



Ex-GI's Meet After 21 Years

Three Ex-GI's from the same squadron, met at the Harold Sisson home over the Labor Day week-end for a reunion after not having seen each other since they returned to the States from World War II in 1945.

The three buddies, Harold Sisson from Andover, N. Y.; Robert Dodge from Buchanan, Michigan and Carl Corrao, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, met at Peterson Field Air Force Base in Colorado Springs Colorado in 1943 where the 30th Photo Reconnaissance Squadron was formed. The three GI's were assigned to the Commo Section — Harold as a Teletype Mechanic; Bob as a telephone line repairman; and Carl as Radio Maintenance Mechanic.

After a short indoctrination period, the Squadron was transferred to the Will Rogers A.F.B., for preparation for overseas duty. The Squadron was shipped to England in Jan. 1944, and performed photo-reconnaissance missions using un-armed P-38's for their work.

After the Normandy Invasion, the unit then advanced to LeMolay, France in support of the 1st Army as a unit of the 9th Air Force and advanced thru France into Belgium as the Ground Forces moved towards Germany.

During the "Battle of the Bulge" in Dec., their unit was stationed near Charleroi, Belgium, and they were on a 24-hour alert — ready to withdraw in case the German Offensive was successful in their attempt at a break-through.

From Belgium, their "Recon" outfit then advanced thru Aschen crossed the Remagen River over a ponton bridge constructed by the U.S. Combat Engineers, and were at Eschwege, Germany when the German Forces surrendered.

After the war in Europe was finished, the 30th Recon outfit was sent to Marseilles staging area in Southern France where they were processed for further duty in the C.B.I.

However, Janan surrendered before their processing was completed, so the outfit as a whole, was sent back to the States. They landed in Norfolk, Va., and were disbanded there with the Personnel being mustered out and sent home.

When the three Buddies parted, they agreed to get-together and have a reunion at a later date — little dreaming that over 20 years would elapse before their plans actually materialized.

Carl and Robert finally arranged to have their vacations at the same time and thus came to

Andover Grange Elects New Officers

Andover Grange held its regular meeting Wednesday, Sept. 14th. At this meeting the following officers were elected to fill the chairs for the next year:

Daniel Perkins, Master
Charles Lynch, Overseer
Wisner Cook, Lecturer
Stephen Clarke, Steward
Samuel Clarke, Ass't. Steward
Lelia Livermore, Chaplain
Earl Atwell, Treasurer
Annette Taylor, Secretary
Calvin Densmore, Gatekeeper
Margaret Atwell, Ceres
Emma Baker, Pomona
Orpha Yaeger, Flora
Iva Sisson, Lady Ass't.
Stephen Clarke, Ex. Com.
Robert Lynch, Flag Bearer
These newly elected officers will be installed at Almond Grange, Saturday night, September 17th.

Home Demonstration

The regular meeting of the Andover Unit will be held Thursday, September 22nd at 10:30 a. m. at the Grange Hall.

Sack lunch at Noon.
For the Workshop following the business meeting, bring a net dish clothe, rug yarn of your own choice, large eyed art needle and scissors.

Please note the change in the date for this meeting.

Andover Rod & Gun Club To Meet Friday Sept. 16th

The Andover Rod & Gun Club will hold their regular monthly meeting Friday, September 16th at 8:00 p. m. at the Club House.

Masonic Notice

The first meeting of the Fall season of Andover Lodge F. & A. M., No. 558 will be held Monday evening, Sept. 19th at 8 o'clock. All members are asked to come out and help this to be a very successful season. All Master Masons welcome. Refreshments.

Andover with their wives as guests at the Sisson Home for four days with the boys spending much of this time reminiscing and poring over old photos and stories about their World War II outfit.

Legion Auxiliary Install New Officers

At the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397, American Legion Auxiliary meeting held Wednesday, September 14th, the following officers were installed by County Chairman Mrs. Mae Treusdell and County Secretary Mrs. Arlouine McCarthy: Gladys Fox, President; Camilla Harris, First Vice-President; Reta Myers, Second Vice-President;

Sara Schrader, Secretary
Charlotte Perry, Treasurer
Louella Lewis, Chaplain
Janet Williams, Historian
Cecile Ruger, Sgt.-at-Arms
Preceding the installation a ham dinner was enjoyed at the Andover Restaurant.

PROCLAMATION

The underlying purpose of "Citizenship Day" and "Constitution Week" is to strengthen a Nation dedicated to liberty and justice.

WHEREAS impressive civic ceremonies were carried out in several large cities as early as 1915 and

WHEREAS during the period of celebration of the Sesquicentennial of the Formation of the Constitution (1937 - 1939) many groups paid particular attention to the subject of citizenship and

WHEREAS in 1939 the Immigration and Naturalization Service supported a movement to establish a specific day for national recognition of United States citizenship and

WHEREAS in 1952 the United States Department of Justice supported the proposal to establish "Citizenship Day" and

WHEREAS in two Joint Resolutions the Congress authorized the President to issue annually proclamations calling for the observance of "Citizenship Day" and Citizenship Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Paul E. Kilbane, Mayor of the Village of Andover do hereby call upon the people of our community to display the flag of the United States on Citizenship Day, September 17, 1966 to show the significance of United States citizenship and the reciprocal rights and duties flowing from the Constitution.

Legion Notice

The regular meeting of the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397 will be held this Tuesday, September 20th at 8 p. m.

A report on the 1966 session of Boys State will be given at this time by David Peckham. 1967 Legion Dues are here now

News That's Print To Fit

Along and in keeping with our Editorial this week, when was the last time that the Village cross-walks and other Street Markings were painted?

Was it last year — or the year before that?

It would almost seem that with a three or four man crew working all summer on the same streets that a couple of men used to take care of — somehow or other this could be taken care of — doesn't it?

Here we go again! Instead of getting a News Release about the Board Meetings that have taken place this past summer — we are honored by a "Letter to the Editor" from the Mayor setting forth the accomplishments of our paid Village Employees.

Of course, we couldn't help but notice that the "News Release" had been given to other Area Newspapers last week about hiring a new Police Officer — after we had gone to press — despite the apparent observation that the decision had been made around the preceding Saturday at what we assume was a special Board Meeting — and asked about in last week's paper.

In fact, while speaking about Special Board Meetings, we couldn't help but notice in "Ye Olde Letter to the Editor", the reference made about our not having attended a Board Meeting since the one in June!

It seems while refreshing other people's memories, the Mayor has forgotten — or overlooked — his promise to us that we would be notified whenever a Special Board Meeting was to be held — so that we would be able to attend if it was within the realm of our possibilities.

As we recall, the regular Board Meeting in July was scheduled for the same night as the Annual School Meeting and, since we noticed the Mayor and several of the Village Trustees at the School Meeting, we naturally assumed that the Village Board Meeting had been adjourned until a later date. Then, since we were not notified, we didn't know that the Board Meeting had been held the following night, Wednesday, until several days afterwards.

Now, this leads us to a "moot" question: "How in the shades of Hades" can we attend a meeting that we don't know is being held. This leads us up to another good question from our standpoint of view: "Why should we expose our "tender ears" to the rote details of a regular meeting — if matters of importance are apparently settled at special meetings that are seemingly "too hot for our ears to handle"?"

Then, to delve into the "Letter" a little deeper, we fail to perceive any reference made as to what action — or progress — has been made in the re-writing of the Village Ordinances — which we understood at the June meeting was to have a high priority.

How can a Police Officer efficiently perform his duties if he doesn't have the proper tools to work with? Namely, a set of Village Ordinances to enforce — which can't be questioned in a court — as the present ones have been in the past?

We are very glad to see that a Village Police Officer has been hired — and we will certainly cooperate with him to the very best of our ability — as we have done in the past years with the former Police Chief!

We also noticed that the dump had been cleaned up — and still looks ship-shape and, as we recall we mentioned it in the column not too long ago — and asked the local residents to help keep it looking this way.

We also noticed that the pavement on East Center St., has been nicely repaired recently — as well as a lot of necessary tree trimming has been accomplished by the Elec-

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clair Honored On 40th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clair were pleasantly surprised at a 40th Wedding Anniversary celebration on Sunday, September 11th. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ryan of Wellsville were host and hostess to a dinner party for them at Long Vue.

The table was beautifully decorated with a ruby red color scheme and centered with a center piece of red gladioli and white mums.

A corsage of red roses was presented to Mrs. Clair and a flower to Mr. Clair.

The honored guests were the recipients of many lovely gifts.

Those attending were their nieces and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Auckland and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Preston of Arkport, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yorton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ruger, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clair and Miss Grace Fisher, all of Andover; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ryan of Wellsville.

On Thursday evening, September 8th, preceding the Prayer Service at the Baptist Church, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clair were honored by the members of the Baptist Church. Cake and punch were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair were united in marriage September 8, 1926.

Library News

Approximately forty people from the Area Libraries attended the Southern Tier Library System's Monthly Meeting held in the Andover Library Wednesday, September 7th.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Bessie Mulconery, a medical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, returned to her home Sunday.

Joan Wightman was admitted to the St. James Mercy Hospital during the week-end.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore George (Joan McAndrews) of Albion, N. Y., are the parents of a daughter, born Sunday, September 11, 1966. Mr. and Mrs. Leo McAndrews are the maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Evans (Sharon Northrup) R.D. 1, are the parents of a daughter born Saturday, Sept. 10, 1966 at the Bethesda Hospital.

Andover Fire Dept And School Bus Drivers Take Red Cross First Aid Course

A Red Cross First Aid Class for Andover Fire Department and Andover Central School Bus Drivers will begin Friday, September 16, 1966 at 8 o'clock at the Fire Hall.

There will be a two-hour session with four more classes to follow. New York State First Aid Instructor Jim Haugh will teach the complete course.

Merle Fox, Chief

News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

James Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Fox, left Tuesday for Fort Dix, New Jersey for his basic training.

Chamber of Commerce To Meet Wednesday Sept. 21

The first Fall Dinner-Meeting of Andover Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, September 21st at 6:30 p. m., at the Grange Hall.

tric Department.

It has also been called to our attention that a lot of grading has been done by property owners on Elm Street after the installation of the new curbing. However, we also see that several property owners haven't done anything along this line — and wonder if they have a good reason for not doing so. Any answers?