



Mrs. Richard M. Baker and Marsha spent the week-end with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Byndas of Seneca Falls.

Dr. F. G. Crawford accompanied by Frank Holmes and Ralph Burgett visited the Crawford Brothers Store in Cameron Wednesday.

Mrs. Floye Lever spent last week visiting her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Palletta of Staten Island. She accompanied her grandson John Strouse who is stationed at Fort Tilden.

Mrs. John J. Fisher returned Monday from Edinboro, Pa., after spending some time at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Karl Fisher and family.

Mrs. Max Richardson entertained the Entre Nous Club at a 7:30 dessert at her home Thursday evening, December 4th. Honors were presented to Mrs. Alvin Hoover and Mrs. Leo Snyder.

Harold R. Hurne, son of Reverend Melton C. Hurne of Andover, is now attending Northrop Institute of Technology in Inglewood, California. He is studying airframe and powerplant maintenance at Northrop Tech and is preparing for a career as an aviation maintenance technician. Hurne was graduated from Madison High School in 1964.

Dr. Clarence E. Kemp, Jr., a former resident of Andover, was recently granted a copyright on his latest book "From Shingle house to Angmagalik" which is a story about Iceland.

The hanging up of the mistletoe and the burning of the Yule log are two of the most ancient customs which come from pagan ancestors.

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News Correspondents

Davis Hill

Mrs. John Billings, Reporter

Dec. 9 — Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Owen and son, Jeffrey of Syracuse, N. Y., were Saturday callers of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Billings.

Seaman Kenneth Easton is spending a 20-day leave with his wife, Mrs. Wanda Easton and son, Michael at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald White-sell of Davis Hill.

Christi Ann Winchell spent the week-end at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Billings.

Andover Police Report

Month of November 1969

1. — 2 Traffic Cases Pending.
2. — 10 Complaints answered.
3. — 3 minor accident's reported
4. — 4 Petty Larceny Cases investigated
5. — 1 Grand Larceny Case investigated and Pending

The latter two items are youthful offenders.

GARY M. BROWN, Chief

Ancient peoples believed that a bit of mistletoe hung over a doorway ward off evil.

The Christmas wreath represents the crown of thorns, and the berries the drops of blood.

Appreciation

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all of our friends, neighbors and relatives, the Air Preheater Corp. Employees, blood donors, Rev. Wolter and the WSCS for the many deeds and acts of kindness extended to us and our daughter, Allura Streb at the time of her serious illness in the Pittsburgh and Rochester Hospitals.

Mr. and Mrs. Gussie O'Dell and Family

Biologists predict that unrestricted fishing will deplete the haddock population within two years.

A 12-pound turkey will yield about 16 servings of cooked turkey meat with each serving three ounces in size.

Exposure to air and heat causes spices to lose their freshness and aroma so they should be kept in tight containers.

LIVING UNDER LAW

INNOCENT — UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

"That fellow's guilty if I ever saw a guilty man."

You probably have heard someone make this remark in a private conversation when referring to a person arrested on a criminal charge. This is, of course, the speaker's opinion, not particularly a proven fact. While the accused may actually be guilty as charged, this guilt must be proven in a court of law.

In America, the law presumes the accused innocent of the charges until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. In a criminal case, the so-called burden of proof rests with the prosecution. If

the accused enters a plea of innocent and the charges are not proved as required, the man is free. He cannot be retried on the same charge again.

But the "burden of proof" may not rest entirely on the prosecution.

The law presumes all people are sane. A person charged with murder may have to take over the burden of proving that he was insane at the time of the offense, and show that he didn't have the legal capacity to commit the crime.

Civil cases differ. This proof must be on the "preponderance of evidence," rather than "beyond a reasonable doubt." Generally "preponderance" is not as difficult a test as the one of reasonable doubt.

Note: The New York State Bar Association offers this column as a public service.

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