



A SCOUT IS REVERENT!

An Editorial

The tragic increase in juvenile delinquency has become a national problem of the utmost importance — and a solution is beset on every hand with complexities and difficulties.

This fact alone gives high significance to "Boy Scout Month", which is being observed during the month of February.

A head of the National Scouting organization says: "The Boy Scouts of America for over 60 years has enjoyed success and public acclaim for its part in the training of American youth in character, values, citizenship, skills and attitudes, as well as physical fitness. Over these years we have grown and flourished because each of us involved has had a deep conviction of the worth of Scouting to boys and to America because we resolved to act upon our convictions."

All manner of activities will mark this month. Churches of every denomination will develop the theme in their service. Newspapers, Radio and TV will give this month the notice it so richly deserves. Schools and civic groups will participate. Patriotic organizations will play an important part. The goal is to bring home to everyone — American principles and ideals which are eternal and which the Scouts are pledged to sustain.

Beyond these — the hope is that the publicity and notice created will encourage more and more boys to join their local Boy Scout Organization, and additionally, will lead their elders to do whatever they can to advance the work and the ideas that Scouting stands for. — Rarely does a Boy Scout become delinquent!

Here, locally, "Boy Scout Month" will be highlighted this coming Sunday with a "Go To Church Sunday" when the Scouts attend the Church of their choice in their Scout uniforms.

This 12th point of the Scout Law, — A Scout is Reverent, — recognizes the place in religion in one's life. A part of Scouting is to live a worthy, religious life.

Let's also give a great deal of credit to the grown-ups, both men and women, that donate their time and energy for this worthwhile cause.

In all of our years association with the Scout Program we firmly believe that it is a wonderful program and deserves the support of everyone that has any spare time or spare money that can be devoted to it.

With the high ideals and practices in the Scout Program, it is one of the biggest single factors that successfully helps combat Juvenile Delinquency!

Let's do everything we can to make the Scout Program a big success here in Andover!

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The following Andover Fraternal Officers have been installed into office: Masonic Lodge, Lynn Trowbridge, Master; Anna W. McArthur Chapter No. 242 O.E.S., Mary Boyd, Worthy Matron; B. S. Brundage, Worthy Patron; Odd Fellows, E. D. Baker, Noble Grand; Union Encampment No. 171, Claire C. Backus, C. P.; Andover Rebekah Lodge, Inez Youngmans, Noble Grand; Andover Grange, F. G. Mead, Master; Thomas M. Lynch American Legion, John Dolan, Commander; Ladies Auxiliary Melva Snyder, President; K.O.T.M. Andover Tent No. 18, James Wentworth, Com.; W.B.A., Clara Hann, Commander; W.R.C., Fannie C. Backus, President; W.C.T.U., Lella Livermore, President.

Maxon Ray Crandall of Andover has been selected as one of the first tenors in the Alfred University Male Glee Club. Mr. Crandall is a senior in the Scientific Course at Alfred University. The Glee Club which is chosen annually, will make several local trips and a week's tour to New York City, where it will give several concerts. The New York trip will be taken in the latter part of March. Prof. Ray Winthrop Wingate of the Department of Music at Alfred, is director of the Club.

Our farmers have been drawing bushels of potatoes for shipment the past week at \$2.25 a bushel.

The Entre Nous Club was entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. Claire Backus at her home on Cassin Street.

Andover merchants have been busy since the New Year with inventory.

Word was received by Andover relatives of the death, January 9, of Mrs. Lincoln G. Backus at her home in Monrovia, California. Mrs. Backus has been in failing health for the past three years.

Winifred W. Jones, formerly of the Jones and Demsey Garage of Hornell and the late Pierce Garage of Andover, has purchased the Homer Flint farm at Pike, N. Y., and moved there from Andover Friday of last week. The Flint farm is located in a section noted for its fine farm and is known as one of the best farming prospects in that locality.

Elm Valley — Our little burg seems to be the center of activity for chicken thieves for the past ten days. A few nights ago, a call was made upon Frank Mead and he was relieved of 16 fine Rhode Island Reds. On Saturday evening they returned and gave Gene Hand a call, taking some chickens and proceeding to the garage lifted a quarter of beef and cleaned up all tools and robes in his car.

The Elm Valley farmers are pulling in their summer supply of ice which is of fine quality and good thickness.

Wood is bringing \$4.50 to \$5.00 per cord in Wellsville caused by the shortage of coal and a number from Elm Valley are taking advantage of it. The past few days of sleighing was very good to slide in a few loads to help keep the home fires burning.

Miss Mary Boyd was a business caller in Hornell Tuesday.

Everett Clair of Elmira spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Clair.

Ernest Theetge of Buffalo was calling on friends in Andover Tuesday and Wednesday.

January 29, 1926

Andover Free Library Makes Fine Showing. The following interesting feature of the Librarian's report to the Board of Directors will be welcome to many patrons of that institution. The report is for January 1, 1925 - January 1, 1926. Number of books loaned 11,306; number of new borrowers, 61; Total number of borrowers, 1,172; The Board purchased 204 books; donated 58; number of volumes now in the Library, 6,553. The Library is open to the public eight hours a week. The Officers and Directors of Andover Free Library are: J. E. Cannon, President; John Common, Vice-President; Mrs. Carrie Loughlin, Secretary; B. S. Brundage, Treasurer; Mrs. Addie

Coleman, Trustee; Mrs. Margaret Baker, Librarian and Miss Emma Folsing, Assistant Librarian.

Mrs. Guy Harder is chairman of the Health Clinics to be held at Andover Library the first & third Wednesdays of every month.

A very successful potato meeting was held Wednesday afternoon at the IOOF Hall, under the auspices to the criticism against the Western ream. The meeting was most interesting and over thirty of Andover's potato raisers benefited by it. Prof. Haredenburg of Cornell University, was the guest speaker.

C. H. Watson, Village President, issued a warning to parents — not to allow their children to coast on Main Street of the Village of Andover. Accidents have recently happened that nearly cost the loss of life and the Board of Trustees feel that it is their duty to enforce hereafter the ordinance forbidding coasting on Main Street.

A local bowling league has been organized among the Andover boys this week, consisting of six teams. The following is the personnel of the six teams participating in the league: Hawks: P. W. Richardson, Captain, Arla Baker, L. H. Atherton, Harold Emery and W. J. Alderson; Bob Cats: A. L. Bloss, Captain, Harold Howland, Clayton Berger, Claire Backus and Fred Stebbins; Slippery Five: Ray McGill Captain, Earl Kemp, R. O. Snyder, Earl Howland, E. C. Langworthy; Never Sweats: Leo Snyder Captain, Robert Brundage, Lleyllyn Clair, Paul Childs, Dr. H. G. Storner; Crabs: Denzel Baker, Captain, Lynn Trowbridge, Leo DeRemer, Arthur Terbury, E. J. Pierce; Quacks: Charles Scott, Captain, Joseph Herman Hayden Rogers, Leo Horan and Carlyle Myers.

Last Thursday, January 21, the Andover High School Boys won another league game from Almond 40 to 15. The Andover players were: Alford, Rogers, Horton, Howland, Lehman; Subs Common for Rogers; Ham for Horton; and Greene for Howland.

The Misses Annette and Ruth Taylor entertained the evening division of the Kings Daughters Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Collins of Wellsville, formerly of Andover, were summoned to Buffalo Tuesday by the serious illness of their daughter, Evelyn, who is in training for a nurse at the General Hospital in that city.

Mrs. William O'Connell entertained thirty-two ladies at a bride-luncheon Saturday. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Robert Geary, Mrs. Howard Foulk of Hornell; Mrs. Arling Cobb and Mrs. Harry Bassett of Wellsville.

Mrs. Olive Scott Smith of Almond, died last Friday, January 22 at the home of her sister in Hornell where she was a guest. Deceased was 75 years of age and is a sister of Helen Scott of this village.

Mrs. Lavina Metcalf R. Fulmer died January 7 at the age of 94. She was the widow of King Hiram Fulmer. She died at the home of her son in Olean and was buried in Port Allegany, Pa. Mrs. Fulmer was born in the Town of Ithaca dependence.

Regal Whitcomb of Belmont has been selected as second bass in the Alfred University Glee Club. Mr. Whitcomb is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Whitcomb, former residents of Andover. He is a freshman in the Classical Course in the University.

Thursday was one of the most disagreeable days of this winter. A regular western blizzard part of the time when the wind and snow made it impossible to see across the street.

Mrs. Marion Kirk died Tuesday morning at her home in Belmont. Her husband and two sons survive. Mrs. Kirk was a sister to Earl Howe of Wellsville and at one time was a resident of Andover.

The Whitesville News says that an eighteen foot concrete road to Hornell via Reville, Greenwood & Canisteo is being planned for construction during the 1926 season. This will prove a great convenience to residents of that vicinity.

P. J. Dougherty of Andover, is helping his son, Anthony on the farm on South Hill.

Mrs. Jim Dean and daughter, Doris of South Hill, were shopping in Hornell last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burdick and A. A. Hinchey of Elm Valley attended the funeral of Mrs. Wm. Osborn at Wellsville, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Trowbridge of Greenwood are spending their evenings enjoying their radio purchased of Fran Graves of Andover and installed by Lynn Trowbridge

'Inside The State Capital'

By James L. Emery

As I continue to study the proposed 1976-77 budget offered to the Legislature by Governor Carey, I find some curious inconsistencies in what the Governor is saying and proposing, and these are the things of which the public must be made aware before the Legislature makes its decision.

For one thing, the so-called "openness of government" which has been espoused by the Carey Administration apparently stops at the doorstep of the Office of the State Budget Director. In the latter weeks of 1975 I objected strenuously to the elimination of the 1975 Annual Budget Summary, thus denying the residents of the State an accurate look at our fiscal picture. That was the start. Now, for the first time since the State Council of Economic Advisors was created in 1963, the 1975 State Economic Report has been sentenced to the same fate as the budget summary and it will not be seen.

It is pointed out by Assemblyman Willis H. Stephens of Brewster, who served as Chairman of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee for a number of years, that this economic report was always presented to the Legislature in December, well in advance of the Governor's budget, and served as a respected in-depth analysis of the State's economic condition. It is his belief, and that of other economic experts, that this document has been discontinued by the Administration because it would have shown an economic upturn for the State, and the Governor seems determined to ignore this fact as he goes around the State trying to convince local governments that state aid cuts are absolutely essential.

In this regard, more and more legislators I talk to seem to think that the Governor is grossly underestimating some of his tax revenues for 1976. The Assembly Republican Ways and Means staff has prepared a report quoting some of the leading economists in the nation showing that we are definitely on the upswing economically and that the Gross National Product is starting up. They find, for instance, that the State of California, which has a higher unemployment rate than that of New York State, is indicating a much more optimistic revenue picture than is our Governor. Here are some experts from our staff report which illustrate some of the reasons we doubt the Governor's revenue estimates:

"Last year (the present fiscal year) when the economy was declining steadily and deeply, the Governor's own latest estimates indicated a 0.3 percent increase in base tax revenue. Now, when the economy is rebounding and all the forecasters estimate growth in Gross National Product of between 11.0 percent and 14.6 percent, he estimates tax revenue for the next year will grow by a mere 1.1 percentage point over last year. Again for contrast, last year Gross National Product grew by 5.6 percent in 1975 and New York Personal Income grew by 8.5 percent, but the Governor is now saying that while the economic consensus is for Gross National Product to grow by about 12 percent, New York Personal Income will only grow by 8.5 percent or the same rate of growth as last year."

There seems to be every indication that consumer confidence is growing in 1976 and thus there are increased sales. Statistics during a four-week period in December, 1975 show sales up sharply for major retailers such as Sears (up 11.5 percent); J. C. Penney (up 13.1 percent); S. S. Kresge (up 28.3 percent) and Montgomery Ward (up 10.4 percent). The gain for Sears for instance, represented the largest four week year-to-year improvement in its history. And all indications are that the current pace of retail sales will continue.

In light of these legitimate questions the Governor's revenue estimates, there are many who wonder if the Governor really is not aware of the situation but knows that having those few extra millions in his hip pocket as the November election draws near, would be a wise political course indeed for him to follow.

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