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Sound Finances, Steady Growth Predicted In '60



SNOW CASTLE - These chaps didn't worry much about shoveling the snow after the Monday-Tuesday storm. Instead they started to build a snow castle off Chestnut st. They are Steven St. Jean and Alan Chapman. (Leone)

650-Acre Tract For Green Belt

Karl Haartz of High Plain rd. is seeking municipal support for a town meeting article to create a giant "green belt" - some 650 acres of it - north and west of the intersection of Rt. 93 and Rt. 110 in West Andover.

Creation of the area as a "green belt", as a town forest, and municipal recreation area, would avoid the necessity of bridging High Plain rd. at its intersection with Rt. 110, according to Mr. Haartz.

The Selectmen, to whom the article for the warrant, and accompanying explanation were addressed, referred the subject to the Planning Board. Selectman William Stewart voiced the general feeling of the Board that petitioners should insert their own articles in the warrant, not expect the Selectmen to propose them.

Committee Of Four
Mr. Haartz' article, if adopted at
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REMINDER ON DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL WARRANT

The Selectmen have asked for public cooperation in observing the deadline for filing articles for the annual town warrant.

The final date is Jan. 15 - and the time is 4:30 p.m.

Members expressed the hope that anyone with a special article will present it prior to that time so that all may be included.
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Planning for the future, backed up by a strong financial position, might be termed the highlight of Town Manager Thomas E. Duff's goal in the new year.

In an informal "State of the Town" commentary on the town's probably course in 1960, Duff stressed the sound financial picture of the community and the need for continuous planned growth residentially and industrially.

Of particular importance, he stated, is the industrial expansion required to spread the tax base.

And he feels that Andover sits in an especially advantageous position to obtain this industrial growth, almost on a "selective" basis. This results in large part from the town's geographical location in relation to two major highways, its fine schools and its stable finances.

Stressing the need for stability in municipal finances, Mr. Duff pointed out that industry probably would shun an area where the tax rate changes sharply from year to year.

Better Service

Thus, Andover's first town manager explained, he hopes to provide better service for the townspeople next year largely by better planning - proposed departmental budgets reflect only the most moderate increase, based largely on required step rate increases for personnel and slight increases in costs for necessary materials.

However, Mr. Duff emphasized that there can be no decrease in the quality of service resulting from holding the line on expenditures.
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Town Considers Buying Land That FinCom Vetoed As Too Expensive

By DAVID E. YOUNG

The town is considering the purchase of property off Lovejoy rd. for almost twice the price it could have paid for the land about two years ago.

And at that time, the Finance Committee thought the price was too high and turned thumbs down on the proposal.

To what extent the land can be considered seriously, now that the price has been set, has not been established.

But there is no question that the area - being sought for a new school site - is considered extremely desirable by the School Committee. For in a vote at its last meeting, the Committee asked the Land Acquisition Committee

to explore site possibilities in that area, with specific attention being given to the land in question. The Planning Board, too, felt that the land would be good for a school site. Its chairman, Donald Thompson, had copies of preliminary plans with him at a joint meeting of the two official town groups and explained details of a proposed development on the land.

Price Way Up

The area in question is now for sale by the Robert Stone Co., according to its local representative, Ralph Kimball.

The asking price is \$33,000.

When considered by the town previously, the area could have been purchased for \$17,000.

Albert Cole Jr., former chairman of the Land Acquisition Committee, also points out that the price came way down to \$13,000 when his group was doing business with the owner, Nicholas Paolino. It was eventually sold for \$12,000, according to tax stamps affixed at the Registry of Deeds.

However, the Finance Committee considered the subject when

the price was at its ceiling of \$17,000 - and promptly turned it down.

Harold Rutter Jr., chairman of the Finance Committee at that time, explained his Committee's action as resulting from two major objections:

The price was too high.

The access to the land was too narrow.

Narrow Access Way

Mr. Paolino wanted to retain his home on Lovejoy rd., he explained, thus narrowing down the available access.

Plans for the proposed subdivision on the site show more
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AIRPORT IDEA GETS COOL RECEPTION HERE

A suggestion by the North Andover Planning Board's consultant that an area airport be located in West Andover, at the intersection of Route 93 and 110, for better service in the Greater Lawrence area, met with cool reception in Andover Tuesday.

Town Manager Thomas E. Duff, while not expressing outright opposition, mentioned many of the problems that face a town when it must maintain an airport - or when regional financial support is required.

He agreed, however, that an airport in the Greater Lawrence area is certainly a valuable asset.

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Library Addition Bids Were Much Lower Than Estimate

May Ask Town To Ease Sewer Problem

Voters may be asked at town meeting to act on the installation of an 18-inch sewer line along Andover st., with the town paying for the difference in cost between a 6-inch pipe and the larger size.

During a discussion of the warrant Monday night, Town Manager Thomas E. Duff reported that Sidney P. White has indicated an interest in having the article inserted in the warrant.

It was recalled that Mr. White wanted to pay for the installation of a six-inch pipe to service his proposed dairy bar and processing plant. The town insisted that an 18-inch pipe go in, conforming to the town-wide sewer plan.

The suggested article would allow Mr. White to pay for the smaller pipe and its installation.
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Three lowest bidders on construction of the addition to the Library are being routinely investigated, following opening of the construction bids by Town Manager Thomas E. Duff.

The bids came in low, according to pre-bidding estimates, and will leave ample money in the account for furnishings, fees and any contingencies, according to Miss Miriam Putnam, Librarian.

Lowest bid was submitted by Cardarelli Construction Co. Inc. of Waltham, \$75,890. The next two were the Charles Construction Co. of Methuen, \$76,863 and Fletcher Construction Co. of Salem, \$78,859.

The total money available is \$112,161 according to Miss Putnam.
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Post 8, American Legion, the Auxiliary, and the All-Woman's Post will meet jointly Jan. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Legion quarters on Park st.

The groups will plan joint activities for the new year, according to Commander Albert Cole Jr.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henderson of Argilla rd., spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carter of Tewksbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Albion Johnson of High Plain rd., spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hoyt and their family of So. Lincoln.

HAPPY NEW YEAR Everybody!

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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

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At a 10:30 o'clock Nuptial Mass in the church of Saint Augustine, Monday, morning, Miss Ann Elizabeth Higgins was married to Lieutenant William Thomas Bride Jr.

The Right Rev. Monsignor John J. McMannon, cousin of the bride, officiated and conferred the Papal Blessing. He was assisted by Very Rev. Henry B. Smith, O.S.A. The church was decorated with white poinsettias against a background of green spruce trees. White chrysanthemums tied with white satin ribbon adorned the center aisle pews.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Augustine Higgins, 44 Central st. Lieutenant Bride is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Bride, 27 Johnson rd.

Mr. Higgins gave his daughter in marriage. Her gown of candlelight ivory heavy silk satin was embroidered with handmade roses and pearls. The princess type bodice with bell-bouffant skirt extended to a chapel train. She wore a rose point lace mantilla embroidered with matching roses and pearls and carried a bouquet fashioned of ivory roses and smilar.

Mrs. Patrick McKenna of Gales Ferry, Conn., was the matron of honor. She wore a spruce green velvet gown and carried a bouquet of red poinsettias. The bridesmaids were Miss Carole Higgins of Andover; Miss Mary McMannon of Dracut; both cousins of the bride; Miss Virginia Smith, Miss Vernie Theden and Mrs. Robert Rolontz, all of New York City; Mrs. George Mazarakis of Washing-

ton, D. C. and Mrs. Albert Pery of Georgetown.

They were identically gowned in spruce green velvet dresses and each carried a bouquet of white poinsettias. Honorary attendants were Mrs. William McNamara of New York City, Mrs. John Crowley of Boston and Mrs. Robert Lynch of Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Higgins wore a winter blue costume suit collared with white mink and a white chiffon hat. Her lapel corsage was white phalaenopsis orchids. The mother of the groom chose a costume suit of brown brocade and a brown feather hat to match. Her corsage was of green cymbidium orchids.

James H. Bride II, was best man for his brother. The ushers included John Bride, also a brother of the bridegroom; William Reed of Lynchburg, Va.; John Newhouse of St. Louis, Mo.; Robert Bradley of Andover; Richard Aroll of Swampscott; Paul Oppenheimer of New York City and Robert Batal of Glens Falls, N. Y.

The bride is a graduate of Abbot Academy, Wellesley College and The Harvard-Radcliffe Program of Business Administration. Lieutenant Bride prepared at Phillips Academy and was graduated from Brown University, where he was a member of Zeta Psi fraternity. After a wedding trip the couple will live in Tennessee, where Lieutenant Bride is stationed with the United States Air Force.

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Miss Laurie Smith, 20 Johnson rd., has been chosen to represent the Athletic Association in her



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dormitory at Wellesley College, Wellesley, where she is a freshman.

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than 100 feet of available frontage on Lovejoy rd. — and this was considered by FinCom members to be too narrow for a driveway to handle all school transportation in and out of the property.

The proposed sub-division — now called Algonquin Village — will contain 40 house lots. Mr. Kimball said his firm will proceed with the filing of definitive plans for the development this winter, under normal procedure.

However, he expressed interest in the town's ideas for the site. He said the firm usually has engineering performed and presents preliminary plans. Then the land is offered for sale to developers. If it isn't sold, the company does the development work itself.

Part of the land in the area has been noted as being extremely wet — both on the topographical map and during verbal descriptions of the property.

Centrally located
Abutting the land are several other proposed sub-divisions — one extends down to Dascomb rd. and is also controlled by the Robert Stone Co. Another is the Wild Rose Farm area, under development by John Philip Enterprises. Realty Construction Co. also has property in the immediate area, which presumably will be developed.

The School Committee had approved acquisition of the land previously, because it sits in the center of a quickly-growing area.

The Selectmen had approved the purchase, as had the Land Acquisition Committee itself. The Finance Committee was required to give its endorsement also, under the special article approved in town meeting.

Held By Trust
The property in question is held under the name of Brown and Simmons of Lynnfield. Mr. Kimball said this is a trust company of the Robert Stone Co.

It was to this firm that Mr. Paolino transferred the land in November of 1959. Since then, the name of the proposed sub-division has been prominently discussed, and street names on the preliminary plans carry out the Indian theme.

Up To Committee
The final decision on acquiring this, or other land, for school sites is in the hands of the School Committee.

Chairman Harold Rafton of the Land Acquisition Committee said he has sent pertinent data on the development site to the School Board. He also has provided the Committee with some additional information on other possible sites in the area, but indicated that more research must be done on these before they can be considered seriously.

He stressed the importance of understanding that the committee of which he is chairman merely carries out negotiations after one or another of the town boards has approved a site, and does the exploratory work on the sites for the town agencies.

The Land Committee does not, he stated, make any decisions on which piece of property to buy for a specific purpose.

It has not been indicated whether the Land Committee's information for the School Com-

mittee contains merely the asking price of the Lovejoy rd. land, or whether there is another figure that may be considered by the school officials. The School Board is slated to meet next week and probably will discuss the subject then.

But Mr. Kimball indicated this week that the company he represents has put several thousands of dollars into engineering in addition to the \$12,000 indicated as the purchase price.

Looking back to the original proposal to purchase the property, Mr. Cole said this week that his committee never had any indication that there was any other land available in the area that could be purchased reasonably.

It has been explained that a school site requires some 15 acres. But when the School Committee debated the Algonquin Village site at its last meeting, members agreed that purchasing the larger area — about 30-odd acres — would not be undesirable.

Girls Initiated Into Troop 95

Brownie Troop 95 met last week at the South School and enjoyed a Christmas party.

President Carolyn Kennedy opened the meeting with the Salute to the Flag. The following girls were initiated into the troop during investiture ceremonies: Linda Bancroft, Lois Grant, Gail Jordan, Carolyn Kennedy, Andrea Markham, Cheryl Birch and Kathy Gibbons.

While singing carols, the girls received gifts from under the Christmas tree. Refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Linda Bancroft was named winner of a Santa-drawing contest.

Troop 76 Boys Camped Out

Members of Boy Scout Troop 76 held their winter weekend camping trip at Camp Onway recently. Scoutmaster James Buder, Assistant Scoutmaster Harry Batchelder, Neighborhood Commissioner Alco Taylor and Chaplain the Rev. Ralph Rosenblad, accompanied the troop.

Assistant Junior Scoutmaster William Batchelder and Senior Patrol Leader Harry Dustin had charge of the various activities, which included tracking, map reading and Morse code.

Bruce Spencer, Donald Wrigley and Gilbert Barrett passed their

second class requirements. Roger Jackson, Richard Cignoni, Donald Hayes Jr., Henry Wrigley and Christopher Goumas passed their first class requirements.

Scouts attending were Harry Dustin, Gilbert Barrett, William Batchelder, Bruce Spencer, Donald Wrigley, Roger Jackson, Richard Cignoni, Donald Hayes Jr., Tom Monroe, Allen Perry, Mike Chamberlain, Scott Bishop, Phillip Coates and Christopher Goumas.

Scoutmaster Ellsworth Spencer, Donald Hayes Sr., and Colonel Ted Coates visited the camp Sunday.

November Club To Hear Talk On Styles

Monday, Jan. 4, the November Club will meet at the Clubhouse on Locke st. Tea will be served between 2 and 2:30 o'clock.

The business meeting will begin at 2:30. The speaker, Maud Preston, has chosen as her topic, "Style, Fashion and Personality".

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OVER 1,000 CARS USED DUMP SATURDAY

The town dump is a mighty busy place.

Highway Superintendent Stanley Chlebowski told the Selectmen Monday night that 1,140 cars were counted entering the municipal area last Saturday alone. Most people seemed to be cleaning out the wrapping-paper residue from the holiday, he said.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Auchterlonie and children, Donna, Deborah and Dennis, of Hall ave., enter-

tained Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leibold and children of Dracut; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Haselton, Mrs. Alice Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cherson and son, Mr. and Mrs. William Donovan and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hatfield on the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Myers of Chester st. entertained Mrs. Martha Brady of Malden and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Worcester and

children, Mark and Steven, of Fitchburg for the holiday weekend.

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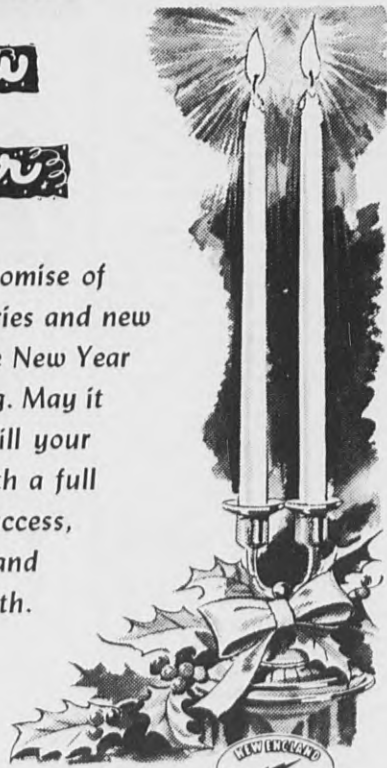
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Obituaries...

MISS MARY L. BARNES

Miss Mary Lindley Barnes, 50 Sunset Rock rd., who would have celebrated her 94th birthday Jan. 1, died Friday morning, Dec. 25, at the Lombardi Nursing Home, following a long illness.

Born in Newton, Iowa, she was the daughter of the late Henry A. and Eliza (Sessions) Barnes. She attended Christ Episcopal Church.

She leaves a nephew, Melvin B. Barnes of Andover.

Private funeral services were held Monday at Harmony Grove Cemetery Chapel, Salem, where cremation followed. The Rev. A. Graham Baldwin, chaplain of Cochran chapel, Phillips Academy, officiated. Memorial ser-



HONORING CUSTODIAN - Nearly 100 friends gathered Dec. 17 to honor Charles Flanagan, who retires as custodian at the Shawsheen School. Head table guests are pictured here: standing, James O'Reilly, toastmaster; Miss Anne Harnedy, principal; Mrs. Edward I. Erickson, Mrs. O'Reilly and School Committee Secretary William A. Doherty. Seated are Mrs. Flanagan, Supt. of Schools Edward I. Erickson and Mr. Flanagan.

ices will be conducted Jan. 1 at 12 noon at the late home, 50 Sunset Rock rd.

WILLIAM J. HEINIG

William J. Heinig, 35, 318 Stevens st., Lowell, a former resident of Morton st., died suddenly Christmas night at St. John's Hospital, Lowell.

Surviving are his wife, Frances (Doherty) Heinig; a son, William Jr.; his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. William Heinig, two brothers, George and Paul Heinig and a sister, Mrs. Nancy Berry, all of Clinton.

A native of Clinton and a veteran of the Korean War, Mr. Heinig, was graduated from the Clinton High School and was attending Lowell Tech. He was employed as an electrical engineer at the Western Electric plant during the years of 1952-55 and served as president of the C.W.A. local 1361 at that time.

The funeral was held Tuesday from the McDonough Funeral Home, 14 Highland st., Lowell with a solemn high Mass of requiem in St. Margaret's Church, that city. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Lowell.

FRANCIS RILEY

Francis Riley, 56, 34 River st., Ballardvale, died Saturday evening, Dec. 26, a short time after being admitted to Lawrence General Hospital. Dr. John T. Batal, medical examiner, attributed death to arterio sclerotic heart disease.

A native of Andover, he was educated in local schools and was a graduate of Burdette College. Prior to his retirement four years ago, he was affiliated with the E. F. Hutton Brokerage Co., Boston.

He leaves his wife, Mary L. (O'Neil) Riley; a son, Lawrence W. Riley of Ballardvale; a daughter, Miss Helene Riley of Ballardvale; two sisters, Mrs. Stephen Castle and Miss Helena Riley, both of Ballardvale; also a niece, Lola Castle of Ballardvale.

The funeral was held Wednesday from the late home with a high Mass of requiem at 10 a.m. in St. Augustine's Church. Burial was in St. Augustine's Cemetery.

MRS. ROSE E. BULLOCK

Mrs. Rose Ella (Blunt) Bullock, 78, widow of Hugh Bullock, former president and director of Tyer Rubber Company, of West Knoll rd., died Sunday morning, Dec. 27, at her home following a long illness.

Born in Wallingford, Conn., the daughter of the late Henry A. and Sadie (Price) Blunt, Mrs. Bullock was a resident of Andover since 1915. She was a member of the South Congregational Church, where she was active in parish affairs. She was also a member of the November Club, the Andover Garden Club and the Andover

Historical Society.

For a number of summers, Mrs. Bullock has been a resident of the Blunt's family summer home in Rockland Park, Short Beach, Conn.

Mrs. Bullock and her late husband had celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Dec. 29, 1957.

She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Margaret E. Reed of Reading, Miss Emily Bullock of Andover, and Mrs. Caroline Blaker of Columbus, Ohio; three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held Wednesday with private services at the late home. Cremation took place in Harmony Grove, Salem.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Davis and their children of Bellevue rd.

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enjoyed Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tresher of Saugus.

Miss Susan Loosigian and her brother, Wayne, of Blanchard st. are spending the week with their grandparents in Salem, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell and Linda and Laurence Mitchell of Tewksbury st. entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mitchell and children, Brenda and Steven, of Milford, Conn. for the holiday weekend.

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between the parties on these subjects and a sufficient bond must be posted with the town to assure the completion of the street so that it will meet specifications for a public way.

South School Parties Held

Christmas parties were held the Tuesday before Christmas in the South Elementary school for the individual classes, with the teachers and room mothers in charge. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by the following:

Kindergarten A. M., Mrs. Cavallo teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Frank Froberg and Mrs. Frederick Brainard.

Kindergarten P. M., Mrs. Cavallo teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Robert Dunn and Mrs. Robert Ferrier.

Kindergarten P. M., Mrs. Turgiss teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Erwin Musen and Mrs. H. U. Scharin.

Grade 1, Miss Sullivan, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Roland Luken and Mrs. Richard Comins.

Grade 1, Miss Freda Bisbee, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Jerald Comwell and Mrs. Herbert Freedman.

Grade 1, Miss MacDonald, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. W. M. Urquhart and Mrs. Joseph Paulekas.

Grade 2, Miss McCormack, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. David Parker and Mrs. Howard Norton Jr.

Grade 2, Mrs. Fitzgerald, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Tennyson Hood and Mrs. Norman Pratt.

Grade 2, Mrs. Inman, teacher, room mothers, Mrs. Merle Buchan and Mrs. Merwyn Darby.

Grade 3, Mrs. Zale, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Harry Batchelder and Mrs. John T. Andrews.

Grade 3, Mrs. O'Toole, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. William Lancaster and Mrs. Steven Parson.

Grade 3, Mrs. Mangiaglia, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Roland Reader and Mrs. S. T. Torrisi.

Grade 4, Miss Young, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Robert Mears and Mrs. Leo Slombo.

Grade 4, Mrs. Domingue, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Burton Batcheller and Mrs. William Batchelder.

Grade 4, Miss Allen, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Charles Hatch and Mrs. Charles Langdell.

Grade 5, Mrs. Boudreau, teacher; room mother, Mrs. Ernest Hall.

Grade 5, Mrs. Dyer, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. J. Gerald Hamel and Mrs. Donald Lee.

Grade 6, Miss Gaffney, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. Frank Orlando and Mrs. George Moss.

Grade 6, Miss Sullivan, teacher; room mothers, Mrs. William Smeltzer and Mrs. James Gillan.

WETTERBERG WILL IN PROBATE COURT

The will of Mrs. Augusta Wetterberg, 1 Hartigan ct., who died October 20, was filed in Probate court Dec. 16.

Mrs. Wetterberg directed that her estate be divided equally between her daughter, Ellen Wetterberg Holland and son, Carl A. Wetterberg of Andover, the will stating that Mrs. Wetterberg was making this bequest "knowing that my husband, Carl, can use my house

during the rest of his life and that my daughter and son will take care of him during his lifetime."

Mrs. Wetterberg's son, Carl A., asked that he be appointed administrator of the estate with the will annexed.

Value of the estate was not listed.

MCKEOWN GRADUATED FROM NAVY SCHOOL

Navy Lt. William G. McKeown Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McKeown, 323 Lowell st., graduated Dec. 16 from a 9½-month General Line course at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Cal.

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REV. DONALD J. RYDER, Pastor
SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Church School. Classes for all age groups. 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service with Communion. Message by the pastor, Rev. Donald J. Ryder, "Prayer". Senior choir anthem "The Power of Prayer" by Bell. Nursery during this service. 8 p.m. Gospel Hour. Special music, hymn singing and a message by the pastor,

"Where Is God"?
WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m. Mid-week prayer service.
THURSDAY: 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.
NOTES: Friday, Jan. 8. Junior Choir rehearsals will be resumed at 3:15 p.m. The Philathea Class will meet at 7:30 p.m. The Friendly Circle will hold a Household Article Demonstration Jan. 11.

West Parish Church
REV. JOHN H. SARGENT, Pastor
SATURDAY: 1 p.m. Boy Scouts, Troop 77, leave Church for a hike.
SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Junior High and Senior High School classes. 9:45 a.m. Senior Choir rehearsal. 10:30 a.m. Service of Worship, conducted by Rev. John Henry Sargent. Communion will be observed. The Cradle Roll, Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary, Lower Junior and Junior Departments meet as usual in the Vestry. 5:30 p.m. Junior High Pilgrim Fellowship meets. 7 p.m. Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.
MONDAY: 8 p.m. Church Cabinet meets.
WEDNESDAY: 2:30 p.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 77 meets.

South Church
REV. FREDERICK B. NOSS, Pastor
SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Junior High Dept. Gr. 7 & 8. Confirmation Classes, Grades 9 and above. 10:30 a.m. Sub-Nursery for children 8 mos. to 3 yrs. Nursery and Kindergarten; Primary Dept. Gr. 1-3. Junior Dept. Gr. 4-6 will attend Family Morning Worship with their parents and later be dismissed to classes. 10:30 a.m. Family Morning Worship and Communion will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Frederick B. Noss. The sermon topic is "The Measure of a Man's Faith"; Romans 12:3 the text. The Sanctuary Choir will sing under the direction of Mr. Keith H. Gould, Director of Music. 5:20 p.m. Junior High Pilgrim Fellowship. 7 p.m. Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship.
MONDAY: 3:30 p.m. Chorister Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal. 7:45 p.m. Board of Christian Education, South Vestry.
TUESDAY: 2:15 p.m. Circle V at the home of Mrs. Arthur W. Cole, 16 High st. Mrs. Myron Clark and Mrs. Cole are Co-leaders. 3:15 p.m. Girl Scouts, Tr. 112, Mrs. F. Kenneth Godin, Leader. 8 p.m. Ping Pong Club in the Recreation Room. The men of the parish will find good fellowship and a good game. 8 p.m. Circle II at the home of Mrs. William Edwards, 76 Salem st. Mrs. Robert Sawyer and Mrs. Alexander M. Wilson are Co-Leaders; Mrs. Allan May will be in charge of the program.
THURSDAY: 10 a.m. Friendly Service sewing for the hospitals, missions and United Clothing Appeal. Bring a box lunch and help. Coffee is served at noon. 3:30 p.m. Carol Choir rehearsal. 6:30 p.m. A.P.C. Sampling Supper, Business meeting and speaker, Louise H. Morse.

Ballardvale United Church
REV. RALPH A. ROSENBLAD, Pastor
SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Morning Worship. The Sacrament of Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Youth Fellowship. 8 p.m. Forum for Christian Living will meet at Baronial Hall, Abbot Academy. The subject: "Measuring Prayer Power".
MONDAY: 8 p.m. Church Council in the vestry.
WEDNESDAY: 2:30 p.m. Cherub Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.
THURSDAY: 3:30 p.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Christ Church
REV. J. EDISON PIKE, Rector
SUNDAY: 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9:15 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon. 5 p.m. Junior E.Y.C. 7 p.m. Senior E.Y.C. 9:15 a.m. There will be Sunday School Classes for Grades 4-9, Nursery for 3 year olds and under. 11 a.m. Sunday School Classes for Kindergarten, Grades 1-3 and Nursery for 3 year olds and under. The music is under the direction of

Irvin Wilkinson, organist and choirmaster.
WEDNESDAY: 10 a.m. Holy Communion. 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion. 7:15 p.m. Scouts.
THURSDAY: 6:30 p.m. Christ Church Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m. St. Ann's Choir rehearsal.
Free Church
REV. J. ALLYN BRADFORD, Pastor
SUNDAY: 8:45 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. 9 a.m. Church School for 3rd grade to high school pupils. 10:15 a.m. Communion Service conducted by Rev. J. Allyn Bradford whose sermon title will be "Looking to the Pioneer and Perfector of our Faith". Prelude, Thou Prince of Peace by Bach and Adagio (Symphony in C Minor) by Saint-Saens. Anthem, Thy Blessings, Father by Johnson. Offertory, Lead Me Lord by Wesley. 10:15 a.m. Nursery, Beginners and Grade 2. 5 p.m. The Junior High Fellowship will meet. 6:30 p.m. The Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship will meet. 7:30 p.m. The Young Adult Group will meet.
MONDAY: 7:30 p.m. The Adult Bible Study Group will meet at the Parsonage, 14 High st.
TUESDAY: 7:30 p.m. The Board of Trustees will meet in the Church Parlor.
WEDNESDAY: 7:45 p.m. The Woman's Union will meet in the lower Parish Hall.
THURSDAY: 10 a.m. The Sewing Circle will meet in the lower Parish Hall. 2:10 p.m. Junior High choir rehearsal. 3:15 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal. 6:15 p.m. Senior High choir rehearsal. 7 p.m. Boy Scouts will meet at the Church. 7:30 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal. 7:45 p.m. Church School Committee will meet at the Church.

The North Parish Church
(Unitarian) - North Andover
REV. E. A. BROWN JPL, Minister
SUNDAY: 10:20 a.m. Church School. 10:20 a.m. Kindergarten and nursery. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour.

6 p.m. Youth Fellowship.
MONDAY: 8 p.m. Parish Committee meeting.
TUESDAY: 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 84 at the Community Center.
Christian Science Society
(6 Locke Street)
SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Church Service. Subject of lesson sermon: "God".
Reading room, 56 Main st. open 12:30 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.
WEDNESDAY: Testimony meetings 8 p.m.
St. Augustine's Church
REV. HENRY B. SMITH, Pastor
SATURDAY: Confessions 4 to 5:30 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.
SUNDAY: Masses 6:30, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.
St. Joseph's Church
(BALLARDVALE)
SUNDAY: Mass at 9 o'clock. Confessions heard before Mass.

CHANGE IN TIME FOR PRACTICAL ARTS CLASS
Owen Hinckley, director of the Evening Practical Arts classes at the Junior High, has announced a change in starting time for the second half of the year.
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EDITORIAL THOUGHTS

Needed: A Local Test Case

A test case — whether in court on legal technicalities or in town meeting to determine voter sentiment — often answers the questions that municipal officials must ponder over at considerable length during the course of the year.

Such a test — this time in town meeting — may well provide the answer to the often-repeated question: "Does the town wish to expand, residentially and industrially?"

The usual answer to this question, when it is asked of most town officials, is yes "within reason". Yet many persons feel that there is a large segment of the official family that actually does not want to see expansion. This feeling probably comes from the continuous imposition of restrictions, which serve to give the town a reputation for being unfriendly to residential developers, and perhaps to industrial developers as well.

We're reporting here a sentiment that has been expressed on many occasions by responsible men and women — and it may or may not be true. But certainly a test of the voters' opinions is in order.

Only by knowing the wishes of the voters can municipal officials determine the best road to follow in the new year.

Thus we propose that some general question of policy be posed in the annual warrant, for the best interests of the town.

Even if an inconclusive vote resulted, the debate would prove stimulating and might well itself provide the answers.

Such a question might revolve around the general query quoted earlier here — does the town wish to expand both residentially and industrially? Perhaps a moderate amount of money for use by the Industrial and Development Commission should be requested in this article, so that a decision on the appropriation could be used as a guide to the sentiment of the voters if other debate on the question was too general.

In whatever form it is presented, however, we believe the voters should have the opportunity to express themselves forcefully and fully — then the town can be guided over the next year by their voice. This is both the democratic way, and the practical way, to answer this important question.

It's Time To Announce

This is the time of year when many minds turn to local politics — and it's right that they should.

For there aren't many weeks between the first of the year and the town election in March. And we should all have an opportunity to inspect the records of the candidates fully during this period of time.

To date there has been only one announced candidate — for the seat on the School Committee which will be left vacant by Roy A. Russell, who may not again seek the office while remaining in the employment of the town. There should be other interested citizens who wish to serve the town on this vital Committee, and they should be ready and willing to announce their interest immediately. For it is vital in our democratic form of government that voters have an opportunity to express their choice, not vote for a lone candidate.

The Selectmen's contest is still up in the air, with no announcements from Edward P. Hall, whose term expires, or any other citizens who might very well wish to serve on that Board. Again we urge all those who want to run to make their announcements quickly, in fairness to the voters who must consider them before election.

Waste Of Valuable Time

We have no argument with the state tax officials who wish to collect taxes on liquor — and to do this even on liquor purchased in New Hampshire for use in this state. After all, the law is on the books and should be obeyed.

But we do object, and strongly, to the use of state troopers at strategic points along the border between the two states. It seems a waste of valuable time to assign these well-trained professionals to such a task when there are many police duties that certainly require their attention.

At a time when the head of the state police emphasizes the need for additional manpower, isn't it slightly absurd to see the officers being used in considerable numbers to check on someone's purchase of alcoholic beverages just over the line in New Hampshire?

Down the Years with The Townsman

50 Years Ago — December, 1909 tuting as principal of the Stowe School during the illness of Miss



SUSIE'S SONNETS

by Sylvia Neilson

TO YOUR HEALTH!

Well, Ike's back at the White House,
And Santa's at the Pole.
God rest ye, weary gentlemen;
Now take a New Year's Skool!

Anna E. Chase.

James J. Feeney, one of the carriers on rural delivery, is driving a new chestnut roan mare, which he recently purchased.

Mrs. J. W. Bamard has been entertaining her daughter, Mrs. Bergstrom of Worcester.

Nearly three-score friends and acquaintances gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Fairweather on Abbot st. last Friday evening and proffered their congratulations to the host and hostess on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Dennis Donovan, the boy who was thought to be lost several weeks ago, and who was staying with his sister in Haverhill, has returned to the Village.

25 Years Ago — December, 1934 Eight dresses valued at \$100 cost a young man exactly five cents at a local shop Saturday night. He paid cash for two cards and calmly walked out with the dresses while a customer watched in surprise. She was so amazed that she couldn't tell the owner for several minutes, by which time the man was nowhere to be found.

An overheated furnace was blamed for the fire that destroyed the house and furniture of Fred Doyle on Chandler rd. Monday morning. Firemen worked 2½ hours in six-degree weather to quell the flames, and managed to save the barn near the house. Sixty men were put to work by the Board of Public Works this week as a result of the season's first snow storm. It cost the town \$1,500 to fight the five-inch fall, which became very heavy to handle when rain fell afterwards. The new steam pump is nearly ready at the pumping station at Haggett's Pond. The steam-fitting is now being done, in preparation for putting the apparatus to use.

At the annual town election next March, the term of Selectman Frank H. Hardy will expire. There have been no announcements or even suggestions of candidates for this or other municipal posts. 10 Years Ago — December, 1949 A newly-organized baby-sitter's Club at the Youth Center has established a rate schedule for sitters' services. The young people took a survey around the town before setting varying rates for different types of service. A new feature this year is the broadcasting of carols from the tower at the fire station. The Board of Public Works employees are requesting civil service status, and will seek to have the question on the ballot in March. The request was defeated at town meeting a few years ago. Postal business was the largest ever experienced here for the seven-day period before Christmas. Some 31 extra people were added to the payrolls to help get the volume of Christmas mail out on time. Winter was ushered in Dec. 21 at 11:24 p.m., but it seemed more like spring. It was 61 degrees in Andover the next afternoon and there wasn't a sign of snow for the holiday. The Selectmen are currently studying budgets. There are some normal increases noted in departmental budget estimates and substantial boosts in the welfare department, old age assistance and aid to dependent children.

Books dealing with great moments in history are always welcome to those readers who like solid, factual material. Many of the most vivid books of historic events are written in a day-by-day report form, a technique which gives heightened excitement and interest. Walter Lord and Jim Bishop have both used this technique. In the books "Day Of Infamy" and "A Night to Remember", (The attack on Pearl Harbor and the sinking of the Titanic on April 14, 1912), Lord has left us a vivid unforgettable picture of tense moments; Jim Bishop will be remembered for his book "The Day Christ Died", also written in this moment-to-moment reporting style. World War II books are still popular with readers; even those who took active part in its battles find historical accounts interesting, and for some of them this is the first time that they can see how their own part was a contributing factor to total victory.

Sea disasters were in the limelight this past year, with Gallagher's "Fire At Sea", the story of the Morro Castle, and Alvin Moscow's "Collision Course", a description of the recent collision of the Stockholm and the Andrea Doria. Two Civil War titles found many

At The Library

Coming Events: DECEMBER

31 Main library closes at 1 p.m. for the holiday.

Ballardvale branch library to open from 2-5 p.m. only.

(No meeting of Littlest Listeners in Ballardvale until Thursday, Jan. 7 at 10 a.m.)

JANUARY

1 All departments closed for holiday.

5 Story hour, 3:35 p.m.

Great Books Discussion Group, 7:45 p.m.

6 Littlest Listeners, Robins group, 10 a.m.

7 Ballardvale Littlest Listeners, 10 a.m.

Holiday Hours

The Memorial Hall Library will close at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, for the holiday. The Ballardvale branch library will be open from 2-5 p.m. that day. There will be no meeting of the Littlest Listeners Thursday in the branch room. The next meeting for this group will be Thursday, Jan. 7, at the usual hour.

Story Hour

Tuesday afternoon, at 3:35 o'clock, boys and girls will have another story hour at the library. Mothers are reminded that story hours run for the full hour, and should plan to pick up children accordingly.

Great Books Group

For the first meeting of the Great Books Discussion Group in the new year the reading is to be the first fifty chapters of Cellini's "Autobiography." This meeting will be held in the library Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, at 7:45 o'clock. New members are cordially invited to join at this time.

Littlest Listeners

Two groups of Littlest Listeners will meet this week; the Robins, at the main library Wednesday morning, Jan. 6 and the Ballardvale group at the branch library Thursday, both at 10 a.m.

Drama Of History

Books dealing with great moments in history are always welcome to those readers who like solid, factual material. Many of the most vivid books of historic events are written in a day-by-day report form, a technique which gives heightened excitement and interest. Walter Lord and Jim Bishop have both used this technique. In the books "Day Of Infamy" and "A Night to Remember", (The attack on Pearl Harbor and the sinking of the Titanic on April 14, 1912), Lord has left us a vivid unforgettable picture of tense moments; Jim Bishop will be remembered for his book "The Day Christ Died", also written in this moment-to-moment reporting style. World War II books are still popular with readers; even those who took active part in its battles find historical accounts interesting, and for some of them this is the first time that they can see how their own part was a contributing factor to total victory.

Sea disasters were in the limelight this past year, with Gallagher's "Fire At Sea", the story of the Morro Castle, and Alvin Moscow's "Collision Course", a description of the recent collision of the Stockholm and the Andrea Doria. Two Civil War titles found many

readers: "Last Train From Atlanta" by Mary Hoehling and Burke Davis; "To Appomattox," Other books which describe history-making events were "July 4, 1776" by Donald Chidsey, and "William Diamond's Drum" by Arthur Tourtellot; "Thirteen Days To Glory", by Lon Tinkle describes the famous battle of the Alamo; "Johnstown", by Richard O'Connor, is an account of the day the dam broke at Conemaugh Lake and then thundered down upon the Pennsylvania town of Johnstown.

Even the poles made history this past year, with such books as "Nautilus 90 North", by Commander W. R. Anderson, describing the world's first underwater trans-polar voyage, and "Crossing Of Antarctica", by Sir Vivian Fuchs and Sir Edmund Hillary, the thrilling story of the expedition which crossed more than 2,000 miles of unexplored ice and snow to discover what lay on and below a continent never before traversed. All titles noted here may be borrowed from the Memorial Hall Library.

DUFF PREDICTS GOOD YEAR

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Improved Facilities

He also looks forward, during 1960, to improved water distribution through improvements and extension of the line; to starting on the town's plan for sewer improvements by increasing the size of the trunk main to the Riverina rd. plant; and to continuing improvements to roads and sidewalks.

Drainage problems will begin to come into focus, the town manager predicts, as a result of a proposed study of the over-all drainage conditions and receipt of a master plan for improvements to the present facilities.

Surplus Cash Position

Mr. Duff called attention to the town's surplus cash position, pointing out that many special articles can perhaps be covered from this source — thus helping to keep the tax rate from climbing very much. He has predicted at least a \$26.25 rate, based on the increases in departmental budgets.

Assessed Values Up

He also noted that the town will have a higher assessed value next year — of at least 3½ million dollars — which will help to bring in additional funds without sharply boosting the rate.

And at this point he again called attention to the need for additional industry here — to broaden this base still further.

It's inevitable that the town must spend more money over the years, he commented, and the home owner should not be called upon to pay all of the increase, when through diligent effort, the town can attract good industries that will help carry the load.

Controls Are Vital

Looking forward into the next year, Mr. Duff said control must be maintained over the town's growth — with the purpose of keeping that growth from exceeding the demand. The town's ability to provide services of all kinds must be kept in mind when considering residential growth, he stressed.

But by control, the manager did not imply restrictions that would halt residential growth. "Growth can't be stopped, and it's not healthy to stop it," he asserted. "But the overall needs must be considered" when looking at proposed developments.

Land Acquisition

One of the most important programs during the year is the acquisition of land — to give the town control over property that may be needed for municipal buildings — schools, fire station, recreation, etc.

Mr. Duff said special emphasis will be put on this program throughout the year, so that the town will not find itself having to go out and buy land later, at increased prices, if it is available at all.

CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

A very happy family Christmas dinner party was held Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hudgins on the festivities were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hudgins and Deanna, Walter Stone of Lynn and Mrs. Albert McNeil and Mrs. Arthur Ritchie, all of Quincy.

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AND WE'RE STILL CRYING - Karen Gyrsting, age 2½, started to cry when she saw all the snow that had to be shoveled at her home, 103 High st. Most adults still cry, inwardly at least, when they face the same laborious project. (Leone)

Births...

ISENBERG - A son Dec. 26, at Bon Secours Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. James Isenberg, 442 Lowell st. The mother was Nancy Peel.

ROCH - A daughter, Mary, Dec. 22, at Lawrence General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Roch, 440 South Main st. The mother was Beatrice A. Bruce.

REED - A son to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reed, Lake Linden, Michigan. The mother was Nancy White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White of Andover st., Ballardvale. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Reed of Dascomb rd. The family includes a daughter, Debra Lee.

DUFF - A son, Dec. 27, at Bon Secours Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Duff, 56 Whittier st. The mother was Rosemary Welch.

PEASE - A daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, Dec. 29, at Lawrence General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Pease, 147 Main st. The mother was Lillian Zachrisson.

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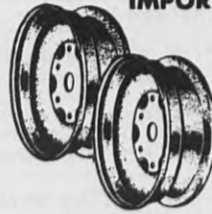
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Engagements

Twigg - Packer
At a small family party recently, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin D. Packer, 70 Hampstead st., Methuen, announced the engagement of their

daughter, Marylou to John K. Twigg, son of Mrs. Helen S. Twigg, 4 Summer st.
Miss Packer is a graduate of Tenney High School, Methuen and is presently a senior at Lowell State Teachers College.
Her fiance, a graduate of Pynchard High School, is at present a senior student at Lowell Technological Institute.
A summer wedding is planned.

Dow - Stirling
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Luke Stirling of North Tarrytown, N.Y., formerly of Andover, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Katherine Stirling to James Kimball Dow Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kimball Dow of North Andover.
Miss Stirling is a graduate of Abbot Academy, Bradford Junior College and of Hood College,

Frederick, Md., in the class of 1959.
She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James S. Stirling of Wilmington, Del., and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Ranger of Holyoke.
Mr. Dow is a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N. H., Harvard College, class of 1950, where he is a member of the Hasty Pudding Club, and of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, class of 1959. He served as a lieutenant j.g. in the Navy from 1954 to 1957 and is now associated with the Merchants National Bank of Boston. His grandparents are the late Judge and Mrs. Harry R. Dow of North Andover and the late Mr. and Mrs. Halsey T. Tichenor of Montclair, N. J.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Norbury of Rocky Hill rd. enjoyed the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Carlton White of Whitman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sanborn of Laconia, N. H. spent the holiday with their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sanborn of Flint cir.

Miss Mary Beth Lebeck, who is a student at Boston College School of Nursing, is enjoying the holiday at her parents' home on High Plain rd.

Miss Ellen Edmonds, a student at Western College, Oxford, Ohio, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Edmonds of Reservation rd.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall Jr. of Dascomb rd. entertained the following guests at their home on Christmas day: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kirby and their children of Holden, Miss Blanche Rapaport of Melrose, and John Hall Sr. of Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Eber and their family of Chicago, Ill. are spending Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Floyd of Laurel In.

Friends of Mrs. Harry Wright formerly of Shawshen rd., will be pleased to learn that she is spending the winter months in Petersburg, Fla. with her mother.

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Keith Bronson received a lion badge, and gold arrow; William Battles a lion badge; Douglas Prima, gold arrow on belt; Stephen Bailey, gold arrow on bear badge and three silver arrows; Daniel DesRoche a silver arrow on wolf badge and Kenneth Chlebowski, 13 silver arrows on bear badge.

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Keith Bronson received a lion badge, and gold arrow; William Battles a lion badge; Douglas DiPrima, gold arrow on bear badge; Stephen Bailey, gold arrow on bear badge and three silver arrows; Daniel DesRoche a silver arrow on wolf badge and Kenneth Chlebowski, 13 silver arrows on bear badge.

New Bobcats are Gary Walkup, Martin Post, Scott Kokens, Russell MacLeish, Douglas Ogdon, Jeffrey McLaren, James White.

Fred Tarbox read a humorous poem about the Christmas stocking.

A Webelos meeting will be held the Wednesday after New Year's.

YWCA Program Starts Jan. 14

The YWCA Andover Program will continue in the winter term at the Andover Youth Center, beginning Thursday, Jan. 14.

The schedule includes: Sketching and Painting - 9:15-10:45; Intermediate Bridge - 9:15-10:45; Golf for Beginners - 9:15-9:45; Badminton - 9:45-10:30; Beginners II Bridge - 11:15-12:45; Swedish Weaving, 11:15-12:45; and Trimestics - 11:15-12.

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be held at the Bay State Bank Building Thursday, Jan. 7 from 10-12, and 2-4 and Monday, Jan. 11, from 10-12.

Mackintosh To Serve On Board

William Mackintosh III, 57 Salem st., was elected secretary of the Grays and to the School Committee for the winter term at The Fessenden School, West Newton. The Grays and Grays are groups of students that compete throughout the year for cups presented at Commencement to the group earning the most points. The Committee is the student-governing body of 12 boys elected by students and masters.

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PROPOSES TRACT FOR GREEN BELT

(Continued from Page One)
town meeting, would create a committee of four persons to look into the possibilities of acquiring

the tract of land, to serve the three purposes listed above. He accompanied the article with a breakdown of expense and income to the town over the next 20 years, showing what he believes to be the net cost to the town for

the "green belt".
Airport Location
Ironically, it was announced Tuesday that a professional planner for the North Andover Planning Board has recommended placing an airport in that area to better serve the Greater Lawrence area.
He suggested abandoning the

airport in North Andover and converting that land to industrial use.
Cites Savings
In his communication to the Selectmen, Mr. Haartz said the town will best be served by acquiring the tract of land, because it will save money by not having to do any work on the portion of High Plain rd. beyond the major highway intersection with that local street.
Taxpayers would also save, he predicted, because there would be an elimination of the bridge and the relocation of the road would not be required. Both these projects would be paid for under the federal-state program, according to

engineers who have explained road problems to the Selectmen.
Itemized Costs
Mr. Haartz itemized costs, over a 20-year period, as follows, based on the assumption that 500 new homes will be built in the area beyond High Plain rd. if it is left open:
Seven-hundred school children at \$430 a piece, annually, \$4,000,000; school buildings, \$1,400,000 interest on school building capital at three percent, \$420,000; water pipe installation not covered by water rates, \$250,000; water supply additions and betterments, \$200,000; roads and drainage, including maintenance, \$300,000; sewer net cost to town, \$1,000,000; police and fire, including buildings, \$300,000.

Thus, Mr. Haartz figures, the town will pay out \$9,890,000 over a 20-year period for service in this specific area if it remains open for development.
Income Factors
He also includes the following breakdown of income that might be expected, again based on 500 houses in the area, an average value of \$25,000 each and a constant \$30 tax rate:
Income from taxes, 500 houses at \$750 each annually, \$750,000; 700 cars, with excise tax of \$100 a piece each year, \$1,400,000; 600 poll taxes, \$24,000; various fees, \$50,000.

His predicted total income of \$8,974,000 for the 20 years.
By subtracting the two figures, Mr. Haartz states that the net cost to the town would be \$916,000 which could only be made up by increasing taxes for everyone.

Green Belt Cost
Mr. Haartz states that the cost of acquiring the land - some 100 acres - should be \$650,000. Interest on this investment, at three percent for 20 years, comes to \$200,000. Maintenance for 20 years, \$200,000; tax loss estimate, \$40,000.
Thus, he concludes, the net cost of acquiring and maintaining the land would be \$1,090,000.
To arrive at the net cost to the town, over 20 years, for the "green belt", Mr. Haartz subtracted the net loss to the town if the area remains open from the cost of his proposal.
This results in a net cost of \$174,000 for the green area, he letter concluded.

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TOWN OF ANDOVER



All bills contracted by the town of Andover must be in the office of Town Accountant George C. Noyes, Jr. approved by department heads by January 9, 1960, otherwise payment can not be made until after annual town meeting.

GEORGE C. NOYES, JR.
Town Accountant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 21

Essex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of MARGARET GRIND TOWLE, of Andover in said County of Essex, under conservatorship of JOHN V. PHELAN, I, the undersigned, Conservator of the said person, have presented to the Court his third account for a year.

If you desire to object thereto or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at 9 o'clock in the forenoon of the fourth day of January 1960, return day of this citation.

Witness, JOHN V. PHELAN, Judge, First Judge of said Court, tenth day of December 1959.

JOHN J. COSTELLO, Registrar of the Office of the Sheriff of the County of Essex, Massachusetts.

GAIL BATCHELDER'S BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD
Miss Gail Batchelder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Batchelder of Ballardvale rd., observed her 13th birthday recently at home. Games were played and refreshments served. Guests sent were Carol Perry, Leona Batchelder, Marion Fitts, Betty Newcomb, Janet Letters and Lorraine Dunn.

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GEORGE C. NAPIER
Town Accountant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
PROBATE COURT
Docket No. 251947

Essex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of MARGARET GRINDELL WEALE, of Andover in said County, person under conservatorship.

The conservator of the property of said person has presented to said Court his third account for allowance.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fourth day of January 1960, the return day of this citation.

Witness, JOHN V. PHELAN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 16th day of December 1959.

JOHN J. COSTELLO, Register.
From the Office of
Hubert W. Dow, Atty.
408-410 Bay State Building
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Shawsheen Pupils Gave Program

The kindergarten and first three grades of the Shawsheen School presented a Christmas program last Friday.

Mrs. Kay Danahy's first graders presented the following: welcome, Beth Marjerison; poem "Christmas", Edward Palmieri and Richard Leoff; song "Teddy Bears on Parade", Roanne Fitzgerald; song "Rootie Tootie Bear", John Privitera, Thelma Shottes and Meredith Dreiman; poem "It's Christmas", Sandra Licciardello; chorus, James Evans, Sylvia Sorenson, Richard Hartman, Andrew Caverly, Pamela Armstrong, Daniel Gill, Kenneth Leavitt, Leslie Souter, Susan Vaughan, Deborah Tay, Diane Cox, Joy Stanton, Susan Shorten, Kenneth Campisi, Edward Pettoruto, Stefano Nicolosi and Danny Cheatham.

Miss Martha Howe's first grade had the following portion of the program: "Coasting" Judy Holland and Jeffrey Bond; "the skaters", Denise Beaulieu, "the ski race", Ronald Beers and William Hooson; poem "The Snowman", Marcia Minsalco; song "Here Comes Suzy Snowflake", with Susan Cox, Edwin Fleischer, Donna Hudgins and Leo Waldron as snowflakes and the following singers - Brian Champy, David Evanson, Gregory Freije, Bruce Gilday, Cynthia Gower, Lynne Himmer, Mark Horton, Robert Lafond, Brian Lenfest, Margaret Murphy, Pamela Ordway, Jane Ostrowe, Debra Shottes, Stephen Smith, Richard Solomon, Tina Tsepas and Wendy Wood.

Grade two youngsters, under the direction of Mrs. Gladys Hajjar, presented a Christmas Cantata entitled "Hilli Hi! Hilli Ho!". The following took part: "Santa Claus", Gary Briggs; "Mrs. Santa Claus", Nancy Munson; duet, Peggy O'Shea and Ann Wholey; soloists, Edward Simpson, Karen Christie, Elaine Kopatch and Francine Amore; "reindeer", Francine Amore, Karen Christie, Marilyn Haykal, Elaine Kopatch,

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Miss Mary Leary's second grade presented a program called "The Friendly Beasts", with the following as animals: Daniel Innes, Kevin Pelletier, Sandra Dreher, Robert McKinnon, Cynthia Hoffman, Donna Gulezian, Stephen Duffy, Joseph Leonardi and Stephen Cooper. Marlene House was "Mary"; Ronald Stanton, "Joseph"; and the following made up the chorus - Kristen Nelson, Nancy Concannon, Leslee St. Jean, Debra Howard, Dennis Hudgins, Deborah Naman, Nancy Evans, Thomas Wirtz, David Houle, Kathleen Andrew, John Bravacos, Thomas Negrelli, Elaine Cosman and Bruce Desmet.

Grade three, directed by Mrs. Marjorie Ganley, had the following portion of the program: "Tod", Bruce Campbell; "Ginny", Laurellan Foster; "Old Man", Paul Russell; "Tom Thumb", Cindy Pizzano; "Mary Contrary", Deborah Durham; "Jack Horner", Denise Berube; "Jill", Colleen Manning; "Karen", Deborah Jones; "Klaas", Allan Renny; "Haensel", Gary Drinkhall; "Graetel", Susan Leadbitter; "Eagle Feather", James Downes; "Pepeeta", Joyce Pettoruto.

Mrs. Carlene Darby's third graders presented a program entitled "No Room at the Inn": "Malthar", Barbara Sandarg; her mother, Barbara Evenson; her father, Richard Arsenault; the innkeeper, Robert Frishman; chorus, Kevin Armstrong, Douglas Bailey, Joseph Broderick, Kevin Busby, David Champy, Gail Gordon, Beth Gower, Beverly Haefling, Peter Johnson, Karen McCarthy, Alan McLean, John Misenti, Karen Nelson, Linda Palermo, Michael Pawlik, Stephen Papiel, Sheila Prout, Christine Shanteler, William Stickland, Douglas Towne, Linda Holland and Richard Stanton.

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PF Officers Plan Program

The officers of the Senior Pilgrim Fellowship of the Free Church held a meeting Sunday, Dec. 27, to plan a program for January. The following is an outline of what the officers planned for the group:

Jan. 3, discussion of a Teen Code; Jan. 10, a study of the Faith Commission will begin. It is hoped that the state chairman of the Faith Commission will come and speak.

Jan. 17, the Fellowship will put on a Luncheon at noon-time, to help pay for the new worship center; Jan. 24, "My Personal Faith" will be presented by Linda Black, Jo-Ann Murray and Beverly Domingue.

Jan. 31, The Pilgrim Fellowship will have a taffy pull and a recreation night. The officers are reminded that there will be an officer's meeting Jan. 10 at the home of Linda Black.

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Highway Crews Picking Up Snow

Highway department crews were busy Wednesday picking up snow, as the aftermath of one of the nastiest storms to hit the town in several years.

The combination of snow, rain, sleet and freezing rain made driving a misery, and resulted in the use of over 100 tons of salt and 1,500 tons of sand on the town's 135 miles of streets.

Town Manager Thomas E. Duff had no estimate of the cost to the town up to noon Wednesday, but one is being prepared based on the start of the storm Sunday night through Tuesday.

Highway Supt. Stanley Chlebowski said 10 extra trucks and two scoops were hired, in addition to the eight vehicles owned and operated by the town.

No breakdowns in equipment were reported, and the town manager's office reported receiving few telephone complaints during the worst part of the storm.

Most roads were in good condition, he reported.

Present Easement Is Insufficient

A new easement must be obtained on private property across Argilla rd. from the Wild Rose Farm development, to handle drainage from the area.

The town has an easement on the property, specifically to handle "surface water from Argilla rd." Town Counsel Fredric S. O'Brien has ruled that the easement can not be interpreted to include the flow of water from the development, through an 18-inch conduit.

His decision stated, in part, "In my opinion, the easement can be burdened only with surface water from Argilla rd. It can not be burdened with a substantially increased amount of water from back land west of Argilla rd., even though that water may be run-off surface water."

The legal ruling, accepted by the Selectmen, was the latest development in a long series of discussions and decisions relating to drainage from the development.

Town Manager Thomas E. Duff was asked to "get the parties together" - developer Harry Axelrod and the owners of the property - to determine what can be done about the drainage and a new easement covering it.

There has, as yet, been no decision announced on the efforts of the town to have Mr. Axelrod obtain easements across Lowell st. from the area to handle drainage from a substantial area.

BALLARDALE HOMEMAKERS CLUB TO MEET

The Ballardvale Homemakers' Extension Club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the home of Mrs. Frank Green, 240 Andover st. The "Show and Tell" team, Mrs. James Letters and Mrs. Frank Green, will talk on "Social Security". All members are urged to attend and new members are welcome.

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LIBRARY BIDS WERE VERY LOW

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nam - thus her estimate that there will be ample funds for requirements beyond the construction itself.

Many Bidders
Twelve firms bid on the job, and the quoted prices were considered to be low, according to estimates of the job prior to calling for the bids.

In addition to the three lowest bids, the following prices were quoted:

L. C. Cyr Co. of Lawrence, \$91,270; Donald D. Snyder and Son of Gardner, \$97,914; Cameron Fay Co. of Wakefield, \$85,858; AAA Construction Co. of Natick \$89,989.

Also F and C Construction Co. of Beverly, \$122,154; Stamell Construction Co. Inc. of Cambridge, \$92,000; Morgan Construction Co. of Cambridge, \$103,978; Champy Construction Co. Inc. of Lawrence, \$97,229; and George

Figuera Construction Co. of Lawrence, \$82,900.

Architects for the project are Shepley, Bullfinch, Richardson and Abbott. The firm has been considering the bids, and performing the investigation of the low bidders that normally precedes award of contracts.

2 Hurt In Crash On Lowell Street

Two persons were injured in a two-car crash on Rt. 133, just east of Bellevue rd. at 2:40 p.m. Dec. 24.

Police Officer Calvin Deyermund reported that the cars were driven by Duncan C. Farmer, 106 Summer st., Haverhill and Armilla B. Tessier, 343 Wilder st., Lowell. Both were slightly injured.

The car driven by Mr. Farmer went out of control in some soft sand along the shoulder, the

report stated. It swerved into the westbound lane, where it was in collision with the second vehicle.

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