



Photo by Wittie

Mrs. Leon Coffin Elected County Red Cross Head

Mrs. Leon Coffin, First Street, Andover, was elected Chairman of The American Red Cross of the Allegany County Chapter at the Annual Meeting held at the Wellsville Country Club February 3rd.

Retiring Chairman, Edward Mergler of Bolivar, praised all volunteers for their "diligence and hard work."

Following a talk by Prof. Ward B. Flaxington of Alfred, H. Alfred Brush of Scio was named as first vice-chairman and Mrs. John Gilmore of Wellsville, second vice-chairman.

Members returned Mrs. Garland Williams of Wellsville to another term as secretary and retained Charles Engelder and Michael Fiordo, both of Wellsville, as treasurer and assistant treasurer respectively.

Newly elected members of the Board of Directors included William Farnsworth of Angelica, Mrs. Bernard Burger of Andover, Rev. Russell Clair and Jack Collins of Wellsville and Roy Schaffner and Edward Mergler of Bolivar.

Ted Dravis, Red Cross Field Representative expressed the satisfaction of District Red Cross Officials concerning the continued progress of the Allegany County Chapter.

He presented a citation to Mr. Mergler for grateful recognition of distinguished service to humanity.

Mr. Dravis also cited Wesley Parish of Alfred for his long service to the Rochester Regional Red Cross Blood Program.

Republican Caucus

TAKE NOTICE, The Caucus of the registered Republican Voters of the Village of Andover will be held at the Andover Central School Auditorium Saturday, February 22, 1964 at 8:00 p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for Two Trustees on the Republican Ticket and for the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before the said Caucus.

ROBERT A. BAKER
HUGH BARLOW
CARLYLE MYERS
Republican Village Committee

PTA News

The regular meeting of the Andover Central School Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday, February 20th at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

District Attorney Edward Mergler of Bolivar will be the guest speaker and his subject "Problems of Parents and their Children."

News That's Print To Fit

The local Fire Department had a good test of their new fire truck and apparatus last evening when they answered a 9 p. m. call to the Norbert Lynch tenant house on Chestnut Street.

When the Fire Department arrived on the scene the fire had broken thru the roof and was going good. According to reports it started in an upstairs bedroom and spread from there into the attic. Luckily, the Firemen were able to bring it under control almost immediately—but another few minutes might very easily have lost the entire structure as well as have endangered the near-by cattle barn.

Around 22 Firemen responded to the alarm, taking both pumps and the tanker to the fire. Since the fire had spread into the partitions and walls, it was necessary to use a good deal of water to extinguish the smouldering joints and rafters, resulting in so much damage as to make the house untenable.

Between 200 and 300 people visited the scene between the initial alarm and 1:30 a. m., when the Firemen were able to call it a night which resulted in a good deal of congestion in the traffic on Route 17.

However, as of to-date we haven't heard of any mishaps or any one being injured as a result of the fire.

While on the fire report, we failed to mention last week that the Firemen were called out the day after the Schrader fire for dinner—and when they arrived on the scene—it was burned a little beyond recognition. Only in this case according to reports it turned out to be a TV Dinner that was a little overdone. The damage was limited to a ruined dinner and a cooking pan handle on the fire.

While still on the subject of fires, here are two other numbers that could be added to your fire emergency list:

478-5000; and 478-4411. If you should be unsuccessful in receiving an answer when calling an alarm to the regular Fire Department Phone Number of 478-3100; IMMEDIATELY CALL EITHER 478-5000, or 478-4411.

478-5000, is the phone number of the Allegany County Fire Control Center here in Andover; and 478-4411 is the number of George Mickle, Deputy Co-ordinator of the County Fire Control Unit. 10-4?

In last week's column when referring to the tree trimming—we were talking about the outfit that was not from this locality—which were doing the clipping job. We considered the Wellsville firm that has been doing considerable work in this area—to be a local reputable firm. Their work from all reports has been very satisfactory as well as reasonable.

Operation Advance

"Operation Advance" will hold their first meeting tonight (Thursday, February 13th) at the home of Harold Sisson. Topic: "Community Growth and Development" bring your discussion kit. The discussion leader will be Principal James H. Kessler.

Legion Notice

Regular meeting of the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397 will be held this Tuesday, February 18th at 8:30 p. m. 1964 Dues are due now.

Masonic Notice

The Stated Communication of Andover Lodge F. & A. M., No. 558 will be held Monday evening, February 17 at 8 o'clock. All Master Masons welcome.



Lee Gwendolyn Kessler



Victoria Elizabeth Lynch

ACS Announces 1964

Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Lee Gwendolyn Kessler, daughter of Principal and Mrs. James H. Kessler, has had an outstanding high school career. As Valedictorian of the Class of '64, Lee can boast a four year scholastic average of 95.03 while majoring in Math and Science.

Becoming engrossed, while playing the trombone, is one of Lee's favorite activities. She has participated in the Senior Band, Dance Band, Pep Band, Orchestra, and has been in All-County Band for five years and the Area All-State Band for three years. She is also a member of the Andover Senior Choir.

In her sophomore year Lee was chosen to participate in the Big Science Seminar at Alfred. Her junior year saw her win first place at the local and county oratorical contests sponsored by the American Legion and take fourth place at the district level.

This year has been an exciting one for Lee. She was chosen as a representative to the Governor's Youth Conference at Buffalo and was such an avid speaker she was asked to attend the Conference on the State level, at Albany. There she met Governor Boreas.

Lee did a tremendous job and heally showed her acting ability in the junior and senior plays, both of which she played the protagonist. Other high school activities include: FHA, Editor of the Hi Herald, Co-Editor of the Yearbook, Student Council and the National Honor Society. She has also received the National Merit Letter of Commendation.

As far as future plans are concerned, Lee is going to attend Grove City College in Pennsylvania and take a Liberal Arts course.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. James Connor (Marlene Schettine) of Wellsville are the parents of a son, born Wednesday, February 5, 1964 at the Jones Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Monica Connor is the paternal grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pelton of Painted Post are the parents of a daughter, Judith Lynne, born Wednesday, February 5, 1964 at the Corning Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Pelton are the paternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunham (Ruby McDowell) are the parents of a son born Tuesday, February 11, 1964 at the Jones Memorial Hospital, Wellsville.

Attention Firemen!

Self-contained Breathing Apparatus Class will be conducted by Donald Bledsoe, NYSFI, at the Fire Hall, Friday, February 14th, at 8:00 p. m.

All Firemen plan to attend.

Boost Your Home Town!

Victoria Elizabeth Lynch, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Lynch, will be the Salutatorian of this year's Senior Class. "Vicki", also has had a colorful career while maintaining a 90.366 scholastic average in high school, majoring in Science.

One of "Vicki's" favorite extracurricular activities, is our school newspaper, The Hi Herald. She has been a member for four years. She was sports editor in her junior year and has done a wonderful job as editor this year.

"Vicki" is also very active in the Andover Grange. She has been a lecturer for two years and attended the Youth Leadership School, the last two years. She is also on the Executive Committee for the Allegany County Young Patrons.

For the past few years "Vicki" has given her services to the Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville, while participating in the Future Nurses Club and has earned her "40 Hour Stripes". Other activities: Library Council, F.H.A., G.A.A., National Honor Society, Senior Red Cross Band, 4-H and the Catholic Youth Organization.

"Vicki" has been accepted at the Technical Institute at Alfred for a new program in Business Data Processing.

The months fly by quickly now for Lee Kessler and "Vicki" Lynch. They will soon be ready for the June ceremonies and their respective colleges are extended to them from the faculty and students of Andover Central and also from the townspeople for their outstanding achievements.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Landis Kibbe, a medical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, returned to her home Thursday.

James Jackson, a medical patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital, returned to his home Saturday.

Mrs. George Wereley, a medical patient in the St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira, has been discharged and is convalescing at the home of a friend.

Mrs. Adelaide Ordway, Baker St., was admitted to the St. James Mercy Hospital Tuesday as a medical patient.

Mrs. Niles Sherman underwent dental surgery at the Jones Memorial Hospital, Wednesday.

Mrs. Louis DeNovellis and infant daughter have returned to their residence on First and Center St., from the St. James Mercy Hospital.

Rebekah Notice

The regular meeting of the Andover Rebekah Lodge No. 303 will be held Wednesday, February 19th at the Lynch-Burgett Legion Hall at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Alfred J. Gross Named To Buffalo Pastorate

The Rev. Alfred John Gross, D.D. has been appointed pastor of University Methodist Church in Buffalo and will assume the post March 1st.

Announcement of the appointment made by Bishop W. Ralph Ward was released through the office of Buffalo District Superintendent Dean E. Richardson after notification to the congregation at Sunday services.

Dr. Gross was professor of theology and philosophy at Alfred University from 1956 until the School of Theology at Alfred was closed during 1963. He also served as pastor of the Andover Methodist Church during this period. He has currently been pursuing advanced studies at Union Theological Seminary in New York.

At University Dr. Gross fills the vacancy created Feb. 1 when the Rev. Raymond E. Risdon was appointed to First Methodist Church in Jamestown.

He has been related to the Genesee Conference of The Methodist Church since 1931. Some of his pastorates before entering the education field were in Angelica, Arcade, Buffalo, Rochester and Wellsboro, Pa.

They have two sons, Alfred J. Gross, Jr., who is serving in the Armed Forces in Germany. Richard H. Gross, a third year medical student at Duke University, and a daughter, Alice, who is a Freshman at Syracuse University.

Mrs. Gross, a member of the faculty of Andover Central School will finish the school year before joining her husband in Buffalo.

Boys 4-H Club To Organize In Andover

An organization meeting will be held in the school cafeteria Tuesday evening, February 25th at 7:30 p. m. to organize a Boys 4-H Club.

The Assistant 4-H Club Agent for Allegany County, Mr. Hugh Wightman, will be on hand to outline 4-H Club activities and objectives.

Interested parents and boys (age 9-12) are cordially invited to attend.

A World Day of Prayer Service will be observed in the Presbyterian Parish Hall, Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Keep On Buying Savings Bonds