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Andover Firm Completes Biggest Real Estate Deal In Wellsville Business District History

The business firm of Ford and Peckham, Main St., Andover, N. Y., announced this week the closing of a business transaction involving around a quarter of a Million Dollar real estate deal which is perhaps the largest in the history of the Wellsville Business District.

Herald Ford, speaking for himself and his partner, Hollis C. Peckham, announced the purchase of the Ebenezer Building and parking lot behind it; and two pieces of property fronting on West Fasset St., owned by Embser Bros., and Edward McLaughlin Jr.

All of the buildings on the properties purchased except the Ebenezer Building will be removed beginning in February, 1967.

Morgan Rosser, owner of Rosser's Laundry, one of the buildings to be razed, said he would seek another location for his laundry and dry cleaning business sometime during the ensuing year.

According to Mr. Ford, the building site of approximately an acre will be utilized to construct a supermarket food store that will occupy a space of nearly 10,000 sq. feet plus a coin laundry of an additional 1,700 sq. feet.

The supermarket will be leased to one of several interested companies now operating in this area with parking space for around 80 autos in the immediate vicinity, including the 29-meter village parking lot at the corner of West Fasset Street and Park Avenue.

Herald said that the enterprise was being financed jointly by Ford and Peckham, the Citizens National Bank and the First Trust Co., and in an interview with us stated that this transaction concluded six years of seeking the ideal location to set up a supermarket in Wellsville with ample parking and the potential for development of a shopping mall.

The Ebenezer Building will not be changed as to use or occupancy, according to Mr. Ford. Hamilton's Shoe Store, Stevens Clothing Store, and Silver's Clothing Store are located on the ground floor of the building while several Law Firms and other business offices are located on the second floor.

Mrs. Vincent Conners

Mrs. Marie Walsh Conners, died unexpectedly at her home at 10 Ferris Ave., Utica, Friday February 4, 1966.

She was born in Andover the daughter of the late Ellen and Owen Walsh. She was a 1913 graduate from Andover High School and a graduate of Fredonia Normal. She taught in Utica until her marriage to Vincent Conners who survives. Also surviving is a daughter, Mrs. David Russell (Anna), 29 Berkshire Rd., Hamburg; a sister, Mrs. Nellie Dagon of Hornell and a niece, Mrs. Claude Shellman of 54 Dyke St.

Mrs. Conners was an active member in Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Utica where Requiem High Mass was celebrated Wednesday morning, February 9th.

Inducted Into Armed Forces

The following registrants from Local Board No. 71, Belmont, New York have been inducted into the Army and forwarded to the US Army Reception Center in Fort Dix, New Jersey on February 3 1966:

Harold L. Burdick
James T. Wingert
Thomas M. Honuth
Norman E. Fleming
George K. McKerrrow
Donald F. Swartz, registrant of Local Board No. 35, West Virginia. Twenty-eight registrants were forwarded for Armed Forces Physical Examination at the same time.

The average family with a car spends about \$900 a year for car expenses.

Local C of C Hold Monthly Meeting

During the January meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Mr. Kessler stated that Dr. Scott is planning on retiring June 1966. We need a Doctor in the community, so a plan of action was taken. A committee composed of Wendell Vass, Walter Gath, Mr. Kessler and Landis Kibbe were appointed to write an advertisement for the New York Medical Journal, hoping to interest a Doctor in our community.

All of the members were asked to be aware of the need and if they hear of an available Doctor, contact Mr. Kessler or Dr. Scott.

A discussion was held concerning the possibility of building a clinic and office for a prospective Doctor. Other communities have had to do this to interest a young Doctor. A study will be made of this procedure.

Frank Walkley Reports News From Albany

The New York State budget for this year is a much larger one. Four billion dollars in spending has been proposed by the Governor. It is interesting to see how this would be spent and from where and whom the taxes would be collected.

Four major types of expenditures are budgeted in the State's financial plan: (1) grants-in-aid to cities, counties, towns, villages and school districts for their use in meeting local responsibilities; (2) expenditures for direct State programs, including the cost of operating the State's colleges, hospitals and institutions; (3) expenditures for capital projects such as highways, hospitals, and land purchases; (4) debt service on tax-financed State bonds.

Aid to local government is the most important element in the State budget, accounting for an estimated \$2,316 million in 1966-67, or 58% of total estimated expenditures. Direct State operations will require \$1,203 million, capital construction will account for \$424 million, and tax-supported long-term debt service will require \$44 million.

New York State ranks third from the top among the fifty states in aid payment per capita to local government and schools. We rank sixth from the bottom in Direct State Expenditures per capita. From this, we can see that New York practices more home control of the spending of tax money than most of the other states.

Money and state expenditures comes from the following: User and fees — 38% Miscellaneous receipts — 2% Taxes on other activities — 7% Business taxes — 16% Personal income taxes — 37%. Again we find that anticipated revenues will not quite meet expenditures. Two million dollars of authorized bonds will be spent for Highway and Mental Health construction next year, if the Legislature approves the budget as proposed. Efforts are being made in the Ways and Means committee of the Assembly (and I am sure the same is true of the Senate Finance Comm.) to reduce the proposed spending by eliminating items that are unnecessary or that can be postponed.

The storm of January 30th to February 1st prevented many Legislators from reaching Albany (including myself), so that little work was accomplished. We will have to work harder and longer in the next few weeks to make up for lost time.

Commercial Printing at the News Printing House

Boy Scout Rally To Be Held Feb. 26

The Boy Scout Troops of the Genesee District (serving boys of Allegany and Potter Counties) will participate in a District Mak-A-Hiki (Boy Scout Competitive Rally) on Saturday, February 26, 1966 at 7 p. m. at the Wellsville High School Girl's Gym.

District Camping and Activities Chairman, James Diefenderfer of Wellsville, N. Y., outlined the evening events, "as good old fashioned Boy Scout rally where each troop competed against one another." The events are to include map and compass, fire by flint and steel, knot tying, code by wigwag or semaphore, tug of war, pioneer ladder, judging dimensions, scout trail signs, judging weights, identification of camp articles and a mystery event to be announced.

Mr. Diefenderfer's committee includes: Chet Wilson and Robert Macauley of Wellsville and Raymond Bowman of Fillmore.

Parents and friends are invited to attend. Cub Scout units are particularly encouraged to attend to get a "look see" at the Boy Scout Program in action. Admission will be free.

First, second and third place awards will be presented to the troops with the highest over all scores. The committee will judge all events using the new Scout Handbook as the standard. It is expected that Scout troops from Andover, Wellsville, Cuba, Friendship, Fillmore, William, Rushford, Houghton, Belfast Whitesville and Genesee Pa. will participate.

The Mak-A-Hiki was originally scheduled for February 12th but had to be changed to February 26 due to a conflict.

'66 News Almanac Now Available

Dr. Wolfgang K. Blitzenregen, who amazes readers of The Buffalo Evening News Almanac and Fact Book with his year-in-advance weather predictions, did not prophesy the recent snowstorm which buried Western New York. However, both in October, 1964, and again in October, 1965, he cited conditions which triggered it. He foresaw "warm, moist Gulf (of Mexico) air" over Western New York, even mentioning the unusually warm second week in January.

Dr. Blitzenregen's weather predictions for 1966 are a feature of the 1966 News Almanac. Looking back over his 1965 prophecy, even the Buffalo Weather Station admitted he came remarkably close to actual conditions.

As it has since 1933, The News Almanac and Fact Book for 1966 contains names of officials of incorporated villages, towns, cities and counties of eight Western New York counties, names of state and federal officials serving this area, as well as key officials in Albany and Washington. The flavor of old-time almanacs is maintained by many special articles and some fine cookie recipes.

The 1966 News Almanac has just been published and is on sale throughout Western New York.

Independence Sewing Circle To Meet Feb. 23

The Independence Community Sewing Circle will meet Wednesday, February 23, for an all-day sewing at the home of Mylin Le-fever. Bring your own lunch.

Masonic Notice

The Stated Communication of Andover Lodge No. 558 F. & A. M. will be held Monday evening, February 21 at 8 o'clock. The First Degree will be conferred on a class of candidates. Refreshments. All Master Masons Welcome.

News That's Print To Fit

Due to circumstances beyond our control — namely that V. A. makes appointments for check-ups at their clinics according to their schedule, not at the convenience of the writer of this column, most of the things scheduled for this column will have to wait until next week.

However, there is at least one thing that can't wait — and that's the fact that the Republican Caucus will be held this coming Saturday night at the School. And after attending last night's Village Board Meeting it would appear that it would be to the Taxpayers interests to take an active interest in the Village affairs and who they selected as candidates for these elected positions.

When it comes to the point where no one seems to know how the taxpayers money is being spent by Village Employees, what hours they are working (after spending money to buy a time card recording deal), or whether they are actually performing some of the specific duties outlined for them to do, whether Village equipment is being properly used and maintained, or whether outside work that is contracted for is being supervised enough to know how much actual time is involved — seems like someone should take some kind of interest!

We realize that anyone prime interest should be in their business that earns them their regular living — but when secondary interests are placed above their elected job as Trustee — or when public service and honorary titles are placed ahead of specific job assignments — WOW!

Local March Of Dimes Nets \$591

Mrs. Kenneth Alvord, chairman of the Local March of Dimes reports that \$591.00 was collected for 1966, an increase of last year's record.

Mrs. Alvord wishes to thank the workers, those participating in the Andover Central School program and to all those contributing.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Perkins (Janet Livergood) are the parents of a son, born Thursday, February 10, 1966 at the Bethesda Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Perkins, Elm Valley, are the paternal grandparents.

Airman First Class and Mrs. Herbert B. Skipp are the parents of a son, Tracy John, born Thursday, February 10, 1966 at Otis Air Force Base, Mass. Mrs. Skipp is the former Nanette Fisher daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Dyger of Syracuse and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles, East Greenwood Street.

PTA News

The regular meeting of Andover PTA will be held tonight, (Thursday), February 17th at 8 p. m. in the School Auditorium. It is "Founder's Day Recognition". A student panel discussion will be held.

Refreshments will be served in the Cafeteria following the meeting.

News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

Robert Conde, son of Mrs. Murlyn Conde, was discharged from the U. S. Armed Forces December 24, 1965. He joined his wife and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Skinner at Sao Paulo, Brazil where he remained for six weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Conde arrived in Buffalo by plane and are visiting his mother.

When Marines were embarked aboard naval ships in 1775 their primary role was not to function as a landing force, but to protect the officers from the crew.



HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Harold Joyce, First St., was admitted to the St. James Mercy Hospital last Wednesday for medical treatment and observation.

Mrs. Gussie O'Dell, a patient in the Bethesda Hospital, has returned to her home.

Francis E. Cable returned home Wednesday from the St. James Mercy Hospital where he was a surgical patient during the past week.

James Smith, 12 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, was a medical patient at the Jones Memorial Hospital from Tuesday until Thursday.

Gary Slade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Slade, R.D. 1, is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Roger Baker, a medical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, has been discharged.

Mrs. Donald Spencer spent from Tuesday until Thursday as a surgical patient at the St. James Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. Catherine Lynch was admitted to the Jones Memorial Hospital Friday as a medical patient.

Mrs. Charles Nevol, Jr., underwent surgery this Thursday at the Jones Memorial Hospital.

648 Bears Killed In 1965 Big Game Season

New York hunters killed a record 648 black bears during last fall's big game season the State Conservation Department has reported.

This tops the previous high of 622 set in 1960 and confirms pre-season predictions for a banner year.

Northern New York continues as the State's best bear hunting region with a record 545 bruins taken during the 44 day season. The previous Adirondack high of 495 was set in 1960.

No records were broken in other sections of the State, but the take was generally above or near the 10 year average. Catskill hunters downed 89 bear compared with the 1956 record of 129 and the 10 year average of 77. In Western New York where bear hunting is limited to Allegany, Cattaraugus and Chautauque Counties, the 14 bears reported killed is below the 10 year average of 19 and the 1957 record of 32.

Four archers reported taking bear in the Adirondacks and gunners turned in five ear tagged bruins. Under the Department's game research program, a \$25 reward is paid to hunters who turn in the skull, ear tags and information on location of kill of tagged bears.

The record Adirondack kill was the result of favorable mild weather and an abundant mast crop, the Department said. With bears concentrating on the beech ridges during the early season, they were ready targets for big game hunters.

1965 season indicate that 65 percent of the Adirondack bears were taken during the first 10 days of the big game season.

Individual county records were shattered in Allegany, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Sullivan and Warren Counties. An all time high of 151 bears were killed in top ranking Hamilton County.

Home Demonstration

The regular meeting of the Andover Unit will be held at the Grange Hall Wednesday, February 23rd at 1:00 p. m.

Mrs. Kenneth Alvord will present the lesson on Pre-Adolescents Striving For Independence. A work meeting will follow.