

# ANDOVER NEWS



Photo by Wittie

Another successful Thanksgiving Dinner was credited to the Andover Fire Department, Friday, December 6, when the school auditorium was again the scene of its annual fund-raising venture. The attendance did not equal that of previous years, due largely to the necessary postponement from the previous week. However, the ticket sales were good and the gain in operating finances was satisfactory.

Ken Vars and Jim Jackson, co-chairmen of the dance, are to be commended for the smooth coordination of the committees and the arrangements at the dance. Gifts were presented, as in other years, to Mrs. Richard Stimson (a Stearns Turkey) and to Mrs. Robert Lewis of Alfred Station (a G.E. Coffee Maker). Mrs. Fred Sisson received a hand-woven rug, presented by Mrs. Edward Ryan. Round and square dance music was furnished by the Herb Leonard Orchestra.

An intermission feature was a demonstration of western-type square dancing put on by the "Grand Squares" of Wellsville. This group is made up of devotees living in and around Wellsville, and hold regular dances with Gordon Cooper, Duke Center, Penna; acting as caller. Mr. Cooper called for the demonstration dances and two complete sets were on the floor. The fast, intricate dance patterns executed by the group proved very interesting to the audience.

The Fire Department extends its thanks to the people of Andover and others who contributed to the success of the dance.

### Masonic Notice

The Stated Communication of Andover Lodge F. & A. M. No. 558, will be held Monday evening, December 16th. This is the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will be held at this time. All Master Masons welcome.

### Woman's Relief Corps

Edward Seaman Woman's Relief Corps, No. 155

The regular meeting and Christmas Party and Election of Officers of Edward Seaman Woman's Relief Corps, No. 155, will be held Friday, December 20 at the Andover Grange Hall with dinner at 12:30 p. m.

There will be an exchange of 50c gifts.

Most fruits and tomatoes will continue to ripen at room temperature. Direct sunlight is not beneficial.

## PTA To Sponsor Christmas Musical

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Andover Central School, will be changed to Wednesday, December 18, at 8:00 because there will be a home basketball game on Thursday, December 19, the usual meeting night.

The Annual Christmas Music Program of the Andover Central School will be presented in the school auditorium. This program, presented by the vocal and instrumental departments is sponsored by the Andover PTA.

It is impossible to separate Christmas and music. The first Christmas was announced to the shepherds by the song of the angels. One reason that Christmas is such a wonderful time is because of the music we hear and sing. These songs help us to draw together in better understanding regardless of race, creed or denominational ties. This is one reason that your PTA sponsors this program.

A second reason, is that the community of Andover might better appreciate the excellent work being done in the local Central School, particularly in the music departments. The Andover Central School is not large in comparison with many other schools, yet in many ways it surpasses other schools regardless of size. In music our school is continually taking top honors both vocally and instrumentally. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McClure are in charge of the Music Program of the Andover Central School.

These are but two important reasons for your local PTA sponsoring the Christmas Music Program. Don't miss this on Wednesday, December 18, at 8:00 p. m. If you do, you will be the loser.

The teachers will be in their Home Rooms at 7:30 to receive parents who come early to see the Christmas decorations.

### OES Christmas Party

The Annual Christmas Party and Tureen supper will be held Monday, December 16th at 6:30 p. m. at the Masonic Temple.

Please bring your own table setting, rolls and a dish to pass, unless otherwise solicited.

This will be the last social supper of the year and we hope to see as many out as possible.

Glenda Middaugh,  
Worthy Matron

Best News Home Town!

### Mrs. Mary Bennett

Funeral Services were conducted at the Ackerson Funeral Home in Addison Sunday for Mrs. Mary Dodge Bennett, 78, who died unexpectedly in an automobile accident which occurred Thursday, December 5, 1963 in Bolivar.

A native of Andover, Mrs. Bennett was the daughter of William and Rosetta Foote Dodge and in the earlier part of her life lived in Andover. Following a business course at Hornell Business School she located in Addison where she was united in marriage to George Bennett, whose death occurred in the Fall of 1952.

Since 1958 she has resided with her brother, John Dodge on Water Street.

Survivors include a son, Phillip of Addison; two daughters, Mrs. Howard Lyon of Woodhull and Mrs. Jessy Miles of Addison; a brother, Walter Dodge of Wellsville; a brother, John Dodge, passed away December 9th as a result of injuries sustained in the same accident which occurred December 5th; two sisters, Mrs. Frank Davis and Mrs. Otto Nye, both of Andover and eight grandchildren.

Burial was in Addison Rural Cemetery.

### Rebekahs To Hold Christmas Party

The Andover Rebekah Lodge No. 303 will hold their Annual Family Dinner and Christmas Party Wednesday, December 18th at 6:30 o'clock at the Legion Hall.

Each family bring own table service and a tureen unless otherwise solicited. There will be an exchange of 50c gifts.

The regular meeting will be held at 8 p. m.

A box of Christmas Gifts has been sent to the I.O.O.F. Home in Lockport.

### Legion Notice

The regular meeting of the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397 will be held this Tuesday evening, December 17th at 8:30 p. m.

DUES ARE DUE FOR 1964!

### Hospital Notes

Daniel Perkins of Elm Valley was admitted to the Bethesda Hospital Monday as a medical patient, ill with pneumonia.

### New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beaton of Center St., are the parents of a son, born Monday, December 9, 1963 at the St. James Mercy Hospital.

### John Dodge

John Dodge, Water Street, a native of Andover, died in the St. James Mercy Hospital Monday morning, December 9, 1963, as a result of injuries sustained in a car accident which occurred Thursday, December 5 in Bolivar.

Born July 30, 1888 the son of William and Rosetta Foote Dodge. Mr. Dodge had resided in Andover his entire life.

November 10, 1913 he was united in marriage to Esther Emily Orvis, whose death occurred October 27, 1958.

He had been employed by the Air Preheater Corp., at Wellsville, retiring three years ago. He was a 56-year member of the Andover Grange.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Jennie Boyer of Andover and Mrs. Florence Green of Bolivar; two sons, Lewis Dodge of Campbell and Harold Dodge of Andover; two sisters, Mrs. Mildred Nye and Mrs. Angelee Davis, both of Andover; one brother, Walter Dodge of Wellsville.

The body was at the James B. Mulholland Funeral Home until noon this Thursday and was then moved to the Baptist Church where funeral services were held at 2 p. m. with the Rev. John Holmes, pastor, officiating. Burial in Hillside Cemetery, Andover.

## News That's Print To Fit

Well we see that "Final Drive Charlie", along with some other help, has his "Island" decorated with the Christmas Tree donated by the Kent Farm and the Tree donated by the Huffcut Residence is all set up at the other end of Main Street.

So far we haven't had a chance to avail ourselves of the kind offer of "Mrs. Santa" last Friday after reading this column, but fully intend to take advantage of it some time over this coming week-end. So-o-o- if y'all see a tree in front of the News Office next week—you will know its the "real McCoy" — direct from the North Pole.

While on the Christmas subject we don't want to forget to mention the large attendance and nice turkey dinner last night enjoyed by the Chamber of Commerce members and their families and guests, as well as the entertainment by the Choral Group singing Christmas Carols after the dinner.

We were unable to stay for this part of the program as Wednesday night is of course our busy night at the News Office but we were fortunate enough to be able to enjoy their songs when they serenaded us later on in the evening at work.

We think that it is a wonderful thing to revive the custom of young people going out "Christmas Carolling" during the Holiday Season and commend them for their efforts in learning and practicing them so they are able to turn in a fine performance. This certainly should help to put out local citizenry in the proper "Christmas Spirit."

We understand that the folks that attended the Annual Firemen's Dance last Friday evening had a fine time and we were disappointed in not being able to attend and get a chance to "swing on those corners."

We had our tickets all bought (and paid for too) but our customer came up from New York and kept us busy until he caught the 12:51 train in Wellsville that night.

We had also planned on taking pictures at the affair but when business interfered we were lucky to have "Dick" take care of this for us and so we were able to come up with a good picture of the exhibition put on by the Wellsville Square Dance Team.

Well I guess that life is like that old expression: "When joy and duty clash—something has to go smash!"

This reminds us of the question that "Mike" asked us yesterday on the street. Why is a slippery sidewalk like a Christmas Carol? The answer being — If you don't C sharp you are liable to B flat!

However with all of the slippery sidewalks around town this is far from a funny situation as we understand that a local woman fell recently and received painful injuries because of a slippery walk. We don't know all of the circumstances about the case but understand that there will be more heard about it later on.

We know from past experience that sometimes it's mighty hard to keep a walk cleaned off all the time, and sometimes in some instances mighty high impossible, but at least some effort should be made to keep the sidewalks open on at least one side of the street, 10-4?

### Andover Swimming

FAMILY NIGHT  
Monday 7:30 - 8:30 - 50c per family. 25c individual.

LADIES NIGHT  
Thursday 7:30 - 8:30—25c per person.

Have a night out with the family and come to the Andover Pool for a swim. All are welcome.

## Andover C of C Complete Project

At the last meeting of the Andover Chamber of Commerce, one of its major community projects found completion by unanimous vote of all members present.

Many months ago it was brought to the attention of the Andover Chamber of Commerce that the Andover Library was in need of

urgent repairs. Committees were appointed and the Baker Bros., were called upon to give estimates of needed repairs. On a motion at the last meeting of the Chamber it was voted unanimously to pay for the entire repairs which have recently been completed.

This is one further improvement in our Village for better community living, by members of the Andover Chamber of Commerce.

During the past year, many worth while projects have been completed, and many others are nearing completion. Others are under study for the coming year. The Andover Chamber of Commerce has contributed to the following:

Co-sponsor of the Boy Scout Troop

Donation to the Little League

Co-sponsor of Dances at the American Legion Post for Junior and Senior High students

Hallowe'en Parade, and other entertainments — (Theatre Party, and Dances)

Contributes each year to purchase more, and better Christmas Street Decorations, and lighting in cooperation with Village Board

Beautiful Road Signs—for all approaches to the Village which will be installed in the near future

Park Site and entertainments at the Andover Ponds

The Main Street Island projects

The Main Fund raising project of the Chamber of Commerce, is the Annual Minstrel Show, which is well supported by the Andover residents. Along with the dues for membership, a major portion of all money is spent in Andover for Community and Civic betterment of our Village.

The Andover Chamber of Commerce is not only for Business District Improvements—but primarily for the betterment of OUR COMMUNITY IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. We wish that more members of our Community would join together and advance Andover into the new Frontier.

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