

The ultimate result of shielding men from folly is to fill the world with fools.
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The illusion that times that were are better than those that are, has probably pervaded all ages.
—HORACE GREELY

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VIEWS OF THE NEWS

By LEONARD F. JAMES

Two days from now a further step in the establishment of the Four Freedoms was to have been instituted—at least, that was the promise on paper. Two years ago the Dutch announced their intention of setting up under the Dutch crown the Netherlands Union of Holland and the United States of Indonesia as equal partners. Last it be thought that post-war agitation forced this upon the Dutch under pressure, it should be remembered that Queen Wilhelmina outlined the general terms of such a union in Dec. 1942. As she pronounced it then, the general plan was to be similar to the British Commonwealth of equal partners in a free association, with Holland, the Netherlands East Indies and the Netherlands West Indies as equal members each enjoying full self-government.

Democracy Scuttling Democracy
Two days from now that union will not materialize. Should the present Dutch government pay lip service to what in retrospect looks like pious platitudes by Queen Wilhelmina, the United States of Indonesia will be a name only. The war that the Dutch instigated against the Indonesians two weeks ago will take care of that. It was most opportunely timed. It is a continuation of the war which began in August 1945 with Dutch troops outfitted and armed with American equipment and supported by British troops. It is a war that can develop into general resistance of Asiatics against the whites, that can even disrupt the United Nations. Ironically, a democracy Holland, can be the cause of scuttling attempts by Western democracies at world peace.

The Dutch claim that they are quelling Communism. The Indonesians charge the Dutch with deliberate bad faith. The United Nations (Continued on Page Four)

TOWN MEETING ACCEPTS HOUSING PLAN



Smiles wreathed the faces of the pupils at the West Center school when they staged their Christmas party there last week and had Santa Claus (Lester Dixon) and Mrs. Santa Claus (Kathleen Verda) both seated in center, as their special guests for the holiday program. (Look Photo)

Votes For Change In Zone Law Also Appropriates Funds Asked For Two New Bridges

By a vote of 167 to 26 the special town meeting Monday night approved articles amending the town zoning laws to allow the housing authority to build multiple-type dwellings for veterans on the Morton street site.

The meeting also approved articles calling for the appropriation of an additional sum of \$7000 for a new steel bridge on Stevens street; \$15,200 to construct a new bridge on Central street; deferred to the next annual town meeting the article calling for \$30,000 for a new bridge on Andover street, Ballardvale; and supplemented the annual budget with the following sums: fire department, \$1000; public welfare, \$1600; sewer department, \$1000; and school department, \$4500.

By accepting the articles allowing the construction of multiple-type dwellings on Morton street and appropriating \$6,451.20 for construction of a connecting sewer, the town meeting cleared

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University of Life Series Opens Feb. 6

The Rev. John G. Gaskill, chairman of the committee for the University of Life sponsored by the Andover Council of Churches, has announced that plans are well under way for the coming seasons. The University of Life will be held on six Sunday evenings beginning Feb. 6. Among the speakers assured for the series are: the Rev. Frederick Meek, South church, Boston; the Rev. Howard P. Kellett, Protestant chaplain of the State penal institutions; and the Rev. Edward R. Nelson, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, Portland, Me.

One of the speakers for the young people's group will be the Rev. Arthur J. Snow, First Congregational church, Stoneham.

Ass't Assessors To Start Soon

The assistant assessors met Wednesday morning with the selectmen and town clerk in preparation to beginning their duties the first of the new year.

They were briefed by Roy E. Hardy, chairman of the board of assessors, in relation to their duties and several questions related with their work were discussed.

The assistant assessors, one for each precinct, will soon start making their calls. One new item of information they will seek this year is the number of children under school age in each home. The school age is, for grade 1, six years on or before Jan. 1; for kindergarten, five years on or before Jan. 1.

School Nurse Describes School Health Program

The varied phases of the health program carried on in the local public schools are shown in the annual report of the school nurse, Ruth E. Westcott, which has just been filed with the school committee.

The report is as follows: Mr. Kenneth L. Sherman Superintendent of Schools Andover, Massachusetts

Dear Sir: I submit herewith my sixth annual report as school nurse in the Andover schools.

The school nurse is no longer employed merely to administer first-aid or see that sick children are transported home. She works intimately with the teacher in solving

the problems of individual children. She is a close link between the classroom and the home. She is often called upon to act as the interpreter of the school program in individual homes and to acquaint the school personnel with conditions in the homes.

The added school population and the additional services in the health program leaves less time each year for long classroom visits. In February the Tuberculosis Patch test was given to the entire high school. There was only one student who refused the test. Individuals with a positive reaction were X-rayed. The entire school

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Employment Gain Here In November

Employment and pay roll records of nine manufacturing establishments in Andover showed that there were 3559 wage earners for the week ending nearest Nov. 15 and the total wages paid amounted to \$184,831, according to the figures compiled by the Massachusetts department of labor and industries.

This is an employment gain of 0.2 percent over the corresponding week in October but a drop of 3.4 percent in the total amount of wages paid.

Establishment contacted in 44 municipalities of the state showed 2016 establishments had 418,059 wage earners with total wages of \$21,267,999, or an average weekly wage of \$50.87. This is a decrease of 0.9 percent in employment over the October record and a drop of 0.7 percent in total wages, although only 0.3 percent below the average weekly earnings.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

Notice has been received by the board of health that an open competitive examination has been ordered for the position of assistant plumbing inspector. Arrangements will be made to hold it at an early date.

PETITIONS DENIED

The board of appeals has denied the petition of George Hird to enlarge a tea room on Lowell street, and the petition of Sam Samels to change a two-apartment house at 39 and 39 1/2 Summer st. to four apartments. Hearings on both petitions were held Dec. 18.

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WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Shawsheen Village Women's club will meet at 2 p. m. Monday, Jan. 3, in the auditorium of the Shawsheen school. Tea will be served prior to the meeting by the committee in charge with Mrs. Edward J. Carey and Mrs. Frank R. MacMackin as hostesses chairmen.

Mrs. Norman Miller, president of the club will preside at the business meeting. The program for the afternoon will feature Gertrude Beatty, nationally noted dramatic interpreter of great women of the past and she will be presented in the role of "Harriet Beecher Stowe."

In Mrs. Beatty's characterizations of famous women, she recreates their times and the courage, wisdom and humor that have

made American women the equals of their men.

Gertrude Beatty's characterizations are presented in authentic costume of the period, with a background of a few pieces of period furniture.

There will be a bakery sale again at this meeting conducted by the ways and means committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Walter Caswell.

The Brothers of the Sacred Heart school again have opened their athletic field, which has been flooded for skating, to the children of the village. Many groups have already taken advantage of this very safe place to skate and the parents are very grateful.

There is quite a bit of work involved in keeping the area in good

condition. It is flooded two or three times a week and in case of snow, a plow is put to work clearing the area.

The students of the Sacred Heart school are now all enjoying a two weeks' mid-winter vacation and on their return, the field will be open for the children of the village during class hours and study periods.

Antique Study Group

The Antique Study group of the Shawsheen Women's club will meet at the Historical house in Andover at 2:30 p. m. Jan. 14. Mrs. Frank Brigham will be the guest speaker for the afternoon and her subject will be "Shawls of Many Lands." Mrs. Brigham will also have an exhibit of shawls.

Mrs. Carleton Schulze and Mrs. Frank MacMackin will be the hostesses for the day.

Personals

Earl Baker, a student of Bergen college, Teaneck, N. J., is spending his mid-winter vacation

at the family home on 10 Sutherland st.

Miss Cora Nichols of Rochester, N. H., spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caswell of 5 Dunbarton st.

Billy Hearne, a student at the Sacred Heart school, is spending his two weeks' vacation at his family home on 4 Dunbarton st.

Miss Gladys Paine who makes her residence with her cousin, Mrs. Albert Carpenter of 7 Dunbarton st., visited with her parents in Westley, R. I., over the holiday weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Caswell of Brockton, spent the holiday weekend with their son's family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caswell of 5 Dunbarton st.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Fogg of Johnston, R. I., Mr. and Mrs. James Dunlop of Auburndale, and Mrs. John Knapp of Wayland, spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Alan Dunlop and family of 20 Arundel st.

Mr. and Mrs. Justin Rex and their daughter Suzanne of 24 Arundel st., spent the holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cronin of Winthrop.

NOVEMBER CLUB

The next meeting of the November club will be held at 3 p. m., Jan. 3 at the club house. The speaker of the afternoon will be Ray Josephs, author, lecturer and newspaperman who will speak on "Latin America Dairy."

Mr. Josephs has lived more than five years in South America and his book, "Argentine Dairy" made the best seller list as the largest selling book on Latin America in years.

BOOK REVIEW

Marion Tucker Rudkin will give the first of her series of book reviews at the November club meeting at 3 p. m., Jan. 6 at the club house.

This is a project of the ways and means committee of the club. Single admissions may be obtained for this series of book reviews by Mrs. Rudkin, and for the current events series by Geoffrey Harwood.

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OBITUARIES...

BENJAMIN W. PITMAN

Following a long illness, Benjamin W. Pitman, 45 Whittier st., died at the Lawrence General hospital, Thursday evening, Dec. 23. A native of Fryeburg, Me., he had been an Andover resident for 60 of his 69 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bessie Ellen (Rix) Pitman; one son, Norman W. Pitman of North Andover; one brother, Joseph I. Pitman of Andover; four grandchildren and three nieces.

The funeral was held from the Lundgren funeral home Monday afternoon with services at 2:30 o'clock by the Rev. Frederick B. Noss. Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery.

ELIZABETH C. O'CONNELL

A former Andover resident, Mrs. Elizabeth (Corbett) O'Connell, widow of David O'Connell, died Sunday morning, Dec. 26 at the home of her son, Clarence E. O'Connell in Buffalo, N. Y. She had lived here for 50 years before she moved to Buffalo three years ago to live with her son.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Robert G. Cochrane of Lawrence, her son, Clarence E.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral was held from the John J. Hart, Jr., funeral home Wednesday morning with a solemn high mass of requiem at 10 o'clock in St. Augustine's church with the Rev. Henry B. Smith as celebrant. Burial was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

The bearers were: Charles H. Spinney, Robert Cochrane, Robert Cochrane, Jr., Charles, William and Edward O'Connell.

MRS. WILLIAM S. SWINDELLS

The funeral of Mrs. Jeanie G. (Houston) Swindells, 577 Haverhill st., Lawrence, who died Sunday, Dec. 26, was held from the family home Wednesday afternoon, with services at 2 o'clock by the Rev. Leslie Shaw, pastor of the United Congregational church. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery, Lawrence. In addition to her husband, William S. Swindells, Mrs. Swindells leaves a brother, Robert S. Houston of Andover.

JULIA (AMBROSAITE) AMBROSE

Julia (Ambrosaitte) Ambrose of 5 Morton st., died suddenly Thursday, Dec. 23. Death was due to natural causes according to the report of Dr. Parkinson L. Oddy, assistant medical examiner. A former resident of Boston, the 65-year-old woman was employed as a domestic.

The funeral was held from the Zaletskas funeral home, Boston, Monday morning with a solemn high mass of requiem at 8 o'clock in St. Peter's (Lithuanian) church. **CATHERINE T. DRISCOLL**

Miss Catherine Theresa Driscoll, life-long resident of Andover, died Monday, Dec. 27 at the family home, 84 Poor st., after a brief illness.

She is survived by a brother, Leo P. Driscoll, and two sisters, Mrs. Helen St. Pierre and Mrs. Ann McGinn of Andover.

The funeral was held from the late home Thursday morning with a solemn high mass of requiem in St. Augustine's church at 9:30 o'clock. Interment was in St. Augustine's cemetery.

HARRY PRIESTLEY
The funeral of Harry Priestley, 215 Princeton Blvd., Lowell, son of Mrs. Sam Andrews of Andover, who died Sunday, Dec. 26 at St. Joseph's hospital, Lowell, was held from the Morse funeral home Wednesday, with services at 2 o'clock in the Highland Union Methodist church, Lowell, with the Rev. Edgar F. Federn officiat-

ing. Burial was in West Parish cemetery.

Also among his survivors is his sister, Mrs. John Crossley of Andover.

INFANT BROULLIARD

Infant Brouillard, son of Alphonse A. and Germaine G. (Gagnier) Brouillard, 295 N. Main st., died Friday, Dec. 24 at the Lawrence General hospital. There is one other child, Muriel Claire, in the family.

The funeral was held from the M. A. Burke funeral home at 2 p. m. Monday. Burial was in the Immaculate Conception cemetery.

MRS. MARY E. ANDERSON

The private services held from the Lundgren funeral home Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 2 p. m. for Mrs. Mary (Grant) Anderson who died Monday, were conducted by the Rev. John S. Moses and the Rev. Eric Wilson, pastor of the Congregational church, Wakefield. Burial was in Old South cemetery where the Reverends Moses and Wilson conducted the committal services.

Death Takes Husband Of Former Resident

Friends of Mrs. Clara G. Reed, formerly Clara Flint of High street, will be sorry to learn of the death of her husband, Dr. John North Reed, widely-known orthopedic surgeon of Santa Monica, Calif.

Dr. Reed, a native of Buffalo, N. Y., had practiced medicine in Santa Monica for 35 years before his death last Oct. 18. He was chief surgeon at the Orthopedic hospital in Los Angeles from 1919 to 1925, and was a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and the Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons.

Mrs. Reed, member of an old Andover family, left here about 30 years ago and has resided in the west ever since. She is a sister of John Houghton Flint, now of Raleigh, N. C.

Besides his widow, Dr. Reed is survived by a son, Edward N. Reed, Jr., editor of the Claremont (Calif.) Courier, and two sisters in New York.

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WOMAN'S UNION

The January meeting of the Women's Union of the West will be held at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday in the church. The speaker of the afternoon will be Miss Luella Dunning of the Pynchard High school. She will speak about her experiences in Palestine.

Guests will be Mrs. Catherine Himmer and Mrs. Arthur Lewis.

Returns From Trip

John D. C. Little has just completed an 8,000 mile trip to various parts of the United States. He left last October and returned to his home on Shawsheen last week. He spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Margaret L. Little. His trip he visited with Miss Frances Little, a student at the University of Michigan, Arbor, Mich. He also visited two weeks on a sheep ranch in Washington, which provided an interesting experience.

Lafalot Club

The January meeting of the Lafalot club will be held at 7 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 4 in church vestry. A supper served preceding the meeting.

Church Notes

The Youth Fellowship at 7 p. m., Sunday, Jan. 2 church.

Family Party

A happy family dinner was held Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Helen Willis and her family on High Plain who gathered included: Richard Carter and his wife, Joan, Philip and George Carter, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Bryant of Somerville; Mrs. Strain of Melrose; Mr. Herbert P. Carter; the Mrs. Newman Matthews; Mrs. Karl Haartz and David and Karla.

Personals

Robert H. Hendersson, Haggatts pond road, attended the annual convention of the Junior Vegetable Growers Association held recently in Danvers.

Mrs. Helen Willis and family of Boston spent days with the latter's sisters, Misses Edith and Mary Haggatts Pond rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennebec and family of Lowell spent Christmas with the former in Winchester. Another Hilton of Pittsburg, Penn. the family group for the holidays.

Miss Doris Newton of Lowell, Vt. is spending her week's vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Bailey rd.

Mr. and Mrs. William and son of Lowell spent the holiday with relatives in Lowell.

Douglas and Winthrop students at Phillips academy spent the holidays with their parents, the Rev. and Mrs. M. Adkins of New York.

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Douglas and Winthrop Adkins, students at Phillips academy, are spending the holidays with their parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. Leslie Adkins of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Stong of Cambridge and Roger Bond of Brookline were Sunday guests at the Stevens home on Virginia rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dixon and sons of Pleasant st., spent the holidays with relatives in Tyngsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. John Newall and children of West Newton were holiday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leverett Putnam of Lowell st.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Purcell of Somerville spent the weekend as guests of Richard Williams and family of Lowell st.

Miss Muriel Sigouin, a student at the Academy of Villa Augustine, Gortown, N. H., is spending the Christmas recess at her parent's home on Argilla rd.

Thompson Dudley has returned to his home on High Plain rd. after

spending the holiday season in Watertown.

George Takata of New York City was a holiday guest at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Hunter of Lowell st.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lermond and their son David of Lowell st. spent the holidays with relatives in Whitinsville and Worcester.

Christopher Jones of Westminster is visiting his aunt Mrs. Lathrop Merrick of Shawheen rd.

Mrs. Earl Slate, Mrs. Abbot Batchelder and Mrs. Walter Smith attended the wedding of the latter's granddaughter, Miss Barbara Evans of West Roxbury, to John Lewis of W. Virginia held in W. Roxbury last Monday.

Mrs. Isabelle Batchelder and daughter Priscilla have moved from Washington ave. to Salem st.

Miss Gertrude Batchelder of Washington, D. C. and Loring Batchelder of Cambridge are spending the holidays at the Batchelder home on Argilla rd.

Claim Auto Crashed Gates at Crossing

Charged with operating under the influence of liquor and with drunkenness, Richard H. Goodwin of Ballardvale was arraigned in District court at Lawrence last week on complaint of local police who allege he drove his beach wagon through the railroad crossing gates at Andover street Dec. 23.

Police stated the beach wagon entered the crossing in front of an express train, but a serious accident undoubtedly was averted by the fact that the express had slowed down for another train that was pulling into the station at the same time. The case was continued until Dec. 31.

INVENTORY FILED

An estate valued at \$76,459.38 was left by the late John V. Mahony according to an inventory recently filed at the office of the registry of probate at Salem. The former Lawrence shoe merchant, who died July 14, had real estate appraised at \$71,887 and personal property valued at \$4,572.38. By the terms of the will all property is awarded to his widow, Mrs. Alice J. Mahony of 13 William st.

BIDDY'S BUSINESS

Poultry's place in Massachusetts is indicated by these figures: The 1947 poultry income was \$63,836,000, which is 33.4 per cent of the total agricultural income of the state. This represents 36.5 per cent of the total poultry income for New England.

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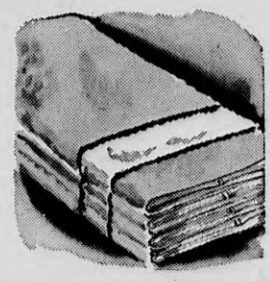
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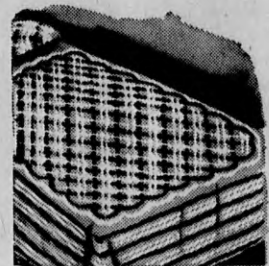
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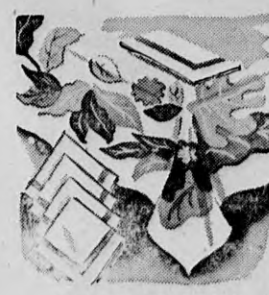
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EDITORIAL THOUGHTS

TOO MANY ACCIDENTS

No one can be careless all of the time and get away with it. Apparently there were many who thought they could take all sorts of risks and chances over the long Christmas weekend, and what a record of death and disaster there was!

The motor vehicle officials gave plenty of warning — as they always do. But not all of the warnings were heeded.

Blame it on the weather, if you will. A year ago, when winter blanketed us in deep snow, before and after Christmas, we got along pretty well — so far as auto mishaps were concerned, at any rate. People just cannot drive fast when the roads and streets are piled high with snow. Speeding is much rarer in snow than on bare ground.

If we had had snow — as the weather man rather thought, at one time, we might — the toll would have been far less.

But blaming accidents on the weather isn't worth while. Icy roads and foggy mornings, of course, are contributing forces, but in the final analysis, it is the human element that is to blame.

MADE ANY RESOLUTIONS?

New Year's Day is the proverbial time for new resolutions. And about everybody can make them in good grace. There is probably no one, however, well he may have done during any given year, who can't, if he puts his mind to it, think of some things he could have done better.

January 1—when the New Year is taking over from the Old — is a sort of stock-taking time. It is a time to balance what has gone by, and a time to start out on an even better record in the 12 months to come.

Everybody errs from time to time, because no one is perfect. But the wise man is he who profits by his mistakes—trivial though they may be — and tries to avoid them in the future. Not that any of us are going to be perfect during 1949. Nor in 1950, either, or 1951, or any other year.

But we can all try for perfection, and the nearer we come to such a goal, the better off we are going to be.

"GOVERNMENTS CANNOT MAKE NATIONS RICH"

"I adhere to the school of those who believe that governments cannot make nations rich, that wealth is gathered only by individual exertion and enterprise, that state expenditure is almost always profligate and wasteful, and that the more freedom enjoyed by the citizen and the less the interference of the state the higher will be the standard of the public well-being."

That is taken from an article which appeared in Collier's more than 12 years ago. It was written by Winston Churchill who, shortly thereafter, was to become the leader of the British Commonwealth in the greatest crisis the modern world has known.

Since that time, almost the entire world has become an unhappy example of Mr. Churchill's truism. The prosperity and well-being of peoples has gone down in direct ratio to the increase in the power and prerogatives of states. And, of far greater importance, these material losses have been accompanied by ruthless destruction of human liberty, and by the degradation of the individual.

Recently — since the Labor Government came to power in England, and this country started her vast program of aid to Europe — Mr. Churchill made another statement which should be read and re-read everywhere. It is this: "How the ministers can deride the system of free enterprise and capitalism which makes America great and wealthy, and then at the same time eagerly seek the aid which has hitherto been so generously granted from across the Atlantic—that is a grimace which baffles the limitations of our language to explain."

The reason for that over-Christmas cold spell is obvious. President Truman, in his home town, was busy with the draft of his Message to Congress. And when it is drafted, well—

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Views of The News

(Continued from Page One)

tions security council, working on the problem for nearly two years orders the Dutch to cease fighting And the American citizen finds his country involved in one more issue far from home. A twinge of conscience may remind him that the United States did have something to do with the Atlantic Charter and Freedom from Want. And he probably guesses that the Indonesians connect Freedom from Want with independence. He guesses correctly.

Ignorance—Not Education

Of course, the Dutch have claims of their own also. They've been in the Indies for 350 years and feel that the land is theirs. They have investments there, and jobs. And they claim that the Indonesians are not capable of ruling themselves. And the natives are not, in the sense that they could adopt fully-fledged democracy. But the Indonesians, a do so many Asiatics, would as soon run their own show, clumsy though it might be. They know that native leaders might be no better than the Dutch. But they prefer to take that risk rather than accept paternalism from Holland. The Dutch have argued that the native was too inexperienced and ignorant to know what was best for him. But little was done to educate and give him political experience. And so since he cannot demonstrate his capacity for self-government he cannot yet receive it. The Dutch saw to it that he didn't get too free with ideas of democracy. Petty chieftains and local rulers were used as intermediaries, and wherever practicable the Dutch interfered as little as possible with native customs. The natives would presumably be happiest if least disturbed. And more amenable to discipline. True, in 1918 the Dutch opened a so-called legislative body, the Volksraad, which was supposed to supersede the powerful Council of the Netherlands. Even though it actually received legislative powers 10 years later, because of national agitation, its legislation was subject to approval by the governor-general. And although the natives constituted 97 per cent of the total population of some 70,000,000 only 30 of the 61 members of the People's Council were natives, and 10 of these were appointed by the Dutch.

Republic Proclaimed In 1925

But the Japanese invasion in 1942 broke the deadlock. The Indonesians hailed the Japanese as deliverers—obvious evidence of native feeling for the white man—but failed to realize at first that the Japanese slogan of Greater Asia Co-Prosperity sphere was merely a slogan and not an intention. But Indonesian aspirations were only intensified. Two days after the Japanese surrender the Indonesians proclaimed the Indonesian Republic of the three islands of Java, Sumatra and Madura. This new republic of 60,000,000 people promised to help free other Indies islands from Dutch control, and it immediately adopted a constitution similar to that of the United States. For more than a year the Dutch attempted to crush the republic, despite the 1942 promise of the Dutch government, but finally in November 1946 a pact was arranged. This pact laid down basic principles which included: 1, legal recognition of the Indonesian Republic; 2, later integration of the three areas of the republic, Borneo and the sovereign state of the Great East into a sovereign federal government of the United States of Indonesia; and 3, the establishment by January 1, 1949 of the Netherlands United States of Holland and the United States of Indonesia.

And Agreed To—On Paper

But negotiations broke down over details, particularly economic ones. The Dutch launched a military offensive under the polite name of "police action," and set up an economic blockade around the republic. Following this military action in July 1947, the United Nations security council issued a cease-fire order and sent a Good Office committee to mediate. Peaceful means of negotiation were agreed upon by both parties but broke down over the form of government for the Indies and the rights to be exercised by the temporary government of the republic up to December 31, 1948.

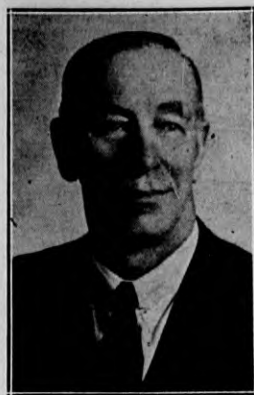
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The greater implications are serious. The entire Far East will undoubtedly lose respect for democratic promises. The future of Western union may be seriously threatened if Holland uses it as a weapon against interference in Indonesia. And the United Nations may well lose more ground if Holland insists on going its individual way and ignoring meditation attempts. And Russia will undoubtedly accept the propaganda opportunity so handsomely served

MEET—



GEORGE R. ABBOTT

George R. Abbott, tree warden by election and moth superintendent by appointment of the selectmen with the approval of the state forester has held these offices for the past 11 years.

A native of Andover, Mr. Abbott is a graduate of Pynchard High school and Lowell Textile institute. After a few years spent in the textile mills, his love for the great outdoors influenced him to leave that field and turn to the work to which he has since devoted his life. His first experience was in orchard work, but he later turned to the care of shade trees where his greatest experience in tree destruction was in the hurricane of September, 1938.

A member of the Massachusetts Tree Wardens and Foresters association, and the Essex County Tree Wardens association, he has attended several courses at the University of Massachusetts in shade tree management and the control of insects and diseases destructive to shade trees.

The Abbotts live on Upland rd. and have one son, Richard, who served with the Army air corps for 4 years and is now employed at one of the large airlines at Logan airport, and a daughter, Dorothy, a recent graduate of the University of New Hampshire.

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REPORT from the State House

By Sen. PHILIP K. ALLEN

The department of public welfare is so ramified in its jurisdiction and is so universal in its application that it will have to be covered in a series of columns. Perhaps, by way in introduction, a brief history of public welfare in Massachusetts should be examined.

From colonial times the concept that public welfare is a governmental responsibility has been recognized. This responsibility was based on the theory of the Elizabethan poor law which insisted that the town or hamlet should be the sole guardian and benefactor of all those persons whose social economic or health conditions made them turn to public sources for help.

Early in the history of the commonwealth, however, this concept was broadened to include transients who had not resided in the community for a sufficient length of time to be considered as if they had a "legal settlement." In broadening this concept it was necessary for the Commonwealth to accept some responsibility for the care of these "unsettled" persons. The program by which the commonwealth reimbursed towns and villages for the relief of these "unsettled" poor constituted a pioneer step in the country by creating state participation in relief expenditures.

In 1863 the legislature attempted to coordinate the various state activities in the social welfare field by creating the so-called board of charities. Between that year and 1919, many organizational plans were attempted by which the activities of the commonwealth in health, welfare, correction, and mental health were sometimes combined and sometimes separated.

In 1919, however, under the major reorganization of the state services whereby separate departments were created, the present state department of public welfare was established.

It should be pointed out clearly that the responsibility for the administration of public welfare rests in local communities. To this concept of home rule the commonwealth steadfastly clings as it has for over three centuries. Yet, in recent years, the amount of state participation has grown tremendously, and the addition of federal assistance has built up to tremendous proportions which results that some 73 per cent of the monies granted by local agencies by federal and state grants in aid.

In the 312 towns in Massachusetts the people elect boards of public welfare who administer these agencies. In the 39 cities, by charter provisions, public welfare board members are appointed by the mayor and council. Most of these public welfare boards employ full time paid agencies and social workers.

In this brief summary of the history of this department, the reader will see in essence the natural historical growth of a state department where ultimate control rests in the local community with much of the financial burden resting in the state and federal governments. From a small organism financed to take care of the needy transient for whom the local community felt no responsibility, it has grown to one of the largest departments in the commonwealth and is naturally the largest from the point of view of the expenditure of state revenue.

Next week we will continue with our analysis of the department.

on a platter and reiterate her former claims that colonies are victims of imperialist nations. This incident, with all its unfortunate possibilities, is made to order for the Soviets. Why make concessions, asks Russia, when we'll get what we want by waiting. Why, indeed?

Down the Years with The Townsman

50 Years Ago—December, 1898

H. F. Chase advertises skates and golf clubs.

Advertisement: Kindling wood, per load, \$1.25. And another ad reads, California oranges, 16 for 25 cents.

B. F. Holt starts cutting ice. Skating reported good on the ponds.

Fred Whitney of Yale and Arthur Drinkwater of Harvard home for the holiday vacations.

New Year's assembly in Town Hall under the auspices of the Andover orchestra.

"It may be interesting to Andover people to know," we say, "that the New England, New York, and Western Alumni of Phillips Exeter academy propose to erect an alumni hall at Exeter to cost about \$35,000."

J. W. Barnard gives money to Pynchard Free school, the income of which is to be paid annually in prizes for excellence in English composition and in speaking.

Married: Clara W. Wilson, and Willard E. Newcomb.

Grace Feeney of Bridgewater Normal school and Winnie Feeney of Westboro home for Christmas and New Year.

Many Andoverites hear the Handel and Hyden society sing "The Messiah" in Boston.

25 Years Ago—December, 1923

Our lead story tells the history of some of the local stores. It begins: "Andover shoppers, particularly the older residents, as they pass up and down Main st cannot help being impressed by the many changes in our retail shops. New men are seen carrying on old businesses, and new comers are establishing new stores."

The Misses Violet B. and May Cole visiting their aunt, Mrs. John Courage, in Jamaica Plain.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Elander and daughter, May, leave for a ten days' stay with friends in Philadelphia.

Robert G. Allen chairman of the dinner committee for the 1926 class dinner at Harvard.

Harry Martin, recently superintendent of the Braeland Farms, owned by Smith Burton, Jr., purchases an adjacent farm from P. J. Hannon.

At Andover's Colonial theatre: Dec. 30 and 31, 1923: "Penrod and Sam," and "365 Days."

Telephone girls of the Andover exchange make merry at a Christmas party. Mrs. Laura Downes and Miss Marjorie Pomeroy compose the committee.

Walter H. Coleman announces his candidacy for selectman.

10 Years Ago—December, 1938
Chief Emerson of the Andover fire department receives a letter from Washington thanking the local fireman for the "excellent service" rendered at the recent C. C. fire.

The cancelling machines at the post office grind out 173,979 Christmas cards, a new record here.

Firemen rush to Sunset Rock rd. to a chimney fire on the Breen estate, but their services are not required. On arriving they find that the housewife has put out the flames by throwing salt on them.

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Dec. 25—3:05 p. m., box 34, Main st., cor. Hidden rd., for fire in Adams hall, a Phillips academy dormitory off Main st., where a candle had ignited a window curtain. Slight damage to woodwork.

Dec. 26—9:30 a. m., still alarm for chimney fire at home of Octave Bourgeois, Chandler rd.

Dec. 26—9:51 a. m., still alarm to investigate smoke coming from Carter block, Main st. Proved to be steam coming from a pipe on the roof.

Dec. 26—7:15 p. m., still alarm for chimney fire at home of Abbott F. Rand, 40 Morton st.

Dec. 27—9:58 a. m., still alarm for firemen to flush range oil from Main st., near Harding, that had been lost from an oil truck because of a broken valve.

Dec. 29—8:40 a. m., box 551, Conry Leather Co., (private) in old Smith and Dove mill, false alarm, caused by men working on sprinkler system.

Dec. 29—4:29 p. m., still alarm for fire in motor of truck on Washington ave. Truck owned by John Kilcoyne of North Andover.

William F. Cody, great American frontiersman and guide, was familiarly known as "Buffalo Bill."

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A group of happy youngsters entering the Andover Playhouse where they saw a special Christmas program as guests of Samuel Resnik last Friday morning and each got a box of candy as gifts from the Andover Catholic club. (Look Photo)

PERSONALS...

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winship and Beverly Winship, of Patten, Me., were guests over the holidays, with Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Winship, 14 Harding st.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gallagher and daughter Nancy, of 49 Essex st., spent the Christmas holidays with John Gallagher and family of Littlepoint.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur MacDonald of St. Catherine's, Ontario, are visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. David MacDonald, 1 Upland rd., and Mrs. Andrew Hamilton, 8 Harding st.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Beauchesne and son Robert E. visited during the Christmas with relatives in Portsmouth, N. H.

Phillip Belka of Merrimack, spent Christmas with his brother, Michael, on Red Spring rd.

Miss Barbara Nicoll, a student at the Salem hospital, spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Nicoll of Essex st.

Walter Heaton, of Red Spring rd., spent the holiday with his daughter in Lowell.

Miss Hildamay Cargill of Stevens st., spent the weekend with friends in Exeter, N. H.

Mrs. Phyllis Davis of N. Y., visited over the weekend, with her mother, Mrs. John R. Sullivan on Red Spring rd.

Miss Irma Beene of 60 High st., spent Sunday with relatives in Roxbury.

Mrs. Sidney Batchelder and family have moved from 29 Washington ave., to 28 Salem st.

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Engagements

Bendroth—Bowen Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Bowen of 9 Argyle st., announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn S. Bowen, to Harold W. Bendroth, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Harold Bendroth of 17 High st.

Miss Bowen graduated from Puncard High school in 1946, and attended the Katharine Gibbs school in Boston. Mr. Bendroth, now a student at Northeastern university, graduated from Puncard High school in 1943. Wedding plans are incomplete.

Zink—Youmans

The engagement of Sally Foss Youmans to George Eno Zink, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Zink of Andover, was recently announced by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Ray S. Youmans of Andover.

The bride-to-be, a graduate of Lesley college, is now teaching in Madison, Conn., and Mr. Zink, who graduated from the University of North Carolina, is a member of the faculty of the Brooks school.

MARRIAGE RETURNS

The following marriage returns have been filed at the office of Town Clerk George H. Winslow: Albert J. Tisbert, Greenwood rd. and Dorothy R. Mack, 168 Mt. Vernon st., Lawrence, married Dec. 27 in St. Patrick's church, Lawrence, by the Rev. Michael J. Barry.

Lawrence Patrick Morrisroe, 51 Elm st. and Mary Eileen Flynn, 48 Elm st., married Dec. 27 in St. Augustine's church by the Rev. Lawrence Morrisroe of East Boston.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been filed at the office of Town Clerk George H. Winslow: John J. Devine, 30 Myrtle st., Lowell and Margaret M. McCarthy, 20 High st.

Harold A. Rutter, Jr., 18 Canterbury st. and Dorothy R. Evers, 503 Belmont st., Belmont.

Stewart A. Fraser, yeoman 2/c, USN, son of Mrs. Agnes K. Fraser, is serving aboard the light cruiser USS. Fargo with the Atlantic fleet. The Fargo has just returned from fleet maneuvers in the North Atlantic. Before this he completed a four-months' cruise in the Mediterranean as flagship of Vice Admiral Forrest P. Sherman.

WITH THE SCOUTS

TROOP MEETINGS

Meetings of troop 70 of Christ church which were scheduled for Friday, Dec. 24 and 31 were cancelled on account of the holidays. The next meeting will be held Friday, Jan. 7.

Registration All troops have been urged to register new scouts by Friday, Dec. 31. During the past three months there have been 12 new boys registered, four scouts in each of troops 70, 72 and 73.

Round-up Meeting A scout family round-up round table discussion was held Wednesday, Dec. 29 at the Jewish Community center in Lawrence. Assistant District Commissioner M. Dean Burns discussed the three-year plan for volunteer leaders and showed films on scouting. Plans for boy scout week, Feb. 6 to Feb. 12, were explained by Joseph P. Gibbons, Lawrence district chairman. A fellowship period and refreshments followed the main meeting.

James Gillen, a student at Lawrence academy, is spending his Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gillen of Carisbrooke st.

Miss Janet Redman of North Andover was a member of the bridal party at the wedding of Miss Sally Drew Leavitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence G. Leavitt of Vermont academy, and Edward Rice Cheney, son of Mrs. M. E. Cheney and the late Mr. Cheney of Saxtons River, Vt., and Bayport, Long Island. Mrs. Cheney is a graduate of Abbot academy.

June A. Davis, senior at the New England School of Art in Boston, is at home with her parents at 50 Main st., North Andover, during the Christmas season.

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LEGION AUXILIARY

At the American Legion Auxiliary annual Christmas party which was held at a North Andover restaurant, Santa Claus (Mrs. Winnifred Keith) and his assistant (Mrs. Audrey Bell) made a surprise appearance and presented each one with a gift.

AT THE CHURCHES

BAPTIST CHURCH
REV. WENDELL L. BAILEY, Pastor
Friday: 8 p. m., Watch-Night program in the vestry; games, movies, refreshments, and a worship service to conclude.

Sunday: 9:30 a. m., Church school for all departments; 10:45 a. m., Morning service; observance of Communion; Hand of Fellowship; Communion meditation by the pastor; 6:15 p. m., Baptist Youth Fellowship members leave church for inter-church youth meeting at Christ church.

Tuesday: 3 p. m., Prayer cell meeting at the home of Miss Edna Todd.

Wednesday: 2:30 p. m., Pioneer girls meet in the church vestry. Thursday: 8 p. m., Adult choir rehearsal in the church parlor.

CHRIST CHURCH
REV. JOHN S. MOSES, Minister
Saturday: (New Year's Day) 10 a. m., Holy Communion. Sunday: 8 a. m., Holy Communion; 9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., Holy Communion and sermon; 5:45 p. m., Young People's Fellowship.

Monday: 7:45 p. m., Girls' Friendly society. Wednesday: 1:15 p. m., Week-day Religious Education (South Church). Thursday: (The Feast of the Epiphany), 10 a. m., Holy Communion.

FREE CHURCH
REV. LEVERING REYNOLDS, JR., Pastor
Friday: There will be no meeting of the boy scouts Friday.

Sunday: 9:30 a. m., Church school; 11 a. m., Nursery class; 11 a. m., Morning worship with the service of Holy Communion; 6:30 p. m., The Pilgrim Fellowship will attend the United Young People's meeting at the Christ church.

Wednesday: 6:30 p. m., Inter-church basketball league; 7:45 p. m., Monthly meeting of the Woman's union, with installation of officers. Refreshments will be served by the January circle.

Thursday: 3:45 p. m., Junior choir rehearsal; 7:30 p. m., Senior choir rehearsal.

Notes: All those responsible for the preparation of annual reports to be included in the annual reports of the church are requested to forward them to Mr. Reynolds as soon as possible. These reports are sent to all the members of the church before the annual meeting on Jan. 19.

METHODIST CHURCH (Ballardvale)
REV. WILLIAM CRAWFORD, Minister
Sunday, 10:30 a. m., Morning Worship and Sermon; 11:40 a. m., Church School with classes for all ages.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
REV. THOMAS P. FOGARTY, Pastor
Friday, 7:45 p. m., Novena devotions. Saturday, 4 to 6, and 7:30 to 9, Confessions. Sunday, Masses 6:30, 8:30, 9:45 and 11:30.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH (Ballardvale)
Sunday, 9:00 a. m., Mass.

SOUTH CHURCH
REV. FREDERICK B. NOSS, Pastor
Sunday: 9:30 a. m., Church school and the Junior church; 9:30 a. m., High school classes; 9:30 a. m., Men's group; 10:45 a. m., Morning worship, sermon and communion. Sermon by Isaac P. Thuraiatnam, principal of Union college, Jaffna, Ceylon; 10:45 a. m., Church kindergarten; 11:15 a. m., Educational motion pictures; 6 p. m., Young People's society.

Tuesday: 2:30 p. m., Sewing for the Lawrence General hospital at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Lawrence; 3:30 p. m., Junior choir; 7:30 p. m., Meeting called

Dolls, Teddy Bears In Prize Contests

One of the most interesting story hours to be held in the library was the doll and teddy bear story hour Tuesday morning, Dec. 28.

Twenty boys and girls were present, each bringing a doll or teddy bear for admission. The 'hostess' was a small replica of the original Hitty doll, made famous by Rachel Field in her favorite book 'Hitty: Her First Hundred Years.' Miss Margaret Lane, the children's librarian, told two stories from the Hitty book, while the hostess, loaned by Miss Caroline Underhill, sat on the front table, and watched the proceedings through her pointed little eyes, painted on in about the 1830's.

After the stories, there was a parade of all the proud owners, while the judges, Miss Ruth Gibson and Mrs. Brownell Gage, made their selections.

Prize winners were as follows: Largest doll, a bride, Betty Michalski; prettiest doll, a bridesmaid in rose satin, Sara Barsamian; smallest, 3/4 inch carved wooden doll, Daine Elaine Sorota; funniest doll, Three-faced Trudy, Susan M. Shaw; oldest, 100 year old doll with Hitty head, Arthur Domingue.

Teddy bears: (including mammoth Pandas): Biggest. There were three of these, who tied for first place. Their owners were: Alan Flye, Donna Dickson and Paul Sidebottom; smallest, (and also the oldest, having about seventy years to his credit), Johnny Weeks.

by parsonage committee as heads of organizations and others; 8 p. m., Ping Pong club.

Wednesday: 1:15 p. m., Week-day school of the Christian religion; 6:30 p. m., Church choir supper and rehearsal.

Thursday: 10 a. m., All-day sewing meeting of the Women's union; 8 p. m., A.P.C. Sorority open meeting. Miss Katherine Lawlor will talk on Children's books.

UNION CONG. CHURCH (Ballardvale)
REV. PHILIP M. KELSEY, Minister
Sunday: 9:30 a. m., Sunday school and Junior church; 11 a. m., Nursery class and Morning worship; Communion meditation: 'Light Your Lamp.'

Notes: The Communion offering will go to send vitamin tablets to the hungry in China. Missionaries report that the most efficient and practical way of sending food to China is in the form of vitamin pills. The American Board of Missions has agreed to transport and distribute this aid to a hungry and starving people.

WEST PARISH
Sunday: 10:30 a. m., Children's church, with sermon by the pastor. Classes for kindergarten, teen agers, and adults. 11 a. m., Morning service of worship with reception of new members and observance of the Lord's Supper. 7 p. m., The Young People will meet in the vestry. Leader, Robert Gaskill.

Wednesday: 2:30 p. m., The Senior Woman's union will meet in the vestry; Mrs. Kenneth Penwell, president. Speaker, Miss Dunning, 'Arab vs. Jew.' 6:45 p. m., The West Parish church All Girls' choir will rehearse in the vestry.

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Births

Tuttle—A son, Howard M. III, born Wednesday, Dec. 21; to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Tuttle, Jr., of Oak Ridge, Tenn. Mrs. Tuttle is the former Harriett Sellars of 5 Avon st., Andover.

Bushway—A son, Richard Russell, born Thursday, Dec. 22, at the Richardson house, Boston, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Bushway of Allston. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Napier of Stevens st., North Andover and Mr. and Mrs. George F. Bushway of Holt rd.

Macleod—A daughter, Virginia Lee, born Wednesday, Dec. 29 at the Winchester hospital to Mr. and Mrs. R. Kingman Macleod (Virginia Lee Brimer) of 31 Grant ave., Watertown. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Brimer of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Macleod of Sandusky, Ohio.

Canane—A son, Monday, Dec. 27 at the Clover Hill hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. James Canane (Isabelle Skinner), 18 Foster circle.

Will Preach Sunday At South Church

Isaac P. Thuraiatnam, president of Union college, Jaffna, Ceylon, will preach at the Sunday morning services in the South church, Jan. 2. Mr. Thuraiatnam is not only an able educator, but a Christian layman who works closely with the American Board of Missions in Ceylon, and with the Jaffna Diocesan council of the Church of South India. He has come to this country to describe the status of Christian work in his native land and speaks on the theme: 'A Heartening Church in a Disheartening World.'

Free Church Choir At Methuen Service

The Free church choir, directed by Donald L. Amy, organist and choir director, presented special Christmas music at the Candle Lighting service held Sunday evening, in the First church, Congregational, Methuen. The Rev. Vaughan Dabney, D.D., dean of the Andover-Newton Theological seminary, delivered the sermon. The service was conducted by the Christian League of Methuen.

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Town Meeting Housing

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Town Meeting Accepts Housing Authority Plan

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The way for the housing authority to get unrestricted approval of the state to proceed. When this is obtained arrangements will be made to raise the money, negotiate with the owners for the purchase of the land, and go ahead with plans to build.

About 215 persons were present when Moderator Arthur Sweeney called the meeting to order at 7:30 o'clock. Among others in attendance were members of the board of selectmen, the finance committee, the school committee, planning board, board of public works, the housing authority, and officers of the Taxpayers' association.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Frederick B. Noss, pastor of the South church, and Selectman J. Everett Collins led the gathering in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Taking up the items under article 1, Chairman Roy E. Hardy of the board of selectmen explained in answer to a question from C. Carleton Kimball, that the \$1000 was needed by the fire department chiefly because of the unusual amount of pumping out cellars which the department was called upon to do last spring, and the unexpected increase in the cost of certain items. The motion to approve the sum was carried.

Mr. Hardy explained that the \$1600 was needed by the public welfare department as costs have risen considerably, and that there are a larger number of children supported entirely by the town, an expense not contemplated at the first of the year. The sum was approved.

Chairman Sidney P. White of the board of public works explained that the \$1000 was needed by the sewer department because a short circuit in the Shawshen sewer pumping house caused considerable damage to the wiring and switches, and burned out both motors. The sum was approved.

The \$4500 needed by the school committee was due, Chairman Gordon L. Colquhoun said, because of an increase of about \$2000 in the cost of coal, the increased enrollment necessitated appointment of a new teacher, renovations of a room in the John Dove school, repairs to the roof of the West Center school, repairs to the roof of the auditorium, and a

sum was approved. The general increase in prices. The

Consider Zoning Change
Coming to the second article calling for a change in zoning laws to create a multiple-type district, it was decided, at the suggestion of Chairman Frederic S. O'Brien, chairman of the housing authority, to consider article three with it. This changes the zoning map to designate 4.6 acres of land off Morton street as the multiple-residence district.

Mr. O'Brien said the two articles are necessary to work under chapter 200 to build homes for veterans in Andover.

"Under chapter 200," he said, "we have found it impossible to build so-called multiple housing developments on Morton street and there is no other section of town in which multiple houses can be erected. It is true that we find two-family and in some cases three-family houses in other sections of town but these houses were built before the zoning law went into effect. Now no one can erect anything but single houses except in the center of town, and by that we mean the business center."

"It is necessary to have zoning changed in such a way that we can erect multiple houses. These will be row houses, four and, in some instances, five families living in a row in each one of the houses. They will be two and one-half story houses. Each family will have living quarters downstairs and sleeping quarters upstairs. The houses will be built of brick or clapboard. If possible, we hope to have brick. We have made our proposition to the veterans and last August, seventy families requested houses. Since August, 114 families are now on the list."

Mr. O'Brien further stated that at a special meeting last Tuesday (Dec. 21) 70 families attended and told the authority that they still needed housing.

In answer to a question about single type houses to be erected in Needham, Atty. Charles C. Hatch, a member of the authority, said he has seen the plans and they appeared to be somewhat like those on South Broadway, Lawrence.

Sen. Philip K. Allen said that there is a need for housing for veterans as evidenced by the applications. "We have had the attitude too long of 'Let George do it.' It is time now for Andover to do it."

Rep. J. Everett Collins said that at the last meeting "we were not concerned with how much rent we

were going to get. We were concerned with housing the veterans. If these matters came up three years ago we would have been out of here an hour ago. We forget all too soon. I hope we do something now."

Planning Board Approves
A report of the planning board was read showing that although not unanimous, the board, because of the exceptional circumstances, voted that the change in the zoning law be approved.

As the motion for adoption of the two articles was made, Mr. Kimball asked if a two-thirds vote was not necessary. Mr. Sweeney replied that it was.

On a rising vote, 167 were counted in favor and 26 against. Article 4 to install the sewer on Morton street to connect with the sewer on Chestnut street was carried.

Under article 5 Chairman White of the board of public works said that the \$3200 was necessary to complete payment on the intake at Haggets pond due to the fact that as construction went along they struck quicksand and it was cheaper to go on with the work rather than stop. The article was adopted.

Regarding the Stevens street bridge, Mr. White said that it outlived its usefulness. It is posted for four tons and heavy units dare not use it. By having the article passed now instead of waiting for the next town meeting the steel could be ordered with delivery about next March. "If put off until the next town meeting you might get the bridge in 1950."

Chairman Louis F. Gleason of the Taxpayers' association said that his committee had inspected all three bridges mentioned in the articles and approved appropriations for two of them. The article was approved.

Regarding the Central street bridge, Mr. White said it was of wooden construction and repairs there a few weeks ago revealed some decayed timbers. He said a study by an engineer showed a very serious condition. Motion to accept was carried.

Mr. White said that an engineer examined the Andover street bridge in the 'Vale, built approximately 75 years ago, and found conditions showing a weakness.

Mr. Gleason said his committee felt the bridge was not in as bad condition as the others and that with some repairing could be used for a number of years.

He made a motion to have it referred to the next annual town meeting and that the board of public works be requested to report on the cost of suitable repairs. This was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 o'clock.

Approve Transfers

The finance committee has approved the following transfer of funds: \$50 to the tax collector for printing; \$60 to the election and registration department for the costs of the special town meeting; \$10 for the moderator.

Plans Shown on Screen

Lights were lowered and by means of illustrated slides plans of the proposed site and the layout of the first and second floors of the apartments thrown on a screen. These were explained by Clinton C. Goodwin, town architect, who said there would be from 50 to 56 units, that there might be a central heating plant or each apartment might be individually heated.

Mr. Kimball: Supposing as time goes on the veterans who occupy these houses want single family dwellings which they will own themselves, will you then give preference to other veterans or can you rent to anyone?

Mr. O'Brien: These houses will naturally be given to veterans first, but if there is no call for them they can be rented to anyone.

Mr. O'Brien also explained that the applications are in excess of the facilities the housing authority can supply.

Mrs. Agnes Murray, owner of part of the property: I object to the whole situation. I do not want my land taken for the veterans.

Mr. O'Brien: From suggestions made, it is understood that it is up to us to reach a satisfactory agreement with the property owners as to the purchase price which will leave both the owners and the housing authority satisfied. If this is not possible, then it may be necessary to have the state set the price. We trust that this will not be necessary, and that an agreement can be reached without the necessity of taking the property by right of eminent domain.

Asked by John F. O'Connell if there was an alternative plan, Mr. O'Brien said: "We have spent about four months checking land in Andover, and there is no other land which could be used for the project. This is the only parcel of land that meets with the approval of the state in the entire town."

Mr. Hammond: My sympathies are with the property owners. I

would not want anyone to take my land. We should all put ourselves in the same position.

Esther Murray, part owner of land in question: Several opportunities have presented themselves in which we could have sold that land. We did not sell because we wanted the section to remain strictly residential.

Howell M. Stillman, chairman of the finance committee: It is not our policy to debate the questions that come before the town meeting, but we do feel that we owe a duty to the town to be sure that the town has all the other facts before voting. We are not going to advocate or oppose the veterans' housing.

Mr. Stillman recalled that at the last special town meeting it was said that single family dwellings would be erected. He also pointed out that the present plan may be the beginning of socialized housing.

Discusses Cost

"The determining factor is the cost," he said. "These apartments will cost \$45 a month with no cost for heat or light. Economically this is not possible. You who attended the last town meeting will remember that it was said it would cost the town no money. And then it was predicted that we would be asked for an appropriation. This is the meeting."

Mr. Stillman presented an estimate of the cost and revenues from the proposed housing project which showed that with 25 years of operation there would be an estimated deficit of \$36,400 to the town.

Mr. O'Brien: Mr. Stillman said that the town would lose in taxes \$250,000. The cost in taxes on the property as it stands now is \$17 per year. The land will pay the same taxes that are now being

paid. It states in the law for the state to determine that the authority may pay up to 5% of shelter rent per year in taxes. That would amount to \$1,000 a year for the whole 56 houses. If we compare that to the \$17, it seems to me the town is getting something out of it. If the property is sold the town will receive out of the sale price the percentage of the taxes it waived during the years. The town of Andover would collect approximately 4/10 of the sale price. The state would receive the remaining 6/10. It is not a total loss to the town.

Mr. Newcomb, member of the authority: In the first place the question seems to me not so much whether we have single family or multiple family dwellings. The cost to the town is the same amount for both. The meeting was not called for tax purposes. It was a meeting to get housing for the veterans of Andover. There are 34 families living with their families. You would not collect taxes from them anyhow. The question is whether you want veterans' housing in Andover.

Mr. O'Connell: Notwithstanding the rental figures presented by the chairman of the finance committee, we have before us the duty to construct these houses for the veterans, because of the meeting last April. We expressed our intention of doing our share as a community to help relieve the crowded housing conditions of these men who have come back from the most desolate of all wars.

Mr. Hardy said that at the last special town meeting he had said that the town would not be asked for further appropriations and that the single type dwellings would be preferred. He stated that these statements were based on information he had at the time.

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Christmas Seal Sale Amounts to \$2396

Total returns of the 1948 Christmas Seal sale in Andover amounted to \$2,396.64 It was announced by Mrs. Elbert C. Weaver, chairman of the local committee. While the official sale closed Dec. 25, the committee hopes that late returns will continue to be made until the additional sum of \$450 is obtained so that the 1948 sale will equal the success of last year when \$2,836.25 was realized. "Those who have bought and used Christmas seals know that they are directly supporting the 1949 tuberculosis prevention and control program of the Essex County Health association. Those who still respond to unanswered Christmas seal letters will be able to feel that they are participating in the protection of their own health and the health of others in this community."

During 1949, it is expected that there will be a second X-ray survey at the Shawsheen mill. The first was conducted in May, 1947. In that survey, 1,384 employees were X-rayed.

Members of the Andover Christmas seal committee working under the leadership of Mrs. Weaver are Mrs. Frank L. Brigham, Mrs. Will G. Brown, Mrs. Matthew W. Colquhoun, Mrs. Walter Curtis, Miss Helen Eaton, Mrs. Thaxter Eaton, Mrs. Lotta Johnson, Mrs. Kenneth S. Minard, Miss Geraldine Peck, and Mrs. George Sanborn.

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served in his restaurant show the results of his experience.

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Mr. Verette's son and two daughters who work with him, and the rest of the staff, make eating at Verette's a pleasure for their many customers. Drop in this week, and see why it is called "Mother's Only Competitor."

Shawsheen Couple Married 64 Years

A group of happy relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor of 385 N. Main st., recent celebrants of their 64th wedding anniversary enjoyed a very gala family party in honor of the occasion. Included in the party were 10 great-grandchildren, and nine grandchildren, the Taylor's son, Thomas of Lowell st., and their three daughters, Mrs. George T. Gilley, Mrs. Arthur Jowett and Mrs. James Haphey of N. Andover. During the evening's festivities, a gift of money was presented to the joyful couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor spent their early married life in Johnstone, Scotland where two of their children were born. Later they came to the United States where Mr. Taylor continued his work as a master machinist until the time of his retirement a number of years ago.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are in excellent health and fully enjoyed the festivities and visits from their many friends who stopped in with their best wishes and congratulations.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE TOWNSMAN

From our friends at the Memorial Hall library we received this welcome verbal bouquet for Christmas:

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Local Students Serving On Harvard Committee

The student council of Harvard college has announced the election of David Maxwell Abbott '50, of 72 Central st., and Richard Ward Kimball '50, of 50 School st., to the permanent class committee.

Abbott is a graduate of Phillips (Exeter) academy, has played varsity hockey and lacrosse for Harvard, and is a member of the Eliot's house committee. Ward, a graduate of Phillips academy, was chairman of the jubilee committee in his freshman year, is a member of the student council and chairman of its freshman affairs committee.

Girls' Friendly Society Holds Christmas Party

The Girls' Friendly society of Christ church held its annual Christmas party Monday evening at the church. A delicious supper was served. Santa arrived during the evening and "secret pal" gifts were distributed. Games were played and carols sung. The Rev. and Mrs. Moses were invited guests.

The committee included: Mrs. Dorothy Wadman, chairman, Miss Doris Hilton, Mrs. Isabel Anderson, Mrs. Thelma Colburn and Miss Wilhemina Valentine.

Blue Cross May Boost Its Hospital Benefits

An increase in maternity benefits and extension of full hospital benefits from 30 to 60 may be granted to all Blue Cross group members, according to a plan announced by Roger W. Hardy, acting director of the Massachusetts Hospital Service, Inc.

In a communication to the 164 member hospitals in Massachusetts, Hardy asked approval of the increased benefits which will affect more than 1,500,000 group members. His proposal would pay the hospitals up to \$70.00 flat credit against billed charges for each Blue Cross maternity case.

The Blue Cross chief has already conferred with officials of the Massachusetts department of insurance and hearings on the proposed increase in benefits will probably be scheduled within the next few weeks. If the changes are approved by the hospitals and the state department of insurance, it is proposed that they go into effect approximately by Feb. 1.

This is the second major increase in Blue Cross benefits since the reorganization of last Spring which curtailed benefits and payments to hospitals for the approximately 2,000,000 Blue Cross members in Massachusetts.

Kindergarten Pupils In Christmas Program

The afternoon group of kindergarten pupils of the John Dove school presented an enjoyable Christmas program at the school last week in which a concert of Yuletide songs and a dramatization of "The Nativity" were the chief features.

Taking part in the dramatization were: Mary, Janice Bowman; Joseph, Charles Smith; angels, Margaret Covell and Nancy Pearson; shepherds, Jack Sweeney, Frank McBride and John Goddard.

The chorus: Barbara Buchan, John Carey, Elaine Emmons, Virginia Cargill, Virginia Snyder, James Thompson, Peter Roundy, Carol Gallant, Donnalee Shiebler, Jean Cairnie, Ronald Thompson, Billy Bredbury, Wendy Sandberg, Nan Taylor, Andy Blake and Emmett LeMay.

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LEGAL
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 225,929
Essex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of George W. Baker late of Andover County, deceased.
A petition has been presented praying that Sarah E. Webster in said County be appointed a guardian of said estate without giving a bond.
If you desire to object thereto, you should file a written objection with the Probate Court at Salem before ten o'clock on the third day of January, 1949, at the return day of this citation.
Witness, John V. Phelan, Esq., Judge of said Court, this eighth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.
RICHARD J. WHITE, J.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 144,655
Essex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate under the will of Mary M. late of Andover in said County for the benefit of Fannie V. others.
The trustee of said estate in said County for allowance in said twenty-fourth accounts, including the return day of this citation, should file a written objection with the Probate Court at Lawrence before ten o'clock on the tenth day of January, 1949, at the return day of this citation.
Witness, John V. Phelan, Esq., Judge of said Court, this fifth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.
RICHARD J. WHITE, J.

ANDOVER SAVINGS
The following pass books in Andover Savings Bank have application has been made for duplicate books. Public notification is hereby given, in accordance with Section 40, Chapter 990, of the laws of the State of Massachusetts, that the books are to be cancelled and the new books issued.
Payment has been stopped.
Book No. 34,166.
Book No. 56,293.
LOUIS S. FINGER

THE ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK
The Annual Meeting of the Andover National Bank at its Banking House, 23 Main Street, Andover, Mass., Tuesday, the 29th of January, 1949, at ten o'clock choice of directors and the other business that may be before the meeting.
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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 225,929

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of George W. Baker late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court praying that Sarah E. Webster of Andover in said County be appointed administratrix of said estate 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 Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the third day of January 1949, the return day of this citation.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (16-23-30)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 144,653

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of Mary Muzzy Plasted late of Andover in said County, deceased.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (23-30-16)

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK

The following pass books issued by the Andover Savings Bank have been lost and application has been made for the issuance of duplicate books.

Payment has been stopped. Book No. 34,166. Book No. 56,293.

LOUIS S. FINGER, Treasurer. (23-30-16)

THE ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Andover National Bank will be held at the banking house, 23 Main Street, Andover, Mass., Tuesday, the eleventh day of January, 1949, at ten o'clock a. m.

CHESTER W. HOLLAND, Cashier. (16-23-30-16)

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ASSESSORS' NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 29 To all persons subject to taxation in the Town of Andover.

ALL individuals, partnerships, associations or trusts, and corporations, residents of, or owning property located in, this town are hereby notified that they are required to bring in to the Local Board of Assessors in the form prescribed by Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation such a return before JANUARY 31, 1949.

True lists of polls and property, as follows: ON FORM OF LIST 2

POLLS—MALE INHABITANTS above the age of 20 on January 1, 1949, whether citizens of the United States or aliens, are liable for a poll tax.

Males between the ages of 20 and 21 are to be reported by, and in the place of residence of, their parents or guardians. If such a male minor has no parent or guardian in Massachusetts, he is personally liable for a poll tax as if he were of full age.

Any male inhabitant 21 years of age or over who is under guardianship is to be reported by his guardian in the place where the guardian is taxed for his own poll.

PERSONAL ESTATE—All Personal Property Subject to Taxation is required to be listed under the items given on Form of List 2.

Residents need not include Intangible Personal Property the income from which, if any, is included in a Massachusetts Income Tax Return filed in the same year.

Non-Residents, including certain foreign insurance companies, and foreign corporations which are engaged exclusively in interstate commerce, are NOT entitled to any exemption on account of Tangible Personal Property, which includes all Merchandise, Tools, Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures.

Note—A person is not entitled to any abatement of a tax on personal property unless a list is seasonably filed, except as provided in General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 61.

REAL ESTATE—All Real Estate Subject to Taxation in Andover on January 1, 1949. Sworn statements which may be made by mortgagors or mortgagees under General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 34, must be filed on or before January 31, 1949.

In the case of any person claiming exemption under General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 5, clauses 17, 18, 20 or 23, a full list of all such person's property, both real and personal, must be filed with assessors.

NOT LATER THAN MARCH 1, 1949 ON FORM (ABC)

True lists must be returned of all Real and Personal Property held for literary, temperance, benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes on January 1, 1949, or at the election of the corporation, on the last day of its fiscal year last preceding January 1, 1949, such lists to include the amount of Receipts and Expenditures for Said Purposes during the year of the return.

Fraternal Benefit Corporations which make returns to the Commissioner of Insurance under General Laws, Chapter 176, Section 38, are not required to file this list.

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Blanks for Form of List 2 and for Form 3 (ABC) May Be Obtained at the Office of the Board of Assessors or will be mailed by the Assessors upon request.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 226,113

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Gustav H. Dimlich late of Andover in said County, deceased.

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

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the seventeenth day of January 1949, the return day of this citation.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. From office of Anna M. Greeley, 21 Main st., Andover, Mass.

Attest with Seal of said Court. (SEAL) SYBIL H. HOLMES, Recorder.

Eaton and Chandler, Esqs., 301 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass., Attys. for petitioners. (30-J6-13)

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 219,064

Essex, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Richards late of Andover in said County deceased.

The executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance his 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 third day of January 1949, the return day of this citation.

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (16-23-30)

MEN'S MONDAY LEAGUE (Shawsheen Alleys)

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Carisbroke (1), Sughrue, Greenfield, Mosher, Rolly, O'Connor, Balmoral (3), F. Kefferstan, Warhurst, Moriarty, Pulster, Proctor.

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Argyle (2), Chalk, Kefferstan, Davis, Dummy, York (2), F. Rolly, Innes, Nell, Best, Dummy.

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Enmore (4), Calli, Sweeney, Svenson, Allen, Thompson.

21553 Reg. Commonwealth of Massachusetts LAND COURT

To Charles H. Murnane, Antonina J. Murnane, George H. Dumont, all of Andover, in the County of Essex and said Commonwealth; Sarah J. Sweeney, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk and said Commonwealth; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Frank R. Galney and Teresa A. Galney, of Lawrence, in said County of Essex, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in that part of said Andover, bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly, by Tewksbury Street, 158.00 feet; Northeasterly, by land now or formerly of Sarah J. Sweeney, 461.78 feet; Southeasterly, by land now or formerly of Charles H. and Antonina J. Murnane, 161.77 feet; and Southwest-

erly, by land now or formerly of George H. and Yvonne F. Dumont, 471.74 feet.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), on or before the twenty-fourth day of January next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, JOHN E. FENTON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of December in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

Attest with Seal of said Court. (SEAL) SYBIL H. HOLMES, Recorder.

Eaton and Chandler, Esqs., 301 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass., Attys. for petitioners. (30-J6-13)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts PROBATE COURT Docket No. 219,064

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

RICHARD J. WHITE, JR., Register. (16-23-30)

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Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes R. Parsons, Brent, Driscoll, DeClercq, Armitage, Totals.

ANDOVER TOWN LEAGUE (Recreation Alleys)

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Andover Coal (3), A. Holden, Giata, Erler, W. Holden, Low, Totals.

GRECOE'S (1)

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Hajj, Fitzgerald, Wennik, Grecoe, McCullom, Totals.

FRED'S LUNCH (4)

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Milne, Barley, Nelligan, Naylor, Nicoll, Totals.

ANDOVER SILVER (0) (FORFEIT)

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SEAFORTH'S (1)

Table with columns for player names and scores. Includes Vannett, Nicoll, Dummy, Anderson, Ferrier, Totals.

RE-ENLISTS IN ARMY

Private Charles S. Waldie, whose original enlistment in the army dates back to March 30, 1946, recently re-enlisted for a three year period. The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Waldie, 13 Bartlett st., he is serving with the 1134th ASU, MP detachment at Murphy General hospital in Waltham.

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In connection with the aluminum drive being conducted for the Archbishop Cushing charity fund, all parishioners of St. Augustine's church are asked to bring their 1948 registration plates with them next Saturday or Sunday and leave them in a truck which will be parked in the rectory driveway.

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CHRISTMAS CONCERT

A special service was held at 10:30 a. m. Sunday at the Methodist church. The children presented a concert. A special musical program included: Prelude, "In Joyful Adoration," Mueller; offertory, "A Lonely Rose," Brahms and Heller; "Jesu Bambino," Yon, soprano solo by Miss Ruth W. Crawford; Miss A. Riama Crawford, accompanist; organ and piano duet, "Excerpts from Christmas Fantasy," Kohlmann, by the Misses Crawford; anthem, "Long Years Ago O'er Bethlehem's Hills," Brewer, by the choir; postlude, "Yuletide March," Millard, by Miss Ruth Crawford.

The children's concert program included: Songs by Beginners and Primary departments: Away In a Manger, and Jingle Bells; recitations, I Like Christmas Bells, Bobby Brown; Little Stars, Donna Hazelton; Just a Minute, Richard Brown; Our Wish, Eddie Davison with Richard Davison; Even Little Ones, Linda MacCausland; My Speech, Bobbie Green; I Belong, Linda Merritt; My Special Star, Richard Meyers; The Christmas Picture, Marion Gollan; Once a Precious Baby, Elizabeth Payne; Up to the Grown Folks, Bruce Meyers.

Songs: The Dear Little Jesus Once Lay in the Hay, and Little Baby in the Manger, I Love You; recitations, My Gift to Him, Jackie Gollan; His Angels, Darlene Payne; His Gifts, Billy Davison; Christ My Star, Norma Kibbee; We Who Have Knelt at Bethlehem, Margaret Ann Bouleau; Somebody, Barbara Wakefield.

Song: The Three Kings Came from the Orient; recitations, I Wonder, Bobby Nolan; Some Folks Think, Paul Payne; How to Spell Jesus, Marilyn Ness; What Gift I Have, Joan Wilson; Christmas Eve, Cynthia Lawrence; Somebody Cared at Christmas, Joyce Lee Nason; Christmas for the Dollies, Barbara Wakefield, Darlene Payne, Roberta MacCausland and Norma Kibbee. Luncheon to be served.

The members of the Friendly Guild will hold a luncheon for the

public, Thursday, Jan. 6, in the vestry of the Union Congregational church between 11:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. All reservations should be made with Miss Doris Shaw before Jan. 4.

Carol Singing Enjoyed

Many people were pleased on Thursday evening when members of Troop 19, girl scouts and boys of Ainslee Schofield's Sunday school class went to various homes to sing Christmas carols. Mrs. Arthur Weiss, Mrs. George Forsythe, Mrs. Edna O'Hara and Ainslee Schofield accompanied the group.

After the carol singing a social hour was held at the home of Mrs. Weiss where movies were shown by George Forsythe and refreshments were served.

Personals

Mrs. Edwin Stevens and daughter Arlene of North Andover visited relatives in the 'Vale' Tuesday.

Miss Ruth Perry of Michigan spent the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Perry of High st.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green and children of Marland rd, spent Sunday with relatives in Hampstead, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Frost and sons of Reading spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bonleau of Andover st.

Edward Scott of Lawrence spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Crowther visited relatives in the 'Vale' Sunday.

Robert Ganley of North Andover and Robert Kent of Lawrence spent Monday visiting friends in the 'Vale'.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks of River st., spent the holiday weekend with friends in Springfield.

Miss Andrea Hofer and Miss Harriet Schofield spent Tuesday in Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Alleruzzo of Center st. spent the holiday weekend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Matthews of Skowhegan, Me.

Miss Margaret Hadley has returned home after a visit with her brother, Lieut. Leslie R. Hadley at Hempstead, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ness of Bridgeport, Conn., spent the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ness of Center st.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Polenski of Atlanta, Georgia, are visiting relatives in the 'Vale'.

Mrs. Clara Knop of Wollaston and Mr. and Mrs. William Margerison of Lawrence spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Stott of High st.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kelsey for Christmas day were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cogger, Miss Gloria Cogger, William Cogger, and Mrs. Adeline Sargent of Merrimack, N. H.

School Nurse Describes Program

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personnel were also X-rayed. No active cases of tuberculosis were found in either group.

Dr. Sidwell's travelling school clinic was in Andover for the second consecutive year. Twenty-seven pupils were tested. The clinic is mainly for children with outstanding problems—such as inability to progress in school, emotional problems or social adjustments. Recommendations as to the placement of these children are made to the superintendent.

The hearing testing was done this year with the pure tone audiometer. The children are tested in groups of forty. Re-testing is done on all failures and an individual test is done on all who fail the re-test. An audiogram is made of each individual test. The audiogram is sent home and should be taken to an ear specialist. The medical profession does not always understand the testing methods carried on in the schools and we hope in this way to procure earlier treatment of hearing defects.

Pre-school registration for the kindergartens was held the first week in June. The principal, kindergarten teacher, dental hygienist, and school nurse were present to meet the parents and children. Health histories were taken and health cards distributed to be filled in by the family physician. Booklets describing the health program of the school (printed by the Junior High school printing shop) were also distributed.

Dr. Blake, school physician, is again doing physical examinations on all fourth, seventh and tenth grade students, and in addition all new students in the system. This examination is a stripped to the waist examination of heart, lungs, throat, general appearance, posture and feet. The heart and lungs of all eleventh and twelfth grade students participating in the physical education program are also examined yearly.

The diphtheria immunization clinic is now in progress with only 22 pupils to be immunized.

Dr. Emmons is again volunteering his time for visual survey work. The children in the second, seventh, and twelfth grades are tested.

Mrs. Anna Walsh and Miss Mary Donahue are serving as visiting home teachers. This service is available to children physically and mentally able to do school work, but unable to attend school because of illness.

We are conducting a corrective speech clinic twice a month on Saturday mornings. Miss Agnes Reardon, a full time speech teacher in the Lynn public schools, is the teacher. The clinic is for any child with any speech defects such as stuttering, lisp or baby talk. At the present time there are twenty pupils enrolled, and at least fifteen more who need to attend. I hope to be able to add a lip reading class after the first of January.

Routine visits are made to all the schools to check conditions and investigate the reasons for absenteeism. I make an average of six home visits a week to discuss physical defects and other major problems.

Co-operation on the part of the teachers is excellent. In spite of their busy programs they are continuing to carry on the testing of vision and the weighing and measuring of their pupils.

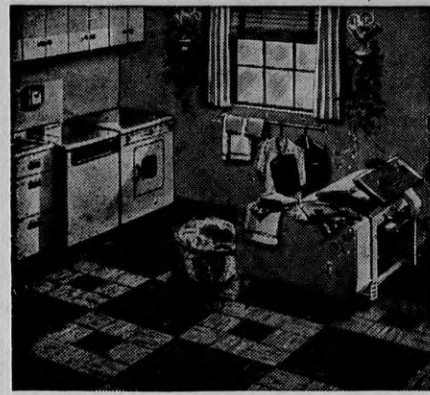
The health education program has been greatly augmented by the use of visual aids and a few health films. The health department has sponsored four assemblies on various phases of health education.

We try to enrich our program each year. It is impossible to evaluate the many values arising from the school health program. The benefits of the program are often felt by the individual throughout his whole life.

Respectfully submitted,
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School nurse

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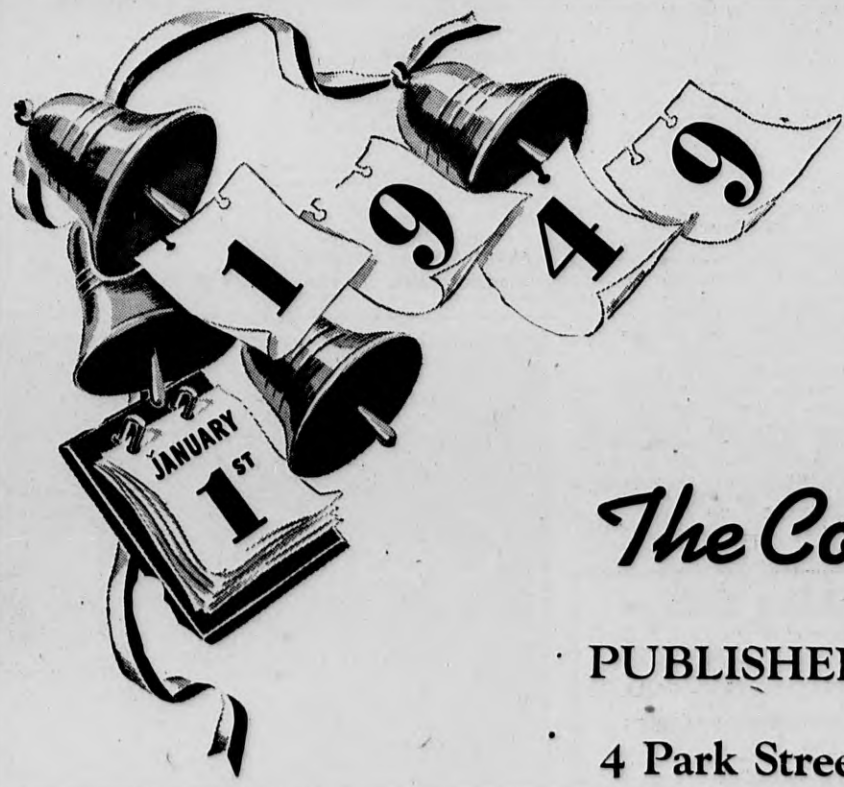
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