

## American Legion Celebrates Its 44th Anniversary

The American Legion Auxiliary of the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397 entertained the local Legionnaires at their Annual Dinner Wednesday, March 13th at the American Legion Home.

The ladies served a very delicious baked ham dinner with all the trimmings. About 50 Legionnaires, wives and guests were served in the dining room at tables decorated with flags, candles and the blue and gold colors of the American Legion.

After the dinner was served Craig Snyder introduced Mayor Paul Kilbane, who in turn expressed his appreciation and also commended the American Legion for their many vital programs, which have contributed so much to the youth of Andover and other civic duties. He then introduced the Village Trustees who were present at the dinner.

Craig then introduced the present Commander of the Post, John R. Gavin; Finance Officer, R. E. Bloomster and Chaplain Ralph Burgett.

Mr. Snyder then discussed the operation, programs and accomplishments of the local Post during the past year. At the 1965 Legion Birthday Dinner, 9 of the W. W. I members of this Post will be cited for 45 years Continuous Service to the Legion and expressed hope that they would all be able to attend. Also in 1965 about 14 W. W. I members will be recognized for 20 years Continuous Service.

At present the Post Membership stands at 99, which surpasses the 1962 Membership. This figure makes the local post eligible for the National Commander's Citation for the 3rd year in succession by March 15th. Personal appreciation cards from the Dept. Commander were presented to Commander Edward Wilson and Membership Chairman John R. Gavin for the 1962 Birthday Award.

A report was given on the following Child Welfare Programs of the Legion from April 1962 - March 1963: May 1962 Boy's State Expenses \$38.00; June 1962 American History Prize \$5.00; August 1962 Children's Safety and Rodeo Program Prizes \$5.00; Nov. 1962 Boy Scout Drive \$5.00; Oct. 1962, Hallowe'en Dance, \$12.00; Dec. 1962, Needy children at school expenses \$15.00; Dec. 1962, Christmas Toys for Needy Children \$11.03; Jan. 1963, Oratorical Contest \$20.00.

It was noted that Lee Kessler, winner of the local Oratorical Contest took first place in the County contest held in Wellsville during January 1963 and placed 4th in the 3rd Dist. Contest in Batavia Feb. 1963. This marks the second year in succession that Andover has placed first in the County Contest.

At the National Commander's Regional Membership Conference held in Buffalo, N. Y., on Feb. 7th, "An American Legion Showcase", a panel presentation of The American Legion's four basic programs; were reviewed. Americanism, Rehabilitation, Child Welfare and National Security strength is essential to fulfill these programs. Of the approximately 21 million eligible veterans in the country only 8 million belong to the American Legion. Do you belong to the American Legion?

The Dept. of New York American Legion under the able Chairmanship of John R. McManis of Waverly, is again pressing for the passage of the Korean Bonus. This Bonus is long overdue and all we ask is to: Let the people of this state decide the issue on a Referendum. The Korean Veteran is equally entitled to this Bonus, the same as the World War II Veteran. We urge everyone to write favorable letters at once to your

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## Maple Season Getting Off To Late Start

Tapping trees for maple sap by our local syrup producers is just getting under way because of the deep snow in the sugar bush, and is several weeks behind the normal schedule.

Local farmers report that it has been necessary to use bulldozers and caterpillar tractors to clear some of the roads into the sugaring area with a few producers saying that they are thankful they still have horses to haul the collected sap out of the woods.

We talked to most of the local men and report their comments on the season:

Cliff Burdick has around 1,600 trees tapped with around 300 more buckets to hang yet. The sap is running good in places and the buckets are running over but with waist high snow in places it is very hard to gather. This year he has three evaporators in operation and so far has boiled off around 27 gallons.

Gordon Pease is reported to have his bush pretty well tapped and has already produced over 40 gallons of syrup.

The Brewster Brothers are pretty well tapped by now and are trying the plastic pipe system where ever possible. They report that some of their neighbors gave them an assist in opening the roads in the woods with caterpillar treads on their tractor, since the snow was too deep to get around in otherwise.

We understand that Art Mills on the former Charlie Scott farm has tapped this year and has acquired quite a bit of equipment; and that Neil McCormick not only tapped but has already done some boiling off.

Paul Hyland tells us that he has one bush tapped but can't reach his other one due to the deep snow, and so far hasn't had much of a run.

Del Gayhart says that the snow is 2 to 3 feet deep in the woods. He has partially tapped and taken off 1, boiling which produced a few gallons but still has more trees to be tapped. In one day's hauling in of the sap he says that he managed to get stuck around 12 times which makes it hard on the equipment as well as the disposition.

The Hulse Boys have tapped this year for the first time and have boiled some off but we were unable to contact them for further information.

The York Brothers report that they tapped and gathered enough sap the first week to produce about 50 gallons of syrup. They report that it is very difficult in wading thru the snow and breaking a track as some of the snow is around 3 feet deep in their woods on the shady side.

## Plans Discussed For 4th July Celebration

At a Chamber of Commerce meeting last night tentative plans were discussed for a local Gala Fourth of July Celebration.

A Committee was appointed to meet next Tuesday night at 8:00 to formulate plans for this celebration.

Representatives of all local organizations were present at the dinner meeting and it was an unanimous decision that some type of Celebration should be held.

## Results In Village Election

The Republican Party came up with their usual plurality in Andover at Tuesday's Village Election with a total of 24 more votes cast than last year.

Total votes cast—446 as follows  
Paul Kilbane ..... 352  
Howard McAndrew ..... 258  
Charles Rugar ..... 204  
Avery R. Mead ..... 159  
Harley Glover ..... 155

## News That's Print To Fit

With the arrival of the syrup season comes reports of well meaning motorists that are unfamiliar with the boiling off process and are stopping along the road and even holding up traffic to investigate the source of the apparent smoke and steam.

This has happened several times already at the old cheese factory on Greenwood Hill where the York Brothers have their evaporating system set up.

Looks like they will have to put up a big sign outside: 'Caution—Sap at Work.'

We didn't know that we had a Fred Astaire dance team in our midst but according to a reliable report one of the local Garage Owners is thinking of letting his Brother handle this business all alone while he goes in for dancing competition.

We are told that while attending a St. Pat's dance at the Belfast Legion Saturday night, Helen and Howard Nichols won first prize in an elimination dance contest with Helen receiving a corsage of green carnations and Howard getting a green boutonniere.

We have had many comments on the letters received locally about the "Swim and Stay Fit Program" so are passing a few more along.

Collinsville Chamber of Commerce Dear Mr. Stackwick:

We are very pleased to note the contents of your letter in which you refer to the "Swim and Stay Fit Program" being conducted in your School District.

From Collinsville to the Mississippi River, highway distance is approximately 11 1/2 miles, and we have determined that the Mississippi at that point is approximately 1900 feet in width.

I am enclosing descriptive pamphlets of Collinsville which you may wish to distribute to some of your students; also a map of Collinsville and the surrounding area, which gives some history of Madison County, in which Collinsville is located.

I want to take this opportunity to commend you on your excellent program and hope that your students enjoy their "swim".

Rolla Chamber of Commerce Dear Mr. Stackwick:

WELCOME SWIMMERS — of the "Swim and Stay Fit Program" to Rolla, Missouri, the "Scenic and Scientific Center of the Ozarks."

You are participating in a wonderful program, and we hope that at some time, each of you has an opportunity to really visit with us.

Enclosed is information on our city, and some of you might be interested in our school, University of Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy.

Drop us a line and be sure and stop in when you are in our area — the swimming is good here too.

Cordially,

Mrs. Gale Bullman, Manager

Joplin Chamber of Commerce Dear Mr. Stackwick:

On behalf of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce and the City of Joplin, I would like to take this opportunity to commend you and all of the students at Central School District No. 1 who are participating in the SWIM AND STAY FIT PROGRAM. We were very happy to learn that as of February 9 the group reached Joplin on your mileage chart. May I say we are happy to have you pass through our City in this fashion and would be even more happy to have you come through in person some time in the near future.

It is vitally important for the youth of our nation to keep in good physical condition. You are without a doubt, accomplishing something through your program which is worthwhile and are setting an example for others to follow.

Very truly yours,  
Jerry L. Huggins, Asst. Manager

## Mrs. Bessie Horton

Mrs. Bessie Horton died at the Potter County Memorial Hospital in Coudersport, Pa., Tuesday morning, March 19, 1963 following a long illness.

Mrs. Horton was born at Harrison Valley, Pa., December 22, 1887 the daughter of T. J. and Mary Strait Kibbe. She was married to John Horton, whose death occurred several years ago.

Mrs. Horton was a resident of Andover for a number of years and was a retired Postal Clerk, having worked in the Andover Post Office from September 1936 until her retirement August 31, 1955.

She is survived by a brother Ivan Kibbe, Sr., of Harrison Valley and a sister, Mrs. Flossie Steadman of Lawrenceville, Pa. Mrs. Horton was a member of the Andover Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock this Thursday afternoon at the James B. Mulholland Funeral Home with the Rev. Joseph Shipman of the Wellsville Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in the White's Corners Cemetery.

## Blood Bank To Be In Andover April 1st

Unlike many areas where blood must be replaced or paid for, the Rochester region is able to handle all local blood needs. Actually, it is a gigantic undertaking to keep a service like this "FREE". The biggest problem is finding enough "friends" to keep the life-lines flowing. It is such a worthwhile program that you might like to be a Friend—Stop and donate a pint of blood to the bloodmobile at the Andover Central School at Andover, N. Y., on April 1st, from 1-7 p. m. If convenient, call Glenn E. Bronson 478-4611 for appointment, if this is not possible put stop in on April 1st.

## Home Demonstration

The Andover Unit will meet Wednesday, March 27th at 10:30 a. m. at the Grange Hall. A lesson will be given on Household Storage by Mrs. Marie Alvord and Mrs. Jennie Riggs of Wellsville.

The Elm Valley Unit will meet with us and bring slides to show on the lesson.

Tureen dinner at 12:30 p. m. bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Dessert will be furnished by the Elm Valley Unit.

## New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sherman of LaPuente, Calif., are the parents of a daughter born Wednesday, March 20th. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are the paternal grandparents.

## Hospital Notes

Wendy Hancock was a patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital last week and underwent tonsillectomy Thursday and returned home Friday.

Mrs. Ronald Glover and infant daughter, Penny Rae returned to their home last Wednesday from the St. James Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. James Washburn and infant daughter have returned to their home from the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. R. O. Snyder returned to her home Saturday following several weeks in the Jones Memorial Hospital where she underwent surgery for a fractured hip.

Mrs. James H. Kessler returned to her home Sunday following several weeks in the Jones Memorial Hospital for treatment of a fractured pelvic bone, sustained in a fall on the ice February 10th.

Mrs. Richard Wittie and infant son, Martin Eric, returned to their home Sunday from the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Boost Your Home Town

## Sectional Swimming Results By "Al" Barden

We are not ashamed of our results in the Section 5 Champion Swimming Meet, held in the University of Rochester Pool.

Before I reveal how the boys made out, I would like to explain the type of competition that faced them. In Section 5, there are over 100 schools and over 10 different swimming leagues.

Last Friday night all entries were required to swim against the clock to see if they could qualify and thus return Saturday night for the finals. There were 186 boys trying to qualify Friday night and of all these boys—only 58 would be allowed to swim in the finals.

The first night, luck was both with and against us. Our Medley Relay Meet was in good shape and finished well inside the required time, but unfortunately was disqualified because of a bad turn. This is something which can happen to the best of teams.

At the end of the evening, three of our boys had qualified for the finals. Bruce Johnson in the 50 yard freestyle; Bob McGillivray in the 100 yard butterfly; and Jeff Common in the 400 yard freestyle.

Saturday night, Bob McGillivray placed fourth in his event which was good considering the heavy competition he was faced with.

Bruce Johnson placed second in a heart rendering race, by losing first place by one tenth of one second. The judges finally decided that the winning time was 25.1 seconds while Bruce's time was 25.2 seconds for the course.

Jeff Common also swam an excellent race. Jeff had to swim against a Senior boy who had set a record in Section 5 Class "B" the night before. This new record for 400 yard freestyle was 4:57 seconds.

In Saturday night's race, Jeff and the other boy dominated the entire race and were yards ahead of the other swimmers. At the finish the other boy pulled ahead to take the race by three seconds.

When the results were finally analyzed, it was discovered that the Andover entry had broken the new record set the night before by the Fairport youth, but in this final race he came back and set a new record. The times were 4:50.4 for the first place and 4:53.2 for Jeff's time.

Thus ends the second year of competitive swimming at Andover Central School. We feel that it was a highly successful and fruitful year and wish to thank all the students and adults who gave us such splendid support. With the same wonderful support next year and this year's experience under our belts we should rise to even greater heights and smash many more records.

## Teen-age "Spring Frolic" To Be Held At Legion Home

A Teen-age "Spring Frolic" will be held at the American Legion Home Friday evening, March 22 from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m.

This dance is another one that is part of a "Teen-age Dance Program" jointly sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and American Legion and is open this time to all grades 7th thru 12th.

This program is being presented to furnish the facilities and opportunity for teen-agers who really want to dance and don't have a chance otherwise.

There will be many dance contests with prizes to be awarded to the winners. The twist winners of previous dances will compete again for honors.

Come Stag!! Come along with a Gal!! But come to the "Spring Frolic" and really "have a ball"! Come to dance! Or not at all!