

ANOTHER NEEDLESS DEATH! ARE YOU NEXT!
An Editorial

How many of you readers have already read the headlines: *Wellsville Woman Dies in Auto Mishap*? This is the accident that occurred at the overhead this past Friday morning and was reported in both the *Hornell Evening Tribune* and the *Wellsville Daily Reporter* Friday evening:

Here is another accident where the victim was thrown from the car and died from injuries received as a result of the crash.

More than likely she would still be alive to-day if her car had been equipped with seat belts and she had used them.

In looking over the remains of her car at the Fox Atlantic Station where it was towed after the accident it can be readily seen that the occupant of the car wasn't thrown thru the windshield as it is still unbroken. The left side is banged up as a result of the impact with the Billings car and the door on that side is wedged shut.

The door on the right side of the car was reported to be open after the accident occurred so more than likely she was thrown from the car by this exit. If she had been strapped in the car with a seat belt this couldn't have happened, and the chances are she wouldn't have received serious injuries.

With the tragedy still fresh in our minds, we wrote the New York State Citizens Council on Traffic Safety and received a great deal of useful information about seat belts and their use.

In the interests of saving lives and promoting Public Safety we quote a little background information furnished us by the Council:

How Do We Know Seat Belts Work? Studies conducted by Cornell University's Automotive Crash Injury Research Program, show people using seat belts are 35 to 60% safer than those without them.

How Do Seat Belts Protect You In An Accident? Your chances of being killed are five times greater if you are thrown out of your car by the impact of the crash. Properly installed and worn, a seat belt will hold you in place. The belt also reduces the force with which you may strike the steering wheel, dashboard, or other objects inside the car. This can make the difference between living and dying—a minor injury instead of a major injury!

What About "Minor" Incidents? A belt keeps the driver behind the wheel to control his car in case of a sudden swerve, bump, or rear-end pile-up; thus preventing any major follow-up accidents. (Strapped-in passengers are protected from possible injury when caught by the unexpected.)

Are Belts Needed For Slower, Local Driving? More than half of all traffic accidents involving either injury or death—Occur at Speeds under 40 Miles Per Hour! The Safety Council's figures show that Two out of 3 traffic deaths occur within 25 miles of home.

Can Seat Belts Trap You In The Car? Since a belt reduces the force with which your body hits anything, it increases your chances of remaining conscious and able to get clear—even in the rare accidents involving fire or submersion. (You can release the device in an instant with one hand, in any position.)

Are They Comfortable? A properly adjusted belt fits snugly across the lap. It promotes good driving posture, and substantially lessens fatigue on long trips. (With belts, passengers no longer have to shift and brace on every turn.)

How Many Belts are Needed? You should provide a belt for every occupant—in the rear seat as well as the front. It is especially important for children to have seat belts because they can be tossed forward easily by sudden stops.

If you don't have seat belts in your car—why not have them installed today—without delay! Get for Safety's sake fasten your belt everytime you get into the car. **DON'T BE THE NEXT HEADLINE VICTIM!**

Senator Keating Reports

The President has prescribed a tax cut as a necessary tonic to our unhealthy economy. But the nation's legislators here in Congress will have to examine both the patient and the prescribed medication carefully before they decide exactly what treatment would be most beneficial.

There is no question that our economy is certainly not in the peak of condition. It gives every indication of having "tired blood," "that stuffed-up feeling" or perhaps even pernicious anemia. Almost 4 million people in the United States are out of work. Many of our industries are operating far below their capacity. We've been creaking along at an annual growth rate of 2 and 2/4 per cent and it hasn't improved at all in recent years.

In my view, the economy most definitely needs a general check up and a strong stimulus—something to lift it out of the doldrums. Last July, I called for a tax cut and I still favor one. But it must be accompanied by holding spending in line—and must be fashioned so as to promote economic growth.

Shortly after the President called for a tax cut, however, he presented us with a budget so staggering in size that even our previous highs in expenditures look like pin money in comparison. Trying to fit government spending of such tremendous proportion into a lower tax structure is comparable to trying to squeeze a size 42 lady into a size 8 dress. The results would be devastating.

In his Economic Report he concedes that the country is not "moving again". The Report acknowledges the problems I've listed—the lagging growth rate, sagging capital investment and high unemployment. Our present tax system has become a drag on the economy and tax reduction and reform is essential. There will be little benefit to the public, however, if the benefits of tax cut are swallowed up by inflation. The Administration will have to curb its appetite for more and more government spending and more and more government employees if any semblance of fiscal responsibility is to be maintained.

Congress still has the power of the purse and it is not likely to accept the President's medicine whole. Much examination is in store. A tax cut can produce rosier economic future, but it is not a panacea for all that ails us. Economics is a complicated subject, and many things will have to be done before the goals of full employment and an accelerated growth rate are achieved.

Sell that used article thru the classified advts.

Turning Back The Pages of Andover History
(Taken from the Files of The Andover News)

50 YEARS AGO
Jan. 24, 1913

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Mrs. Seymour Herrick died January 20. Her husband and a son survive.

Raymond Church, Augustus Lynch and Hervey Thorne are jurors drawn from Andover for the February Term of Court.

Miss Ethel Witter and John Ludden were united in marriage by Rev. J. J. Sheehy Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Clair are the parents of a son, born January 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vickers are the parents of a son; born Sunday January 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis were called to Canisteo Wednesday by the death of her sister, Mrs. Emogene Orvis.

N. M. Lanphear had one of his legs badly injured while working in the woods, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Garvin have returned from several weeks visit with her parents in Lima, Ohio.

40 YEARS AGO
Jan. 19, 1923

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Mrs. William Stratton Wahl, 56, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. W. Stratton, Thursday, January 11th. Besides her parents, her husband and one son survive.

The A. M. Mingus Cheese Factory on South Hill burned to the ground about midnight Monday night.

The Misses Mae Cocoman and Ellen Driscoll will go to Buffalo February 1st to enter training as nurses.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Duell are the parents of a son, born Tuesday, January 26th.

Frank Bloss has purchased the A. O. Tucker residence corner of Greenwood St. and East Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker plan to move to Kalamazoo, Mich.

George Tucker of Elm Valley left Thursday for Kansas City, Mo., where he will take a course of study in an automobile school.

Byron Proper accompanied by William Rogers is enjoying his annual fishing trip to Honeoye Lake this week.

Walter Hammond left Tuesday for Billings, Montana, after visiting his mother, Mrs. Ida Hammond and other Andover relatives.

30 YEARS AGO
Jan. 20, 1933

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Newly elected officers of Andover fraternities include: Seymour Brown, Master of the Masonic Lodge; Harold Hardy, Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows; Dewey Northrup, Master of Andover Grange; Harold Emery, Commander of Legion Post; Lelia Livermore, President of Edward Seaman Relief Corp., and Bessie Mulconery, Noble Grand of Andover Rebekah Lodge.

John Wahl has purchased the P. A. Dean farm on South Hill.

Miss Florence Burdick of Rochester is spending the month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Menzo Burdick of Elm Valley.

Mrs. E. J. Atwood, Mrs. George Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holmes were Buffalo business visitors Monday.

Ray Hammond of Odebolt, Ia., motored to Andover this week for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Ida Hammond and other relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. V. G. Graves and son, Frank motored to Coopers Plains, Elmira and Wellboro, Pa., the first of the week calling on relatives and friends.

Keep on buying Savings Bonds



Albany Report
By Barber B. Conable, Jr.
State Senator, 53rd District

There are 58 members of the New York State Senate. As in the last Legislature, the Senate is divided into 33 Republicans and 25 Democrats. The Assembly, with 150 members, has a slightly larger Republican margin.

One of the most obvious facts about the Senate is the regional character of its party division. Of the 25 Democrats, 22 are from New York City. There are a few Republicans from New York City, but by far the greater number are from Upstate or from New York's suburban counties. On both sides, party differences thus are strengthened by regional pride, and the result is more disciplined "bloc" voting than you will find in most state legislatures.

Such an emphasis on teamwork, of course, puts an important stress on leadership, and the history of the Senate is a history of strong personalities and influential leadership. Our own district has provided some outstanding examples.

In the Senate today, each party is headed by a leader of real strength. On the Democrat side the minority leader, Senator Joseph Zaretski of New York City, is a persuasive orator. The undisputed Republican leader is Walter J. Mahoney of Buffalo, president pro tem for the past nine years, whose rhetoric has propped and punctuated every debate I have heard so far.

Important committee assignments are normally a function of seniority in the Senate and it is interesting to note what has happened to Upstate New York in the new Senate. Of six new Republican senators, five are from Central or Western New York. So the retirement of Senator Erwin and Senator George Pierce of Olean has resulted in shift of the chairmanships of the finance and judiciary committees to experienced Republicans from the New York City area.

But Western New York's traditional leadership role in the Senate will, I am sure, continue and our region will suffer no loss through the shifting of key committee positions downstate.

To begin with, Senator Mahoney is the one towering figure of the majority party, and speaks forcefully for Western New York. Next, despite the turnover, most of the Republicans come from Upstate and regardless of position within the party, it's the votes that count. And last, my associations to date with the other new senators leads me to believe they are capable of quickly assuming important roles in our law-making process.

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