

News That's Print To Fit

Say folks, how did you like that touch of Spring we had today (Wednesday) when the thermometer climbed up to a warm 56 degrees? Yes for the sake of the "low-landers" it's a good thing that cold weather is promised for tonight with snow flurries as the water level is pretty high with the creeks running pretty full and rising.

Oh well, it seems good to get rid of that dirty old snow so now there is plenty of room for a batch of clean stuff.

Questions you may or may not have asked: "Have you ever seen so many dogs running around loose?" Have you ever seen the weatherman change his mind so often? Have you ever seen a woman change her mind? And here's the \$64,000 one — "Have you ever seen an Allegany County Legislator change his mind within 15 minutes (maybe half an hour) by voting yes on an important issue — and then turning around and voting NO when the same issue was brought up on the floor less than an hour later? And, in front of a good sized gallery at that?"

Well siree, would you believe that we saw just how that was done at the Allegany County Legislature meeting Monday afternoon in Belmont? And would you further believe that it was a Legislator from our own district that "hails" from that great big Town that has maybe 96 registered voters — or is it 96 residents? — Or something like that?

Yes sir. When the motion was made to table the "sanitary landfill" test-boring proposition until the Feb. meeting, he voted yes because several meetings in our own district were scheduled for later this week. And, since the vote was 7-6 and needed at least 8 votes for a majority — it was a dead issue.

But would you believe that around ten minutes later the "whip" made a motion to take a ten minute recess to hold a "Republican Caucus" — and when the Legislators returned, the same subject was brought up on the floor again? And, thus it passed — with our duly elected Legislator voting NO this time on another roll call vote?

We don't know what transpired at the caucus as the "Press" wasn't invited — but perhaps someone threatened to take his "erector set" away from him and then he wouldn't be able to play "building an Albany Mall" in Belmont — or they might have gone as far as to threaten to even take away his "linker-toys" (if he had any) — and then he would only be able to build "castles in the air".

Say now, would you believe that here we have been running along with a bunch of words — and never thought that perhaps we would be accused of "picking on" our own poor legislator from the "boonies" — even after he had taken our own interests to heart (for a few minutes, anyway)?

Don't what really could send "chills up your spine" is the form that that redistribution might take in many forms ranging from "tongue-lashings", to even financial "boon-doggings"! We might even have to face someone with a "check" like in our old "Army Days", say perhaps: "bed-check" or "tattle-check", "latrine-check" (called by a different name in another branch of the service), — or even have to fall out in raincoats and GI boots for another kind of "check". Suppose?

Are there any old GI's or "Mustangs" out there that will come to our rescue or support in case we get slapped with an "Article 15" and be forced to plead the "fifth" (or even drink it)?

After the "smoke rolled away from that battle" the Legislators did pass a "motion of intent" that was moved by a friend of mine to support "Ye Hubbard's Cupboard" — something that the Legislature

Richard A. Snyder

Richard A. Snyder, 66, of 5845 Everhart, Corpus Christi, Texas, former resident of Andover, died there Tuesday, January 21, 1975. He was born in Andover Nov. 11, 1908 a son of Henry and Eva Clair Snyder.

Mr. Snyder had resided in Corpus for the past six years. He was a retired plant superintendent at Atlantic Richfield. He was a past master of Belmont Lodge No. 474 F&AM; a member of the Alabama Sheriff's Association; and a life member of Wellsville Elks Lodge No. 1496.

Survivors include: his wife, Marceada; two daughters, Mrs. Shron Telephon of LePorte, Texas; and Mrs. Shelly Hall of Pleasanton, Texas; two grandchildren; one brother, Robert O. Snyder of Belmont; and one sister, Mrs. Enid Farwell of Belmont.

Funeral services were held at the Ross-Langham Mortuary Chapel in Corpus Christi, Friday at 10 a. m.

Masonic graveside services and burial was in Seaside Memorial Park, Corpus Christi.

Iroquois Tele. Corp Men Complete Courses

John N. Billings, Switchman for Iroquois Telephone Corporation, Alfred New York, has completed a course in central office equipment maintenance at the Continental Telephone System Training Center, Dulles International Airport, Washington, D. C.

The 10-day course is designed to familiarize the student with the basic working of a central office which is the equipment center that routes calls to and from the local telephone exchange.

The first week of the course concentrates on instruction in basic electricity and its relationship to modern telephony. This phase of training also covers safety, customer relations and first aid.

The second week concentrates on the fundamentals of the central office switching equipment system. The student is placed in an on-the-job atmosphere where he traces calls, performs routine maintenance tests and locates troubles on central office equipment.

Billings has been with the Continental System for 3 1/2 years.

David L. Mann, Switchman for the Iroquois Telephone Corporation, Alfred, New York, has completed a course in the fundamentals of electronics at the Continental Telephone Training Center near Dulles International Airport, in Washington, D. C.

The 15-day course emphasizes the application of electronic fundamentals to the telephone industry. The class curriculum gives the student sufficient knowledge to understand electronics behavior control and how to direct its uses proper care and use of various unit of test equipment and trouble shooting techniques.

Mann has been with the Continental System for four years.

meet the necessary County criteria as defined in the County Law by their "Legal Beagle". In fact this Legislator even dared to call me "Red" when given the floor to speak out in favor of helping out the Senior Citizens that take part in "Ye Hubbard's Cupboard".

Yes it was rather an enlightening afternoon as we heard some other "guts" that could really "scorch" you taxpayers like: who got paid \$18,000 for doing what? And, who didn't turn in any vouchers so the County could get reimbursed for their expenditures — etc., etc., and so on — and so forth! (Yes, we know that's what etc. means — repetition is just for the occasion).

Well, as the Mrs. Amis — we will leave it to you to decide right here!

Lions Club Service Project

A total of fifteen youngsters are proud snowmobilers today — since they have earned New York State Safety Certificates by completing the Young Snowmobile Safety Course which was taught by Lion Clint Bundy and Lion Charles Howland.

Youngsters between the ages of 10 and 16 may now operate snowmobiles alone in New York State. They earned their safety certificates by taking the Young Snowmobile Safety Course and passing the examination given at the end of the course.

Lions Bundy and Howland, volunteer instructors for the course which is sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Division of Marine and Recreational Vehicles under the direction of Andover Lions Club Members expressed satisfaction that so many youngsters successfully completed the course.

Local youngsters who were awarded safety certificates include:

William Austin
Lee Baker
John Gavin Jr.
Marlene Gavin
Raymond Gavin
Don Hall
Joe Hall
Karen Hall
Linda Howland
John Joyce
Debra Wallace
David Wallace
Billy Wallace
Brenda Vossburg
Susan York

Alliance Church Holds Annual Business Meeting

The corporation meeting of the Christian & Missionary Alliance Church of Andover was held on January 15. The meeting was presided over by the chairman, the Rev. Jeffrey A. Mackey. Reports of all aspects of the church's yearly work were heard and accepted.

The following officers were elected:

Secretary — Mrs. Syble Billings
Treasurer — Neil Brewster
Missionary Treasurer — Mrs. Bernice Marsh
Financial Secretary — Mrs. Judith Bailey
Sunday School Superintendent — Paul Bailey
Committee at Large — Orville Perkins, David Sootheran and Mrs. Nancy Brewster

Elected Elders are: Howard Lewis, Don Burns and Paul Bailey. — The three year trustee term was filled by Paul Bailey.

Deaconesses for the year include: Mrs. Nancy Brewster, Mrs. Edith Whitesell, Mrs. Florence Perkins, Mrs. Margaret Brewster and Mrs. Linda Sootheran.

The post of Assistant Superintendent was filled by Mrs. LaVonne Mackey; the Women's Missionary Prayer Fellowship President, Mrs. Linda Sootheran; and the Head Usher, David Sootheran.

In the pastor's annual report, increases in all areas were noted, including average attendance, tithing, and overall offerings. An increased budget was adopted.

Inquiry Class About The Catholic Faith

Rev. Joseph R. Weimer, pastor of Blessed Sacrament, is starting an Inquiry Class to be conducted for the next couple of months, on Monday evening at 7:30 in the Rectory. Any non-catholic or catholic interested in what the Church is teaching will be more than welcome, no obligations, just your time.

Golden Age Club News

The Golden Age Club will meet Monday, February 3, at noon for a tureen dinner. Dessert will be furnished by the Committee consisting of: Kathryn Welch, Annette

The Mayor's Column

Tuesday night, Trustee Mike Brace and myself attended the County Solid Waste Disposal System meeting in Wellsville. The presentation by the legislators and their consultants was excellent. More important, many questions directly related to the Village of Andover, were answered.

Specific descriptions of the system have appeared numerous times in various newspapers. I won't get into that. But I will mention the system as it affects Andover. First Andover would gain a local place for disposal of garbage by individuals in a green and green-type container possibly near the Town Barn. Second, disposal of large trash items would necessitate travel to Belvidere. Third, curb pick-up, private contractors would have to travel to the County land fill with their loads.

What about costs? Presently we have a contract with the Village of Wellsville which expires May of this year. We are paying \$2.50 per capita per year now. They are expecting the cost to rise so that by 1978, when their present landfill will be used up and additional acreage is needed, to about \$4.11 per person per year. We will be meeting with the Village of Wellsville next week to begin negotiations on a new contract for use of their landfill.

The County plan would cost the taxpayers of the Village from between \$2500 and \$1700 per year or from \$1.91 to \$4.11 of assessed valuation to \$1.26 to \$4.11 depending upon how startup costs are paid. In 1978 if we stay with Wellsville and Wellsville decides to go it alone it will cost the Village \$4300. or about \$4.11 per person.

One factor which could also be included but which hasn't been determined would be the increase in costs of curb side pickup by private contractors.

We hope to know more about Wellsville's future plan after our meeting next week.

Wednesday night I attended the Southern Tier's Mayors Association Meeting in Hornell for a report on the Erie-Lackawanna situation. The State DOT have done an excellent job on developing plans for rail service in New York State and I feel that under no circumstances will rail service be discontinued in the Southern Tier.

Andover Fire Dept To Hold Pancake Supper Feb. 2

The Andover Fire Department will hold a Pancake Supper on Sunday, February 2, 1975 at the Andover Central School Cafeteria starting at 4 p. m. until all are served. All you can eat!

Menus: Pancakes, Ham, Eggs, and Sausage; A real deal — in a meal! Please help and support the Firemen.

Andover Firemen are also asking all area shoppers to please save all their MB grocery receipts from the Andover Market Basket Store for the entire month of February.

Why? The Andover Market Basket will give the Andover Fire Department a percentage of all the receipts that they turn in to the store.

Please give your receipt sales slips to Andover Firemen — or put in collection boxes within area stores.

We need a new tanker and Fire Hall so PLEASE help us on this deal.

Thank you,
Andover Fire Department

Ruth and Agnes Taylor. At the last meeting, January 20, there were 24 present. Lawrence Perkins gave a humorous reading and Mrs. Myo recited a poem she had learned in school.

Fourth of July Fund Raising Plans Drawn Up

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Andover Fourth of July Celebration Committee Inc. was held last Tuesday evening, January 21, 1975 at the home of Mel Mickle on East Greenwood Street.

Several members of the Andover Community volunteered their services for the Celebration and were in attendance at the meeting including Mrs. Betty Lynch, Mrs. Ethel Mitchell and "Red" Allen in addition to many of the regular Committee Members.

Tentative plans were discussed to raise funds for the annual Celebration on the Fourth of July which is estimated to cost in the vicinity of \$2,500, half of which is planned to be expended for the cost of the fireworks and shooting them. The bulk of the balance is expended for trophies prizes and insurance.

Members decided to take part in the Annual Allegheny-Schenectady County Maple Syrup Festival sponsored by the Andover Lions Club and plan to sell hand-crafted items from a display booth.

It was announced that Phil Pitch, acting chairman, had single-handedly cleared the waste paper that had been stored in a local garage and loaded them on a borrowed truck for disposal at a waste paper outlet.

Members discussed the annual rummage sale and auction, deciding not to hold it in conjunction with the Maple Festival as it was felt it might detract from that event. However if Andover residents have items of value they want to donate to the committee that can be hand-carried to Mel Mickle at 478-2440 or Doris Anne Jackson at 478-4192 and arrangements will be made to pick them up. They will then be put on sale at the Committee Booth at the Maple Festival — or sold at the auction that will be held in warmer weather.

Plans were also made to hold a "Ham & Leek" dinner at the Andover Rod & Gun Club on Sunday, April 27th to carry on from where one of the "Brothers-of-the-Bush" Chapters left off last year. In fact, the services of the Chapter Members would be greatly appreciated so if you would like to volunteer — before you get duffed — leave your name with Mel.

Treasurer Mel Mickle read the outstanding bills and they were moved to be paid leaving a small working balance in the treasury.

"Red" Allen was appointed to contact "Ice" Specialty of the American Fireworks Company to see if they could put on nearly as nice a display as they did for the "Sesqui" and of course handling all the details including the delivery and shooting.



Mrs. Donald Kent, a surgical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, returned to her home Thursday.

Mrs. Francis Gavin, a surgical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital has returned home.

Mrs. Richard Fuller is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Wayne Ordway, a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, has been discharged.

Sermons From Science Movie Series To Continue

The Sermons From Science Movie Series will be continued on Sunday, February 2 in the Presbyterian Sunday School Room at 9:45 A. M.

Admission is free and all are welcome.