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SCHOOL ADDITION DENIED AT CONTINUED MEETING

Voters turned down a second attempt to pass a motion to authorize a bond issue of \$1.7 million for additions to the Alton Central School.

The vote took place on Wednesday, April 23, during a reconvened School District Meeting that began on March 22. 483 voters participated with 262 yes votes and 221 no votes. A two-thirds vote or 322 yes votes were required for passage. The first vote on March 22 lost when 194 yes votes were recorded to 143 no votes.



Photo by Sylvia Countway

SPONGE TOSS target at the recent Alton-New Durham Lions Club Penny Sale and Jamboree is Police Chief Tom Mynczywor.

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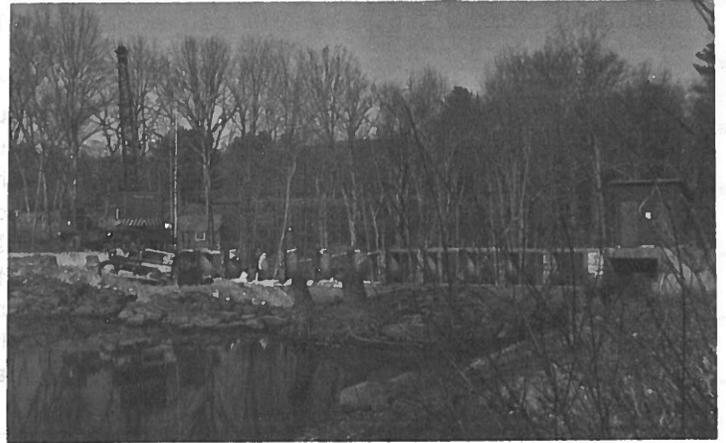


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DAM LOW

FOREST FIRE DANGER A SPRINGTIME PROBLEM

A lack of rain and warm temperatures are responsible for the high forest fire danger each spring. Careful application of fire permit regulations and common sense can help reduce this danger.

Fire permit regulations include:

1. Permits are required for all outdoor burning.
2. Permits are issued only for the hours after 5 p.m. and before 9 a.m.
3. A new permit must be obtained each time you burn.
4. Annual permits are available and required for camp and cooking fires and rubbish incinerators.
5. Charcoal cooking fires do not require permits, but the disposal of ashes must be done carefully.

Permits may be obtained from Alden's Garage, Fire Warden Russell Jones, Deputy Warden Harold Clough, and Deputy Warden Irving Roberts.

Permits may be cancelled at any time by the Warden as a result of weather conditions.

ALTON TRIVIA

What is the earliest recorded date for ice-out on Lake Winnepesaukee?

March 28 in 1921 (Just to see if you were paying attention last month!)

SCHOOL PROGRAM OFFERED BY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Alton Historical Society is conducting a program for Alton School 4th graders, entitled "Getting To Know Our Town." The mini course, designed as an extension of class study of New Hampshire history, will continue one afternoon a week through June 4.

Maureen Kalfas, of the Historical Society, says the student response to last year's presentation prompted a reworking of the schedule in order to make the course available to all 4th graders.

Speakers will discuss the many post offices which have served Alton, the numerous cemeteries old and new scattered throughout the town, an historical perspective of the Alton Bay Campgrounds, and other topics of interest. Many of the photos now available through the efforts of the Old Photo Committee will be displayed to illustrate how Alton has changed and developed. A highlight of the course will be a bus tour to historical sites around Alton in late May.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY ALTON LIONESSE CLUB

The members of the Alton Lioness Club elected officers for the coming year at last month's meeting.

They are Marion MacDonald, President; Nancy Moore, Vice-President; Barbara Ciampo, Secretary; Brenda MacKay, Treasurer; Elaine Conboy, Lioness Tamer; and Jeanne Irving, Tail Twister.

Board members are Peggy Fogg and Pauline Tilton for two years and Patricia Brady and Helen Dixon for one year.

WALK-A-THON PLANNED

The Lioness are sponsoring a Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, May 3, from the Alton Traffic Circle to the site of Camp Pride in New Durham, a distance of 16 miles.

Anyone interested in participating as a walker or sponsor should call Jeanne Irving at 875-2791. Proceeds will benefit camp programs for diabetic youngsters.

ALTON TRIVIA

What percentage of Alton's Landfill capacity has been used through 1985?
31% of the 189,000 cubic yards available

THE CHECKOUT DESK

by Pat Merrill, Librarian

STATE HISTORY PROJECT TO INCLUDE ALTON AREA

The New Hampshire State Library is exploring a project that would focus on the history and literature of the eight towns surrounding Lake Winnepesaukee.

The project is expected to result in a series of programs presented throughout the area on various aspects of the region such as wildlife, sports, legends and folklore, tourism, islands, and many others already suggested.

Ideas and offers of help are welcomed by the Library staff.

RECENT ADDITIONS

Heart of the Comet by Gregory Benford and David Brin; High Jinx by William Buckley; Break In by Dick Francis; Joanna's Husband and David's Wife by Elizabeth Hailey; Grania: She-King of the Irish Seas by Morgan Llywelyn; The Bourne Supremacy by Robert Ludlum; Fit for Life by Harvey and Marily Diamond; Home Health Care: A Complete Guide for Patients and Their Families by Jo-Ann Friedman; and biographies of Alec Guinness, Katherine Hepburn and Ingrid Bergman.

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- Thurs. 1 - MAY DAY
- Fri. 2 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL VACATION
 CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "Follow That Bird" - Sponsored by the Gilman Library and Village Video, 3 p.m., Gilman Library, (90 min.)
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Ashland, 4 p.m., Home
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Ashland, 4 p.m., Home
- Sat. 3 - POPPY DAY - Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary
 WALK-A-THON - Sponsored by the Alton Lioness Club, Alton Traffic Circle
 KIDS DAY FISHING DERBY - Sponsored by the Farmington Fish & Game Club, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Club Pond in New Durham
- Sun. 4 - OPEN HOUSE - Sponsored by the Alton Fire Department, 8:30 a.m. to Noon, Central Fire Station, Wood Stove and Chimney Information Available
- Mon. 5 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
 PROJECT GRADUATION MEETING - 7 p.m., School Resource Room
 WHIST PARTY - Sponsored by the West Alton Fire Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., West Alton Fire Station
- Tues. 6 - TRACK - Alton vs. Kingswood, Away
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Derryfield, 4 p.m., Home
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Derryfield, 4 p.m., Home
- Wed. 7 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
 BINGO - Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall
 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT - Sponsored by the Alton School, 7 p.m., Alton School
- Thurs. 8 - TRACK Alton vs. Sant Bani, Away
- Fri. 9 - CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "Rainbow Bright, the Star Stealer" - Sponsored by the Gilman Library and Village Video, 3 p.m., Gilman Library (90 min.)
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Nute, 4 p.m., Away
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Nute, 4 p.m., Away
- Sat. 10 - "HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU, TWO" - Sponsored by the Alton Action Alliance, 9 a.m., Town Hall
 TRACK - Alton vs. Brady, Away
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Calvary Christian, 11 a.m., Home, Doubleheader
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Calvary Christian, 11 a.m., Home, Doubleheader
 DOLL PROGRAM - Sponsored by the Happy Hobby Doll Club, 1 p.m., Gilman Library
 SENIOR SPAGHETTI SUPPER, Sponsored by the Senior Class, 5 p.m., Sandy Point Restaurant, \$5 for Adults and \$3.50 for Children under 12.
- Sun. 11 - MOTHERS DAY
- Mon. 12 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
- Tues. 13 - TRACK - Alton vs. Berlin, Away
- Wed. 14 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
- Thurs. 15 - KINDERGARTEN SCREENING - Call 875-7500 for an Appointment
 SPRING FLING - Sponsored by the Alton School, 7 p.m., School Gym
- Fri. 16 - CHILDREN'S MOVIES: "Ducking Disaster" - Sponsored by the Gilman Library and Village Video, 3 p.m., Gilman Library, (90 min.)
 KINDERGARTEN SCREENING - Call 875-7500 for an Appointment
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Concord Christian, 4 p.m., Home
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Concord Christian, 4 p.m., Home
- Sat. 17 - ARMED FORCES DAY
 FLEA MARKET - Sponsored by the Alton Fireflies, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Central Fire Station
- Mon. 19 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Nute, 4 p.m., Home
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Nute, 4 p.m., Home
 WHIST PARTY - Sponsored by the West Alton Fire Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., West Alton Fire Station
- Tues. 20 - TRACK - Alton vs. Sant Bani, Away
 "The Beauty of Glass" - Sponsored by the Alton Historical Society, 7:30 p.m., Congregational Church

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- Community Church - Sunday, 11a.m., Congregational Meeting House, Reverend Dwight V. Meader
- Hosanna New Testament Fellowship - Sunday, 9:45a.m., American Legion Hall, Pastor Gene V. Beaudry
- St. Joan of Arc - Saturday, 5p.m., Sunday, 8 & 11a.m., Msgr. Leo Hines

GILMAN LIBRARY:

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- Friday, 9a.m. - 5p.m. Saturday, 9a.m. - 1p.m.

TOWN HALL: 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m.

- Selectmen's Office, Tax Collector, Town Administrator, and Town Clerk
- Welfare Officer - Call 875-2000
- Planning Board - 10a.m. - Noon, Wednesday

LANDFILL:

- Sat. & Sun., 7:30a.m. - 3p.m., Mon., Thurs., Fri., 8a.m. - 3:30p.m.
- Closed Tuesday, Wednesday, & Holidays

ORGANIZATIONS:

- AMERICAN LEGION - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall
 - AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY - 2nd Monday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall, Frances Cassidy, 859-4741
 - BOY SCOUT TROUP 53 - Tuesday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall, Steven Temple, 859-6270
 - CUB SCOUT PACK 53 - Last Tuesday, 7p.m., American Legion Hall,
 - EASTERN STAR - 2nd Tuesday
 - GARDEN CLUB - 4th Tuesday
 - FLYING CLUB - 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30p.m., Dockside Rest.
 - HAPPY HOBBY DOLL CLUB - 4th Friday, 875-6750
 - HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 3rd Tuesday, 7:30p.m., Cong. Church
 - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1st Tuesday, 7p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church Hall, 293-7749
 - LIONESSE CLUB - 1st Wednesday, 6:30p.m., Alton Bay Community House, 875-2791
 - LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30p.m., Alton Bay Community House, 875-3070
 - MASONIC LODGE - 2nd Thursday
 - NEW DURHAM CAMERA CLUB - 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 7p.m., New Durham School
 - ST. JOAN OF ARC LADIES GUILD - Last Wednesday, 7:30p.m., Church Hall
 - SENIOR CITIZENS - 1st Monday, 1p.m., Alton Bay Comm. House
- COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM:**
 Mon. & Fri., 1 - 3p.m., Wed., 9a.m. - 3p.m., Alton Bay Community House, 875-7102



Photo by Bill Watkins

ALTON ART TEACHER TO RECEIVE AWARD

Alton art teacher Joan Chase has been voted "Art Educator of the Month" for May by the New Hampshire Art Education Association. According to Association President John M. Gray, Mrs. Chase's program is an "outstanding example" of art instruction in New Hampshire schools.

Visitors are quickly aware of the lively imaginative creations with which her students spread a bright and cheery atmosphere to every corner of the school. Mrs. Chase will receive an award for her work at a ceremony in Concord on May 21.

PROJECT GRADUATION CHOSEN BY STUDENTS

The Alton School Class of 1986, graduating on June 21, have chosen to follow the tradition of planning a graduation exercise without the involvement of alcohol and drugs.

An overnight stay in Boston including dinner and a play or concert is planned. The Junior Class has joined with the Alton Action Alliance in planning a number of fundraisers to assist the Senior Class. A Bike Raffle, car wash, and the annual Spaghetti Supper are planned for May.

Parents of Juniors and Seniors are asked to attend a meeting at the Alton School Resource Room on May 5 at 7p.m.

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TO THE AGING

By Pauline Bakeman

The age from three-score years and ten to death
 Is one to test the very hearts of all,
 A time that no one but the aging knows.
 Sometimes it wraps us in a cowl of love
 And gentleness, but then again it rips
 The cover of security that we
 Have learned to hold before too hot a sun
 Or snows too deep. There is no place to hide
 From truth--except to lose our minds to
 Mindlessness. So we must learn to cope,
 To knit another cover that is warm
 But that lets in the air from the unknown.
 Too well we see the known: the slow decay
 Of flesh, once comely housing for the soul,
 But less we know our spirit and its strength
 To live a life within a shattered frame.
 Thus challenge to the end is ours on earth:
 At best we need not play a passive role
 When there is still so much we do not know.



Photo by Sylvia Countway

FOCUS ON: PAULINE BAKEMAN by Gahan Lavalley

At 78 years old, Pauline Bakeman still has vibrant eyes and a Katherine Hepburn sort of determination and strength. She's a great raconteur, but very modest as she would rather speak of other people's achievements than of her own accomplishments, which are many. Ms. Bakeman was born in Jaffrey, N.H., on May 10, 1908, the daughter of a Baptist minister.

She obtained a Master's Degree from the University of Chicago and worked as a psychiatric social worker in Illinois and Washington, D.C. In 1945, she worked with displaced people in Germany who were conquered and relocated by Hitler. After that she went to New York City to work as a guidance counselor for the school system, handling the most difficult cases. She then came to live in her home that her grandfather had called "Home Nook", built circa 1795.

Ms. Bakeman is a very candid woman. When speaking of President Reagan she said "He's a likable man, but backwards on his philosophy of life".

A few years ago, Ms. Bakeman had a serious cancer operation but has come back strong. She keeps busy doing many things for the community.

She is a past president of the Friends of the Gilman Library and a member of the Alton Calendar Committee, Alton School Task Force for the Building Addition, Alton School Task Force for Drug and Alcohol Abuse, East Alton Fire Association, and Alton Meeting House Committee.

She plays cello each week with a chamber music group in Meredith and is the secretary of the Friends of Music in Wolfeboro. She is a poetess and belongs to the Poetry Society of New Hampshire.

ALTON KINDERGARTEN

Parents of youngsters who will be five before September 30, 1986, are invited to a kindergarten information night on May 7 at 7p.m.

Appointments for kindergarten screening on May 15 and 16 should be made by calling the school at 875-7500.

LEGION AUXILIARY PLANS ANNUAL POPPY DAY EVENT

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its annual Poppy Day on Saturday, May 3, at locations throughout the town.

Proceeds from the sale benefit American veterans and their families. This year's Poppy Girl is Melanie Fogg.

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ANNUAL SPRING FLING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 15

The annual Spring Fling will be presented by the students of Alton School at 7 p.m. on May 15 in the school gymnasium. The show, a "musical pot pourri" including band marches as well as selections from Broadway favorites "Oliver" and "A Chorus Line", is being organized by Music Director Robert Stevenson and Art Teacher Joan Chase.

FIREFLIES FLEA MARKET

The Alton Fireflies will be sponsoring its 7th Annual Flea Market at the Alton Central Fire Station on Route 140 on Saturday, May 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch and refreshments will be available during the day. All proceeds benefit the Volunteer Fire Department.

For information on the availability of space, call 875-7534 or 875-3085.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

The Alton Central School is looking for people to substitute when the regular teachers are out of the school. People that have a high school diploma and are interested in working in classrooms, the gym, as a nurse, or secretarial help should pick up an application in the Main Office or ask to speak to Assistant Principal George Rogers.

LIONS CLUB ELECTS 1986-1987 SLATE

David McKenney was elected President of the Alton-New Durham Lions Club for 1986-87. He succeeds Matthew Locke who becomes the Immediate Past President.

Other officers elected are Kim Kroeger, First Vice-President; Thomas Murtagh, Second Vice-President; John Watson, Third Vice-President; John Duffek, Secretary/Treasurer; Dean Finethy, Lion Tamer; Chris Blair, Tail Twister; and Arthur Russell and Edgar Russell, Juice Dispensers.

Members of the Board of Directors for two years are John Conboy, Neal Harris, Gary Noyes, and Ralph Jury. One-year members of the Board are George Bornheim, Sidney Butler, Edward Consentino, and Lester Walker.

The Alton-New Durham Lions Club has 72 members who sponsor fund-raising events in support of eyecare for the needy and community and school projects.

NEW LANDFILL STICKERS

The 1986-1987 Landfill Stickers will be available on June 1. All vehicles must have a sticker displayed to gain access to the Landfill. A copy of the vehicle registration must be shown to receive the sticker. Renters must also show a copy of the rent receipt.

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- Wed. 21 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
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 BASEBALL - Alton vs. Weare, 4 p.m., Home
 SOFTBALL - Alton vs. Weare, 4 p.m., Home
- Sat. 24 - TRACK - Alton at the Wilderness League Meet at Brady
- Mon. 26 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
- Tues. 27 - TRACK - Alton vs. Kingswood, Away
- Wed. 28 - STORY HOUR: 3 to 5 Year Olds - Sponsored by the Gilman Library, 1 to 2 p.m., Gilman Library
- Thurs. 29 - ATHLETIC BANQUET - Sponsored by the Alton School, 5 p.m., Alton School
- Fri. 30 - MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES - Sponsored by American Legion Post 72, 11 a.m., American Legion Hall
 GILMAN LIBRARY CLOSED
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 TOWN OFFICES AND LANDFILL CLOSED
- Sat. 31 - BAKE SALE - Sponsored by the Women's Christian Fellowship, 9 a.m. to Noon, Baptist Meeting House
 TRACK - Alton at the Class Meet in Salem

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The description should be between 40 and 70 words and submitted with a check for \$60 to the Chamber, P. O. Box 550, Alton, 03809. Be sure to include the business name, location, mailing address, and phone number.

Additional information is available by calling Chamber Secretary Chris Consentino at 875-5001.

Members also are reminded that the 1986 dues of \$50 must be received by May 15 to remain an active member.

TIMBER TAX LAW CHANGES

Changes in the New Hampshire Timber Tax Law will affect those planning to have cordwood or timber cut from their land after April 1, 1986.

Landowners must file an "Intent to Cut" form with the town and pay the timber tax for stumpage harvested from their land. Loggers and timber buyers no longer file this form.

Penalty for failure to file the form or misrepresenting the volume cut has been increased to a misdemeanor.

Exempt from the timber tax is wood harvested for personal use up to 20 cords and 10,000 board feet per year. An "Intent to Cut" form must be filed for harvests over these amounts.

**ALTON ACTION ALLIANCE
SPONSORS DRUG PROGRAM**

The Alton Action Alliance will present Dr. Fay E. Yoells, Associate Consultant for Alcohol and Drug Education for the New Hampshire Department of Education, on Saturday, May 10 at 9a.m. in the Town Hall.

The program, a slide presentation, entitled "Here's Looking at You, Two" describes a multimedia curriculum approach to drug addiction for grades kindergarten through high school. Members of the Alton Action Alliance, teachers, parents, and interested citizens are urged to attend

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Ads may be mailed with payment to P. O. Box 210, Alton Bay, 03810, or submitted at the Busy Corner Store in Alton Bay. The deadline is the 15th of the month.

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1986 ICE-OUT

The official Ice-Out time and date for 1986 is 9:35a.m. on Wednesday, April 16.

HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

by Al Fisher

Jonathon Coffin, in his will, directed his sons to provide their mother with one keg of hard cider every year for medicinal purposes.

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**ARAMINI TO ADDRESS
ALTON ATHLETIC BANQUET**

Recognition of athletic achievement will be the focus of the Alton School Athletic Banquet, to be held at the school on May 29. Elementary and junior high school awards will be made between 5 and 6p.m., followed by the dinner and guest speaker Gary Aramini, the New Hampshire runner who crossed the country coast to coast in a fund-raising feat supporting cancer research. The banquet will be followed by presentations of awards to junior varsity and varsity athletes.

**FARMINGTON FISH & GAME
TO HOLD DERBY FOR KIDS**

The Farmington Fish and Game Club, with membership open to Alton residents, is holding its annual Kids' Day Fishing Derby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 3. At the Club's Pond in New Durham.

All children four to 12 years old are eligible to participate. Parents need not be members of the Club. Prizes will be awarded and lunches will be free for the children.

More information is available by calling 859-6611.

ALTON TRIVIA

In 1803 how much was appropriated by the town for the 26 school districts in Alton?
\$380

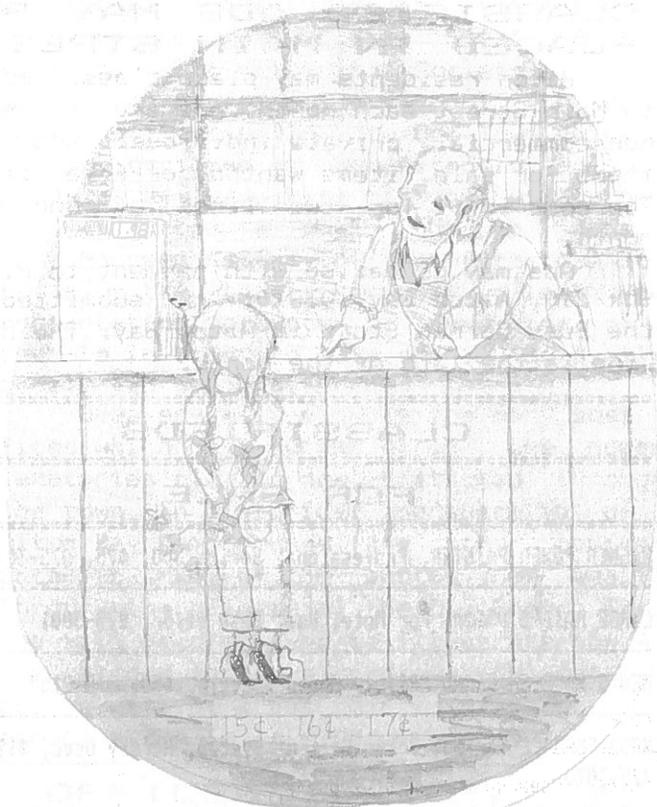


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