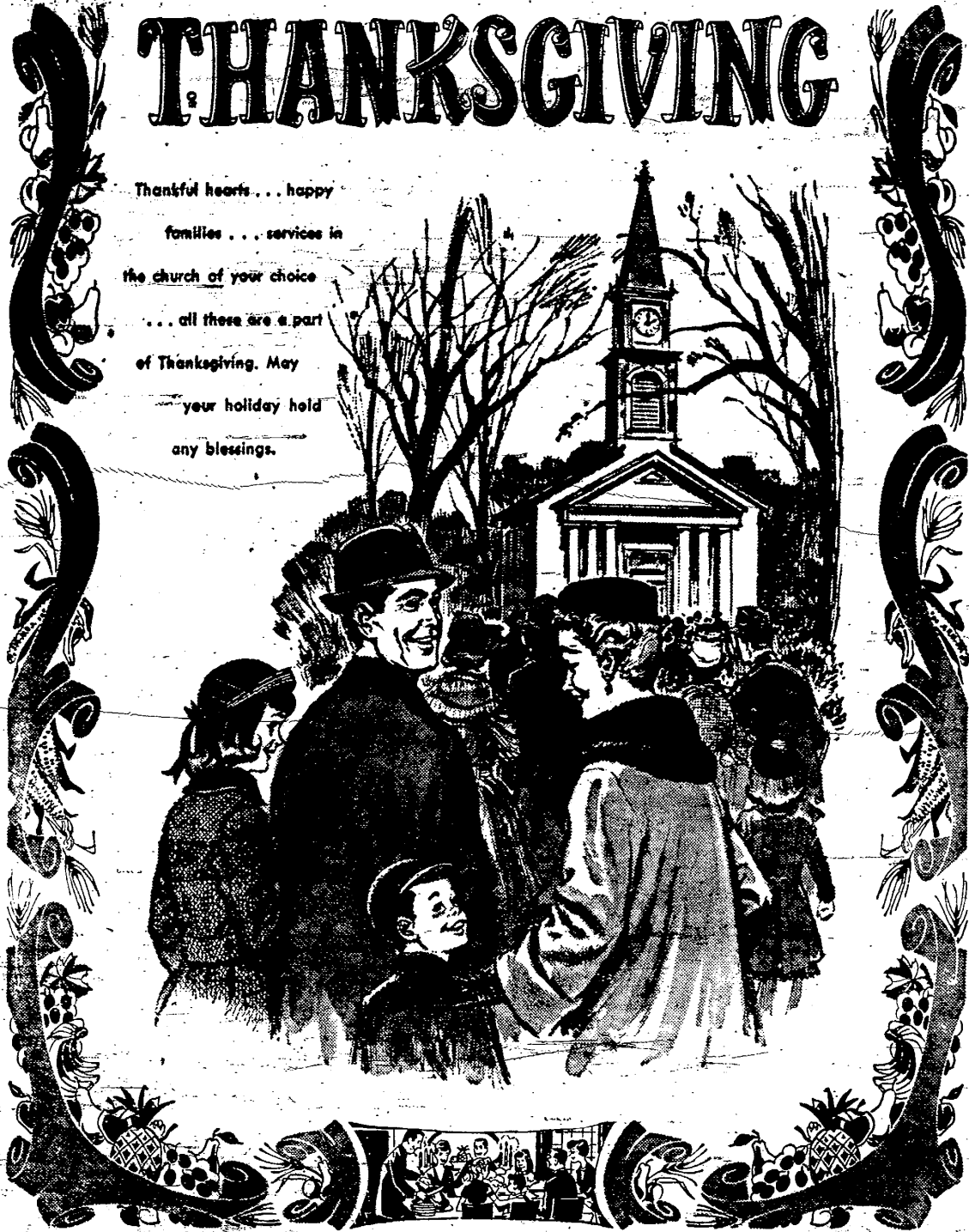


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Thankful hearts... happy families... services in the church of your choice... all these are a part of Thanksgiving. May your holiday hold any blessings.



Big Wind Storm Feils Tree And Cuts Off Power

A severe wind storm with big swirling gusts late last Friday night felled a large maple tree on the Don Thorp property on Elm Street near the corner of Barney Street with disastrous results to the Village power lines as well as Telephone and TV lines.

The wind velocity reached its heights about 2 1/2 m., blowing the large maple tree down across Elm Street completely blocking it. When the tree crashed to the ground it took the primary 2,400 volt electric lines as well as the secondary lines along with it. As the tree was falling it swept the telephone cable and telephone lines along also which in turn snapped off the telephone pole at the corner of Elm and Barney Street near the Francis Vickers' property.

The disaster was first reported to Police Chief James Grafrath shortly after 2 a. m., by a motorist who also reported conditions to Mayor Ralph A. Allen. Chief Grafrath immediately called Electric Superintendent Barry Rohrbacher who arrived on the scene with the Village Crew about 2:30.

According to Supt. Rohrbacher the full extent of the damages couldn't be fully assessed until daylight but it was obvious that the tree had to be cut up and removed before repairs could be made. To add to the problems it was raining and the electric wires were still hot so the power had to be cut off at the pole near the Catholic Parsonage. In addition, the Telephone trouble crew of four men had to be called in to handle their cables and lines.

The Village and Telephone crew worked until after daylight cutting up the fallen tree and then discovered that the damages were much greater than what could be seen while it was dark. It was found that when the telephone pole on the corner broke in two it tore the electric services on from the three houses in the immediate area as well as the telephone and TV cables. And, when rounding up the materials to make the necessary repairs, it was found that the Village didn't have any electric poles on hand that were long enough for replacement so the Telephone Company had to obtain and erect the only 40 foot pole that they had available.

Also, to add to the problems after the new pole was installed, it was discovered that another maple tree next to the one that was down had been split down almost to the ground so this one had to be cut down and removed before the wires could be spliced together and put back up. Thus every time that an estimated time would be given as to what time the electric service could be restored, each new problem would add several more hours for the final completion. Then too, the weather turned much colder which made it more difficult for the repairmen to work with their hands getting so cold. Furthermore there was only room on the pole for one or two men to work up in the air on the pole for safety sake this made it take a lot longer.

By the middle of the afternoon the Telephone repairmen had their lower wires pretty well secured & the Village Crew had to put up their high lines which included putting new cross-arms on the top of the poles, and then splicing the wires and fastening them up to the new insulators that had to be installed. So, it was just about dark before these 2,400 Volt wires were back up and the electricity turned back on.

Then the Firemen were called off to bring a Fire Truck up with spotlights on so that the Village Crew could replace the three house services that had been torn down.

This took several more hours so that it was 8:30 p. m. before this was completed and the Village Crew could leave the scene and go home. This made 18 hours on the scene for the three man Village Crew under very trying conditions and they are to be commended for their tenacity in sticking to their task until it was done.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Bessie Johnson was admitted to Jones Memorial Hospital Monday.
Florence McKinsley was admitted to St. James Mercy Hospital Monday.
Mrs. Milton Geer, a patient in Jones Memorial Hospital, was discharged Tuesday.
Mrs. Edna Perry, a patient in Jones Memorial Hospital, was discharged Wednesday.

Bob Reed To Be Guest Soloist At Andover C & M A Church Dec. 3

Gospel singer, Bob Reed, will be guest soloist in sacred concert Sunday, December 3, at 7:30 P. M., at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, Rochambeau Ave Andover.
Prior to his commitment to Jesus Christ, Bob was leader of his own rock band, The Creations. After his encounter with Jesus, he attended both Baptist Bible College and Central Bible College in Springfield, Missouri. It was while at CBC that he was tenor soloist for the ABC broadcast Revival time, heard on over 600 stations.

Library News

The following Books have been added to Andover Free Library:
"The Seventh One", by Yates
"Rumours of Rain", by Andre Brink
"Wait For What Will Come", by Barbara Michaels
"Bright Flows the River", by Caldwell
"Small Town", by Sloan Wilson
"Straw Boss", by Longstreet
"Crockett's Victory Garden", by

Laer he became field representative for Brooklyn Teen Challenge and associate director for Teen Challenge of Little Rock, Arkansas. Most recently, he founded and directed a soul winning coffeehouse, The Turning Point, in Binghamton, New York. While there he was also associate pastor at First Assembly of God.

His testimony has been featured in Power Life and Decision magazines, and on "Unshackled" from Pacific Garden Mission in Chicago Illinois. Then in 1973, he appeared on PTL Television in Charlotte N. C. Bob has a lovely wife, Carole, and they have two children, David, age six, and Chandra age five.

James Crockett
"A Walk Through the Year", by Edwin Teale
"Six of One", by Brown
"A Maigret Trio", by George Simonon
"The Cinder Path", by Catherine Cookson
"Boomer's Gold", by Jack Walker
"Keeper of the Children", by William Hallahan
"The Follow Man", by Thomas Williams
"The Foolish Dinosaur Fiasco", by Scott Corbett
Fred Lynn: "The Hero From Boston", by Edward Dolan
"Take Warning", by Sarnoff
"Outlaws", by Kenneth Ulyatt
"A Pocket For Corduroy", by Don Freeman
"Janet Guthrie", by Edward Dolan
"Bullfrog Builds a House", by Dauer

His first album, entitled "Thank You Lord" was recorded in Dallas Texas and has a variety of songs with which hopefully will both encourage and make Jesus more real in each believer's heart. This recording will be available at the Concert.
All are welcome to a sermon

Stephanie Lehman 1978 Country Fair Queen

Thank You — Andover! For supporting Stephanie Lehman to become the 1978 Country Fair Queen of the Jones Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Stephanie won the title by selling the most (\$604) tickets for the Grand Prize drawings. She earned a \$50 Savings Bond donated by area banks.

Thank you for supporting the Maple Twig to be number one again this year. Your support is greatly appreciated. The winners of our raffles are: Myra Fuller Wellsville, the Hal Sisson painting; Reta Miles, Andover, the Owl Wall Hanging; and Ernest Burdick Andover, the Corelle livingware dishes.

The Maple Twig will meet December 6 at 12 Noon at the Brothers Four in Almond, for their Christmas luncheon. Anyone needing a ride call Linda Smith 478-8530 or Phyllis Mattison 593-6121.

In song and a time to praise the Lord together!