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Andover, N. Y.—The story goes that the bells were broken, but because the gay senorita dared to love and because she dared to believe in the goodness of life they rang out for her. They pealed to the skies with all their beauty and song. To her, their chimes, soft and sweet, spelled out shining hope and everlasting happiness.

To me, this is one of the greatest stories ever conveyed by a song. I don't believe there is a heart which would not be moved by its plea, a soul which would not be enriched by its goodness.

But too often the bells cease to sing. Too many times these bells have been silenced by people who found life an ignoble thing. By people who didn't believe that for them the bells could ring. It's only human that you believe that you individually are the only one in this whole wide world who suffers. Grief and pain overcome you and the heart that was once filled with beauty and song is now overflowing with horror and with hate. Somewhere on life's path you stumbled and suddenly you discovered that you had lost your pride and purpose, and that life had lost its meaning.

Your strength and belief in your fellow humans was slowly eaten away by the parasites of greed and hate and fear. After a while you thought it would be in vain to even attempt to recapture yourself.

So many things in life seemed to get you. Happy laughing faces and voices hysterical with joy. Old women of fifty and ninety, with their eyes and fingernails painted and their hair done in the latest teen-age twist, gaily puffing on cigarettes, wishing and trying to be eighteen again.

Young couples, without a shelter, and barely enough food and clothing, gaily tramp the streets. There are others who bravely face life, finding it a beautiful and a glorious thing, who had a past in the Hawaiian Islands, at Pearl Harbor, but who now have no present and no future.

Why do the bells ring for them who have nothing? Because they truly believe in life and in its goodness. When they meet with a group of people they see their beauty and hear their song.

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## Births

June 24: To Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Miller, Cuba, a daughter.

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June 27: To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Simmons, Caneadea, a son.

June 27: To Mr. and Mrs. George Garmong, Friendship, a son.

June 28: To Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Holmes, Cuba, a son.

June 29: To Mr. and Mrs. William Young, Friendship a son.

June 26: To Mr. and Mrs. Craig Lewis, Whitesville, a son.

June 28: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolfer, Allentown, a daughter.

June 29: To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Fanton, Wellsville, a son.

June 29: To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Vanderwende, Wellsville, a son.

July 1: To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wojtulski, Angelica, a daughter.

July 2: To Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roeske, Belmont, a daughter.

July 3: To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bissell, Wellsville, a daughter.

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## Notice of School Meeting Andover Central School

The anual meeting of the inhabitants of Andover Central School District of Andover, New York, qualified to vote at school meetings in said District will be held in the auditorium of the Central School building of said District on Tuesday, July 13, 1948 at 8:30 p. m., (Eastern Daylight Time) for the purpose of electing one trustee for a term of five years to succeed Richard Harder and to transact such other business as is authorized by the Education Law of 1910 and the acts amendatory thereof.

Also to vote on the following resolutions:

No. 1:—RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Andover Central School District No. 1, Towns of Andover, Alfred, Independence, Ward, Wellsville, Greenwood, of Allegany and Steuben Counties is hereby authorized and directed to purchase one of more school buses and expend therefor a sum not exceeding $6,000.00 which said sum shall be payable as follows: One-half from moneys now on hand and balance of said sum shall be raised by tax on the taxable property of the district and be collected in one annual installment; and that the said Board of Education of said district is hereby authorized and directed in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law and the Local Finance Law to borrow on the credit of said district, the sum of $3,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary and issue Capital Notes therefor binding upon the district and maturing not later than the end of the second fiscal year from date of issue, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum.

No 2:—Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase from the Village of Andover, for the sum not exceeding $400.00, the following property known as the athletic field and bounded as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the Village of Andover, County of Allegany and State of New York, being portion of Great Lot No. 80 in Township No. Two, Range Seven, bounded and described as follows: Westerly by the Center of Water Street in said Village; notherly by the center of the creek known as the East Valley Creek; easterly by a straight line extending northerly and southerly and running just with the westerly line of the property owned and occupied by David Davenport, as having been conveyed to him by G. M. Barney and wife in his life time; southerly by a straight line running easterly and westerly and running just with the northerly line of the Village Lot known as the Gillen Lot situate on the easterly side of Water Street in said Village, containing five and twenty-five one hundredths (5.25) acres be the same more or less as surveyed by John Oakes, C. E. and Surveyor.

Dated June 25, 1948.

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## Marriages

June 26: Miss Eugenia Lakey.

June 26: Miss Marjorie A. [illegible] of Belfast and J. A. Arthur of Buffalo.

June 27: Miss Alberta Masche of Cuba and Donald E. Morris of Bolivar.

June 26: Miss Alice L. Pendleton of Belmont and William Bathurst of Olean.

June 26: Miss Patricia Perry and Gerald Tompkins both of Belmont.

## Deaths

Mrs. Floyd Kelley, 63, of Whitesville, June 30. Her husband, two sisters and two bro-

[illegible] McCarpenter, 88, of [illegible] 30. A sister survives.

[illegible] Dennis, 59, of [illegible], July 2. Her husband, [illegible] sons, three sisters and two brothers survive.

Mrs. Arthur Wightman, 67, of Wellsville, July 1. Her husband, a son, a daughter, a sister and a brother survive.


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# Behind the Movie Sets

**with Buddy Mason**

Army engineers have a slogan to the effect that they can do the impossible, but it takes a little longer. Studio prop men were not surprised. Their lives are dedicated to performing miracles on short notice. A prop man who admitted that anything was impossible would be looked upon by his fellow wizards as a heretic.

I was on a set the other day during the filming of a B-class mystery picture when the director got that wild gleam in his eyes, jumped to his feet and exclaimed, "I've got it!"

In saner circles this exclamation would presage no impending confusion, and at best would be greeted by a few raised eyebrows. On a sound stage coming from a director, the effect is cataclysmic. Every human cog in the glamor assembly line ground to a stop, and awaited with trepidation the words that were to follow. The brainstorm burgeoning in the fertile depths of the celluloid maestro's six and seven-eighths Stetson might mean anything. Any sudden change of plans on a movie set entails endless hours of work for all departments and a sudden outburst by "The Old Man" is always followed by an apprehensive silence.

The first prop man hurried to the director's side. The second raced to unlock the prop boxes and prepare for any emergency. The director stroked his chin and mumbled half aloud, "That's it! If he's killed by a blowgun dart instead of a knife, the killer won't have to enter the room!"

Everyone relaxed. This was only a minor script change. The carefully planned schedule would remain unchanged. Did I say everyone relaxed? I meant everyone but the prop man. This situation was his meat. For years he had collected in his bulging boxes every conceivable article art could ever be used in a picture. This was his moment in the spotlight; he had made the most of it.

With all the nonchalance of a man asking for a match he called to his second prop man ready at the boxes. "Joe," he instructed, "bring me the South American and African blowguns, second box, weapons drawer, in the bottom." Quickly Joe opened the drawer and dug his way to the bottom. Pushing past trays of knives, daggers, brass knuckles, poniards, stilettos and derringers; brushing aside a cutlass, a saber and a pair of fencing foils; rummaging in the very bottom among the matchetes, bolos and bows and arrows, he at last found the deadly little tubes.

In less time than it takes to recount the search the director was making a critical examination of the reed-like cylinders and their little feathered messengers of death. He frowned and mused, "Hmm! Something like it, but not quite what I wanted. I had in mind the shorter blowgun favored by the Malayans."

For a moment I thought that "Prope" was stuck but I overlooked his well-oiled miracle department, for at the first mention of a blowgun his third man had called the main prop room on the inter-studio phone. At this very moment being pushed through the big service door of the sound stage was a small hand truck loaded with every variety of blowgun known.

The director slowly handed the slender weapons to "Props." — "Forget it," he muttered. "What in blazes would a gangster be doing with a blowgun?"

Props heaved a sigh of relief and started for his boxes to replace the unwanted passports to a better world. I followed a question on my lips. "Suppose you were on location and didn't have a dart tube in the box? What then?"

"Simple," he replied. "My second would borrow a curtain rod from the nearest house. A little paint, a few feathers from any pillow—and how many people do you think are authorities on blowguns?"

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Enough is known now about the spread of polio that parents should acquaint themselves with the facts, and take precautions against the disease.

Polio recurs in cycles. The last major epidemic in Western New York occurred in 1944 and was centralized in Buffalo. Other epidemics in this area occurred in 1939, 1929 and 1926. General trends indicated there will probably be some increase in the number of polio cases in Western New York this year, but it is unlikely that an epidemic will occur.

Polio usually, if not always, is acquired by person to person contact. It has been definitely proved to be "catching", particularly so during the first week of the illness while the virus is present in the throat. Research done at Children's Hospital indicates that probably 75 per cent of the children who get polio acquire it through personal contact with someone who has the the polio virus.

For every true case of the disease, there are probably 30 to 40 others who acquire the virus temporarily and have only mild symptoms which cannot be diagnosed. These later individuals are more often responsible for the spread of the disease than the easily diagnosed cases.

If cases of polio develop in Western New York this year, keep your children away from crowds where children gather. Do not let anyone talk close to your child's face. Avoid kissing, and get rid of the family drinking glass at the sink. Don't let children eat from the same spoon or dish or share the same "pop" bottle. Keep away from anyone with an acute illness of any kind, for mild polio can assume a variety of forms.

Since the virus is also present in the stools, some cases may acquire the infection through flics and the handling of food. Encourage personal cleanliness under all circumstances, and especially as it is related to handling of food, and to toilet habits.

A good diet which contains meat, milk, fresh vegetables and fruit every day and is divided into three regular meals helps keep up resistance to disease, and thus prevent serious polio.

Remember that while polio or infantile paralysis is "catching", most adults and many children are immune. Furthermore, 75% to 95% of those infected with the polio virus never develop paralysis. However, if polio develops in this area, this year, take every precaution against its spread.

Watch this column for a discussion of the symptoms of polio next week.


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## Bolivar to Receive Portrait of Simon Bolivar

Due to the efforts of Editor Glenn McCoy of the Bolivar Breeze, the village of Bolivar will receive a portrait and possibly later a statue of Simon Bolivar, the South American liberator, to be presented by Dr. Gonzolo Carnevali, Venezuelan ambassador to the United States, at ceremonies to be held in that town on Saturday, July 24.

It came about because Editor McCoy registered a protest with the Simon Bolivar Memorial Foundation in Washington, when it became known that Bolivar, Mo., was to receive a statue at an international celebration to be held there July 5, honoring the oldest town named after Bolivar.

Bolivar, N. Y., according to Mr. McCoy's findings, was formed in 1825 and was named for Simon Bolivar while he was still alive. Bolivar, Mo., on the other hand, is not as old as Bolivar, N. Y., and was named after Bolivar, Tenn., from which town the settlers in Missouri had come.

The Legion Post in Bolivar, N. Y., will arrange a suitable patriotic observance, and invitations will be issued to Governor Thomas E. Dewey, and U. S. Senator Irving M. Ives to be present for the occasion.

In a letter received by Mr. McCoy from the foundation, it was pointed out that the presentation of the portrait will have added significance as it will take place on the 165th anniversary of the birth of Simon Bolivar. It was indicated that arrangements may be concluded to follow up the portrait with a seven-foot statue of the South American patriot to be ready some time next year.

"We have no quarrel with Bolivar, Mo., officials over their July 5 celebration," says the Breeze, "We do take issue with them when they accept the statue on behalf of the people of the United States on the basis of being the oldest village in the United States named Bolivar and being named after the liberator."

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