

**BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY!**

**An Editorial**

How precious is your eye-sight as well as that of your children and other dear ones? Is it worth the few minutes of time that it takes to read about and then take the simple precautions that are necessary if you wish to view the forthcoming eclipse?

This coming Saturday afternoon, July 20th an eclipse of the sun will occur that will be visible in our area. It is expected that the beginning of the moon's passage in front of the sun will be visible at approximately 4:35 P. M., and will be over at about 6:45 P. M.

The most important thing about this phenomenon is: **"THERE IS NO SAFE METHOD OF LOOKING INTO THE ECLIPSE without risking incurable burns of the retina in your eyes from invisible INFRARED RAYS of the SUN."**

According to Dr. David Barry, director of the State University Atmospheric Sciences Research Center atop Whiteface Mountain, normally it is nearly impossible for anyone to look directly at the sun because the bright light causes the pupil of the eye to close down and the eye reflex will actually close the eyelid itself, shutting out light.

During an eclipse of the sun, however, when the light is reduced, the pupil of the eye will remain wide, allowing infrared and ultraviolet light to enter. Prolonged direct exposure of the eye to these rays can result in sunburn damage to the retina of the eye which could cause partial or total blindness.

Dr. Barry also stated that looking at the eclipse through dark glass or a piece of film may not be safe either, since in many instances there is no way of knowing whether the glass or film is capable of filtering out the damaging infrared rays.

The National Society for the Prevention of Blindness reports that after a partial eclipse 3 years ago, 75 eye injuries were reported from Washington and 31 from Utah. **ALMOST ALL OF THE VICTIMS WERE CHILDREN.**

A simple, but safe viewing device for watching the eclipse can be made from cardboard backing used to protect laundered shirts which is available in most homes. All that is needed is two pieces of cardboard, one of which needs to have a pinhole in the center of it.

People wanting to watch the eclipse with this device should stand with their backs to the eclipse, holding the perforated card in the right hand, shoulder high, so that the light passing through the pinhole will focus on the second piece of cardboard, held in the left hand at waist height. An image of the eclipse will be projected when there is a distance of 12 to 18 inches between the cardboard.

By using this simple procedure, people will be able to observe the phenomenon for a long period of time without risking sunburn damage to the retina of the eye.

Of course the simplest and most comfortable way of watching the eclipse is from your favorite armchair in front of the TV set without any damage involved, and also affords the possibility of partaking of a little cooling liquid refreshment as the scene progresses.

**REMEMBER — "It's Better To Be Safe Than Sorry,"** for in this case—the victim doesn't realize he has been harmed until too late, because the retina of the eye is not sensitive to pain and you can't feel what is happening while the damage is being done.

**THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS BASIC TO ALL YOUR AMERICAN FREEDOMS!** Only as your Newspaper is free to print the facts, can you be free to know them. Only as you know the facts, can you act wisely in the best interests of your Community, as you see them. In America, there is plenty of room for opinions. **THERE IS NO ROOM FOR RESTRICTIONS ON THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO KNOW THE TRUTH!**

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**Letters To The Editor**

Dear Editor;  
In desperation I'm writing this letter to see if any of your readers can offer any sensible solution to how a local businessman can receive any consideration whatsoever to a reasonable request from the Village Board and Mayor.

On several occasions I have attended Village Board meetings and asked to have something done about the No. Parking situation around my business building. I specifically asked for at least a loading zone on the side street (East Center), or any other kind of relief that would ease this deplorable situation so I could go ahead with my plans to open another business in Andover.

I received the Ansoq Dealership a short time ago and have gone to considerable expense to redecorate the store only to find the Village Board "discriminate" against me at every request.

At first they "passed the buck" along to the State and told me that the State Authorities would not grant any other parking places either on Main St., or the Side Sts.

Since this sounded rather arbitrary, I contacted Mr. Jones in Hornell who is in charge of Traffic Safety for this area and asked him about the rules and regulations pertaining to this condition.

Imagine my surprise when Mr. Jones very graciously listened to my complaint and took the trouble to come over to Andover to look over the situation in order to form "an on the spot" decision.

Contrary to what I had been told at the Village Board meeting, I was informed in front of witnesses, that as far as the State was concerned I could be granted a loading zone by requesting it through the Village Board. Also, the No Parking sign which had been placed on the Main St., side of my driveway without my permission, could be moved opposite the one on the other side of the Street and be placed by the telephone pole on the corner of my property without any changes in the present Village Ordinances.

I repeatedly contacted Mayor Kilbane and asked him if he would show me the courtesy of stopping by and looking over the situation with me personally, only to find that he absolutely ignored this reasonable request.

The last time I called Kilbane I was told that to request the same parking distance on this side of Center St., as has been given directly across the Street is asking for "Special Privileges". Is this a "Special Privilege" to ask to be treated the same as people across the Street when one's business is at stake, or is it just plain "discrimination" because some one dares to protest an injustice to these Village Authorities?

I wonder if some of these unreasonable parking restrictions would be so strictly enforced if any members of the Village Board owned a business or any property in the Main St., Business Section?

There is an old adage that "figures don't lie" but "liars can figure". In the Photographic business there is an old saying that "a picture is worth a thousand words" so I am presenting some recent photos that plainly show my contention that I am being discriminated against.

Would you please have the courtesy and consideration to print these pictures in my earnest hope that this will not only help myself but every other businessman in town, who has been, and is still suffering from this "lack of parking" situation that is driving business elsewhere.

Sincerely yours,  
Richard P. Wittie

Dear Sir:

As a pleased viewer of the July 4th Parade and as a former Bostonian I wonder if the writer of the article on page one of the July 11th Andover News was mistaken as to the identity of the Church on the Methodist Float. Wasn't it the Old North Church complete with signal lanterns which Paul Revere had placed there on April 18, 1775?

Sincerely  
Jean B. Lang

Editor's Note:—  
We stand corrected.

**Turning Back The Pages of Andover History**

(Taken from the Files of The Andover News)

**50 YEARS AGO**

July 11, 1912

**J. H. Backus, Publisher**

A card from J. H. Faisant, Supt. of Andover Silk Mills, states that he and his wife are enjoying a few weeks vacation and fine fishing at Rockland Lake, N. Y.

S. B. Crandall is home from Washington, D. C., for a vacation.

Mrs. D. M. Cooper and daughter, Marguerite, returned to their home in Smethport, Pa., Saturday after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. D. C. Hardy and other relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Williams are visiting friends in Big Flats, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Almond Crandall went to Bradford, Pa., Friday for a visit with his sister and other relatives in that vicinity.

O. B. Trowbridge and Lou Bloss left Sunday for Ithaca where they will take summer courses at Cornell University.

Mrs. E. R. Smith of Altoona, Pa., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Owens.

J. Archie Diffin went to Buffalo Tuesday where he will work for a publishing house.

**40 YEARS AGO**

July 6, 1923

**J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers**

Miss Nellie Diffin of Andover and Joseph H. Monaghan of South Dansville were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. William Diffin Wednesday, June 27th.

Lynn Langworthy of Andover and Miss Artheda Hyde of Churchville were united in marriage June 20th.

Dr. J. P. Cleary left Andover Wednesday after passing several months in this Village, having taken over Dr. Grenold's practice while he was in New York.

Hon. and Mrs. Jesse Phillips, son, Francis and daughter, Mary, of New York City have been visiting Andover relatives and friends the past week. Miss Betty Cannon returned home with them for a visit.

Prof. and Mrs. B. J. Partridge of Richford have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rice this past week.

Prof. Franklin Cannon of New York City is visiting his brothers, John and James Cannon this week.

Mrs. P. J. Dougherty left Friday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. E. O'Leary at Sugar Grove,

Ohio. Archie Monte and daughter, Ella of Haverstraw, N. Y., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns this week.

**30 YEARS AGO**

July 7, 1933

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Some of our residents, who are age conscious have advised us that we were in error last week in listing the graduates for Andover High School, the list we gave was the 8th Grade Commencement. In reviewing last week's paper we found the High School graduates as follows: W. Paul Alderson, Leah M. Oakes, Malcolm Brundage, Conrad Church, Teresa Ann Dean, Cecelia Edwards, Ruth Whitney, Evelyn Edwards, Dorothy Oakes, Lloyd Sly, Wisner Cook Robert Spicer, J. Willard DeRemer, and Charles W. Lever.

Frank Gray has been obliged to discontinue his laundry work on account of ill health. Mr. Gray has operated a laundry here for a number of years.

Will Dean and two sons of Philadelphia were Fourth of July week-end guests of Andover relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bines and Mrs. Park Rogers were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Caple in Hornell, July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Emery spent Monday and Tuesday in Newark, N. Y. Mrs. Wm. Tank and daughter returned home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McGill and Mrs. E. J. Atwood left Sunday for a week's motor trip to Montreal, Quebec and Ontario, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Orla Baker and family were guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Perkins of Bolivar.

**Brides Need New Social Security Card**

June—the traditional month of brides and roses—sees many a "Miss" become a "Mrs." But no matter in what month of the year this happy event occurs, the new "Mrs." should be sure to let her social security office in on the good news—that is, if she has an account number card in her maiden name.

A change of name requires a new social security card. It will carry the same number as she had before, but will be issued in her new name. Failure to notify the Social Security Administration makes it difficult for the working bride to receive credit for earnings reported in her new name, even though the number is correct. Therefore, working girls, let your social security office know when you get married!

The Olean Social Security office will send to you the necessary form for the change of name.

**Doctor Quiddity**

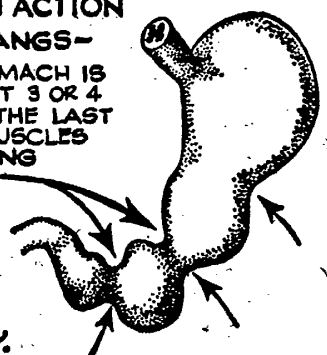
A Public Service Health Message

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

**STOMACH IN ACTION**

— HUNGER PANGS —

WHEN THE STOMACH IS EMPTY — ABOUT 3 OR 4 HOURS AFTER THE LAST MEAL — ITS MUSCLES MAKE SQUEEZING ACTIONS...



THESE HELP CREATE THAT FEELING OF BEING HUNGRY.

SUCH HUNGER CRAMPS COME AND GO UNTIL WE EAT — THEY'RE PAINFUL AT TIMES.



WATERBURY, CT.