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ANDOVER CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTS FACTS TO TAXPAYERS. The A.C.S. Board left to right: Conner Stephens, Clerk; Robert Tomm, Mary K. Slade, President; Francis Horan, and Lawrence Godown, present an estimated budget for next year so that Taxpayers can see what is going to happen if the current State-Aid Structure isn't changed. News Photo

Over 200 Taxpayers Attend Public School Meeting!

Over 200 Taxpayers of the Andover Central School District, attended a well-conducted and orderly Public School Meeting held Tuesday evening starting at 8:00 p. m., at the A.C.S. Auditorium.

Board President Mary K. Slade, opened the meeting and called on Francis Horan, who explained to the assembled Taxpayers what effect the cut in State-Aid, passed by the last legislature under Chapter 183, would have on future Tax Assessments in our local area. The Current and Projected figures and Tax Costs were vividly portrayed by different colored graphs shown on a large screen by the use of an overhead projector operated by James Kesser, Supervising Principal.

According to Mr. Horan, school board member, the cut in State-Aid under Item A 3110, State Aid-Basic Formula, would amount to a loss of nearly \$50,000 over last year's assistance received. This, added to an estimated \$40,000 increase for next year's budget would mean that local Taxpayers would have a staggering 71% raise in Local School Taxes — for just next year ALONE. The colored graph also showed estimated budgets for several more years in advance which would cause School Taxes to more than double the current rate.

Conner Stephens, Board Member, then went over the Estimated Budget for 1970-71, with Mr. Kesser passing out copies to the audience so that they could follow each item under discussion individually.

Several questions were raised by the audience on many of the items which were then explained by Board Members or School Authorities, discussed and accepted.

An estimated savings of \$1,000 was thought to be possible in overhead expenses as far as gas and electricity was concerned if the use of the School was curtailed for such programs and projects as Girls Scouts, Brownies, Boy Scouts, Minstrel Show, Basketball and Public Swimming.

Ralph A. Allen, Editor of the Andover News, stated that he felt the School, in a relatively small community like this, should be the center of Community Activities

and that since all of these programs were for the benefit of the adults and students, it would be ill-advised to make any cut on this item.

It was obviously the overwhelming consensus of opinion of the Taxpayers present that these community projects should not be curtailed, with many other individuals expressing their own beliefs on the subject. In fact several in the audience questioned that the savings would amount anywhere near the \$1,000 figure.

After the Estimated Budget had been presented and discussed it was explained by School Board Members that this Budget was very conservative and didn't cover possible raises in Utility Rates etc. Mayor James Mulholland stated that there was no anticipated raise in Electric rates but other members present felt that there is a possibility of a hike in the gas rates.

Board President, Mrs. Slade then offered a promising solution to the situation, since Board Members feel that the cuts made in the past legislature could be restored in the coming session — if the Taxpayers will only write PERSONAL LETTERS to their Congressmen asking for the restoration of funds for the "sparsity factor" as well as for "school bus aid". The Editor of the Andover News stated that he supported this belief since authoritative sources in Albany are reported as being very well aware that a "tax result" is very near as shown by the fact that nearly 200 School Budgets were voted down in New York State this past year. Also, it was pointed out that just last week the State Board of Regents had requested that these cuts be restored in addition to State Aid up to around \$900 per pupil.

The Board President then thanked everyone for attending and participating in the meeting and announced that another meeting will be held during the winter months.

All Taxpayers are urged to write to their legislators as well as to Governor Rockefeller asking to have these cuts restored and will certainly impose a terrific burden on local Taxpayers in this

and other rural areas.

Letters should be mailed to:
Senator Jess Present
57th Senate District,
Senate Chamber,
The Capitol,
Albany, N. Y. 12224
Assemblyman Frank White
148th Assembly District,
Assembly Chamber,
The Capitol,
Albany, N. Y. 12224

Estelle Corigan

Miss Estelle Corigan died Wednesday, November 19, 1969 at the Jones Memorial Hospital after a week's illness.

Born December 29, 1888 in Wellsville, she was the daughter of the late Patrick and Mary Long Corigan. She taught school in Cleveland, Ohio for many years and resided at 178 E. State St., Wellsville after retirement.

She was a member of the Golden Age Club of Wellsville; the Woman's Relief Corp. No. 155, of Andover; Thelma Rogers Historical Society of Wellsville; the Altar and Rosary Society of Immaculate Conception Church, and Immaculate Conception Church of Wellsville.

She is survived by one sister, Evelyn Kalkhof of Erie, Pa., a niece, Mrs. Kenneth Alvord of Andover, also several other nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Friends may call 7 - 9 tonight and 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 Friday at the Embser Funeral Home, Wellsville. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 11:30 a. m., at the Immaculate Conception Church. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Wellsville.

OES Notice

The regular meeting of Anna W. McArthur Chapter No. 242 Order of Eastern Star, will be held Monday evening, November 24th at 8 P. M. in the Masonic Temple.

There will be a Memorial Service at this time and all Officers are asked to wear formals.

Committee for the evening is Maude Allen, Glenda Middaugh and Grace Eshenbaugh

News That's Print To Fit

Well folks, how do you like this batch of winter weather with snow falling — as well as the mercury? Yep, we know that all of you Deer Hunters will really be tickled — that is if you haven't nailed that "Buck" yet.

However, if you are suffering from the "miserics" like we are — the cold weather and snow is just another irritant to that hacking cough and hard cold! Yep, after being "shot" with over a million pairs of Penicillin, we find that this "sore throat bug" is really a stubborn one — so, now its off on a new track with a bunch of big capsules that say: "do not drink anything but water two hours before — and 2 hours after taking a dose. How about that? You could almost call that a true "water-wagon Diet" couldn't you?

After having been so healthy for such a long time, a feller kind of forgets how sore a "strep" throat can get — and what rough shape a guy is in when he can't even swallow. Then, at the other end, to be so sore from the shots that you can't "rest in peace" — and after waiting a week for them to take effect — with no results! Your Deer license all bought and paid for — a new sight on your shotgun — tracking snow — and the Doc says: "go to bed for 3 to 4 days — and stay there"! Wow! where's that white padded wagon?

Meanwhile, back at the "School House" a good crowd gathered around to find out what could be done to prevent a huge increase in School Taxes.

Yes sir! That was a mighty nice turn out — wasn't it? When you can find over 200 people in a small Community that are willing to attend a meeting to keep themselves informed — as well as see what can be done — kinda looks as if there is still a little hope left for the race! (Human Race — that is).

Course there were some empty seats there, with room for more, but maybe if we need a next time well, maybe we can all try a little harder to help the "silent majority" remember to attend. Suppose?

Yep, despite the fact that we were both "sick a-bed on 2 chairs", and got chewed out by the "Doc" afterward — we still went and had a chance to "get our 2s in" and were glad to hear other people maybe even "get their 5c in"!

And, do you know what? For you people that were not able to be there — it was a very orderly and constructive meeting — no violent words — no riot — no name calling; just good questions and expressions of personal thoughts and beliefs.

For you people that were there did you stop and think about that angle? When we people here in Andover can meet and talk things over in an orderly fashion — why can't people elsewhere in this Country do the same thing?

Why should a few noisy "hippies", "yippies", "crumbs" or "bums" — be allowed to "flaunt our awws", incite riots, commit arson, destroy property, and interfere with the rights of others? Yeah! Even aid, abet, and give comfort to our enemies that are killing off our friends, relatives, and country-men? Not to mention waving the enemy flag, donating to their cause, making a mockery of our Courts —?

Maybe we "tired Americans" can start a trend back to the "good old days" when "loyalty", "patriotism", "law and order", "pride" etc., really meant something — suppose?

We'll let's see now! Under old business — those pictures that we took Halloween night turned out pretty good — and if you folks would like to see a "whale of a sale" — we could reproduce the ones we took in front of "Ken's" store.

We imagine that he thinks that the guys have just been ribbing



Mrs. Frank Leon was admitted to the Jones Memorial Hospital Tuesday as a medical patient.

Patricia Middaugh, a medical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, returned to her home Sunday.

Cari Monroe is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Pearl Coats, a medical patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital, returned to her home Thursday.

James G. Smith is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Susie Baker is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Joint Thanksgiving Service To Be Held In Andover

The Andover Presbyterian and Baptist Churches will hold a joint Thanksgiving Service in Andover on Wednesday, November 26th at 7:30 P. M., in the Presbyterian Church on Greenwood Street. Both Rev. Minarcik and Rev. Aldrich will take part in the service.

The theme of the service will be "Thanksgiving in an Age of Turmoil". All people are invited to participate in this Service of Worship of God on the eve of our day of National Thanksgiving.

News Briefs Of Local Servicemen

AA Frederick S. Middaugh, 111 Buffalo Airport Wednesday afternoon for Memphis, Tenn., after spending a fourteen day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Middaugh. His address is:

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Memphis, Tenn. 38115

Dewitt J. Bostwick

Dewitt J. Bostwick, 61 62 1/2 West Putney St. Corning died Monday, November 17, 1969 in the Corning Hospital following an extended illness.

Mr. Bostwick was a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church of Corning; a member of Northside Club and the Stamp Club, all of Corning.

He was associated with his father in the former Wing and Bostwick Department Store, also the Tog Shop in Corning. In later years he purchased the Coat's Store in Alfred from which he retired in 1961 and moved to Corning.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Marland Bostwick; two sons, Kenneth of Andover and Jack of Big Flats; a sister, Mrs. Gladys Novack of Rochester; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Carpenter Funeral Home in Corning at 11:00 a. m. Wednesday with Rev. Woodrow Whitmer officiating.

Burial was in Hope Cemetery, Corning.

Rod & Gun Club To Meet Friday, Nov. 21

The regular meeting and election of officers of Andover Rod and Gun Club will be held Friday evening, November 21, at the Club House. All members are urged to attend.

Lunch will be served following the meeting.

him — but actually, someone came up to the house quite late that night and wanted us to come down and take a picture — and we did just that.

Anyone want to see what it looks like?

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