Merry Christmas To All

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ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK

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Personals

—Mrs. Bartley Joyce was a Hornell visitor Monday.

—Victor Oakes is home from Syracuse University for the holidays.

—Mrs. Carrie Slade left Monday for Long Island where she will visit relatives.

—George Carpenter arrives this Friday from Buffalo to pass the holidays at his home here.

—Howard Hurd of Wellsville spent Sunday with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Neupert.

—Mrs. E. J. Atwood is spending the holidays with her cousins Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Crawford at Syracuse.

—Mrs. Laurence Ryckman is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Cornell at Albion.

—Paul Ryan and Wendell Vars who are taking a pharmacy course in Philadelphia are home for the holidays.

—Mrs. Ellen Casey left Wednesday morning for Niagara Falls, to pass the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. James McDonough.

—Mrs. Alyse Monte of Belmont and Farnham Pope of Savona are spending the holidays with their mother, Mrs. W. G. Pope.

—Mrs. David Slocum is spending some time with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Horton of 533 Highgate Ave., Buffalo, N. y.

—Mrs. Mary Brown, who has been visiting her brother and family Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Mitchell, returned to her home in Chicago, Ill. Monday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Greene of Railroad Valley attended a Christmas party held at the home of Mr.and Mrs. Leo Shaw of Alfred Station Monday night.

—Martin Hoyer came home from Houghton Monday and he and Mrs. Hoyer are spending the holidays at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Zenner of New York City.

—Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Sutherland and family of Richburg were Monday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nobles of Shovel Hollow. Don Sutherland remained for his vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tracy entertained at a family Christmas dinner Saturday night in honor of Richard Stewart who had to leave for California sooner than expected Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tracy of Elmira, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tracy and daughter Beverly of Scio and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stewart and children.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Cannon were callers in Hornell Saturday.

—Mrs. Ralph Burgett and Mrs. Charles Holt were callers in Hornell Monday.

—Miss Barbara Childs spent the week-end guest of Miss Anna Jamison in Canisteo.

—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Burns of Wellsville spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Burns.

—Glenn Coleman of Olean was an over-night guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Coleman Saturday.

—Miss Margaret Dougherty of Towanda, Pa., is spending Christmas with her sister, Miss Irene Dougherty.

—Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Sweet of Belmont were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Sweet.

—Miss Phylis La Bar of Erie Pa., is spending the holidays at the home of her mother, Mr. and Mrs. James Monahan.

—Miss Laura Backus of Niagara Falls passed the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Backus.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Benjamin were in Binghamton over the week-end where Mrs. Benjamin consulted a physician.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Backus and son James were Sunday guests of her mother, Mrs. Jennie Loughhead of Knoxville, Pa.

—Prof. and Mrs. G. E. Bretsch leave Thursday to pass the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Seamor. at Elmira.

—Miss Bernadine Briggs and Miss Kathleen Howland of Elmira spent the week-end with Miss Howland's mother, Mrs. Grace Howland.

—Mrs. E. C. Wightman is spending the holidays in Kenmore and Niagara Falls and will also visit her daughter, Miss Norma at Hilmuth, N. Y.

—Miss Irene Marie Lynch and Miss Margaret Helen Dower of Buffalo are holiday guests of their parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutherland, James Nobles and daughter Dona were Sunday visitors at the Nobles home in Shovel Hollow.

Andover Theatre

Sat. & Sun., Dec. 26-27

Double Feature

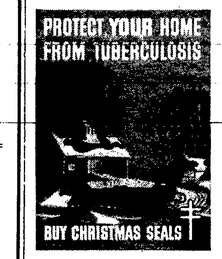
'COWBOY SERENADE'

with Gene Autry and Smiley Burnette

—Plus—

'Friendly Neighbors'

with the Weaver Bros. and Elviry



Christmas Seals are bullets for workers fighting for you on the home front. Essential to the war effort is the nation's health—the men in the service—the men in the factory and farms—the very homes of America, must be protected against the by-products of war-pestilence and disease.

Deadliest of all enemies of men, one that strikes without warning, is the dread tuberculosis. Millions of people are still in danger from tuberculosis, more this year than last, for this country is facing a wartime rise in the disease.

You are not asked to shoulder arms but can help in home defense by buying your share of Christmas Seals. It is not too late for you to buy the Seals that fight tuberculosis.

Please send in your contribution today.

Habits are servants, or masters, of men. How about your habits?

The vigilant eagle of American pride shall fly once more with the dove of Peace by his side . . . is our fervent Christmas wish!

C. W. CONNOR

May this Christmas season guide us safely into the harbor of Victory with peace as our anchor.

ATLANTIC Service Station

Orville J. Whitaker

Season's greetings to you and yours . . . . at home and overseas

Henry Stephens Insurance Agency

Church Services

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST

Rev. Walter L. Greene, Pastor

Sabbath services at 2:30 P.M. Sermon by the pastor. Subject: "The Increasing Christ."

Bible school at 3:30. Clifford Burdick, Supt.

Independence

Morning worship and sermon at 11:00 A. M. The pastor will speak.

Sabbath school at the close of the church service. Mrs. Grace Spicer, Supt.

"We may grow impatient in the storms, but recall the words of the guide to the inexperienced mountain climber by a storm: 'This is the way the day dawns in the Pyrenees'

BAPTIST

Rev. Lloyd L. Tebo, Pastor

Wednesday evening, 7:30 Christmas program by the Sunday School under the direction of Miss Minnie Clair.

Sunday morning worship, 10:30
Sunday School, 11:45
Christian Endeavor, 6:30
Evening service, 7:30

December 31, 9 P. M., the New Year's Eve Watch Night Service. A social hour and special program followed by Candle Light Communion Service.

PRESBYTERIAN

Christmas Eve service at 10:45. Contata, "Carols of Christmas" by Ellen Jane Lorenz sung by the choir

Sunday morning service, 10:30
Sunday school, 11:40

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Milton Hurne, Pastor

Sunday school at 9:45
Worship service at 11:00
Evening service at 7:30

Starting Sunday evening, Dec. 27th Evangelistic services will be held each evening through Sunday, Jan. 3rd. Every one welcome to attend these services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DYNAMIC CHRISTIAN LIVING

International Sunday School Lesson for December 27, 1942.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." — Romans 12: 21.

(Lesson Text: Rom. 12: 1-3; 9-21.)

It is fitting that this series of lessons should close with a discussion such as this. It will be recalled that the theme of the last quarter's lessons was "Studies in Christian Life, Personal, Family and Church." We are to consider how we may live as a Christian, advised by the great Apostle Paul, as he set it fourth in this great twelfth chapter in his letter to the Christians in Rome.

The Book of Romans can be divided into two main parts, the first, chapter 1 to 11, is doctrinal and the second part, beginning with the twelfth chapter, practical. You will notice how the twelfth chapter begins, "I beseech you therefore." Of the "therefore" Dr. Jowett says: "When the Apostle Paul, in the twelfth chapter of Romans, begins to be hortatory, perceptive, practical it is because he has already prepared the rich bed in which these strong and winsome graces may be grown.

"Every precept in the twelfth through all the previous chapters through the rich, fat soil of sanctification and justification and the mysterious energies of redeeming grace."

Because of what God has done for us, we should present to Him ourselves, dedicated to His service, responsive to His will. The One Volume Commentary has the following comment to make on the first two verses of Romans: "God's redeeming love should be answered by the true sacrifice and the spiritual, ritual service of a life of purity and self-denial and work for God. Do not follow the fashions and the customs of the worldly society around you, but let your ways of thinking be so changed by the Holy Spirit that you look for and recognize God's will, and love to do it."

Paul also cautions against self-conceit. "For I say, through the grace that was given me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but so to think as to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to each man a measure of faith." The poet, Cowper, has well expressed the same idea:

"Beware of too sublime a sense
Of your own worth and consequence!
The man who dreams himself so great,
And his importance of such weight—
That all around, — that all that's done—
Must move and act for him alone,
Will learn in the school of tribulation
The folly of his expectation."

In verses 9-21, Paul outlines a very worthy program, a high ideal for the Christian life, which will require constant struggling on the part of the individual if it is to be attained. If one lives in accordance with this pattern, he will be living a transformed life.

Paul begins his program with "love." as he frequently does. Love is fundamental. Without it there can be no real living. If one's love is genuine, it follows that there will be love for God, for one's fellowmen, that he will honor others, will do his share in meeting the needs of God's people, will be hospitable and will do all in his power to serve God realizing that in serving his fellowmen, he is serving God.

If we will realize the truth of one of Paul's word pictures when he compared life to a game, we will appreciate more deeply the challenge of living rightly and fully. To play the game squarely, and fairly to ourselves and to our Creator, we must keep our bodies fit, our minds clean, and be considerate of our fellow team-mates.

For the Christian's race the prize to be saught after at the end of the trail is eternal life with Jesus; the goal is the high calling that Jesus has placed in his heart. As Christian runners in this race of life let us keep our eyes ever on Jesus striving to reach the goal of his perfection, looking only unto Him, the author and finisher of our faith.

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Buy War Bonds Every Pay Day

To the army and the navy and the folks that stay right here, happy Yuletide and God Bless you throughtout the coming year.

Allegany Mutual Telephone Co.

The Star of Bethlehem is shining with the brightness of our Yuletide Greetings and hopes for the New Year

O'Laughlin Funeral Home

BEST WISHES

May all your dreams come true -- and this be the last war-time Christmas we need ever face.

LUDDEN'S Shoe Store

X-RAY FITTERS WELLSVILLE, N. Y.

GREETINGS

Gala Greetings for this happy Holiday . . . Our wishes for the New Year is the fulfillment or your desires.

A & P STORE

GEORGE SACKETT, Mgr.

ANDOVER NEWS

A PROGRESSIVE FAMILY NEWSPAPER FOR ALLEGANY COUNTY PEOPLE — IN POLITICS INDEPENDENT BUT NEVER NEUTRAL.

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A Happy and Victorious New Year!

Over 200 Foods Going on the Ration List

Over 200 kinds of foods, ranging all the way from "soup to nuts" are included in the ration list of foods to go into effect in the near future according to an announcement made this week by OPA.

With a few exceptions, all canned frozen and dried fruits and vegetables and soups will require ration coupon "points" for civilian purchase starting in February.

The long list of processed fruits and vegetables join sugar and coffee among foodstuffs under rationing. Meat and certain food fats products, such as butter and shortening, are generally expected to be added to this list later.

Officials state that only a little more than half of the amount of these foods consumed in recent years will be available for public consumption.

In order to spread the foods equally among the civilian population, a point system similar to England's will be used by means of the new War Ration Book 2. Everyone will have a certain number of points to spend each month and different foods will require various points according to the scarcity of the article.

According to Washington dispatches, registration for this ration book will provide for a "consumer declaration" of all commercially processed fruits and vegetables in the individual's possession and the stamps will be deducted accordingly before the book is issued. Heavy penalties are provided for making a false declaration of the amount of goods on hand, so a last minute rush to your grocery store to stock up on canned goods will do you no good.

You will not be requested to register for Ration Book No. 2, but will turn in your Sugar Book at the school house on the date selected and War Ration Book No. 2 will be issued to you. In case you never have obtained a sugar book, you can apply for the sugar ration book at your local War Rationing Board up to January 15th.

The complete list of processed foods to be rationed follows:

Canned and bottled fruits and fruit juices (including spiced fruits)

Apples, including crabapples, applesauce, apricots, baby foods, berries, all varieties, cherries, red sour pitted, cherries, other cherries, cranberries and sauce, fruits for salad and fruit cockail, grapefruit, grapefruit juice, grape juice, peaches, pears, pineapple, pineapple juice, all other canned and bottle fruits, fruit juices and combinations.

Canned and bottled vegetables and vegetable juices.

Asparagus, baby foods, beans, fresh lima, beans, green and wax, beans, all canned and bottled dry varieties, including baked beans, soaked dry beans, pork-and-beans, kidney beans and lentils; beets, including pickled carrots, corn, peas, sauerkraut, spinach, tomatoes, tomato catsup, and chili sauce, tomato juice, all other tomato products, all other canned and bottled vegetables, vegetable juices and combinations.

Other processed foods.

Canned soups, all types and varieties.

Dried, dehydrated fruits: Prunes, raisins, all others.

Frozen fruits: Cherries, peaches, strawberries, other berries, all other frozen fruits.

Frozen vegetables: Asparagus, beans, lima beans, green and wax, broccoli, corn, peas, spinach, all other frozen vegetables.

The following items are not included:

Candied fruits, chili con carne, frozen fruits in containers over 10 pounds, frozen vegetables in containers over 10 pounds, fruit cakes, fruit juices in containers over one gallon, fruit puddings, jams, jellies, meat stews, containing some vegetables, olives, paste products, such as spaghetti, macaroni, noodles, whether or not they are packed with added vegetable sauces, pickles, potato salad, preserves, relishes, vegetable juices in containers over one gallon.

Rogers—Spicer

Charles F. Spicer of Andover and Miss Arlene Rogers of Whitesville were married at the Seventh Day Baptist parsonage in Andover by Rev. Walter L. Greene, Dec. 26th, 1942. They were attended by Louis Fulkerson of Andover and Miss Lucille Clarke of Whitesville. They will make their home on the Spicer farm formerly the M. A. Crandall farm in Andover township.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Greene of Independence announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Anne, to Bernard Bertrand, Ph. M. 2c of the U. S. Navy.

Miss Greene is a student nurse at the Wyoming County community hospital at Warsaw, N. Y. Mr. Bertrand is now stationed at the Floyd Bennett Flying field at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Uniform Price of $3.19 Seen For December Milk

Dairy farmers of the New York milkshed were assured this week of the third successive uniform price that has exceeded $3 a hundredweight when Dr. Charles J. Blanford, administrator of the New York metropolitan milk marketing area forecast that December deliveries would yield $3.19. The estimate of $3.19 is the highest rate for December since 1920 when $3.38 was paid.

While the estimate is 44 cents higher than the actual price of $2.75 that was paid for December 1941 deliveries, it is nine cents less than the November peak of $3.28. The decrease is primarily the result of the seasonal rise in production that began early this month in the metropolitan milkshed and has enlarged the quantity of milk going into less valuable uses.

December deliveries are expected to reach a total of 415,000,000 pounds and will surpass the volume recorded for November, lowpoint of the year in production, by nearly 20,000,000 pounds.

Wisner Cook Called For Active Duty

Wisner Cook, who enlisted about two weeks ago in the U. S. Navy Reserve left this afternoon for Buffalo to report for active duty. He expects to go from Buffalo to Bainbridge, Md., for training.

Dog Owners' Notice

Dog licenses for 1942 expire on December 31st, 1942. The 1943 license fee is due January 1st. Licenses so issued will cover the period from January 1st to December 31st, 1943. Every dog must wear a tag of the current dog license year. A dog without such a tag is not protected by law and no action can be maintained for his injury or destruction.

An unlicensed dog may be seized and killed and the fact that a dog is without a tag is presumptive evidence that the dog is unlicensed.

Dog licenses must be obtained from the clerk of the city or town where the dog is harbored or kept.

License Fees: Male dog, $2.25; female dog $5.25; spayed female dog $2.25. These amounts include clerk fees.

No license can be issued for less than the full license year.

The owner of a dog who fails or refuses to obtain a license for the dog as required by law incurs a penalty of $10.00 and costs.

The enumerators of towns and the police departments of cities are required to prepare in January of this year a list of dog owners. The omission of the name of an owner from the enumerators' or police list will not excuse the owner from obtaining a license.

If you owned a dog last year and do not own one now, so advise the clerk of your town or city.

Dog licenses in the Town of Andover are issued by MRS. FLORENCE BLOSS, Clerk, P. O. Address Andover, New York.

Buy War Bonds or wear 'em.

Letters and News Briefs From Boys In Service

Editor's Note:—To comply with requests from the Censor Board the News will not publish in the future the addresses giving unit names and numbers of men overseas. All changes of address, however, are requested to be sent to the News office for the convenience of those wishing to use them, and a mention of the change in address in so far as censorship allows will be published.

The following letter was received from Donald Hardy this week:

3rd AAFFTD,
Flight 8, King City, Calif.
December 20th

Dear Friends:

I wish to thank the Christmas committee and all others who made possible the sending of the swell Christmas box I received. It was thoroughly enjoyed by myself and my friends. I also wish to thank all those who have sent cards. It is swell to know that people back home are thinking of us who are away and it sure is good for our morale. We all have our moments of sentimental reminiscence, but when something like Christmas comes along, the cards and gifts make our spirits soar so high we can't even reach them in a plane.

Now I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and may God bless you all in the coming year. Sincerely,

Donald E. Hardy, A. C.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Yannie have received word from their son, Sergt. Victor Yannie that he is in North Africa. He wishes all his friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. His new address is available at the News office or the Andover National Bank.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Greene of change in address of their sons as follows:

Corp. Lester L. Greene,
Co. A, 793 M. P. Bn.,
Camp Maxey, Texas.

Pvt. Montrose C. Greene,
Co. C, 4th Platoon,
13th Training Bn.,
Camp Wheeler, Ga.

Pvt. John Howland enjoyed the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Howland. Johnny's address is:

Pvt. John Howland,
2nd Battalion, Co. G,
23rd Marines,
New River, N. C.

Mrs. Harold Huffcut left Saturday to join her husband at the Navy training base at Memphis, Tenn.

"Eddie" Dean has been transferred from Fort Niagara to Pine Camp, Dec. 21. He is in the Motor Supply and Evacuation Regiment. His new address is:

Pvt. Edward J. Dean
Co. D, 2nd Bn., 128 Ord.,
M. S. & E. Regt.
Pine Camp, N. Y.

Word has been received of the promotion of Kenneth Starr to the rank of Sergeant. Sergt. Starr, who is now serving in Africa, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Starr of Campbell, former Andover residents and a nephew of Mrs. Florence Bloss.

Quinton West of the Maritime Training Service at Sheepheads Bay spent four days with his mother, Mrs. Mary West.

William Wahl has been transferred to duty at the Navy hospital at San Diego, Calif. His new address is:

William S. Wahl, Sea. 2c
U. S. Navy Hospital,
Ward 1, Bldg. 5,
San Diego, Calif.

Kenneth V. Houghtling, son of Augustus Houghtling and grandson of the late Mark C. Houghtling, formerly of Andover, was a News office caller Monday. Mr. Houghtling who is serving his second enlistment in the U. S. Marines has the distinction of being the youngest Marine to re-enlist. He is now an aerial gunner on a Marine dive bomber.

A letter from Private First Class Kenneth Gath, expressing his thanks for Christmas gifts and cards received by him from Andover friends follows:

Monday.

People of Andover:

I wish to thank you in my humble way for all of the Christmas cards and packages that the different organizations sent to all the boys in the service. I am not very good in making speeches either in voice or on paper, but I hope these few words will tell you all that I really did appreciate what you all did. Believe me, it touched my heart strings to know that all you folks back home are behind us boys that are willing to give our lives so that this great land of ours might be free and the kind of a land that we all love.

In particular I want to thank the Methodist church for their lovely package and to Mr. Fuller and the rest of you people that sent the candy and cigarettes. You can bet your bottom dollar on the good old U. S. A. to win the fight just as soon as possible. The boys from Andover will not let you people from Andover down and you all can hold your head high after it is over and say "that boy was from my home town."

My life here is very different from that I had at home, but I can tell you that this army life isn't as bad as some of you people think at home. It is a hard, tough life, but they treat you like men, so you act like men. I'll admit that some days are tough, but all together it isn't bad.

Now I am in the Coast Artillery and work with 40 mm guns and .50 calibre machines. I sure would like to tell you all about them but it is impossible, but please try to remember that all you give up now will come back to you in the end with better and bigger dividends and a much more happy life.

Again I want to thank you all and may God bless and keep you all in the best of health so that we soldiers can know we have an audience back home to fight for.

Thanks a million.

P. F. C. KEN GATH.

The address of Paul Childs has been slightly changed, Paul being transferred to a signal service regiment. It is now:

Pvt. Paul W. Childs, 32581831
Co. H, 800th Signal Service Regt.,
Camp Crowder, Mo.

Hunt Up That Old Bread Knife

An announcement this week raises the price of flour at the mill ten cents, but does not raise the ceiling price of bread.

The discontinuing of the work of slicing bread is supposed to relieve the cost to bakers sufficiently to take care of the increased flour cost —So you might as well hunt up that old scalloped bread knife you haven't used for the past years because you are going to slice your own bread in the near future.

Marines Are Enlisting 17 Year Olds

Any young men who wish to serve their country, continue their education, learn a profitable trade, travel in interesting foreign lands, enjoy stalwart companions and be paid at the same time will find it to their distinct advantage to investigate the many opportunities offered by the United States Marine Corps.

Volunteers will serve for the duration of the National emergency and must be able to pass a reasonable physical examination.

They must be in their 17th year and if qualified will be transferred to the recruit depot at Parris Island for their basic training.

Anyone meeting these requirements are requested to call in person at the Marine Recruiting Station, located at Room No. 2, Post Office Building, Olean, N. Y.

Matison—Houghtaling

Miss Geraldine Lucille Houghtaling, daughter of Mrs. Harvey Houghtaling of 212 Madison Avenue, Hornell and Ardean William Matison, son of Melvin S. Matison of Andover were united in marriage in the presence of the immediate families by the Rev. Harold Reed at the First Baptist church parsonage in Hornell Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The bride, who wore a gown of blue taffeta and a corsage of pink rosebuds, was attended by Miss Marilyn Peck attired in a gown of wine taffeta with a corsage of yellow rosebuds. Richard Houghtaling brother of the bride, was best man.

A reception followed the ceremony.

Mrs. Matison is a graduate of Hornell High School. Mr. Matison graduated from Andover High School and from the Rochester Business Institute and is now employed on his father's farm.

The News joins Andover friends in extending felicitations.

WANDERING WITH WILLIE

HAPPY NEW YEAR! To some folks that's just a laugh, but to us, well, when you look at the expression in another sense of the word you can make yourself understand that it is just exactly what it implies.

You have a son, husband, brother or some other near kin in Uncle Sam's armed forces and all you can think of is what they are going thru and you turn sour on the whole world just because of that—natural for some. But if you look at it in the sense that that same fellow is in the armed forces primarily to keep you from undergoing the treatment that has been handed and is being handed out in Greece, Poland and other countries you can say Happy New Year in the U.S.A.

And you growl about having to get along on rationed goods (what's so happy about that?) But every bite that you can get along without will go across the seas to the soldiers and sailors of all the nations who are fighting the swine that are doing their best to make it Unhappy New Years for you in the future. And every Chink, Hindu, Aussie or Russian that you can divide your meal with will have a Happy New Year by being well fed and better able to kill more Germans and Japs —so that you can have future Happy New Years. We all have enough to eat, and more. We are warm, well clothed, and every night you can walk down the street, knowing full well that you will reach whatever destination you have in mind; folks over there can't do that. You are assured that you will not suffer the fate of the inhabitants of the little town of Lidice and your babies are not starving.

Happy New Year!

It was sure natural recently to hear that Sarg Cabe still loves us to death. Boy, Cabe, you must lay awake nights just thinking up ways of making us feel bad, and for the life of us, unless you have a drag with the censor in your camp, can we understand how he lets you hand us such blooming knocks.

Talking about censors, you probably heard about the soldier's gal (could be an Andoverite) who had not heard from her sweetie pie for a long time after he got in the service and was finally consoled by getting a letter in his familiar handwriting. She tore open the envelope and pulled out a slip of paper on which was written these words: "Your soldier still loves you, but he talks too much."

And about that spaghetti dinner that we promised you: We did intend to give you all the spaghetti that Frank could get without a ration card, but after thinking about our income tax coming up—and incidentally your appetite for the elongated tidbits, we'll admit that we did skip around a corner or two in order to keep from having to see Andy and getting enough mazuma to fill you up.

But next time Cabe it will be different. We're going to start hoarding spaghet right now and when you roll into the burg again and stay here long enough to give us a chance to cook it we will see that for once you are full of your favorite dish (we hope). And maybe we can find something to go along with it.

Which reminds us of the fair coed who declared "Lips that touch wine shall never touch mine." And after she graduated, she taught school for years and years and years and years. Now where in the dickens did we get that idea about wine?

Allegany County Weather Always In the News

The old adage that the weather is always news has been proven in Allegany county in the past two weeks or so.

In looking over the Government weather book at the News office for December you can find most any kind of weather you wish from sub-zero with plenty of snow to mild weather with plenty of rain.

The month started off with moderate temperatures about right for this altitude of 1,664 feet in December with a low of 18 and a high of 35 above for December 1st. However, December 2nd brought a big change, with a high wind starting about midnight bringing three inches of snow. This continued thru the next day which showed five inches of snow and a temperature of 7 above at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. It is also needless to say that the five inches of snow made five feet in many places when driven by the high winds.

The weather man then let up for a few days and we had normal winter weather with the thermometer ranging between 10 and 30 above each day, with a little snow added now and then to keep up the winter appearance.

On the 16th it began to go over on the cold side again, dropping down to 9 below zero on the 17th then rising a little for a couple of days and on the evening and night of the 18th it really snowed, bringing the snow record up to 12 inches in the village. A moderate wind piled this snow up in the hills and in the woods until traffic was paralyzed in many places for several days. Then top off the snow storm the thermometer took a downward plunge which finally ended up at 21 below zero on Sunday night, the 20th.

It then warmed up fast and during Christmas week the temperature ranged from a low of 26 or 27 at night to around 35 during the day time.

Monday of this week it began to rain and continued to drizzle until this Wednesday afternoon when the wind shifted and the rain changed to snow just in time to avert dead conditions. Dyke's Creek was going out of its course just above the Second street bridge Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday. About two and one-half inches of rain fell during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Draft Registration Is Very Light

The registration of 18-year-old youths in Andover totalled only seven, and the registration thruout the entire board area of Board No. 534 is in like proportion. This can be explained by draft board officials by the number of 18-year-old boys who have enlisted from this area in the past few months.

Welcome Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Marvel welcomed a daughter, born at Tullar maternity hospital in Wellsville, Wednesday, Dec. 30th.

Appointed Tire Inspector For Andover

Orville Whitaker, manager of the Atlantic Service Station has been appointed tire inspector for Andover by the O.P.A.