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VIEWS OF THE NEWS

By LEONARD F. JAMES

A year ago Italy repudiated communism at the elections. A year ago Premier de Gasperi had one firm plank in his election campaign. He would support land reform. One year later communism is gathering support among the peasants. One year later land reform remains still a paper promise. And so communism will go on gaining supporters in Italy.

The one very interested party in this Italian affair is Russia. As usual, when trouble broods, Russia can be expected to be there. And in this instance, for good reason. Italy can easily become the cockpit of Europe in the struggle between East and West. For what is occurring in Italy has a tie-up with the satellite area behind the Iron Curtain.

Landlords and Church—
Russia's Target

One cause of discontent in Eastern Europe is the influence of Christianity. As Hitler found out, religion is in itself an allegiance which even a dictator cannot control. So, whenever there is a chance to discredit the Church, (Continued on Page Eight)



"That's what I want Santa Claus to bring me, and that, and that," piped Richard Nolet as he stopped with his sister, Simeone, before a window of one of Andover's merchants to admire some of the things he hoped to find in his stocking Christmas morning. (Look Photo)

Admiral Sherman To Visit Andover

Adm. Forest P. Sherman, chief of the navy, will visit Boston and Andover, Wednesday, Dec. 21. Admiral Sherman will arrive in Boston, Wednesday morning in time to have breakfast with Gov. Paul A. Dever.

He will attend a luncheon at noon at the Hotel Somerset where he will be the guest of the naval order and the Boston chamber of commerce. Admiral Sherman will speak on a national radio hook-up at this time. Other guests at the luncheon include: the Massachusetts senators and congressmen, Admiral Hewett Theobald, commandant of the first naval district and the governor of the commonwealth.

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Water In Haggetts Down 57 Inches

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Water shortages in other communities have drawn attention locally to the town's source of supply at Haggetts pond where the water is now 57 inches below the high level, a drop of one inch during November. When at the high level any excess water flows over the spillway into Fish brook.

While many wells in the town have gone dry and while some other places are placing restrictions on the use of water, officials here see no cause for taking any action toward curtailment.

Two years ago the water at Haggetts was down almost to the same level that it is today and despite all the snow that fell that winter, did not get back to normal height until the following spring.

Haggetts, the surface of which covers 217 acres when full, gets most of its supply from springs and only a small amount from the water shed in that area.

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Officials Give Opinions Of Track At Punchard

Attendance Climbs At Youth Center

Activities at the Andover Youth Center have appealed to such a large number that the present membership of 506 is expected to expand to more than 600 by the end of the month.

Conducted daily at the Andover Guild the extensive program is arranged this season for boys and girls of varied age groups. It includes bowling, basketball, roller skating, dancing and swimming together with clubs for those interested in dramatics, airplanes, skiing, tumbling, wrestling, camera, hairdressing, needlecraft, singing and beauty culture.

The guild now offers a business men's class every Wednesday night from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The activity consists mostly of volleyball and a shower afterward. All business men of the town are welcome.

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Teacher Elected For Junior High

The school committee Monday night elected Arthur L. Moore of Medford as teacher in the Junior High school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ar-

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Express Varied Views On Its Continuation As Varsity Sport

In considering its action last week to restore track as a varsity sport at Punchard, the school committee had before it several letters from school officials giving their opinions on the subject.

The opinions were not unanimous. Several reasons were advanced for dropping track as a major sport. One letter which seemed to cover most of the reasons advanced for dropping track was read from Kenneth K. McKiniry, teacher and coach of baseball and basketball. It was as follows:

"This letter is in answer to your request for my opinion regarding the resumption of track as a major sport in Punchard High school."

"First, I should like to make it clear that I am in favor of all sports or any other approved type of extracurricular activity commensurate with the size, needs, and wishes of the school. The spirit of competition and the striving for success are character-building as well as body-building."

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POST OFFICE TO OPEN SEVERAL EXTRA HOURS

The Andover post office will be open Saturday, Dec. 17 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The hours for the Shawshen station will be: from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 17, and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 18.

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Pre-Town Meeting Planned To Discuss Survey Of Schools

Parent-Teacher Groups Sponsor
Symposium For Jan. 4 To Go Over
Project That May Cost Million

\$335,273 Budget Sought By Schools

Sum Is \$19,000 More
Than 1949 — Per Pupil
Cost Is Reduced \$7

A school budget of \$335,273 for next year was adopted by the school committee at Monday night's meeting.

Although this sum is \$19,000 greater than the \$312,244 appropriated for the school department at the town meeting last March, the per pupil cost has been greatly reduced for the coming year.

This is brought about by the much larger school attendance and only a comparatively small increase in the budget.

For 1949 the schools with 1535 pupils were operated at a cost of \$183 each. For 1950 the number of pupils has increased to 1654 (its present number) for which the cost will be \$176 each.

While the \$19,000 increase in the budget is asked by the department the amount is due to no new innovations but to teachers salaries, the staff having been increased by four since the last budget was adopted.

At the same time the department which showed receipts last year of \$34,545, will have receipts this coming year of about \$43,890.

New Developments In Phone Discussed

J. Russell Dolan, manager of the Lawrence district of the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., entertained members of the Andover Service club last Thursday night with an interesting and instructive discussion of the new developments in the telephone. His talk was illustrated by two films, one on television and the other on the new operator toll dialing system.

The Bell system, Mr. Dolan said, is 73 years old this year. In that time it has grown to where it now has 32,850,000 phones serviced by 131,241,000 miles of wire which carry an average of 154,500,000 conversations daily.

Further illustrating the growth of the service he mentioned that today there are phones in automobiles, boats, airplanes and trains, and conversations can be carried on between auto and airplane. This is done by the use of coaxial cable and radio.

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Liquor Licenses For 1950 Granted

All liquor licenses now in effect will be renewed for 1950, according to the action taken Monday night by the board of selectmen when all applications for next year were signed without change.

The licenses were sent to the state board for approval before they can go into effect.

The town has 16 licenses to grant each year. There are two for hotels, seven all liquor restaurants, three all liquor package stores, and four wine and malt package stores.

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A pre-town meeting symposium on the recent survey of the town's school facilities is scheduled to be held next Jan. 4 to give sole consideration to a project which may cost the town \$800,000.

The meeting is sponsored by the Central PTA in cooperation with the Shawshen, Ballardvale and West Center Parent-Teacher associations, and will be held in the Memorial auditorium.

Dean Jesse B. Davis of the Boston university School of Education, and Cyril G. Sargent, assistant professor of education at Harvard, and a former Andover resident, who made the survey at the request of the school committee, will speak for the proposed plan. Other speakers will be present who will offer alternate plans and constructive criticism of the present plan.

Also expected to speak are Kenneth L. Sherman, superintendent of schools, members of the school committee, representatives of the Andover Taxpayers association, the League of Women Voters and the Andover Service club. An open discussion period will follow which promises to be interesting and lively as wide varying opinions have already developed in different sections of the town.

In their findings on the school survey the consultants reported (Continued on Page Sixteen)

Vale Skating Area To Be Determined

A skating area for Ballardvale was discussed Monday night when Stafford A. Lindsay, chairman of the recreation committee, appeared before the board of selectmen asking that some permanent solution to the problem be made.

Last winter an area was provided on the playground near the fire house but objection to continuing the use of this same spot for skating each year was made by the board of public works after several truck loads of sand had to be removed in the spring.

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May Get Discount On Meter Balance

The manufacturers of the local parking meters have offered to give the town a discount on the balance due for the meters if the entire balance is paid.

A communication to this effect was read at the selectmen's meeting Monday night from the Michaels Art Bronze Co., of Covington, Ky.

The meters bought in the summer of 1948 originally cost \$11,028.66. Payments are being made monthly, one half of the collections going to the manufacturers and the other half going to the town.

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Shopping Days
til
Christmas!

Baptist Church Calls New Pastor

Members of the Andover Baptist church at a meeting Wednesday night voted to buy the Francis property at 24 Central street as a parsonage, and also sent an invitation to the Rev. Roy E. Nelson, of Marblehead, formerly of Methuen, to become their new pastor. Mr. Nelson is a graduate of the

Gordon college School of Divinity, Boston, and served as a chaplain in the army for three years during World War II.

George Skea of No. Main st. is a patient at the Clover Hill hospital.

Mrs. Lillian LeLachur has returned to her home from the Lawrence General hospital where she was a recent patient.

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Celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary today are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor of 385 N. Main st., who are holding open house for their many friends and relatives this afternoon and evening. Married in Johnston, Scotland, Mr. Taylor, who is 87, and Mrs. Taylor, 85, are both enjoying excellent health and take a great interest in all current events. They have three daughters, on son, nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. (Ted Cole Photo).

Woman, 70, Found Slumped In Auto

Found in a semi-conscious condition slumped partly through the open door of her automobile on Puncard avenue a few hours after she had suffered a fall on Stratford road, Alice M. Bell, 70, of Haggetts Pond road was taken Tuesday night to the Lawrence General hospital where her name was placed on the danger list. Her condition was reported this morning as "fair."

Investigating officers believe

that Miss Bell had fallen into her car and had been there unable to help herself for more than three hours before her plight was discovered.

Police responding to a call from Frederick R. Hulme, 7 Puncard ave., about 8:48 p.m., found her with her feet on the sidewalk and her coat caught in the switchboard button on the dashboard which prevented her from tumbling out of the car. The lights of the car had been on all this time and the horn had been heard sounding at intervals.

They learned that she had attended a meeting in the afternoon and leaving the home on Stratford road where it was held, lost her footing and fell forward on the sidewalk. She refused to go to a doctor and drove to Puncard ave. where she delivered a book that she had borrowed from Dana W. Clark. She remained there but a few minutes, Mr. Clark told police, and when she was leaving he helped her down the stairs and saw her walk toward her car. That was shortly after 5 p.m. Police believe that it was about that time that she fell and remained partly in the car until discovered more than three hours later.

Abbot Has Busy Holiday Program

The last days before the Christmas holiday at Abbot Academy are filled with events in the traditional Christmas program.

On Sunday afternoon the Abbot Christian association visited the Andover infirmary with gifts and baskets of fruit. On Sunday evening the regular vespers was conducted by the Abbot Christian association. Following the service Miss Emily Hale read the annual Christmas story.

At 8:15 p.m. Thursday in Davis hall the Christmas service will be held. It is open to the public.

On Friday afternoon the Abbot Christian association will entertain a group of Andover children in Davis hall with games, singing, and a one-act Christmas play. There will be a tree, and refreshments and gifts. The Christmas dinner is a gay affair with songs

and fun. After the dinner there are carols for the school. Special carols are given by the language department, French and Spanish. The singing will be directed by Miss Friskin and Mr. Coon. After the carol service, Miss Hearsey will be at home to the faculty, and then will follow the corridor gatherings.

Early Saturday morning the carollers will be heard from cottage to cottage and from corridor to corridor as the earliest travelers are getting ready to catch early trains and planes for their homes. School reopens on January 7.

The Thursday evening program in Davis hall will include organ music by Raymond Coon, recitations and songs by the Fidelity society, the different classes and the whole school, hymns, individual recitations and a Christmas message by Miss Margaret Hearsey. The program will conclude with the singing of "The Hallelujah chorus from the Messiah."

Birth...

Holt—A daughter Dec. 13, at the Clover Hill hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holt (Grace Naussbaum) 9 Canterbury st.

The Christmas recess at Merrimack will begin Saturday, Dec. 17 and will continue until Monday, Jan. 4.

Will Allow Skating On 'Vale Playstead

Meeting with a delegation from Ballardvale and two members of the Andover recreation committee, the board of public works last night decided to allow skating on the playground where it was before, with the provision that the area be left next spring in as good condition as it is now.

The 'Vale delegation objected to the use of Clark brook for skating. They asked for a hot-top permanent base on the playground which could be used for a skating rink each year.

The sewer and water committee will meet Friday night to consider the sewer assessment rates.

Monday night the board will give a hearing to residents of Canterbury and William streets who are asking for steel standards for lights instead of wooden poles.

The board also voted to cooperate with the police department and refuse permits to boat owners who leave their boats on Haggetts pond after Nov. 1.

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Basketball Squad Cut At Punchard

By JOE RAYBALL

Coach Ken McKiniry of Punchard high school has gradually started to cut his basketball squad down to a single working unit. Of his varsity squad six players are junior class members, four are seniors and two sophomores.

Charles Dwyer, the lone starting member of last year's aggregation and captain of this year's team, Cliff Lawrence of football fame, Joe Stack, Charlie McCollum and Scotty Gherish are junior classmen making a good showing to date.

Senior players include Nick Maucerie, co-captain of the past season football team. Dave Wetterberg, Russ Thompson and Bob Dimlich. The sophomores are Alan Wilson and John Ross, both members of the football squad. Dwyer and Wilson are still nursing leg injuries suffered while playing football. It's not definitely known whether they will be in shape for Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 2:30 o'clock for the first game with Stoneham at the local court.

Other members of the squad who will probably make up the Jayvee team are: Juniors—Don Valz, and Art Mooney. Sophomores—John Marrocco, Bill Ronan, Dan Worcester, Bill Viveney, Jim Murray, Jim McGrath, Dick Graves and Warren Tyler of cross country fame who stands 6 foot 3 inches and who is expected to develop into one of the best basketball players in this section in another year or so. Junior high boys working out include Jimmy Dolan, Bill Stack, Ray Nolan and Jack Morgan. Coach McKiniry intends to carry twelve men on his varsity and the same number on the jayvee squad.

let, J. McCabe, R. McCabe, Williams, J. Downey, R. Hatton, D. Best, J. Morgan, A. Sparks, P. Stephani, Cole. The contest consisted of swan, front, jack-knife, and optional dives.

Tom Wilkinson placed first with 23 points. Joe Morgan was second with 19 and Bobby McCabe placed third with 14 points. A relay race was also held with the team of Sparks, Downey, and Wilkinson placing first over teams of Morgan, Cole, and Faigle; and McCabe, Williams, and Arnold.

A fifty yard free-style race was also held with the following results: 9 to 10 yrs.—Crawford, first, Edwards, second; 11 to 12 yrs.—Williams, first, Arnold, second; 13 to 14 yrs.—Sparks, first, Nowell, second; 15 to 16 yrs.—Wilkinson (time: 29.5 seconds).

About ten per cent of the federal budget of Mexico in 1945 was for irrigating purposes.

Santa To Visit Legion's Party

Santa will make a visit with his pack of presents to the annual Christmas party conducted by the American Legion post 8, which will be held in the post rooms, Barnard building at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15. This party, which provides the post with funds for its welfare and hospital work for the coming year, promises to be a merry occasion for all those who attend.

A good variety of refreshments and prizes have been arranged and tickets for the prizes may be obtained from any member of the post. The committee in charge requests all members to make their ticket returns as soon as possible in order to avoid confusion on the night of the party. Returns may be made to Richard Wrigley, Stevens st., Albert Cole, Jr., Foster circle, or Robert Volker, Washington ave.

Engagement

Loosigian—Hughes

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Hughes, 27 Flitz st., Lawrence, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gertrude, to Harry Loosigian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Krikor Loosigian of Pleasant st., West Andover. Miss Hughes is a graduate of St. Mary's High school and St. John's hospital school of nursing. At present she is on the staff of the McGowan hospital. Mr. Loosigian is a graduate of Punchard High school. The wedding will take place January 15 in St. Mary's church, Lawrence.

Track Candidates Out At Punchard

By JOE RAYBALL

Coach Donald Dunn issued the call for his indoor track team Wednesday, after the school board voted to allow the sport to become a major one in the high school.

Coach Dunn has three of his five speed merchants returning from last year's sensational team. The three boys are captain Joe Ratyna Class D state champion and school record holder in the broad jump, and 220. He was also anchor man on last year's state champion relay team which included Wilfred Johnson, Herb Deveaux and Joe Rayball. Joe Rayball the second of the three speed merchants played end on this year's football team, holds the local high school record in the 440, and ran as third man in the state champion relay team. Joe also placed fourth in the 440 at the state meet last spring. Third man is Ray Collins, co-captain of this year's football team who was considered one of the finest backs in the state. Ray runs the 100 yard dash, was an alternate on the state champion javelin team and also was the alternate on last year's relay team.

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Coach Dunn has another youngster, Lewis Fiedler, who was a member of the team last year but who was lost very early in the season due to an illness. He is expected to be a threat this year and it is more than likely he will gain the vacant berth on the relay team. Coach Dunn has only one distance runner who has shown himself to be able to hold his own that being Phil Dantos captain of last year's cross country team and holder of the mile record at Punchard. So far no meets have been arranged but Coach Dunn is seeking them along with faculty manager James Hart.

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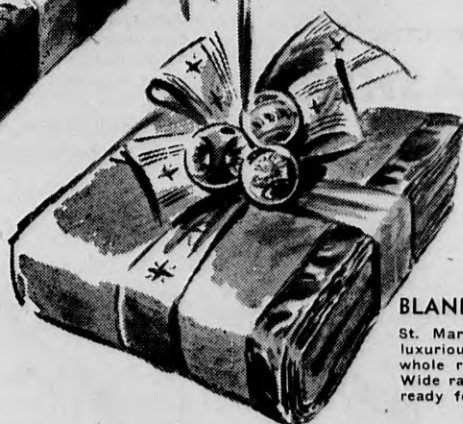
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COOKING CLASS

The final session in cooking in the practical arts course held under the supervision of Miss Esther Balair was held on Monday morning in the West church vestry. A Christmas dinner party was

held. Those who attended the course were: Mrs. G. Richard Abbott, Mrs. Harwood Belding, Mrs. Herbert Brideau, Mrs. Herbert Carter, Mrs. Harry Chadwick, Mrs. William Dobbie, Mrs. Halbert Dow, Mrs. Clyde Fore, Mrs. John Gorrie, Mrs. Albert Heinz, Mrs. Harold Johnson, Mrs. Harold Leonard, Mrs. Lathrop Merrick, Mrs. Alexander Ritchie, Mrs. Robert Scobie, Mrs. Walter Simon, Mrs. Arthur Smith, Mrs. Charles Sparks, and Mrs. Albert Wade.

Andover Grange

Andover Grange 183 will meet Tuesday, Dec. 20 at 8 p.m. The annual Christmas party will be held, and each member is asked to bring a small gift for the tree.

Junior Woman's Union

The annual election of officers

was held at the meeting of the Junior Women's union of the West church Thursday evening, Dec. 8. Mrs. Gladys Piper was chairman of the nominating committee, and other members were: Mrs. Dorothy Schirner and Mrs. Ruth White. The following officers were elected to serve in 1950: Mrs. Harriet Sparks, President; Frances DesRoches, first vice president; Gladys Ortstein, second vice president; Betty Ritchie, secretary; Ebba Peterson, treasurer; Eleanor Hall, chaplain; Nan Chadwick, auditor; Wilma Abbott, pianist; Gladys Ortstein, program committee chairman; Gladys Piper, flower committee chairman, and Dorothy Peatman, sunshine committee chairman.

Church Notes

William S. Titcomb of Chandler rd. was elected to fill the unexpired term of the late William A. Trow on the board of assessors for the West Parish church.

The executive board of the Men's Brotherhood of the West church

met on Sunday afternoon at the home of Richard Williams on Lowell st., and plans were made for the coming year.

Tonight at 7:30, the teachers and officers of the West church school will hold a Christmas party at the home of the superintendent, Earl Young, on Lowell st.

To Present Pageant

Next Sunday at 7 p.m. in the West church, a Christmas pageant entitled, "The Road to Bethlehem" will be presented by members of the Sunday school. An offering will be taken for the benefit of the summer conference fund.

Sunday School Parties

The cradle roll and kindergarten will hold their party Thursday, Dec. 22 at 2:30 p.m. and on Friday, Dec. 23. All children from grades 1 to 8 will meet in the vestry for their annual party.

West Andover PTA

Wednesday, Dec. 7, the West center PTA met in Grange hall. An open meeting was held, and a

report of the survey experts, Dr. Davis and Dr. Sargent was discussed. Their findings are based on: first, the buildings, their accommodations, facilities, lighting, heating, etc.; second, housing of pupils, present number which is almost to capacity and anticipated increase in 1950 and up to 1956. Dr. Davis and Dr. Sargent also made a survey of the financial aspects, the probably all-over cost and ways of meeting it.

West center is faced with many problems such as, possible delay in the construction of a school and finding of a suitable site in West Center. Anyone who can not answer these questions, and many more that have arisen should attend the meeting scheduled for Jan. 4 at the auditorium.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served and a social hour followed.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Doyle of Chandler rd. attended the roller skate derby in Boston last Saturday.

Friends of Harold W. Russell of Argilla rd. will be sorry to learn of the death of his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Russell. Mrs. Russell died Dec. 8 at the Lawrence General hospital, and the funeral took place last Saturday at Kennebunk, Me.

Miss Virginia Stevens of Virginia rd. flew to New York last Friday to spend the weekend with a group of friends from Virginia.

Mrs. Arthur Morley has returned from the Lawrence General hospital, and is recuperating at her home on Main st.

Mrs. Margaret Noble of Northampton is spending several weeks with her daughter Mrs. Desmond Lizott of High Plain rd.

Miss Margaret Dick of Longmeadow and her sister, Mrs. Roy Pollard of New Braintree spent the weekend with their mother, Mrs. Ernest Dick of High Plain rd.

Miss Rhoda Anderson entertained the members of the Ladies' Aid society of the South Lawrence Congregational church at her home on Williams st., last Thursday afternoon. Christmas gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Pinkham of Waterville, Me. were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart, High Plain rd.

Mrs. Margaret Muller of High Plain rd. attended the 66th anniversary banquet of the Salvation Army which was held in Lawrence last Sunday evening.

Peter Loosigian of Lowell st. is on the honor roll for the first term at Essex agricultural school, Hathorn.

Mrs. William Stewart has returned to her home on High Plain rd. after spending several days with friends in Waterville, Me.

CLAN JOHNSON

Members of Clan Johnson and their auxiliary will hold a joint grocery party at the Square and Compass club Friday night. All proceeds will go towards the children's Christmas party to be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18 in the club hall.

Joseph G. Cannon ('Uncle Joe'), a congressman from the state of Illinois, was a member of the United States congress for forty-six years.

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On Wednesday morning, Dec. 21, the Littlest Listeners will hold their annual Christmas party, in the young people's room of the Memorial Hall library. In addition to their stories and games, there will be light refreshments served, around the Christmas tree. All little people of ages three, four and five are invited to be present.

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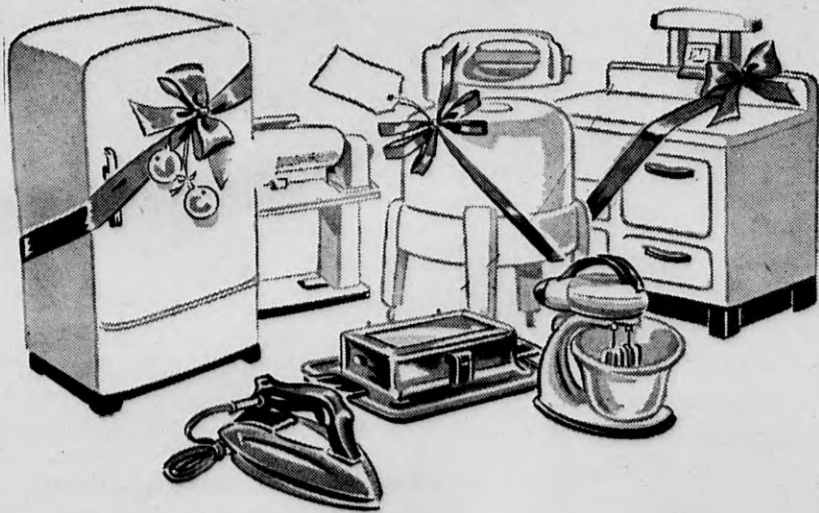
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Obituaries . . .

MRS. JAMES HODGE

Mrs. Dora Heslop (Bennett) Hodge, wife of James Hodge, 95 Central st. died at the Lawrence General hospital Dec. 8 following a long illness. A native of Brechin, Scotland, Mrs. Hodge had made her home in Andover for the past 12 years, and until her illness was employed as a mender in the Marland mills. She was a member of the First-Calvary Baptist church of Lawrence.

Besides her husband she leaves two brothers, Gordon and John, both of Andover; three sisters, Mrs. Eva Bushnell and Mrs. Francis Nicoll, both of Lawrence, and Mrs. Margaret Carlie of Arbroath, Scotland; also a niece and a nephew.

The funeral was held from the Lundgren funeral home, Saturday, Dec. 10, with services at 1 p.m. by the Rev. Herman L. Noyes, pastor of the First-Calvary Baptist church. Burial was in Elmwood cemetery, Methuen.

The bearers were: Albert Kerr, George Laing, Frank Barous, Alex. Monro, James Nicoll, and Edward Bushnell.

MRS. MARIE SAUNDERS
POLLOCK

Mrs. Marie Saunders Pollock, 75, formerly wife of the late Dr. Hilard F. Holt of Andover, a descendant of Nicholas Holt, died in Bristol, Conn., Friday, Dec. 9. Funeral services were conducted Monday at Forrestville, Conn., and burial Tuesday was in Spring Grove cemetery, Andover, where services were conducted at 2 p.m. by the Rev. John S. Moses of Christ church.

Deceased was born in Armentieres, France. Her father John Saunders was for 35 years superintendent of the Smith & Dove mills. She came here as a child, graduated from Punchard High school and the Wheelock college, Boston, and taught kindergarten in the public schools here and in Dalton and Vineyard Haven.

She is survived by her husband, Grover C. Pollock of Forrestville, Conn., two daughters, Mrs. Earl Gray of Stuebenville, O., and Mrs. Edgar Flinton of Clarksville, N. Y., three sons, Capt. Hiland Dale Holt, now stationed at Guam, Harmon G. Holt of Manchester, Conn.,

and Harrison W. Holt of Narberth, Pa., a graduate of Phillips academy in 1936; a sister, Mrs. Elspeth Hardy of Kingston; and two brothers, James Saunders of Sanford, Me., and Harry Saunders of Stellarton, Nova Scotia.

Free Christmas Shows
For School Children

The school children of Andover are invited by the management of the Andover Playhouse to attend a free performance of a special Christmas program, which is to be held Saturday, Dec. 24. There will be two performances of the program. One for the younger children at 9 a.m. and for the older group at 11 a.m.

Tickets will be distributed at the public, private, and parochial schools, and all the children will be welcome.

The Andover Catholic Men's club will distribute free boxes of candy to the children at both performances. The committee of the club met in the rectory of the church last Monday night, and will meet at the home of Dr. Harry V. Byrne on Dec. 19 to pack the boxes.

Tells Women Voters
About Atomic Energy

The League of Women Voters gathered in the library of Abbot academy last Thursday afternoon to hear Louise McDowell, retired professor of physics at Wellesley college, talk about atomic energy. Mrs. Peter McKee introduced the speaker.

Miss McDowell urged that civilian control of atomic energy be maintained, since the peacetime possibilities of atomic power are of equal or superior importance to its military aspects. To medicine, to the science of nutrition, and eventually to industry, atomic power will give the greatest advances that have occurred in a century of research. Also, she pointed out that atomic physicists were hampered by unnecessary security restrictions, both in their personal lives and in their work. Progress in atomic research in Canada and Great Britain, countries which helped to develop the atom bomb, is inaccessible to our scientists.

Miss Marguerite Hearsey served coffee after the lecture.

Town Topics

The several Andover residents who are working on the annual membership drive of the Essex County Agricultural school include: Chester Abbott, Gilbert Cromie, Conrad Nollett, Renwyck Henderson, Roger Lewis, and Norman Morgan.

Emery LeTourneau, a member of the freshman class, and Peter Loosigian, of the senior class, both Andover residents have been named to the honor roll for the first term at the Essex County Agricultural school.

Miss Emily Gierasch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gierasch, Johnson hall, is in the cast of the "Family Circle", the Christmas production of the Wheaton college dramatic association. Miss Gierasch is a member of the junior class at Wheaton.

Oscar M. Root of the Brooks school in North Andover has compiled a list of over 200 trees in the Andover region. This list may be obtained by sending Mr. Root a post card giving the name and address of the person desiring the list.

Cadet Charles W. Hayward, son of Mrs. Harry W. Hayward, 103 Salem st., has received his appointment as a sergeant in the United States corps of cadets. Hayward, a senior at the United States military academy, has been designated as a squad leader. Upon graduation from the academy next June, he hopes to be commissioned in the infantry.

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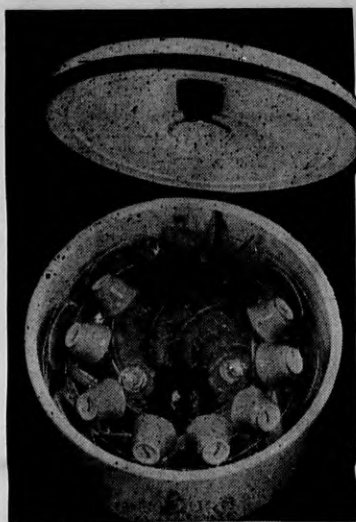
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P. A. Sports...

Andover's wrestling team faces a squad cut after the Christmas holidays according to Coach Dick Pieters, who has high hopes for a second straight undefeated seas-

on. Massachusetts boys who may be expected to survive the cut are Phil Waring of Melrose, Bill Gann of Swampscott and Ed Rowland of Methuen. Captain Tuck Gordon of Carnegie, Pa., weighing in at 135 pounds, starts his third season

of wrestling, as does Tim Anderson of Bemus Point, N. Y., co-captain-elect of football for the 1950 season.

Coach Steve Sorota views his track squad with restrained optimism: Co-captains Dud Shepard of West Newton and Rod Meyer of Peoria, Ill., turned in fine performances last Saturday in a practice meet with the Harvard Freshmen; Dud ran a 1:21.5 600, and Rod cleared the bar for a good six feet in the high jump.

Other Massachusetts trackmen who show promise are George Abrams of Newton in the 40-yard distance; Carl Knight of Brockton in the 40-yard high hurdles; and Bob Doran of Wellesley Hills in the shot-put and discus. Dick Brace of Charles River, a veteran of two previous seasons, looks good in the broad jump.



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WOMAN'S UNION ELECTS

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Flames Of Empire, Bourne; Best American Short Stories of 1949, Foley, ed. The Second Confession, Stout. Cat of Many Tails, Queen. Murder In The Outlands, Hendryx.

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Although the first few snow storms of the season were decidedly trivial affairs as measured by our good old New England snow storms, each brought hazardous traveling conditions as the hard packed snow glazed streets, slowed highway traffic and caused numerous minor mishaps.

But, as usual, such conditions did not last long here. The public works department was ready on each occasion. Plows and sanding crews were out early when the occasion warranted and got right to the job of clearing thoroughfares and sanding hills, curves and intersections so that autoists soon found they had little difficulty getting around.

As in past years the excellent condition of Andover streets after a snow storm drew favorable comments from out of town residents who were passing through the town or who were here to do some of their Christmas shopping.

Several were quick to notice the cleared and sanded streets and to comment upon the ease with which they got around. The speedy and effective service of the board of public works and its crews is excellent advertising for the town which is sure to bring additional shoppers here as they observe the way snow clearing problems are handled.

TRACK AT PUNCHARD

The recent action of the school committee restoring track as a varsity sport at Punchard will be pleasing to many of the followers of this form of competition.

In deciding a few weeks ago to drop track from the school's major sport program the committee acted with the knowledge that it was not self-supporting and also felt that the school was not large enough to maintain two major sports at one time.

The action drew such a protest that the committee decided to obtain the views of several school officials directly concerned with the problem. These were read at the meeting last week, after which it was voted to restore track to its former position for the rest of the school year while a survey of the whole sport program is made.

Opinions submitted by the different school officials varied. One of them, containing a summary of most of the reasons for discontinuing the sport on a major scale, and another giving many reasons for retaining it, are published in another part of The Townsman today.

Chief reasons advanced for dropping track seemed to center around the idea that the number of boys available at Punchard is not sufficient for well-balanced teams in two fields of sport during the same season.

Coach Roberts in his letter said that only about 45 boys participate in the school's major sport program. This seems like a rather small number in a school where the present enrollment of boys in the senior high is 145 and in junior high 194.

Coach McKiniry noted that mediocre teams would not appeal to the majority of high school boys and that there is a well-developed program of intramural sport established in the school for those who choose it.

Charles A. Gregory, acting principal of Punchard, observed that a good athlete is usually a good athlete in more sports than one and if he has a choice to make it follows that one team is going to suffer.

Donald D. Dunn, director of physical education and track coach, point to the fine record made by the Punchard track team last season when it won the state championship in Class D. He believed that it should be continued.

Sports followers will find the letters furnish numerous arguments for and against the subject. Read them. The topic is still a live issue and may have to be settled by the voters at the next town meeting.

THE COMMON COLD

Recent estimates of the economic toll taken in the United States each year by the common cold indicates that \$2 billion is a reasonable figure.

Included in that total are lost wages, money spent on drugs and medical care, and the cost of slow-downs in production schedules.

Colds are the greatest cause of industrial absenteeism. Conservative guesses put the cost in work days at about 100 million a year in ordinary times.

All this explains why there has been such lively interest in cold prevention methods in the past few years among workers and employers alike. Fatigue, undernourishment and exposure to rapid temperature changes have come to be recognized as prime evils.

Consequently, more emphasis is being placed on getting plenty of sleep, plenty of good food, and the wearing of warm clothes, rubbers and overshoes for protection against chilling.

Views of The News

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Russia will use it. And Moscow has a double opportunity in Italy. The peasants are land-hungry; much of the land is owned by absentee landlords who have little interest outside profits. The Church too is a large landowner and is sympathetic towards other landowners. That situation would not be of much consequence were it not that millions of peasants are share-croppers living at the bitter level of poverty. They see no hope for the future without personal ownership of land. Their poverty is indisputable. Whether they could rise above it by owning their own farms may be debatable. But the issue has infinite possibilities for local communists and for Moscow.

Recently the peasants in Calabria, the toe of Italy, marched into unused fields on large estates and took possession. They saw no reason why they should starve while 230 landowners controlled one quarter of Calabria's tillable land, much of it idle land. They were naturally supported in their ideas by the communists.

Industrial and Agrarian Unemployment

The problem is not a new one, but it becomes a dangerous issue in the contest between communism and democracy. These peasants haven't seen much practical value from democracy yet. Of Italy's more than two million farm laborers, only 400,000 have full-time contracts. The remainder are only part-time workers or are totally unemployed. The average yearly income from Calabrian farm workers, down near the bottom of the scale, is some \$150 per year.

To make the problem worse, Italy has difficulties with her industrial population. A large sum voted for industrial rehabilitation was exhausted early this year, and unemployment rose to two millions. This double-headed problem of industrial unemployment and agrarian discontent is partly Italy's and partly the West's. To keep her industries going, Italy must find export markets. To keep her population within manageable limits her people must emigrate. She cannot continue to support a population which increases 250,000 yearly. The loss of her colonies aggravates the problem. And even if landed estates should be broken up, there is a tremendous job of irrigation and land reclamation to be done.

Italy is not the land of popular conception—sunny and fruitful. The climate runs to extremes of heat and bitter cold. Droughts destroy crops in the summer; floods ruin the land in the winter and spring. In the south this is particularly true where rivers become furious torrents at one season and mere barren channels at another.

Proposed Remedies

The de Gasperi government promised to divide up more than three million acres of land—a fragment of the 53 million acres of privately owned land—through forced sale of "excess" acreage. The disturbances have come so close to Rome itself that the government proposes to settle 250,000 peasant families on 1½ million acres outside the city. The land to be sold at "controlled" prices for three years and after that to be expropriated at government prices.

But action has not yet been taken. The de Gasperi government is obviously in a difficult position. If it moves too fast it will be accused of pandering to the peasants and communists pressure. If it is too slow, the peasants may take the matter entirely into their own hands. The fact is that peasants and landlords cannot both be satisfied. Another fact seems to be that landlords are living in a fool's paradise if they think they can weather the storm merely by sitting tight.

The Cold War Continues

Russia is always willing to change her tactics. If one means won't work, she tries another. In Italy she has a first-class opportunity to combine genuine peasant grievance with communist ambitions. Letter-writing and Marshall Plan aid won't help much this time. The peasant wants land, and somehow he'll get it. If the problem isn't solved by the Italian government, then Russia will win another round in the ever-extending cold war.

MEET —



CLARA RICHARDS BREDBURY

For several years before her marriage, Clara Richards was secretary to the late John M. Stewart, manager and proprietor of the Andover Inn.

Since she has become Mrs. Frederick Bredbury, she has also become a homemaker and a very active clubwoman. She is a member of the Rho chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha, national Greek letter society, the A. P. C. sorority of the South Congregational church, and a leader of Brownie-Scout troop 30.

Born in Somerville she removed to Andover at an early age, attended local schools, Punchard high school, Boston university, College of Liberal Arts, and the Atherton Hall secretarial school.

Mrs. Bredbury lives with her husband and two children, Jean Porter Bredbury and William Richards Bredbury, at 35 Pine st.

Down the Years with The Townsman

50 Years Ago—December 1899.

An unusual sight at this time of the year was the flight northward of a flock of geese Wednesday. Other flocks have been seen passing southward, one of them struggling against the heavy wind Tuesday.

Warren F. Draper observed his 81st birthday Dec. 12. He received many callers and presents during the day.

The public would materially assist the fire department in the celerity in which alarms of fire are answered, by keeping out of the engine house when the hitch is being made.

A new coating of gravel is being deposited on the Pearson street sidewalk.

It is probable that a football game will be played on Christmas day, weather permitting, between the Punchard graduates and the Andover football team. These teams met Thanksgiving day morning, the former winning by a score of 10 to 0. If they succeed in meeting again an exciting game will probably ensue.

Timothy J. Cullinane, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cullinane of Ridge street has been playing well as fullback on the Villanova college eleven.

The Rev. G. A. Andrews of the West church and the Rev. F. A. Wilson of the Free church, exchanged pulpits Sunday morning.

25 Years Ago—December 1924

Paul Whiteman, king of jazz, and his orchestra, who gave a concert at Lawrence, were guests at the Shawshen Manor.

On Saturday afternoon, the students of Abbot academy will entertain a party of village children and it is expected that Santa Claus will make his first appearance of the season at that time.

The Methodist boy scouts are canvassing the town selling choc-

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olate bars. The money received will be used to purchase an American flag for the church.

This morning's ice storm threatens to be as dangerous to motorists as that of Wednesday morning, several cars losing a wheel or being damaged in other ways between Andover hill and the square.

There were 21 members present at the meeting of the Junior Helpers' society held in the vestry of the Congregational church. A very enjoyable and social afternoon was spent by the children who under the direction of Miss Emily Tracy packed boxes of gifts which were sent to children of Lincoln academy, King's Mountain, No. Carolina.

A sewing meeting of the Woman's Guild of Christ church was held Thursday with an excellent attendance. The missionary apportionment of work for Alaska and Virginia was commenced.

10 Years Ago—December 1939
Exeter and Andover got together again this week with Andover's police doing a fine bit of sleuthing to enable both towns to apprehend a man wanted for thievery at the two academies. The thief was apprehended in New York.

Miss Annie G. Donovan, organist of St. Augustine's church for 45 years, has retired.

Donald Dunn, physical instructor at Punchard high school, attended a physical directors meeting held at the Hotel Brunswick, Boston.

Mrs. Edgar Wright of Lovejoy

road gave a family dinner recently in honor of her son and his family who have been visiting here from Panama.

The November clubhouse stage next Monday will become a modern kitchen with complete equipment for preparing a luncheon menu before the eyes of the audience. This performance is unique in the history of the club and will prove delightful and interesting.

Cadet William C. Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Bradley of 8 Stonehedge rd., has been named to receive a merit ribbon award at Riverside Military academy in Georgia. He is entitled to wear special honor decorations.

The Franciscan monastery lights will be ready on Friday.

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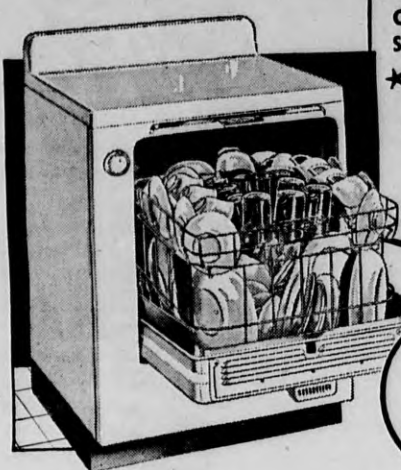
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PUNCHARD HIGH

By JANET THOMPSON

GOLDSMITH CONTEST

The pupils who were chosen to try out for the Goldsmith prize-speaking contest were given an opportunity to demonstrate their speaking skills Tuesday afternoon before the members of the English department.

The group will be heard again before eliminations. Those who tried out are as follows: Seniors: Gregory Arabian, William McKee, Richard Eldredge, David Wetterberg, Ann Marie Murray, Doris Jean, Beatrice Bourassa, Virginia Lawrence.

Juniors, Charles McCollum, Arthur Rene, Murray Abbot, Richard Williams, Daniel Worcester, Elleen Skeirik, Regina Levin, Barbara Hook, Carolyn Erler, Marion Washington.

Sophomores, Raeburn Hathaway, Arthur Rene, Murray Abbot, Richard Williams, Daniel Worcester, Elleen Skeirik, Regina Levin, Barbara Hook, Carolyn Erler, Marion Washington.

Maxims for Consideration

Many pupils nowadays seem to be as serious-minded as those in the days of Benjamin Franklin. Following Franklin's example the members of the English class of Miss Lillian J. E. Fox have been composing their own maxims on school, social, and economic life.

Several of these maxims are as follows:

"Any fool can talk; a wise man says something."

"Atlas may hold the world up, but only the strong in mind can hold the people of the world together."

"He that puts off his work at night must set the alarm an hour earlier."

Senior Class Book

Plans are being made for the senior class yearbook, with the following students being chosen members of the general committee: Austin O'Hara, chairman; Donald Mudgett, photography; Kent Donovan, art; Edith Gordon, literary; Eva Giovenco, typing; David Wetterberg, sports.

Notes

Several members of the service club have been selected as representatives of the various activities in the club. They are: Justin Curry first floor traffic; Sally Bergeron, second floor traffic; Bancroft Fredrickson, "blackboard force".

Jean Dumont has been selected by her senior classmates and members of the faculty as a high school delegate to the DAR meeting, to be held in Boston sometime in the future.

Announce Speaker For Bible Seminar

The University of Life committee, Herbert P. Carter, chairman, has announced that Prof. Johannes A. C. Figginger Auer of Harvard university will lead two sessions of the Bible seminar during the series of meetings from Jan. 29 to March 5. The dates he will lead are Feb. 5 and 12. The themes are "The Life of Christ" and "The Life of Paul".

This well known clergyman and educator was born in Middleburg, Netherlands, and studied in Berlin and Heidelberg, and Amsterdam. Further studies were pursued in this country where he received his A. M. at Harvard university, his Ph. D. at Cornell, and Litt. D. at Clark university.

He was ordained to the ministry in 1906 and has served Churches in the Netherlands, Pittsburgh, Wheeling, W. Va., Ithaca, New York and Concord, Mass. Since 1930 he has been Parman Professor of History and Theology at Harvard University.

Addresses Meeting Of Fitchburg Women

Mrs. Frank L. Brigham addressed the December meeting of the Fitchburg Women's club at Fitchburg Wednesday evening, Dec. 7, on the subject of shawls, of which she has a large and valued collection.

There was a large number of members in attendance and considerable interest was shown in the address and in the shawls Mrs. Brigham had with her to illustrate her remarks.

JUNIOR HIGH

By MARY E. BISHOP

COMBINED ASSEMBLY

The first of five combined assemblies was held last Thursday. Alfredo Cavalieri, master concert violinist and winner of several talent contests, was heartily welcomed by the pupils whom he held spellbound with his lovely renditions of "White Christmas" by Irving Berlin, which was especially appropriate at this time, Hoagy Carmichael's "Stardust", "Humoresque" by Dvorak, and "Minuet in G" by Beethoven. Mr. Cavalieri also played "Rosemary" which he dedicated to all Rosemary's in the audience. But these were only a few of other equally lovely compositions he played so beautifully. Hugo Brandt, who played piano accompaniment, favored with a folk song of his own composition. Before each selection Mr. Cavalieri explained the musical meanings and gave us a little of its history, for in Mr. Cavalieri's words, "Better understanding goes for better enjoyment." His great popularity, not only here but also on his worldwide tours, is proven by the number of encores he was called to give.

Basketball

After an enjoyable Christmas vacation, we hope, boys' intramural basketball will start, at which time they will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 3 p. m. At this time the junior high basketball team roster will be made up and the team will follow a new schedule.

Bulk of Stearns Estate Left To Phillips Academy

The will of the late Alfred E. Stearns, filed recently at the Salem registry of probate, disclosed that he left the greater part of his estate to the trustees of Phillips academy provided they make certain payments to his daughter, Miss Marjorie Stearns, during her lifetime. The late headmaster of the academy also left all of his tangible property to his daughter.

The testator died Nov. 15. The document signed in November 1946, named Henry S. Hopper, academy comptroller, executor. The estimated value of the estate was not listed. A son, who lives in New York, was left without a bequest.

According to the will the gift was made to the academy "not only because of my long interest in and affection for the school itself but also in view of the generous treatment accorded me by the trustees during my later years."

Two Lowell Persons Injured In Crash

Two Lowell people were treated at the Lawrence General hospital following a skidding accident on Lowell street about 5:15 p. m., Sunday, Dec. 11.

Manuel Silva, operator, suffered contusions and abrasions of the left shoulder and leg. His wife, Theresa, suffered a questionable fracture of the right ankle. There were seven persons in the car, police report, when it went out of control and struck a telephone pole, but only two reported injuries. Mrs. Silva was detained at the hospital for treatment.

Pike School Teachers Guests At Luncheon

The teaching staff of the Pike school was entertained at a luncheon Wednesday noon, Dec. 7 at the home of Miss Constance Cole of High st.

A teachers' meeting followed the luncheon. Those present were: Mrs. Walter Pike, Mrs. Addie Tilly, Mrs. Margaret Little, Mrs. Alexander Gibson, Mrs. Leonard Leach, Mrs. Arthur Howes, Miss Jane Russell, Mrs. Joseph Hart, Mrs. Richard Douglas, Miss Frances Butler, Miss Carolyn Riggs, Miss Nancy Ashburn, and Miss Violet Kfoury.

Dance Successful

We all wish to thank the dance committee for the splendid job they did Friday. We also wish to thank everyone for cooperating so well with the committee. The dance was well attended and a huge success. Winners of the prize dances are as follows: Mary Alice Shea and Louis Mirisola, Kenneth Sparks and Carol Valentine, and Alan Wadman and Lorraine Nadeau.

Notes

Last Monday brought bad and slippery weather and the Boxford pupils were not marked absent in the register due to the fact that Boxford officially had no school. No written excuses were required of them.

Bank books were returned to pupils on Thursday so that all may see their accounts. These were taken home for parental verification.

Dr. William Emmons started his regular eye examinations to the new seventh grade pupils last Tuesday.

Deficiency slips were sent out for this term last week. It was found that many pupils receiving deficiency slips were spending time on comic books.

Gym team began Tuesday under the direction of Donald D. Dunn, boys' director of physical education.

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SCHOOL CHRISTMAS
The teachers of school will present in their annual program at 10 a. m., W. 21 in the auditorium, a Christmas play.

Recitation, A Wee Afternoon Kinderg song, Away on a Clarkon, Betty recitation, Where Lynne Moriarty, R. Dorothy Minaner, the Red-Nosed Reel, recitation, cards, grade 1, class; songs, Christmas Claus Town, Christmas in Many 1, Miss O'Donnell's

A Christmas Lull mas Eve"; Mother, after, Laurence Mc mother, Donna Ke Susan Calnan, Lucinda Murach, Robert ter Mooney.

Playlet—Star Ra Judith Maxwell, All Ann Houde, Ursula Anne Battebury, Cy son, William Minzner, Charles Pelletier, Lorraine Rees.

A Christmas exercise Paul McKinnon, H George Miller, George Halbach, John Lowe, Playlet—"Trimmi mas Tree". Character Burns, Faith Kenney Betty Gillis, Dorothy queline Weiner, Bev Cynthia Vaughan, S Jo Ann White; soloists

Play—The First grades 5 and 6; na Anne Faggiano; char ben, James Winte Frank Quint Nathan, ters; Zachus, Robt Simeon, Francis Le Martha Dietrich; Ma land; Joseph, Robt wisemen; John Reilly Frank White angel s Emerich.

Carolers: Anne Ber Caswell, Ted Dwy Tangney, Joyce Sul Barrett, Sandra Du Scott, Kirk Whitma cher, Gail Titeomb, s ters, Janice Cairns, S Joyce Dunlop, Elln Mary Ellen Winters, Marjorie Ortstein, I Christa Hahnenstein Jane Marie Henrich man, Ward Haywa Murphy.

Announcers: Rita Winters.

Stage managers: W ngale and Richard I Woman's Club

The Shawshien V club held its pre and Christmas prog evening in the audit Shawshien school. T beautifully decorated Mrs. Flanagan for and the Christmas sp throughout the eveni Mrs. Norman L. 1 ent of the club p short business meeti presented the state of the members of t their guests. Mrs. Fork, president of tl etts State Federatio clubs was introduced, ented a delightful m audience. Mrs. Ea E. E. Regional vice-p introduced and Mrs brown, tenth distr there were many cl and their guests in the meeting also. The dramatic depa sub sponsored the evening with M tedler, chairman Mrs. Henry Williams er son, Leicester G ented their "Famou onnas" with mem ramatic departmen the Madonnas.

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SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PLAY

The teachers of the Shawsheen school will present the children in their annual Christmas program at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 21 in the auditorium of the Shawsheen school. The program:

Recitation, A Welcome to You, Afternoon Kindergarten Group; song, Away on a Manger, Judy Clarkson, Betty Ann Michalski; recitation, Where Santa Lives, Lynne Moriarty, Richard Lacey, Dorothy Minner; song, Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Alice Jo Mooney; recitation, Christmas cards, grade 1, Mrs. Parker's class; songs, Christmas Bells and Santa Claus Town; recitation, Christmas in Many Lands, grade 1, Miss O'Donnell's class.

A Christmas Lullaby—"Christmas Eve": Mother, Betsy Barry; father, Laurence McCarthy; grandmother, Donna Kent; children, Susan Calnan, Lucina Barker, Linda Murach, Robert Mirisola, Walter Mooney.

Playlet—Star Rays—Grade 2: Judith Maxwell, Allen Flye, Ruth Ann Houde, Ursula Hahnenstein, Anne Battobury, Cynthia Thompson, William Minzner, Anne Henrich, Charles Pelletier, Carole Carlini, Lorraine Rees.

A Christmas exercise, grade 3: Paul McKinnon, Herbert Carr, George Miller, George Stern, Peter Halbach, John Lowe.

Playlet—"Trimming the Christmas Tree". Characters: Patricia Burns, Faith Kenney, Doris Dixon, Betty Gillis, Dorothy Byrnes, Jacqueline Weiner, Beverly Stewart, Cynthia Vaughan, Sheila Lobick, Jo Ann White; soloist, Ann Woodcock.

Play—The First Christmas, grades 5 and 6; narrator, Mary Anne Faggiano; characters: Reuben, James Winters; Melchi, Frank Quint Nathan, Robert Waters; Zachus, Robert Winters; Simeon, Francis Leone; Angel, Martha Dietrich; Mary, Gail Marland; Joseph, Robert Jordan; wisemen: John Reilly, David Best, Frank White angel soloist, Carol Emerick.

Carolers: Anne Benedetti, Betsy Caswell, Ted Dwyer, Mildred Tangney, Joyce Sullivan, Linda Barrett, Sandra Dulong, Leland Scott, Kirk Whitman, Gayl Butcher, Gail Titcomb, Suzanne Winters, Janice Cairns, Sally Howard, Joyce Dunlop, Elinor Warshaw, Mary Ellen Winters, Francis Rees, Marjorie Ortstein, Lynne Cotter, Christa Hahnenstein, Rita Ellie, Jane Marie Henrich, Judy Goldman, Ward Hayward, Carolyn Murphy.

Announcers: Rita and Suzanne Winters.

Stage managers: William Nightingale and Richard Davis.

Woman's Club
The Shawsheen Village Woman's club held its president's night and Christmas program Monday evening in the auditorium of the Shawsheen school. The hall was beautifully decorated by Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan for the occasion and the Christmas spirit prevailed throughout the evening.

Mrs. Norman L. Miller, president of the club presided at a short business meeting and then presented the state officers present to the members of the club and their guests. Mrs. A. Chesley York, president of the Massachusetts State Federation of Woman's Clubs was introduced and she presented a delightful message to her audience. Mrs. Earl Weidner, E. E. Regional vice-president, was introduced and Mrs. H. Dunlap Brown, tenth district director. There were many club presidents and their guests in attendance at the meeting also.

The dramatic department of the club sponsored the program for the evening with Mrs. Wallace Hedler, chairman as narrator. Mrs. Henry Williams Inman and her son, Leicester G. Inman presented their "Famous Living Madonnas" with members of the dramatic department portraying the Madonnas.

Mrs. Frank McArdle, chairman of music, presented the musical with members of the high school in the choir. The soloists for the evening were Frank McCarthy, Jr., Carol Emerick, Janet Swenson, Mrs. Hazel Hadfield and Eileen Skelrik.

Program girls and ushers were: Mrs. Hiram Young, Mrs. Edward O'Donnell, Mrs. Donald Kent, Mrs. Weston Eastman, Jr. A social hour was enjoyed at the close of the program with Mrs. Gilbert Cate and Mrs. Charles Bowman, hostess chairmen.

Personals...

Douglas Hart, student at Wesleyan college is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hart, 52 Whittier st.

Robert Deyermond, student at N. H. state college recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Deyermond, 91 Elm st.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Wiedemann, 4 Park st. have returned from a business trip to Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Craig of Fletcher st. visited in Worcester, on Sunday.

Miss Carol Whiting of Milton visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James MacCord, 95 N. Main st.

Miss Barbara Nicoll, who is in training at the Salem hospital visited recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Nicoll, 72 Essex st.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert E. Welch, Jr., recently of 130 Elm st. and now living temporarily at Boothbay Harbor, Me., visited with friends and relatives on Sunday.

David MacCord of 95A No. Main st. is enjoying his annual vacation from the Capital Distributing Co., Inc.

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29. Lady's Diamond Finger Ring, solid gold setting	175.00
30. Footstool Cake Dish	7.00
31. Lady's Choker, gold-filled	20.00
32. Gold-Filled Bracelet	15.00
33. 3-Piece Set of Lido Luggage, matched	139.50
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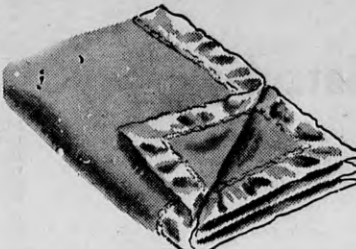
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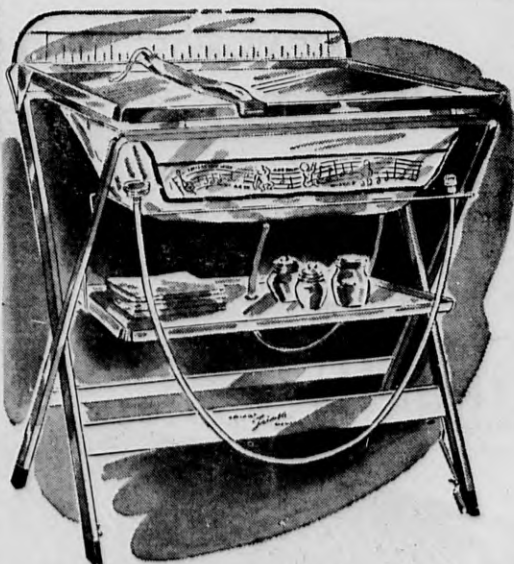
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Officials Give Opinions Of Track At PUNCHARD

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"For some years prior to 1946 only three major sports—football, basketball, and baseball—were a part of our extracurricular program. As an average, I should say that there are, each year, approximately forty boys in the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades who can be considered good sports material. This includes not only those physically equipped for such activity, but those disposed by interest and temperament to participate.

"One of the rules of the school (and one which has my complete endorsement) is that no boy may compete in two major sports at the same time. With the introduction of track through the fall, winter, and spring seasons, there exists a direct conflict with the three previously mentioned major sports. The number of available boys in a school of this size is obviously insufficient for supplying well-balanced teams in two fields of sport during the same season. To the majority of high school boys, victory in athletic competition is quite as important as participation. Mediocre teams, spread thinly over a broader surface of the school program, would never mean so much to them as would a reasonably successful team in one major sport.

"It seems to me that those who favor track as a substitute for boys unable to engage in the other sports are overlooking several important factors: (1) Track is a taxing sport, not a leisurely pastime, (2) there is a well-developed program of intra-mural sports for those who choose it, and (3) the present extent of our curricular physical education program is considerably greater than prevails

in the average high school, and is compulsory for all students not physically disqualified by their doctors.

"For these reasons it is my belief that track should not be re-established as a major sport."

Would Continue Track

Another view is expressed by Donald D. Dunn, director of physical education and coach of track. His letter, which gives most of the reasons for continuing track as a major sport, is as follows:

"In answer to your request as continuing or discontinuing track in PUNCHARD High School, this letter is hereby submitted.

"It is my belief that track has a place in any physical education program, both intramural and interscholastic.

"I further believe if the funds are not available and any sport becomes a burden it should either have funds made available or dropped.

"Track is more of an individual sport although the team element is present under various conditions. There are certain individuals who are not fitted for strictly team athletics; either physically or emotionally. Track then is what PUNCHARD has offered these boys in the past.

"Due to economic and home conditions many boys are not able to put the time required into the team type sport. This, they can do in track because the bulk of the training can be accomplished during their regular physical education period or through assignment at home. By eliminating track this boy is not being given the opportunity to develop his talents or represent the school of which he is a part.

"This season's football squad is comprised of 39 boys, nine of which were junior high school boys. There were 18 boys out for cross country; hence 48 boys were provided with the opportunity of interscholastic competition. Had we not had cross country 30 boys would have had the attention and competition while approximately

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"The increased bulwark of protection owned by American families is reflected in these current payments," said Holgar J. Johnson, president of the Institute, in announcing the figures. "For the country as a whole, death benefits paid showed an increase of 45% in the first nine months of this year as compared with the corresponding period of 1941. This clearly reflects the growing spread of life insurance ownership rather than of an increase in the death rate among policyholders. Actually, the health record this year has been good. Death benefit payments in this state in the first three quarters of this year compare with \$33,310,000 in the corresponding period of 1941."

Of this year's nine month aggregate payments in this state, \$30,430,000 was under 11,770 ordinary policies; \$6,589,000 was under 3,408 group life insurance policies; and \$9,149,000 was under 35,680 industrial insurance policies.

For the nation as a whole, \$1,114,876,000 was paid as death claims under 1,020,462 policies in the first nine months of the year, compared with \$1,086,183,000 under 1,005,304 policies in the corresponding period of last year. Of this year's payments, \$762,836,000 was under 286,948 ordinary policies; \$192,098,000 was under 11,285 group policies; and \$159,942,000 was under 642,229 industrial policies.

90 boys would have had no alternative. According to the basketball coach there will be a squad of 35 players retained during the season, 30 of which will be high school boys. What of the other 90?

"I do not believe that PUNCHARD is too small in the number of boys to support a track team. It is the welfare of the student as a whole that should be supported and not one small group. This was one of the strong factors considered when track was instigated as part of the educational program.

"Several of the PUNCHARD high school boys have invested three years of their time and effort to obtain their present track abilities. For the benefit of these individuals I think that the deprivation to cut that portion of their education, is to place a direct hardship on this particular group of boys who in all faith have done their best to improve themselves and represent the school.

"Should anyone question the success of track as a sport in PUNCHARD high school, I believe last season's record will speak for itself. In one individual PUNCHARD gained statewide recognition by having the indoor 300 yard as well as the 200 yard outdoor record, along with the running broad jump record. The relay team holds the Essex county, North Shore and state Class D championship. Track takes a long time to build and last season showed the result of three years' effort on the part of this small group of boys. Perhaps it is true that success breeds success. Last season's track squad numbered 18 boys."

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The annual Christmas party, sponsored by the B. S. will be held for the school Tuesday evening. Each pupil will bring a present and be distributed.

The parents are bringing pre-school children. A program will be given for the pupils of the school in honor of Santa Claus.

Party Tonight

Everything is in the return get-together this evening by the Methodist church and the South Tewksbury church.

The party will be held at the church at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Members of the Andover will please bring selections. Superintendent of the district of the Methodist church will give a short address.

There will be carol singing and refreshments will be served.

Friendly Guild Party

Members of the Friendly Guild will hold their annual party at the home of Mrs. Frank Green, 100 Main St. Each member is to bring a present to be exchanged and for boy or girl to charitable organization. Games will be played and a social hour enjoyed.

Play Enjoys

The play presented last evening by the Plains was enjoyed by a large number of the community.

The stage setting was a fine one and the fact that the Plains substituted local dialogue made the play very interesting. They substituted Rules of the Game and was a group from Plains.

Mrs. Ralph Sharp, chairman and was assisted by James Butler in charge of the hall, and charge of tickets. The play was enjoyed by James.

Scout Christmas Party

Members of the Troop held their Christmas party Wednesday afternoon.

Each girl brought a gift. The stuffed animals were to be given to a child in need. A short play and carol singing followed. A gift was given to the group and was for the family for Maine.

Refreshments were served and the girls and a so enjoyed. Mrs. George Edna O'Hara, chairman.

Open House Enjoy

The Ballardvale Open House last evening. Miss and Miss Marjorie charge of the flower window seat. They beautifully decorated the group in car.

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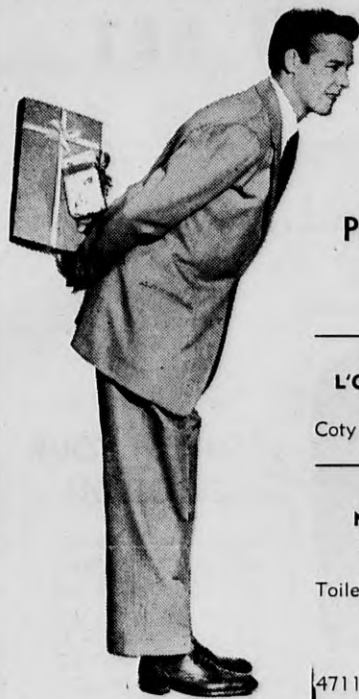
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Common victualers, "Walter's Inc.", Sylvester A. McGovern, manager, 6 Park st. Fred's Lunch, Inc., 19 Essex st., Fred W. Perkins, manager; Hoffman's Lunch Inc., Victor DeGregorio, manager, 9-11 Post Office ave.; Howard D. Johnson Co., Walter L. Stack, manager, Main st.; Louis J. and Helen M. Scanlon, doing business as "Scanlon's", 430 N. Main st.; Arthur Heifetz, doing business as The Town Grill, Elm square; Alexander and Alice Wallace, doing business as "Wallace's", Lowell st.; Lee's Restaurant, Inc., 11 Main st.; A. A. Brouillard, doing business as Shawshen Pharmacy, Balmoral and N. Main sts.; Ernest J. Verrette, doing business as Verrette's, Elm square; Crotty Bros., Mass. Inc., Shawshen Mills; Crotty Bros., Mass. Inc., Tyer Rubber Co. James F. Keaney, doing business as Ann's Andover Cottage, S. Main st.; Harold E. Heseltine, doing business as Ford's Pastry Shop, 14 Main st.; Sally B. Houghton, doing business as Fieldstones, S. Main st.; Ernest J. Couture, doing business as Cappy's Roadside Grill, Lowell st.; Leon Davidson, 125 Main st.

James S. O'Brien, doing business as Jim's Snack Bar, 333 Andover st., Ballardvale; Merrimac Mutual Fire Insurance Co., N. Main st.; John F. Grigaz, doing business as Rickey's Variety Store, 53 Essex st.; George Hird, doing business as The Little Brown Jug, Lowell st.; Esther R. Schilling, doing business as Wayside Grille, Main st.

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**New Developments
In Phone Discussed**

(Continued from Page One)

He also explained how the new operator toll dialing speeds toll calls in areas now covered by this particular system, cutting the time of a call from an Atlantic seaboard city to the Pacific to about 30 seconds.

Vice-President Stanley F. Swanton presided at the meeting in the absence of Walter E. Buxton, president. The Rev. Frederick B. Noss, pastor of the South church, gave the blessing and Albert Curtis won the free dinner.

During the evening Frank L. Brigham, past president, presented the club with a gong, suitably inscribed, which the president may use in place of a gavel.

In the question period which followed the speaker's discussion, the 10 cent toll charge for Lawrence calls was brought up. Mr. Dolan said that the increase from five cents was due to the minimum toll rate for Massachusetts being established at the new charge, and that 10 cents in the minimum toll charge throughout New England. He said that if there was one large exchange for the whole Lawrence-Andover area subscribers would have to pay higher rates and that an unofficial poll that he had taken showed that from 30 to 40 percent of them do not use toll calls at any time.

**Vale Skating Area
To Be Determined**

(Continued from Page One)

Clark brook, just across the street from the playground, was suggested as an ideal place for skating. In fact many children of the Vale skate there each year and some have been skating there this season.

The land is privately owned. The brook provides over an acre is area for safe skating and could easily be enlarged so that the depth would hardly be more than 12 inches.

The board announced that it would cooperate with the board of public works and the recreation committee toward making Clark brook a permanent skating place for the Vale.

After a hearing the Lawrence Gas & Electric Co., was granted permission to erect two poles on the west side of Cheever circle, southerly from Cabot road.

The same company was also granted permission to excavate and install gas service for Morris Campbell on Burnham road near High st.

The board voted to close the town house the morning of Saturday, Dec. 24.

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**Admiral Sherman
To Visit Andover**

(Continued from Page One)

Following the luncheon, the admiral will come to Andover and have dinner with his relatives here. In the evening, he will be made a life member of the Melrose post 18, American Legion, where he is a charter member.

Admiral Sherman graduated from Melrose high school in 1913. He then went to the United States Naval academy. He graduated from there during World War I, at the age of 19. He graduated from the Naval War college in 1927. He is married and has one daughter.

Admiral Sherman was commandant of the U.S.S. Wasp during World War II. The Wasp was sunk off Guadalcanal in 1942. For this Admiral Sherman received the Purple Heart and the Naval Cross. Previous to becoming head of the navy, he was in charge of the Mediterranean fleet.

**May Get Discount
On Meter Balance**

(Continued from Page One)

Through Dec. 12 the company had received \$6,942.46 leaving a balance due on the meters of \$4,085.70. The town account, originally the same as the amount paid to the manufacturers, is now \$4142.96, the rest having been paid for the upkeep and repair of the meters.

The selectmen voted to communicate with the company to learn what the amount of discount would be in case they decided to accept the offer.

**St. Augustine's Pupils
To Present Program**

The children of St. Augustine's school will present their annual Christmas entertainment Dec. 16 and Dec. 18. The parents of the children are invited to attend the performance of the 18, in St. Augustine's school hall.

The program is as follows:

Welcome, chorus; The Christmas Alphabet, P-primary; Jolly Santa Claus, grade 1 girls; The Gift Jesus Brought, grade 2 girls; Playmates, grade 1 boys; Santa's Telephone, grade 3; Sleigh Bells Ringing, grade 4; Santa's Whiskers, grade 2 boys; The Christmas Goose, grade 5; Baby's Christmas Dinner, grade 6; The Wonderful Tree, grade 7; The Christmas Rose, grade 8; Tableau.

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Docket No. 225

Essex, ss

To all persons interested

James Ross, late of Andover

deceased.

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for probate of a certain inst

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Roy E. Hardy of Andover

praying that he be app

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Witness, John V. Phelan

Judge of said Court, this f

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 229237

Essex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of James Ross, 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 Roy E. Hardy of Andover in said County, praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

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

Witness, John V. Phelan, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.
JOHN J. COSTELLO, Register.
Atty. Charles A. McCarthy
605 Bay State Bldg.
Lawrence, Mass. 8-15-22

THE ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of The Andover National Bank will be held at its Banking House, 23 Main Street, Andover, Mass., Tuesday, the tenth day of January, 1950, at ten o'clock, a. m. for the choice of directors and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

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Book No. 54057
Payment has been stopped.
LOUIS S. FINGER, Treasurer
1-8-15

Case No. 22063 Reg.
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
LAND COURT

Essex, ss.
To Anna B. Penniman, Ella S. Penniman, Ella Onasch, Wilhelmine I. Lehnman, Ethel F. Brown and Delight Hall, of Andover, in the County of Essex and said Commonwealth; Philip J. Peabody and George L. Peabody, residences unknown, or their heirs, devisees or legal representatives; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Anna L. Marland, of said Andover, to register and confirm her title in the following described land:

A certain tract of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Andover, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Main Street 88.16 feet; Northerly by land now or formerly of Ethel F. Brown and Delight Hall 103 feet; and Southeasterly by land now or formerly of Ella S. Penniman et al 197.32 feet.

The above-described land is shown on a plan filed with said Court, and the 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 specially 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), or in the office of the Assistant Deeds at Lawrence, in the County of Essex, where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the ninth 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 seventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.
Attest with Seal of said Court.
JOHN B. SEVER, Esq., Recorder.
150 Causeway St., Boston, Mass.
Atty. for Petitioner.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 229019

Essex, ss.
In Equity
To all persons interested in the estate of Annie Harnedy, late of Andover in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court praying that Mary E. Harnedy 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 Newburyport before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the ninth day of January 1950, 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-nine.
JOHN J. COSTELLO, Register.
Vincent F. Stulgis, Atty.
316 Essex Street,
Lawrence, Mass. 15-22-29

Inter-Church
Basketball

Monday evening at the memorial gymnasium, the games in the Inter-Church Basketball league were completed with the following results:

Juniors
Free 12—B.V. Cong. 10.
St. Augustine's 18—West Parish 2.

Fraser and Vickers featured for the winners of the first game, and Lee and Murphy starred for St. Augustine's in the second contest, and Paolino for West Parish.

Intermediates
St. Joseph's 16—Free 8
St. Augustine's 1—Christ 7
CYO 50—Baptist 10

Barous featured for the winners in the first game, and Carver for the losers; Comeau and Lucey featured for the victors of the second game, and Wadman for the losers; Dwyer and Downey sparked CYO in the third tilt, and Sharp was key-man for the losers.

Seniors
St. Augustine's 40—CYO 24
South 27—Free 23
Cox was outstanding for the winners of the first game, and B. Davey for the losers; Hinckley was a high-scorer for South and Polley for Free in the second contest.

The schedule of games for Monday, Dec. 19 is as follows:

Juniors
Baptist vs. Christ
B.V. Cong. vs. CYO
Free vs. St. Joseph's

Intermediates
B.V. Cong. vs. CYO
Baptist vs. Christ
St. Augustine's vs. West Parish

Seniors
South vs. CYO
Free vs. St. Joseph's.

Mrs. David Thomson and infant daughter have returned to their home at 30 Salem st. from the Lawrence General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lord and son of Waterville, Me., recently visited with Mrs. Lord's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jamieson, 23 Washington ave.

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At The Churches

St. Joseph's Church
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St. Augustine's Church
REV. THOMAS P. FOGARTY, Pastor
Friday: 7:30 p.m., Novena devotions.

Saturday: 4 to 6 p.m., and 7:30 to 9 p.m., Confessions.
Sunday, Masses: 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

Daily, Mass: 7:30 a.m.
Methodist Church
REV. EARL D. HAYWOOD, Minister
Thursday: 8 p.m. Get together to be held in church and parsonage.

Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Morning worship and sermon. 10:45 a.m. Church school. 7:30 p.m. Christmas pageant.

Monday: 7:30 p.m. Annual Christmas party in Sunday school room.

West Parish
REV. JOHN G. GASKILL, Minister
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Children's church with sermon by the pastor. Assistants to the pastor are to be John Santucelo and Judith Ann Silva. Ushers are to be Robert Nicoll and Lester Dixon. Classes are held in the vestry for adults and young people. Kindergarten class is convenient for parents with small children who desire to attend Mr. Matthews' adult class and the morning service.

11 a.m. Morning service of worship. Music by the West Parish Church choir under the direction of Mrs. Dean Hudgins. Miss Marlon Abbot, organist. Sermon by the pastor, "The Foundation of Faith."

7 p.m. "The Road to Bethlehem" a program presented by the members of the church school under the direction of the superintendent, Earl A. Young. The public is cordially invited.

Monday: 6:45 p.m. All Girls' choir rehearsal. 7:45 p.m. Augmented choir rehearsal.

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Meeting of the church committee in the parsonage.

Thursday: 3:30 p.m. (Promptly) Christmas party for the members of the cradle roll and kindergarten departments of the church school. 6:45 p.m. Rehearsal for the All Girls' choir. 7:45 p.m. Rehearsal for the members of the Augmented choir.

Friday: 7 p.m. Christmas party for members of the church school in grades 1-8.

Union Congregational Church
REV. PAUL E. CALLAHAN, Minister
Friday: 8 p.m. Friendly guild Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Frank Green.

Sunday: 11 a.m. Early morning service. 7:30 p.m. Young people's meeting.

Wednesday: 2:30 p.m., in the church vestry a covered dish luncheon and Christmas party will be held by the service league.

Christ Church
REV. JOHN S. MOSES, Rector
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Holy communion. 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 11 a.m. Litany and sermon. 5:45 p.m. Young People's fellowship.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Girls' Friendly society Christmas party.

Tuesday: 5 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Wednesday: St. Thomas' day. 10 a.m. Holy Communion.

Thursday: 4 p.m. Children's carol service and Christmas play. 6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

South Church
REV. FREDERICK B. NOSS, Pastor
Friday: 7:15 p.m. Boy scouts.
Saturday: 3 p.m. Kindergarten and primary departments Christmas party.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Christmas service for church school sponsored by the Junior church; (No Men's Group) 10:45 a.m. Morning worship and sermon; 10:45 a.m. Church kindergarten; 11:15 a.m. Educational motion pictures for children who have attended the morning worship up to the third hymn with an adult; 6 p.m. Young People's society Christmas meeting. Devotions, business meeting followed by social hour and refreshments.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Inter-Church Basketball league at high school gymnasium.

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. The Prudential committee; 8 p.m. the Ping Pong club.

Wednesday: 1:15 p.m. Christmas observance of the Week-Day school of the Christian religion. Parents and friends invited; 7:30 p.m. The church choir.

Thursday: 10 a.m. All-Day sewing meeting of the Women's union.

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Free Church

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Friday: 8 p.m. Boy scouts: Christmas party.

Saturday: 9 a.m. Basketball practice in the Andover Guild. 2:30 p.m. Christmas party for the primary department of the church school. Parents are invited to attend.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Church school. 11 a.m. Nursery class for children whose parents wish to attend church. 11 a.m. Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. 12 a.m. Meeting of the standing committee. 6 p.m. Pilgrim fellowship.

Monday: 6 p.m. Interchurch basketball league. The Free church juniors and seniors play St. Joseph's teams.

Wednesday: 7 p.m. Christmas party for the senior department of the church school. The pupils bring presents for each other.

Thursday: 3:40 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Notes: On Friday, Dec. 23, Mr. Reynolds will conduct the morning devotions program from radio station WCCM, 8:05 a.m.

At 11:30 p.m. Christmas eve, there will be a special service of worship and praise in the church, with the senior choir singing. Everyone is invited to attend.

There will be but one service on Christmas day, at 11 a.m. The members of the church school are invited to attend this service.

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Warner Baxter—Anna Lee

Sunday, Monday—December 18, 19

Always Leave Them Laughing 2:00 5:20 8:40
Milton Berle—Virginia Mayo

The Judge 3:55 7:15
Katherine DeMille—Milburn Stone

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday—December 20, 21, 22

Lucky Stiff 3:05 6:00 8:55
Dorothy Lamour—Brian Donlevy—Claire Trevor

Mississippi Rhythm 1:45 4:40 7:35
Jimmie Davis—Veda Ann Borg

Friday, Saturday—December 23, 24

Forbidden Street 3:05 6:00 8:55
Dana Andrews—Maureen O'Hara

Jigsaw 1:45 4:40 7:35
Franchot Tone—Jean Wallace

Usual Saturday Morning Children's Movie at 10 o'clock
Sunset In Delderado (Western Feature)—The Batman and The Robin, No. 3 (Serial)—Short subjects and cartoons

Teacher Elected For Junior High

(Continued from Page One)

thur T. Weiss, general science teacher who has accepted a position as principal of an elementary school at Bar Harbor, Me.

The changes will be effective Jan. 1, 1950. The committee interviewed four candidates before voting to elect Mr. Moore at a salary of \$3000.

The new teacher was a major in the last world war. He graduated from Medford High school in 1933, received his A.B. degree from Tufts in 1940 where he took a four year course in liberal arts.

He taught at the infantry school at Ft. Benning, Ga., in 1942-43, at Ft. Jackson, S. C. and at the officers' candidate school, Ft. Benning Ga., in 1943. He also taught at Camp Campbell, Ky., the U. S. Army citizenship school for Allies in 1944, and in the U. A. Army instructors' training course at Paris, in 1945. He has also substituted in the Medford high schools and is doing graduate work at Boston university.

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According to a 1945 report of engineers who made a study of the supply, the water level can be drawn down 6 feet below the present high water mark without creating undesirable suction lift for pumps or otherwise harming the pond as a water supply.

In common with other eastern communities there was a severe drain on the local water supply all last summer due to the lack of rain which caused an excessive amount to be drawn for sprinkling lawns and watering gardens.

There has been little rain this fall to replenish the supply. The pond, which was about 48 inches below the high level last summer, was being drained off for several successive days at the high rate of more than 3 million gallons daily. Normal pumping in summer is about 1,700,000 gallons. Just about the time restrictions were being considered, a heavy rain came and reduced the amount of daily consumption.

Pumping now has dropped to about 1,200,000 gallons daily and the pond has been dropping until it is down to its present height of 57 inches below the high level. The springs are keeping up very close to the daily consumption so that the shrinkage during November was only one inch.

Some idea of the amount of water needed in the town may be gained from records of the water department. Up to about 13 years ago the annual consumption had never reached 400 million gallons. Last year it went over the 500 million mark, and this year it had reached that figure by Dec. 1. From present indications it will reach approximately 540 million gallons for 1949, a figure which is 35 million more than the record mark of last year.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intention has been filed at the office of Town Clerk George H. Winslow: Frances W. Botsch, 8 Dumbarton st., and Betty M. Hainsworth, 15 Bradstreet rd., North Andover.

Births...

Cookson—A son Dec. 7, at the Clover Hill hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Cookson, (Gertrude Cookson) 123 Main st.

Faris—A son Dec. 9, at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. George Faris (Helen Borges) 36 Dufton rd.

Thomson—A daughter Dec. 9, at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. David M. Thomson, (Edith Tuttle) 30 Salem st.

Shiebler—A daughter Dec. 8, at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Shiebler (Virginia Herring) 29 Maple ave.

Keaney—A daughter Dec. 9, at the Clover Hill hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Keaney (Frances Komich) 4 Carlsbrooke st.

Lavoie—A daughter, Dec. 10 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome F. Lavoie (Florence Fettes) 5 Buxton ct.

MacNeill—A son, Dec. 11 at the Lawrence General hospital to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. MacNeill (Genevieve Creaser) North Main st.

Gov. Dummer Students Returning For Holidays

Local boys who are returning home from Governor Dummer academy Dec. 17 to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents are: John C. Gallagher, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Roswell Gallagher, 107 Highland rd.; and Allen B. Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving E. Rogers, Sunset Rock rd.

Gallagher received his letter as a member of the junior varsity soccer team, is editor of the school magazine, and has been on the honor roll all fall.

Rogers received his letter in varsity football and is a member of the Glee club.

Pre-Town Meeting Planned To Discuss Survey of Schools

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that the town should envision the eventual replacement of all elementary school buildings now in use except the Shawsheen.

Recommended for the first step would be the erection of a new central grade school; the second step a new school in West Andover, and the third a plan to remedy some of the unsatisfactory conditions in the Bradlee school.

The consultants found that Andover has experienced a healthy growth in population and is continuing to grow; new homes are being built to accommodate the increase in population, and the birth rate has grown rapidly and is now reaching enrollment in the elementary grades creating an immediate demand for more classrooms.

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Would Grant Pension To Principal Lovely

Permission for the voters of Andover to take action at town meeting on a proposal to grant a pension to Eugene V. Lovely, principal of the Punchard High school is contained in a bill filed with the legislature by Rep. J. Everett Collins.

Mr. Lovely, who was stricken ill just prior to the opening of school last September, has been unable to continue his duties.

Receives Watch Won in Contest

William J. Henderson of 295 Andover st., Ballardvale, has received the award of a Waltham watch in the Waltham birthday contest which is broadcast every Monday evening.

The presentation of the gift was made through John H. Greco, jeweler, 48 Main st., earlier this week, when the award certificate was presented at his store. The winner's name was entered in the contest by Mrs. William J. Henderson.

Friends of Mrs. John MacLellan are glad to welcome her back to the Irma Beene shop, following a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Forsythe and family of 19 Barnard st. have recently moved to Old Boston rd.

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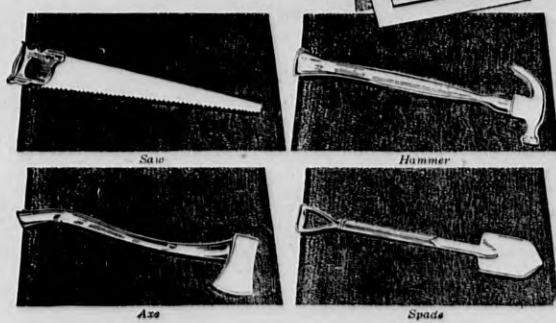
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They will start on sometime after the year, probably Jan. 3

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