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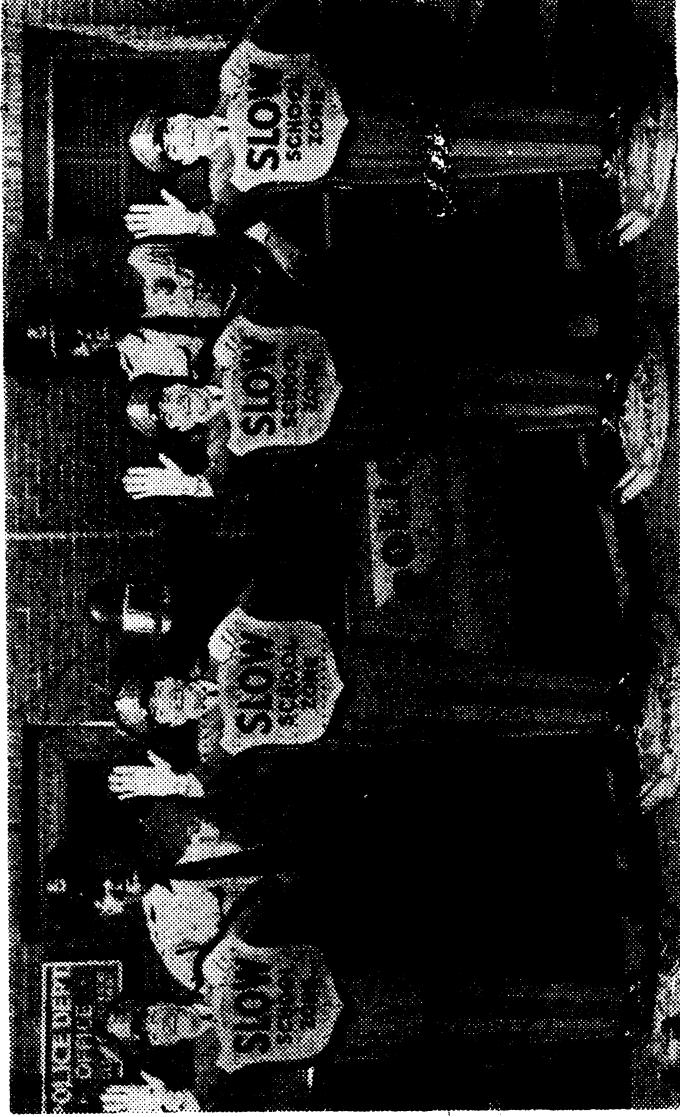
THERE ARE
11 BOSTONS,
MANY
LONDONS,
BUT ONLY
ONE
SKOWHEGAN

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Trailer Caravan Given Red Carpet Treatment Here



Skowhegan sized carpet was out Wednesday noon as some 60 cars and trailers of the Wally Byam Caravan, carrying more than 100 people from all parts of the U.S. and Canada, arrived here for a two-day stay.

Met on the outskirts of Skowhegan by local dignitaries, including Ensign Tarbox, Bernard State Senator Miles F. Carpenter, the mile-long caravan of her officials. Air Stream trailers was escorted throughout the business district the caravan, expressed her desire by Police Chief Albert Dionne in light with the arrangements that had been made by the local group to insure the trailerites a pleasant visit in Skowhegan. * * *

The caravan proceeded to the Skowhegan fairgrounds where it will encamp until Friday morning. Water and power facilities are being provided for the trailerites at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Foster, the master of ceremonies, was introduced by Mrs. John Sealey presented Mrs. Taylor. He in turn introduced the parking commissioner, who presented the group with the two-volume history, "Skowhegan ON HAND TO WELCOME the On The Kennebec".

group was Lionel Foster, chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Skowhegan Chamber of Commerce, who engineered the opening of schools in this area. Its object is to educate children in safe travel habits — both walking and riding bicycles — enlisting parents, teachers, police, school and safety officials in this vital educational program. Motorists are also alerted to the need of special caution in school zones, new playgrounds and wherever groups of children are active. (Huff photo)

GLANCE At the News

Two Killed In Crash — Ralph McLaughlin, 28, of Bingham, and Ronald C. Smith, 19, of Moscow, died late Saturday night in the flaming wreckage of their car after a head-on collision on Route 2, with a car driven by Airman 2/c Harold B. Taylor of Dow AFB, who was critically injured. The victims' car reportedly bounded out

FOUR ADDITIONAL OFFICERS — The Town of Skowhegan will have the services of four additional officers during school hours, thanks to the Coca Cola Bottling Company of Farmington. The four metal signs pictured above with Chief Albert Dionne (right) and Officer Harold Devoe (left) will be used in school zones where the heaviest traffic occurs. Chief Dionne issues a reminder to Skowhegan motorists that National Child Safety Week will be observed Sept. 8-14, coinciding with the reopening of schools in this area. Its object is to educate children in safe travel habits — both walking and riding bicycles — enlisting parents,

John Sealey presented Mrs. Taylor with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Skowhegan Chamber of Commerce, who engineered

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Cousins or the late Corinne V. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Parker were guests Thursday of Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Mrs. Clyde L. Allen, Turner Ave.—Any further information can be Mrs. William L. Phillips of North had from Mrs. John L. Merrill, Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Florence GR 4-8455, or Mrs. Fred K. Day, Phillips Kimball of Marblehead, GR 4-8581.

Trailer Caravan

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natural gas energy needs. Energy consumption looks to oil companies, as its source of about 100,000,000 barrels of wood, including wood, to produce gene Tarbox — past president of the Chamber, who sent Ed to produce gene Tarbox — past president of the Lions Club, Eugene Tarbox — past president of the Chamber, and Harry Beale of North Anson — the person who extended the invitation to the townspeople, caravan to visit Skowhegan. It 27, 1859,

Other local dignitaries present included Dr. Stanley Gower, executive secretary of the Chamber, Chief Albert Dionne, Wallace Billeaud — past president of the Rotary Club, Harold DeRoche — president of the Lions Club, Eugene Tarbox — past president of the Chamber, and Harry Beale of North Anson — the person who extended the invitation to the townspeople, caravan to visit Skowhegan.

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ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, the trailerites attended a special showing of "The Country Beyond," an ingenious color film, made and narrated by Henry Briggs, internationally-known naturalist and photographer.

Mr. Briggs was presented to the group by his good friend, Gene Tarbox.

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INC.

A TWO-HOUR TOUR OF Skowhegan awaits the members of the caravan this afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m.

Buses provided by the Skowhegan School Department will take the visitors to some 30 points of interest in Skowhegan and Lake-wood. Narrators on the vehicles will be Mr. Foster, Mr. Tarbox and Harold Palmer.

Arrangements are being made for the group to attend the Lake-wood production, "No Time For

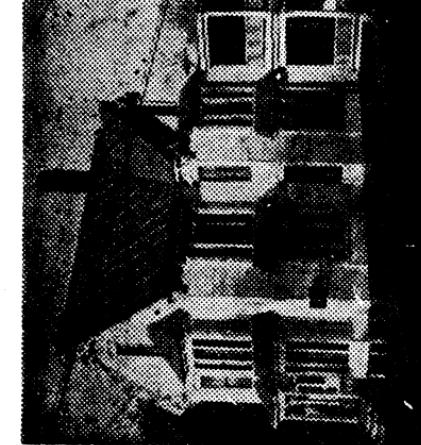
Sergeants," this evening.

The "piece de resistance" will be the coffee 'n donut session Friday morning, just before the trailerites head for Goose Hollow, in Campton, N. H. The breakfast will be provided by the Rotary and Lions Clubs.

Glance At News

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scratches in a single car accident at 12:30 a.m. Sunday at



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- · · only 18 miles, over U. S. 201, from the northern terminus of U. S. Interstate 95 which connects with the turnpikes of the East.
- · · only 180 miles from Quebec.
- · · only 85 miles from Bar Harbor and Acadia National Park, the only national park on the Atlantic Seaboard.
- · · only 80 miles from historic Penobscot Bay, the real "Down East" coastline.
- · · only 70 miles from Moosehead Lake the beginning of the last great wildlands in the U. S. and the largest natural lake in any state.
- · · the home of Lakewood, the oldest Summer Theatre in the Country.
- · · the hub of the greatest pulp drive in the Country.
- · · a pleasant town of 8,000 people and shopping center of 35,000, seat of Somerset County.
- · · anticipating the decision of the Wally Byam Caravaneers to hold here its 1961 Roundup.
- · · the home of Skowhegan Fair, the oldest fair in North America, with 75 acres of land completely fenced and policed, grandstands, stage, halls, toilet facilities and all public utilities. President Eisenhower was entertained here in 1955.
- · · endowed with ideal summer weather — warm days and cool nights.
- · · rich in early American history. Here Arnold in his arduous march to Quebec found "great beauty and hospitality."
- · · the home of the nationally famous Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture.
- · · at the Crossroads of Vacationland. U. S. 2 and 201 bisect the State in their routes to Canada.
- · · the home of Margaret Chase Smith, only woman member of the United States Senate.
- · · able to produce mouth-watering lobster dinners, chicken barbecues, bean-hole suppers and other tempting Down-East entertainment.
- · · only 20 miles from an airport serviced by a major

**CARAVANNERS
COME TO
MAINE IN '61**