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The special joy of Christmas blesses the world once more, bringing its message of hope and love to all men. May we wish you much happiness!

Mrs. Zadie Kaufman

Mrs. Zadie Kaufman, a life-time resident of Andover, died at Angelica Wednesday evening, December 21, 1966 after a long illness.

Born in Andover February 7, 1878, she was the daughter of Isaac Smith and Marietta Hartum. She was married to Albert Kaufman who died in 1955.

Surviving are one niece, Grace Herrick, Andover; and a nephew, Charles Smith of Olean.

Mrs. Kaufman was a member of the Andover Methodist Church and WSCS.

Funeral and committal services will be held Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at the James B. Mulholland Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Hillside Cemetery, Andover.

Friends may call at the James B. Mulholland Funeral Home Friday from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

Over 50% of the Christmas Trees used in the United States are Scotch Pine.

News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

Pvt. Norman Alvord arrived home Sunday from Fort Hood, Texas to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Alvord.

Pvt. E-1 James Fox, stationed at Aberdeen, Md., is spending a 16-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Fox. "Jim" is working with the experimental branch of ordnance at Aberdeen and tells us that it is very interesting.

Scout News

Monday evening the Girl Scouts went Christmas Caroling.

Tuesday after school they held their Christmas Party. Instead of the regular exchange of gifts, the girls brought gifts for those less fortunate than themselves.

We of Troop 197 like to wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

News That's Print To Fit

LOCAL SUPERVISOR THREATENS "NEWS" EDITOR!

Talk about short fuses — flying off the handle — etc. WOW! The Andover News had hardly hit the Street last week when the Local Supervisor crossed over from the East side of Main St., and accosted that there Editor Feller, who was accompanied by two other people right in front of the Drug Store, Friday morning.

And speak about "flying off the handle" — he dang near broke it!

Needless to say, his loudly expressed words while coming across the Street didn't do anything except attract attention to his own rather disorderly manner. As he approached us we heard him saying: "young man you are going to change this" and he was waving a copy of the Andover News and pointing to the "Letter to the Editor". Then when he got close he

started poking his finger into our chest — called us a S.O.B. and told us we couldn't get away with it.

Not too calmly, and not too quietly, we informed him to keep his cotton pickin' hands off our person and to quit using that kind of language or suffer the consequences! Then we asked him just what was wrong with the "Letter to the Editor" as he apparently didn't recognize it as such. He said that he didn't appoint Ray Shear to that job — to which we answered: "You voted for it didn't you?"

Now, according to our understanding after checking with the law, anyone using profane and threatening language in public may be charged with disorderly conduct. Also, Anyone who comes in personal contact while threatening a News Reporter — or damages his equipment, may be charged with assault, 3rd degree. Thus, no matter how angry any one is — they apparently should refrain from this type of exhibit-

ion in public. Linnano, we were then taken to task for claiming our Veterans Exemption on our real estate property. How about that? This is a perfectly legitimate and allowable exemption under the law! Because World War I and II Veterans gave up their lives — or part of them — to fight for our country on a pay scale starting at \$50 a month, a grateful country gave us a few Veterans Benefits. (Needless to say, men working in private industry during the war commanded a much greater salary than this; weren't being shot at more than likely had what they wanted to eat; a nice place to sleep; and amused themselves as they wished — and when they wanted to!)

Thus, if a Veteran claims the exemption that he is entitled to by law, what is wrong with that? Furthermore, as in our case if anyone cares to check the records further — as evidently someone has discussed this — we did NOT claim our Veterans Exemption at first! It was only after the Board of Assessors jumped our assessed valuation on our property — to what we felt was out of line with comparable property — that we did claim our LEGAL exemption! According to the Law of our land!

It makes us wonder how many people are censuring Veterans for this — when they themselves may be drawing Federal and State Benefits such as Social Security, Unemployment Insurance, Disability or even have "Medicaid" or "Medicare".

Evidently, after a War is over with, people that didn't serve in the Armed Forces either have a short memory — or else are so self-centered and selfish that they don't care what happened or is happening to the Veterans that fought to keep this great country of ours as free as it is!

Now to get to a more pleasant subject — Main St. sure looks beautiful this year with all its Christmas Decorations, Trees, and lights doesn't it? And from what we saw driving around town last night, many of the residents have their homes as prettily decorated — if not better — than Main St.

We personally feel that the Village as a whole looks as nice — or nicer — than it ever has before and we feel that everyone that has taken part in the Christmas Decorations certainly should be commended.

And we are doing it right here — and now!

It is regrettable that a few misguided — or ignorant oafs — have made a few efforts to despoil this Christmas Fairy and we hope that this doesn't dampen the Christmas Spirit of the victims of these Un-Christmas Like, and Un-Christian Like acts.

A few cases of this malicious mischief and petty larceny have been reported to our Local Police Force and investigated. In one case the culprits were caught up with — and are making restitution for the damage done. The others are still under attention with the identity of some of them pretty well pin-pointed.

It sure is too bad that a handful of youths have to have such a perverted sense of humor — or malicious thoughts and ideas when they stoop so low as to destroy Christmas Decorations that are put up to portray the "Christmas Spirit".

What can their parents be thinking of to let them roam around at all hours of the night? Evidently, these youths haven't been taught — or else haven't learned — to keep their cotton-pickin' hands off other peoples' property! And for what? To show off? If this should be the case — they are dead wrong as we know that the decent, law-abiding young people don't admire, or uphold, these kinds of actions!

How about putting a complete stop to this before it is too late?

How It Works — Eddie —

"Early to bed and early to rise". Freddie — "Yes, I know the rest; You get your own breakfast."