a Latin book at home with several pages out which he has to borrow. Those with sons know that there's nobody in the world like them. They need somebody that is well-versed in their ways, someone who is educated particularly to take care of them in school. I think that it would be a great misfortune to do away with the Junior high school to save a few pennies from everybody's pocket.

Mr. Zecchini: We have two of the finest prep schools in the country here in Andover. Do we want public schools comparable to those two schools? Do we want to have our cake and eat it, too? If you compared our child delinquency problem with the tremendous problem in other communities, we're way ahead of them. In regard to the kindergartens, there are a great many people who cannot afford to send their children to private kindergarten, and it is democracy for everyone to have the same.

The vote was taken as follows:
To reduce the budget 331
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Action was taken on the remaining articles as follows:

Article 5: Voted to raise and appropriate \$12,000 for a new pump intake suction pipe.

Article 6: Voted to transfer from available funds \$27,000 to extend and improve the sewer system.

Mr. White: If this money is voted by the town, the Board of Public Works, with the approval of the other boards, will be able to furnish sewerage facilities to both ends of Pine street and to that end of Elm street from the neighborhood of Cheever Circle to the new siphon installed two years ago, and the three streets in Shawsheen not now connected. . . . The average return would be between nine and ten thousand dollars, which would come in over a period which might be as long as ten years.

Article 7: Voted \$1,200 with the turn-in of the 1942 Plymouth sedan for a new automobile for the police department.

Article 8: Voted \$480 for purchase and installation of underground conduit and cables at the Main and Chestnut street traffic lights.

Article 9: Voted \$1,800 for automobile for the chief of the fire department.

Article 10: Voted \$1,000 for purchase and installation of a new fire alarm transmitter.

Article 11: Voted \$500 for purchase and installation of oil burners in the Ballardvale fire station.

Article 12: Voted to sell the property known as the Osgood school.

Article 13: Withdrawn.

Article 14: Withdrawn.

Article 15: Voted to accept a deed of land and rights for reservoir purposes.

Article 16: Voted to sell certain parcels of land acquired by tax taking.

Article 17: Voted \$3,000 for Chapter 90, Highway Maintenance.

Article 18: Voted \$1,200 for a new Board of Public Works car.

Article 19: Voted \$5,000 for new sidewalks.

Article 20: Voted \$4,000 for a new Board of Public Works dump truck.

Article 21: Voted \$11,000 to continue the enclosing of Rogers brook.

Article 22: Voted \$6,000 for rebuilding or re-conditioning Stevens street bridge.

Article 23: Voted \$4,500 to erect a garage at the bottom of Lewis street for the Board of Public Works.

Article 24: Withdrawn.

Article 25: Voted \$750 to install drain pipe on Lowell street.

Article 26: Voted \$2,500 to widen Shawsheen road.

Article 27: Voted \$1,500 to improve the Ballardvale playground.

Article 28: Voted \$1,000 to straighten and rebuild section on Greenwood road.

Article 29: Voted \$600 to purchase land at the end of Lewis street.

Article 30: Voted against B.P.W. vacation allowances earned in 1942.

Article 31: Voted \$900 to maintain state-aided vocational education.

Three School Board Terms Expire

Next March; Only One To Be Chosen

One fundamental change in the town's government was made by Monday evening's town meeting vote, which changed the school committee from a large board of nine members to one of five members. The reduction will be effective by only electing one next year, one the following year, both for three-year terms, and in 1950 one member for two years and two for three years. Thereafter two, two and one members would be elected in the successive years for three-year terms.

Next year there will be available for the one position the three present members, Chairman Arthur R. Lewis, Gordon C. Colquhoun, and Barbara A. Loomer.

The following year the three incumbents who will be available for the one position will be William A. Doherty, Rev. John S. Moses, and Dr. Malcolm B. McTernan.

In 1950 the three incumbents whose terms expire will be Dorothy Partridge, Katharine Baldwin, and Vincent Stulgis.

Article 32: Voted \$2,500 to grade and pave playing surface for Shawsheen Village school yard.

Article 33: Voted to accept provisions of act authorizing increases in pensions payable to certain retired public employees.

Article 34: Voted \$600 for power lawn mower for Spring Grove cemetery.

Article 35: Voted to purchase land known as Pump's Pond bathing beach.

Article 36: Voted \$1,500 to improve bath houses at Pump's Pond.

Article 1, Supplementary Warrant: Voted \$750 for power chain saw for tree department.

Article 2: Postponed action.

Article 3: Postponed action.

Article 37: Voted to accept the completion of Princeton avenue, Shawsheen Heights.

Article 38: Voted \$1,450 to erect retaining wall on Green street.

Article 39: Postponed.

Article 40: Postponed.

Article 41: Voted \$2,650 to extend water main along County road.

Article 42: Postponed.

Article 43: Postponed for study and report at next town meeting.

Article 44: Defeated payment of bill of \$49 for snow plowing services.

Article 45: Voted to reduce school committee membership from nine to five. In 1948 elect one member for three years; in

1949 elect one member for three years; in 1950 elect one member for two years, two members for three years; thereafter, one, two and two members to be elected in successive years for three years.

Article 46: Voted to accept \$3,785 for perpetual care of lots in Spring Grove cemetery.

Article 47: Voted to accept gift of \$3,834.25 and interest from Andover Emergency committee for welfare purposes.

Under transactions of other legal business the town voted expenditures amounting to \$100 or over should be let out on bid. Past procedure has been to call for bids on amounts of \$50 or over.

Voted to instruct the special committee on water and sewerage to make a study of the sewer department, particularly in regard to the loss of revenue through leakage.

Voted that the school committee ascertain the cost of an impartial survey of school department after the manner of the Strayer system made in Boston in 1944.

In the absence of Samuel Resnik, Chester Holland presented the report of the traffic committee, which made the following recommendations:

One-hour parking on both sides of Park street; open the Shaw property for parking area; that the selectmen arrange with the Eastern Massachusetts street railway company that the buses go to the top of Andover hill to make the turn and eliminate the traffic condition at Punchard avenue and Main street; correction of inadequate lighting conditions in some sections of town; that the police enforce the double parking ban.

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Bank Women Meet

Miss Bessie A. Coutts of the Andover Savings Bank is attending the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Association of Savings Bank Women at the Hotel Statler in Boston, March 14.



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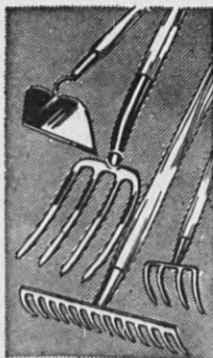
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CHINESE DIPLOMAT AND BIOGRAPHER SPEAKER AT NOVEMBER CLUB GUEST NIGHT

Dr. H. H. Chang, distinguished Chinese diplomat and biographer of "Chiang-Kai-Shek: Asia's Man of Destiny" will lecture at the annual guest night of the November Club next Monday evening, March 17, at 8:15. Dr. Chang's subject will be: "China, The United States and the New Pacific."

It is Dr. Chang's opinion that economic co-operation can be established between the United States and the Far East. "Trade with China," he says, "has enormous possibilities. China's resources are so vast that she can afford to export huge quantities of raw materials in payment for manufactured goods."

"My government," he adds, "is making plans to invite foreign capital in, not on the old-fashioned basis of exploitation, but in the fervent desire for co-operation on both sides."

Born in China, Dr. Chang, at the age of 23, earned the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Harvard University for his brilliant thesis, "Matthews Arnold and the Humanistic View of Life." At one time or another he has held positions as acting president, dean of the College of Arts or professor in practically all of the leading universities in China. As Counsellor and Director of the European-American Division he helped introduce many radical reforms in the Chinese Foreign Office.

Appointed as perhaps the youngest Minister Plenipotentiary to Europe, he successively served as China's representative in the capitals of Portugal, Czechoslovakia and Poland. He returned to China shortly before the outbreak of war in Europe. He later came to the United States from China's wartime capital, Chungking, and was working as Special Assistant to Dr. T. V. Soong up to the time that Dr. Soong returned to China as Acting Premier.

As an author Dr. Chang has contributed to the "Atlantic Monthly," the "Yale Review" and the "North American Review". He was the founder and editor of the most widely read English language weekly in China, "The China Critic." He is now working on another book, "The Chinese Approach to Peace."

Central P. T. A. To Have Stowe Tea

The Stowe school tea will be held Wednesday afternoon, March 19, at 3 o'clock in the music room of the Junior High school.

Miss Marguerite Gourville, Dean of Women at Lowell Teachers' College, will speak on the part social studies play in citizenship training. There will also be musical selections.

Mothers are then invited to visit the classrooms to talk with the teachers and to observe the pupils at work.

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Mothers, Too

Memorial Hall library invites all children of the ages three, four and five to bring their mothers to a picture-book story hour in the Young People's Room of the library on Wednesday morning, March 19, from 10:00 to 10:30. All are welcome.

Model Planes

Model airplanes will be on exhibit in the Young People's Room of the library from March 15 to March 29. Boys and girls in grades 1 to 9 who would like to display planes that they have made are asked to bring their planes to the Young People's Room on Saturday morning, March 15.

NEW BOOKS

The following new books have been added to the collection at the library:

When I Was a Child

Wagenknecht, ed.
A compilation of autobiographical material that is a record of the childhood adventures of 39 leading American and British authors. Hudson, Mark Twain, Hergesheimer, Lincoln Steffens, Yeats, Scott, Ruskin, Adams, Bliss Perry, Mary Ellen Chase, Dickens, Sir Edmund Gosse and many others are contributors.

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Norman Rockwell, Illustrator

Guptill
If you've ever laughed over the covers of the Saturday Evening Post and wondered how Norman Rockwell creates such human, lovable characters, this is definitely your book. Aside from the procedures of making the actual drawings there is a complete run of his Post illustrations to date.

"Dear Fatherland, Rest Quietly"

White
Life Magazine sent this famous woman photographer, Margaret

Bourke-White, to Germany to search for "Faceless Fritz"—cable shorthand for one of Life's assignments that meant to track down the private German citizen, to find out what sort of human being, multiplied by millions, made up the Nazi terror. This, the result of her search, is shocking!

Land of Promise: The Story of the Northwest Territory

Havighurst
Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and part of Minnesota, all share in this study of the early northwest.

The Cherokee Nation

Starkey
In the late 1830's the U. S. Government tried to transplant the Cherokee Nation from Georgia and nearby states to the Mississippi region, eventually Oklahoma. Here is the tragic tale of the enforced march along that "Trail of Tears."

All God's Children: A Jew Speaks

Cohen
In the belief that a greater harmony and cooperation between Christian and Jew would stem from a keener understanding, Rabbi Cohen proceeds to give a brief history of the Jewish people and comments on the charges made against them.

Walker Fox Hounds

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The origin and development of this famous breed of fox-hounds. Dog fanciers will enjoy this very much.

Hardy, the Novelist

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Pathfinders of the World

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Missionary Crusade
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War Poets

Williams
An anthology of the war poetry of the twentieth century. World War I and war poems by civilian poets as well as those on the fighting fronts are included. Photographs of many poets.

Greenhouse Gardening for Everyone

Chabot
All that you need to know about gardening under glass—where to place your greenhouse, how much time to allow for its care and upkeep, what you can expect from it, growing directions and calendars and tables for planting. The author is a contributor to many well-known magazines — Better Homes and Gardens, Flower Grower, New York Times, etc.

Showman of Vanity Fair

Stevenson
A full-length portrait of William Makepeace Thackeray, from the time he came to England, a ten-year-old boy from India, until his death in 1862. In these pages he comes to a vivid reality. All those who shared his personal and literary life walk through the pages. The author, long a student of Thackeray, is professor of English at the University of Southern California.

NEW BOOKS AND RECORDS ARE GIFTS OF EVENING STUDY GROUP

Through the kindness of the Andover Evening Study Groups at the Philips Academy, the purchase of a number of books has been made possible by the Memorial Hall library. A good part of the books ordered through this generous gift may be seen on display in the main reading room of the library. Reserves may be made for any material there. Among the titles on display are the following:

The Romance of Tristan and Isolt
North and South
Lectures on Psychoanalysis
A Street in Bronzeville
A Word in Your Ear
The Dinosaur Book
The Roots of American Loyalty

Jonathan Draws the Long Bow:
New England Popular Tales and Legends
Psychological Frontiers of Society
Arts of the South Seas
An Iceland Fisherman
Time of Man
A History of American Philosophy

All These People
The Chinese Mind
The Mode in Hats and Headdress

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The purchase of several classical recordings, the beginning of a collection for music lovers, has also been made possible by this gift. These have been selected and may

be borrowed the same as a library book.

Leonore Overture No. 3 Beethoven
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Variations on a Theme by Haydn
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St. Augustine's Church

Rev. Thomas A. Fogarty, Pastor
Sunday, Masses at 6:30 8:30 9:45 (High) and 11:30 a. m. Benediction after 11:30.

Free Church

Rev. Levering Reynolds, Minister
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 11:00, Nursery Class; 11:00, Morning Worship; 7:30 p. m., Union Lenten Service.
Thursday, 3:45 p. m., Junior Choir. 6:30 Girl Scouts. 6:30 Pilgrim Fellowship Choir. 7:30, Senior Choir.

Christ Church

Rev. John S. Moses, Rector
Sunday, 8:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 9:30, Sunday School; 11:00, Morning Prayer and Sermon; 7:30 p. m., Union Service at the West Parish Church.
Monday, 3:30 p. m., Girl Scouts; 7:45, Girl's Friendly Society.
Tuesday, 4:00 p. m., Children's Service; 8:00, Vestry meeting.
Thursday, 10:00 a. m., Holy Communion; 7:45 p. m., Litany and address, preacher, Rev. Lawrence Blackburn, of Lowell.
Friday, 6:45 p. m., Boy Scouts.

West Church

Rev. Newman Matthews, Pastor Emeritus
Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Morning Worship; 10:30, Church School in the vestry; 7:30 p. m., Union Lenten Service.

South Church

Rev. Frederick B. Noss, Minister
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School and the Junior Church; 9:30 a. m., Men's Group, Prof. Manuel Pinto, speaker; "Is Mexico a Democracy?"; 10:45 a. m., Morning Worship and Sermon; 10:45, Church Kindergarten; 11:15, Educational Motion Pictures; 6:00 p. m., Young People's Society; 7:30, A Service of Evensong at the West Church, with the co-operation of the Andover Male Choir.

Monday, 7:30 p. m., Junior King's Daughters; 7:45, Lenten Class at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Whittemore, 122 Chestnut street.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., The Prudential Committee; 8:00, Ping Pong Club.

Wednesday, 10:30 a. m., Twenty-eighth Annual Inter-Church Day; 1:15 p. m., WWeek-Day School of the Christian Religion; 2:00, Minister's Confirmation Class; 7:00, Minister's Confirmation Class.

Thursday, 10:00 a. m., All-Day Sewing Meeting of the Women's Union; 7:30 p. m., Church Choir.

Friday, 7:15 p. m., Troop 73, Boy Scouts.

North Parish Church

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; 11:00, Nursery Class; 11:00, Morning Worship and Sermon; "Foreign Heaven."
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Inter-Church Bowling League; 8:00, Discussion Group Meeting in the Parsonage.
Thursday, 3:00 p. m., Junior Choir Rehearsal.

Union Church

Ballardvale
 Rev. Arnold Kenseth, Minister
Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Church School; Primary Department in the Vestry, Junior Department in the Church; 11:00, Morning Worship and Sermon.

CANTATA AT UNION SERVICE

In a service especially appropriate for the Lenten season, the senior choir of the Free Christian Church will sing the famous cantata, "The Crucifixion," by Sir John Stainer at a Union Service to be held at the church on Passion Sunday, March 23, at 7:30 p. m. The solo parts will be sung by members of the male section of the choir, and the whole choir will join in the choral numbers. Those who will sing solo parts are: John Petrie, James Gorrie, John Carver and James Gillespie. This will be a Union Service of the Protestant Churches of Andover, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Birth

A daughter, Tuesday, at the Lawrence General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chlebowsky, 98 North street.

ONE DANGER

Old Lady — What's the matter with the little boy?

Street Urchin (whimperingly) — 'Fraid.

Old Lady—Afraid? Well, I do declare. I didn't know you street urchins were ever afraid of anything, seen or unseen, in this world or the next.

Street Urchin — Yes, we're afraid of each other.

Projector is Project of Ballardvale P. T. A.

The Ballardvale Parent Teacher Association is making sure that the Bradlee School is not behind the times, and for the past six weeks has been sponsoring paper drives, bridge parties and other events to raise enough money for a movie projector for the class rooms. Other progressive schools are equipped with projectors used in audio-visual programs and have proven to be successful educational aids.

To date the association has amassed \$115, which is a long way from the purchase price of the projector. However, the committee, with Mrs. George Forsythe as chairman, has extensive plans for the Spring months.

A Stanley party is planned for March 20 at Mrs. Forsythe's home on Chester street. A telephone bridge will be held on March 27 at the following homes: Mrs. John Wilson's on Andover street, Mrs. Bart Smalley's on Hall avenue and Mrs. John Crawford's on Tewksbury street. A door prize and other prizes will be offered.

Plans are also underway for a rummage sale in April and a benefit movie will be sponsored at the Andover Playhouse at an early date.

Mrs. Bart Smalley, Mrs. John Crawford, Mrs. Anthony Lumenello and Mrs. Pauline MacFarlane are assisting Mrs. Forsythe on the committee.

V. F. W. Auxiliary Elects Officers

Mrs. James McCord was elected president of the Veteran of Foreign Wars Auxiliary at the business meeting held Wednesday night. Other officers elected were: Junior Vice Commander, Mrs. Fred Yancy; treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Folley; chaplain, Mrs. Charles Spinney; conductress, Miss Agnes Waldie; guard, Mrs. Agnes Waldie. Mrs. Alex Blamire was appointed secretary.

The election of a senior commander will take place at a later meeting.

Members are invited to attend the District meeting to be held in Salem at 3 o'clock, Sunday afternoon. Delegates are planning to take the 1:35 bus from Lawrence.

LEADERS, ATTENTION!

There will be a training session for Girl Scout leaders, assistant leaders, and troop committee members next Thursday evening at 7:30 in the committee room of the Memorial Hall library. The meeting will be under the direction of Mrs. Marion E. Lebourveau.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. MacLachlan, 26 Pasho street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Ellabeth, R.N., to Rev. M. Allen Gibson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Gibson, Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Miss MacLachlan is a graduate of Punchard High school and Newton Wellesley Hospital School of Nursing. Previous to entering training, she studied at Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Rev. M. Allen Gibson is a graduate of Wolfville High school and Acadia University in Wolfville,

Nova Scotia, and the Newton Theological Institute, Newton Center, Mass.

The engagement of Miss Virginia Ann Walen to George Baldwin Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Richmond Walker of Concord, was recently announced by the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dean Walen of Salem street.

Miss Walen was graduated from the Shipley school, Bryn Mawr, Pa., and is now a student of the Museum School of Fine Arts in Boston. She also attended Abbot Academy and Pine Manor Junior College. She made her debut in June, 1945.

Mr. Walker was graduated from the Belmont Hill School and was in the class of 1945 at Yale University. He served three and a half years in the U. S. Navy.

A June wedding is planned.

AND TIRED OF IT ALL

The downhearted private walked into the orderly room one morning to sign the sick book.

"What's the matter with you?" asked the sergeant.

"I'm ill and sick," sighed the downhearted private.

"What do you mean, ill and sick?" grunted the sergeant.

"Oh, just ill-treated and sick of the army."



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Playing one of the finest games of a brilliant season that scored 12 victories and only three defeats, the Punchard basketball team piled up 37 points in its first try in the Eastern Massachusetts Schoolboy basketball tournament Tuesday afternoon, at the Boston Garden, only five points behind Somerset, its opponents in the first round of the Class C competition.

Somerset led at the end of each quarter and the score stood 33-20 as the teams went into the fourth. During the last eight minutes of play, the local hoopsters rolled up 17 points to Somerset's nine, but did not make up the victor's advantage.

John Yancy was high scorer for Punchard with a total of 12 points. Bruce Noble accounted for nine and Bob Deyermond gained seven. Other scorers were Craig, Demers and Dubois.

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Rotsko, c	6	5	17
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Totals	16	10	42

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Yancy, c	5	2	12
Dubois, f	0	2	2
Noble, f	4	1	9
Totals	15	7	37

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THEY DIDN'T WIN — But they made a brilliant try in winding up a successful season by their first entry in the Eastern Massachusetts Schoolboy tournament in Boston Garden. Front Row, left to right: Herbert Deveaux, Dighton Emmons, Ronald Demers, Glen Noble, Bruce Noble, John Yancy, John Craig, Clifford Dubois. 2nd Row, left to right: James Gillan, Fred Dwyer, Walter Lloyd, Fred Cole, Lawrence Morocco, Fred Lloyd, Robert Beauchesne, Robert Deyermond. 3rd Row, left to right: Robert Wetterberg, Robert Hall, Jack Barry, Paul McVey, Richard Kydd. Coach Kenneth McKiniry is shown in the inset.



**Girl
Scout
Notes**

Celebrate Birthday

Troop 27 celebrated the 35th birthday of Girl Scouting at their meeting held Wednesday afternoon, which was the actual day of the anniversary of the founding. Ann Merchant, patrol leader, presided over the meeting and presented the following speakers; Judith Maddox, who told about the life of Juliette Lowe, the founder of the organization; Christine Beduvakis, who spoke on how the Girl Scouts were founded; and Ann Sanborn, who told about the tea program fields, Roberta Johnson arranged an exhibition of the work done towards first class rank.

Mary Garabedian was taken into the troop, and received her tenderfoot pin. Several members were awarded badges for their first class rank.

Refreshments were served by the hostess committee consisting of Priscilla Tompkins, Deloras Bragdon, Mary Waddington, Priscilla Batchelder.

Parents and friends attended the meeting.

Troop 36

Members of the troop will meet Saturday to go on a trip through the Jersey Ice Cream plant in conjunction with badge work. The following week the troop will visit the Memorial Hall Library.

Marilyn Davis will receive her Second Class badge on Saturday.

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Attending Convention

Among the many top operators and officials of the Massachusetts Restaurant Association who are planning to attend the Annual Convention in Chicago, on March 25 to 28, is Andrew J. Crotty, a vice-president of the National Restaurant Association and a director of the Massachusetts Restaurant Association.



BRIDE-TO-BE HONORED

Mrs. Albert Carpentier of Dunbarton street, recently entertained at her home in honor of Miss Dorothy A. Olds, R.N., of Methuen, who is soon to become the bride of Ralph J. Houtte of Methuen. The bride-to-be was presented with a number of personal gifts. A buffet luncheon was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. George W. Desmet.

Births

A son on Thursday, at the Lawrence General Hospital to Dr. and Mrs. William G. Weiss, of 2 Kensington street. The mother was formerly Vera Bauer.

A daughter on Thursday at the Lawrence General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Brien of 19 North Main street.

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West Parish...

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stevens and family of High Plain road, enjoyed a family dinner party with Mrs. Stevens' brother's family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thresher of Malden, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James King and family of Westford were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peatman of Cutler road.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Carter of Lowell street, enjoyed a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bartlett of Dedham on Friday.

Friends of Robert Scobie of Lowell street, will be sorry to learn that he is ill at his home. At the present time he is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Edwin Strain of Melrose has sufficiently recovered from her recent illness to spend the past week end with Mrs. Karl Haartz of High Plain road.

Seaman A/C William Barron of Ft. Miles, Lewes, Delaware, recently spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Barron of Virginia road.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger H. Lewis of Laurel Lane, attended a Tea on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Newell in West Newton.

Mrs. Halbert Dow has returned from a several days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Winton Ramsay of Centerville.

Mrs. Margaret Fulham of San Francisco, Calif., is spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fraser of Haggett's Pond road. Mrs. Fulham is Mrs. Fraser's mother.

SKIING PARTY

The following West Andoverites enjoyed excellent skiing conditions at Bristol, N. H., over the past weekend: Mr. and Mrs. Granville Cutler of Shawsheen road, Mr. and Mrs. John Gorrie of Lowell street, Miss Olive Butler and Miss Virginia Batcheller of Lowell street.

Local

Dr. and Mrs. T. D. Pratt of Abbot street, were weekend visitors at the Barclay in New York City.

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Inter-Church Mission Rally at South Church

On Wednesday, Mar. 19, the 28th Annual Inter-Church Missionary Rally Day will be held at the South Church, beginning at 10:30 in the morning. This meeting has been planned by the Missionary Committee of the Women's Union of the South Church. The committee includes: Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. Wilfred Lord, Mrs. Harold Harshaw, chairman, Miss Fannie E. Davis, president of the Women's Union will preside.

The morning session will open at 10:30 with a greeting of welcome by Rev. Frederick B. Noss, followed by a Devotional service, led by Mrs. William Burnham of the Free Church. The speakers of the morning will be: Mrs. Henry Birnstein of the Baptist Church, on the subject: "The Missionary Crusade"; Mrs. Guy B. Howe of Christ Church will speak on: "Missionary Work of the Episcopal Church."

A box luncheon will be held at 12 Noon. Coffee will be served.

The Afternoon session will begin at 1:30. The Devotional service will be conducted by Mrs. Leslie J. Adkins of the West Church. The speaker of the afternoon will be Miss Mabel E. Emerson, secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, who has recently returned from a six months' trip to the Near East. She will speak on the work of the American Board in this field which will include, Turkey, Greece, and Syria.

The meeting was changed to Wednesday this year to accommodate women whose church meetings regularly occur on Thursday in the Greater Lawrence area. It is hoped there will be a large representation from the Lawrence Churches as Miss Emerson is so well known in this vicinity, having been a former resident of both Lawrence and Andover.

In Benefit Concert

Miss Jean Stillman of 39 Morton street, member of the violin section of the New England Conservatory Orchestra, will play in a concert in Jordan Hall, Boston, on March 19, for the benefit of the scholarship fund.



Andover D. Scout-o-rade

The following Scout-o-rade members will be at the Scout-o-rade: Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. Wilfred Lord, Mrs. Harold Harshaw, chairman, Miss Fannie E. Davis, president of the Women's Union will preside.

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Boy Scout Notes

Andover District Scout-o-rama

The following is the program of the Scout-o-rama to be held in Phillips Academy Cage on Saturday afternoon, March 29. District Commissioner Walter C. Caswell will be Director, and Neighborhood Commissioner Ronald R. Reader, referee.

1:30 P. M. Exhibits—Each Pack or Troop will set up a table against the wall on Highland avenue side of the Cage, and present either a demonstration or display exhibit of their own choosing. Exhibits may be set up on Saturday morning, but must be completed by 1:30 p. m., so visitors may view exhibits before assembly.

2:15 Assembly — Assemble on hall field if fair, otherwise in Cage. Packs, followed by Troop numerically with own colors.

2:30 Parade and Opening Ceremony—Pledge of Allegiance (colors front and center). Law of the Pack. Scout Oath. Welcome by District Chairman V. Malcolm Laitinen. Distribution of numbers. Take stations for competitive events.

3:00, Cub Events—Relay Race (10-man team); Tug of War (10-man team); Sack Race (open event, all Cubs).

3:30, Scout Events—Knot Tying, (8 knots, 8 men). Compass Relay (16 points, 8 men); Semaphore Signaling (4 man team); Morse Signaling (4 man team); First Aid (6 bandages, 6 men, 1 patient); Flint and Steel Fire Lighting (open event).

Note: Troops supply own equipment for all events.

5:00 Closing — Awards by Committeeman Norman L. Miller.

Troop Winning Most Points: One week at Camp Onway; Second: \$5 gift certificate.

Pack Winning Most Points: \$5 gift certificate.

Best Troop Exhibit: \$5 gift certificate.

Best Pack Exhibit: \$5 gift certificate.

Ribbon prizes will also be awarded to individuals winners.

Pack 71—Shawsheen School

The Dens presented a program on Wednesday evening at the Shawsheen Parent Teachers Association monthly meeting. The program was in charge of Den Mothers Mrs. Raymond E. Pearl and Mrs. G. Edgar Best of Den 1, Mrs. Linden P. Vaughan and Mrs. Arthur Mooney of Den 2; Mrs. Francis Henrick and Mrs. H. E. Dawson of Den 3, and Mrs. Leo Daley and Mrs. Frank Killilea of Den 4. New recruits to the Pack are Paul Archambault of Den 1 and Kenneth Hill of Den 4.

Troop 71—Shawsheen School

The troop met Monday evening, Mar. 10, with Scoutmaster Everett MacAskill in charge. Following a brief business meeting the troop practiced for "Scout Night" which was held at the Shawsheen Parent Teachers Association' meeting on Wednesday.

Troop 72—Free Church

Troop 72, under the direction of Scoutmaster Edmund Lorrre will enter the District Scout-o-rama on March 29, and will have an exhibit.

Troop 75—St. Augustine's

The troop plans to enter an exhibit at the District Scout-o-rama and the scouts are preparing for the competitive events under the leadership of Scoutmaster Justin L. Rex.

Troop 76—Ballardvale

Troop 76 did not meet on Thursday evening, March 6. The next meeting will be announced by Scoutmaster P. W. Moody. The troop plans to enter the District Scout-o-rama on March 29 at Case Memorial Cage.

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Atom Bomb

Cord Meyer, Jr. of Cambridge, former aide to Capt. Harold Stassen at the San Francisco U. N. Conference, and authority on world federation, addressed the students of Phillips Academy at morning assembly last Thursday. Pointing out the grave danger to the atom bomb to our entire civilization, Mr. Meyer urged the establishment of true world government before it is too late.

Mr. Meyer's address was sponsored by the Andover chapter of Student Federalists, a recently formed group of Phillips Academy boys who have pledged their efforts to world federation.

Convention

Mr. L. Denis Peterkin, head of the Latin department of Phillips Academy, will be host this year to delegates to the forty-first annual convention of the Classical association of New England. Delegates will be housed in three Andover dormitories and part of the Andover Inn from March 27 to 29.

The convention committee expects about 150 delegates to the conference, from most of the schools and colleges in New Eng-

land. Problems and methods of teaching the classical languages will be discussed.

The opening meeting will be in George Washington Hall, Friday, March 28, where the delegates will be welcomed by Mr. Peterkin and will listen to an address by Dr. Alexander Rice, president of the association.

The evening address at the annual dinner will be given by Professor H. J. Cadbury of Harvard, who will speak on "Revising the English translation of the New Testament."

Join Naval Reserve

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"Peck's Bad Boy" Was Bad; Dramatization Was Good

For two days, a group of Junior High youngsters were awfully nervous. They were the cast of the Junior High School Dramatic Club's presentation of "Peck's Bad Boy". The play, directed by Miss Ansl Angelo, had the following cast: Henry Peck Sr., Allen Wood; Henry Peck Jr., Brian Caldwell; Mrs. Peck, Nancy Gleason; Jimmy Duffy, Dawn Dunn; Minnie, Polly Paradise; Luella Thorn, Nancy Schulze; Clifford Jennings, Walter Tomlinson; Melville Beaumont, Kent Donovan; Lizzie, Barbara Gibson; Dahlia, Ann Smith; Schultz, Peter Dunlop; Dora, Gretchen Clement; Flora, Joan Pearson; Lora, Regina Levin. This large cast turned in a wonderful performance both Thursday afternoon and Friday evening. The

lighting was in charge of Mr. Benjamin Dimlich, assisted by Dorothy Dodge.

The play was concerned with the trials and tribulations of a young boy whose father had married again to a woman whom the son disliked intensely. And what was worse, he wasn't told about it, as he was away at school. He attempted to get even with his father, and even more so, his step mother, and succeeded in making a general pest of himself. All this, of course, with the audience's knowledge, and to their extreme delight.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in Ruth F. McNamara of Andover in said County, (widow) an insane person.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Rita F. Darby, of said Andover, guardian of said ward, praying that the Court will determine the amount of money which she may further expend from the funds of said ward, for the purposes set forth in said petition.

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 thirty-first day of March 1947, 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-seven.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register
(6-13-20)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Thomas F. McNamara late of Andover in said County, deceased.

The administratrix of said estate has presented to said Court for allowance her first and final account.

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 thirty-first day of March 1947, 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-seven.

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register
(6-13-20)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Frank A. Buttrick late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Lillian M. Buttrick of Andover in said County, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her 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-fourth day of March 1947, the return day of this citation.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register.
Rowell, Clay & Tomlinson, Attys.,
301 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass. (6-13-20)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in John W. Sharpe of Andover in said County, a person under conservatorship.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Arthur N. Sharpe, conservator of the property of said person, praying that the penal sum of the bond given to said Court by said conservator may be reduced to \$500.00 or to such other sum as said Court may seem proper.

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 seventeenth day of March 1947, the return day of this citation.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register.
Perley D. and B. E. Smith, Attys.
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The following pass books issued by the Andover Savings Bank have been lost and application has been made for the issuance of duplicate books. Public notice of such application is hereby given in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 590, of the Acts of 1908.

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Andover Grange Meets

Andover Grange, No. 183 met in Grange Hall on Tuesday evening. "Neighbors' Night" was observed and visitors from the following Granges were represented: North Reading, Wilmington, Billerica, North Andover, Methuen and Middleton. The speaker of the evening was State Senator Phillip Allen. He spoke of his experiences in the State House and also gave readings from "Mr. Dooley's" writings. Refreshments were served.

Joins Staff Of Senator Lodge

Frederick Butler, Jr., son of Mrs. Frederick Butler, 111 Main street, left town on Friday for Washington, D. C., to join the staff of U. S. Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., as an assistant secretary. Mr. Butler recently graduated from Babson Institute where he studied business administration.

On Dean's List

Miss Mary J. Cleary of 54 Red Spring road, has been named to the Dean's list at Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia for high scholastic attainment during the first semester. She is a graduate of Punchard High School.

Speaker on Pharmacy

Robert A. Walsh of 19 Wolcott avenue, a faculty member at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, recently spoke at Stoneham High School on the subject of "Pharmacy as a Profession." Mr. Walsh holds the degrees of Ph.G., and Ph.C., and is an Assistant in Biology and Pharmacology at the College.

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FACTS ABOUT TOWN TAXES

In digging out the facts concerning local affairs and how they are carried on, the first town tax study sponsored by the League of Women Voters last Friday afternoon outlined the income and expenditures of the government and their relation to the community and to other communities of a similar size. The finance administration, its personnel the system of budgeting and accounting and the dept policy were discussed at length with town treasurer Thaxter Eaton supplying the information supplied by the League members.

A second meeting will be held this

Friday in Memorial Hall library at 2:45 with Roy Hardy, chairman of the board of Selectmen and Assessors, present to describe the town's policy in regard to the general property tax, its administration and method of evaluation.

The concluding meeting to be held on March 21 will evaluate the material learned during the study and the general public is invited to be present. Mrs. Ralph Spector is chairman of the committee conducting the study.



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contributors, the local merchants and the schools whose support and generosity made Andover's high quote possible.

Birth

A daughter Sunday at the Lawrence General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. George Franz of 9 Maple ave.

Joins Fraternity

Richard H. Moody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy W. Moody of Holt road, has been initiated into Zeta Psi fraternity at Brown University.

A graduate of Phillips Andover Academy, Moody was active in baseball, football, track and also wrestling.

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