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### Veteran Actor Is New Town Crier



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Frank Andrews At 74 Plays An Entirely New Role And Plays It Well

It was only last November that Frank Andrews withdrew from his role of Mentor Graham in "Abe Lincoln In Illinois", Sherwood Anderson's great play, after a continuous run of 60 weeks, with Raymond Massey as star, at the Plymouth Theatre in New York, all because he didn't care to go over the road with the show—that road which he has traversed for more than a half a century, into every state of the Union, into every principle city and town of this country and Canada.

Now he is and has been since he arrived last Friday from his home in Hyde Park, Mass., on the Yankee Clipper, the official Town Crier of the Town of Provincetown, successor to a noted line of Town Criers that numbered George Washington Ready, Walter Smith and others equally outstanding.

"And I've enjoyed every minute of my work and of my stay in Provincetown," said Town Crier Andrews tonight, in a rich, enthusiastic voice that belies his age of 74. He's had his picture taken already, since starting out Monday in his new maroon Pilgrim costume, more times than during his entire lifetime.

Born in New Bedford Mr. Andrews attended school in Boston for a time and at the age of 20 he found a small part with the Boston Stock Company in the Boston Theatre and thus began his long and varied stage career. Since that time he has played with such illustrious stage personalities as Viola Allen, Lillian Russell, Virginia Harned, William Gillette, Cyril Maude, Ethel Barrymore, Leslie Howard, Effie Shannon and Herbert Kelsey, Billie Burke and Ina Claire, and has worked under such producers as Charles Frohman, David Belasco, Klaw and Erlanger, Henry Miller, Arthur Hopkins and Bill Brady.

But best of all he loved the Shakespearean roles which he filled with outstanding ability for many years—such parts as Tybalt in "Romeo and Juliet", Oliver in "As You Like It" and Antonio in "The Merchant of Venice."

The only discomfort, said Town Crier Andrews, has been "weary dogs" and the only trouble that of getting long stockings with large enough feet. He wears a shoe size eleven!



Althea and Mr. Andrews - August '40  
In front of Uncle Bert's

**Town Crier Turns  
In His Resignation**  
Feb. 20, 1941  
**Frank Andrews Feels Work  
A Bit Too Much For Him**

Frank Andrews, veteran actor who has appeared before the footlights

in practically every theatre of any size in this country and Canada, and who was the official Town Crier of Provincetown last year, has turned in his resignation to William F. Gilman, secretary of the Town Criers, giving as his reasons his physical inability to carry on with the work during the coming season.