

FIRE—The BOON and BANE—OF ALL MANKIND!
An Editorial

Fire, when used under certain conditions, or properly controlled, is a blessing to all mankind. However, when it leaps out of its confinement whether it be in a cook stove, furnace, or bonfire, it can then prove to be big trouble and can indeed spell ruin to any of us by taking away our life or property.

Due to a prolonged dry spell over the past month the woods, and in fact property throughout the whole State, is tinder-dry. According to fire experts, when the barometer stays as high as it has and the outdoor humidity is so low, all it takes is a spark in a few leaves and soon the surrounding area is ablaze.

This is why Conservation Experts as well as other Public Officials have become so alarmed over the situation that they felt it necessary to take drastic steps to check this fire menace.

Since there has been some confusion to the scope and meaning of this "no-fire" ban, we took the time and trouble last night to drive down to the State Police Station in Wellsville to read the copy of this decree that they received and is posted on their bulletin board.

In a rather lengthy and legally worded notice, our Lieutenant and acting Governor of N. Y. State, Malcolm Wilson, stated in part and we quote: "I, therefore, direct that all fire permits be cancelled and that no fires shall be started in the outdoors for any purpose;" end of quote. The edict then went on to list certain exceptions which included certain supervised parks as well as the City of New York and Long Island.

With most edicts or public notices like this where there is no time for advance warning, everyones cooperation is almost a necessity.

Once the imminent danger is publicized, most intelligent citizens will recognize the fact that the "no-fire" ban was made to protect them and their property from the ravages of fire. Naturally, as soon as we get a good soaking rainfall, the ban certainly should be lifted so its just a matter of an inconvenience for a short period of time not to be able to burn papers, leaves, etc. outdoors.

As far as the hunters are concerned it was also recommended in the decree that the hunting season be extended the same number of days that will be lost due to the closing of the woods. This is certainly fair enough—but of course all of the lads that have had their vacation time spoken for way in advance are bound to be a little unhappy about this situation and will also be inconvenienced.

One thing that certainly seems a little odd with the "no-fire" ban in effect is that both the Andover and Wellsville dumps were burning away last night when we drove by on our return from checking up on the exact wording of the acting Governor's edict.

It would seem that these two places could be thoroughly wet down so that fire wouldn't start up at night and be seen blazing away merrily from the highway for any passers-by to see and perhaps report to the local Fire Departments.

We are sure that if every citizen (or resident) will cooperate until it rains, many needless fires will be prevented—and if you should see someone burning anything outdoors, how about checking with them to see if they even know how dangerous it is and that there is a ban against open fires in effect. Perhaps they haven't heard about it or don't understand it—a little neighborly visit could do a lot of good and prevent bruised feelings later on.

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GREENWOOD NEWS

Grace Young, Reporter

The WSCS will meet at the Methodist Church Thursday afternoon, October 17th. Mrs. Marjorie Lamphier and Mrs. Evelyn Green are hostesses. Mrs. Lana Rogers will give devotions and Mrs. Blanche Goodno brings the program. Tuesday, October 15 members of the Woman's Society baked pancakes at the G.L.F. Mill for the Open House from 9:30 to 5:00.

Mr. and Mrs. David Allen (Sharon Holt) are the parents of a son, Eric Stewart, born Tuesday, October 8th at the St. James Mercy Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Holt are the maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Campbell (Linda Schenck) are the parents of a son born Tuesday, October 8th at the St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Campbell, paternal; and Mr. and Mrs. Lee-man Schenck, maternal.

Saturdays October 5 and 12 were Registration Days. The Election Board: Genevieve Williamson, Bernice Osmin, Daisy Teribury and Jacqueline Murphy copied the enrollment books. They registered 441 voters, 9 less than last year.

District Superintendent of Schools Virgil Hussey and Mrs. Hussey attended a State Conference of New York State School Administrators Tuesday and Wednesday at the Concord Hotel in the Catskills. They went on to Albany Thursday where Mr. Hussey had business.

Mrs. Peary Murray and Fred Hillman of Ransomville were united in marriage at an 8 o'clock ceremony Saturday, October 12th. The Rev. John Harrison performed the ceremony at his home. Attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Butler of Ransomville. A reception for 30 guests followed the marriage at the home of the bride on Church Hill. Hostesses were her granddaughters, the Misses Catherine, Sally and Anna Marie Murray. The couple left Sunday for their home at Ransomville.

Mrs. Richard Wallace was hostess Tuesday evening for a linen shower in honor of Miss Gloria Wallace.

Stanley Murray, Fire Chief of the local Volunteer Firemen, spoke at an assembly at the Central School Monday on fire protection.

There will be a Hymn Sing at the Methodist Church at 2:30 this Sunday afternoon, October 20th in charge of the Rev. Robert Myers.

Burr Williamson and Clifford Price of Canadaigua were guests of Mrs. T. C. Cobb and Mrs. Mable Bauer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arne Bergman came Thursday from Fort Lauderdale, Florida to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Neapass. Monday they went to Buffalo to visit another daughter, also to see another daughter at Waterloo. Mrs. Bergman has been studying the IBM and Monday starts a two weeks course with the company in New York City.

Redmond Goodno of Buffalo spent Saturday to Monday night with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Goodno. Sunday he went on an excursion on the Erie.

Mrs. Florence Hardenbergh and her sister, Mrs. Agnes Geiser

of Muncey, Ind., called on Mrs. Helen Barney at Whitesville recently.

Mrs. Fred Updyke and Miss Emily Barney of West Union called on Mrs. Mary Streeter and Miss Ellen Young, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Katherine Skillman of Wellsville spent part of last week with her granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Glover and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Waters.

Miss Sabrey Stephens, Mrs. Mary T. Young, Miss Ellen Young and Miss Grace Young were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gifford in Buffalo Tuesday to Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Copping of Providence, R. I., came Monday and were over night guests of her aunts, Mrs. Louise Cobb and Mrs. Mable Bauer. They called on her aunt, Mrs. Mary Streeter Tuesday. Mrs. Copping is the former Jane Kellogg.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton White went to Fredonia Sunday with Mrs. Robert Lamphier and son, Dean, to visit her daughter, Barbara, a student at the State College. Barbara had a virus infection and had been a patient in the Dunkirk Hospital. Mrs. Lamphier went to Dunkirk Thursday and Friday the week before to see her daughter at the hospital. Barbara was back in classes last week.

Miss Ruby Tyler of Hornell and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fulker of Trenton, N. J., called on friends in town Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Streeter and her granddaughter, Mrs. Donald Fisher, spent Thursday at Nunda guests of Mrs. Jennie Carney and Mrs. Marz Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Root of Caledonia were guests of Miss Sabrey Stephens Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Miller and family of Rochester were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Banks and took them back to Rochester to spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Freeman and daughter of Buffalo were weekend guests of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cornell.

Wayne Warriner, a student at Cornell University spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warriner, Sr., at West Jasper.

Francis Acker was at Alfred Ag-Tech for Homecoming Day, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hussey attended Homecoming at Houghton College, Saturday.

Greenwood Central School News

Greenwood Central School will be host to the Frewsburg Central School Band at an assembly Friday, October 18, at 9:45 a. m.

The band is under the direction of Dick Stearns and consists of 60 students. They received a B Rating in Music last year.

The band is on tour October 16 - 19 presenting assembly programs and evening concerts.

Mother of small boy to psychiatrist: "Well I don't know whether or not he feels insecure, but everyone else in the neighborhood certainly does!"

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

50 YEARS AGO
Oct. 10, 1913

J. H. Backus, Publisher

Leo Stephens died at the St. James Mercy Hospital Thursday, October 2nd. Surviving are his wife, a son, his father and a sister.

Rev. V. L. Eggleston has purchased a half-interest in the drug and insurance business of J. D. Cheesman. The firm name will be J. D. Cheesman & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. George McAndrew are the parents of a son born, September 9th.

Miss Jennie Fosbury returned Saturday from a two-weeks visit with relatives in Binghamton and vicinity.

Mrs. Lottie Haun was elected President of the Past Noble Grands of the Rebekah Lodge of Allegany County at a meeting held in Wellsville Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Swink are visiting in Coudersport, Pa., this week while Mr. Swink attends the reunion of the Coudersport Consistory.

W. C. Cannon was a brief caller in Andover Monday while en route to Ohio.

40 YEARS AGO
Oct. 5, 1923

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Mr. and Mrs. Leon Eldridge are the parents of a son, born Saturday, September 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Coombs are the parents of a daughter born October 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Davis are the parents of a daughter, born Oct. 1st.

Miss Ellen Driscoll of Buffalo is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Mary Driscoll.

Herman Widger returned to Angola, Ind., Thursday to resume his studies at Tri State College. Elton Greene accompanied him and will enter the college for a course in electrical engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sheppard and son arrived in Andover from Morristown, Pa. They will visit her parents, Atty. and Mrs. C. L. Earley until the last of the month when Mr. Sheppard goes to the School of Mines at Columbia, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rice returned Saturday from several days visit at the home of their daughter, Prof. and Mrs. Bert Patridge of McLean, N. Y.

30 YEARS AGO
Oct. 6, 1933

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Miss Cecelia Edwards and Burt J. Ehrensich of Hornell were united in marriage September 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Ray are the parents of a daughter, born September 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hadsell of East Valley are the parents of a son, born September 16th.

Rev. and Mrs. Walter L. Greene Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tassell, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clarke, Mrs. Mary Candall and D. M. Greene were in Hebron Sunday to attend the 100th Anniversary of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of that place.

Mrs. Archie Bloss and Mrs. Denzil Baker furnished a musical program for the Whitesville PTA, Tuesday evening.

Charles Church returned home Sunday from a six weeks visit at the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nobles of Towanda, Pa.

Mrs. John Dolan passed from Tuesday until Friday at Syracuse where she attended the funeral of her cousin, Warren Vanzandt. Hugo Honegger and Robert Sutherland are employed at Hornell in a silk mill.

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