

THANKSGIVING DAY 1963

An Editorial

The simple verse which appears on our Front Page was written many years ago by Harriet Prescott Spofford.

It tells of the traditional Thanksgiving — the Thanksgiving our forefathers knew, and that Currier and Ives immortalized in engravings. It was, of course, a day of rest and feasting — rest from all of the strenuous chores that had to be done manually in addition to watching out for their own personal safety at the same time.

But to them — it was more, much more — a day of prayer in which gratitude was offered for the good things of the past, and hope was held out for the future. A day of Thanks — of acknowledging the existence of a higher power than man, and of faith in the workings of a divine being.

We live now in a much more complicated time. A false sense of values has obscured many former cherished ideals. Mechanical and materialistic advances in the past century of almost incredible dimension have dulled the needs and wants of both body and spirit.

We live in a world so torn with dissension, hatred, fear, and jealousy, that, to many, the real meaning of Thanksgiving has been largely lost. We have the feast — without remembering and thinking of the real reason for the feast.

Perhaps, this year, all may change. Perhaps this Thanksgiving Day, great numbers of us will observe it in the spirit of our forefathers. If so, it will truly be a day of thanks for the blessings of the past, broken with troubles as they may have been — with the happenings of the past week still fresh in our minds — and a day in which we will find new courage to meet whatever is to come.

Then, above all, it will be a day in which we realize deeply another thing our forefathers knew — that, under God, each individual human being owes an everlasting debt of duty and responsibility to his family and his neighbors, and that no institution and no government can discharge it for him.

A TRAGEDY OF ERRORS!

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It is certainly a tragedy of World Wide significance, when on practically the Eve of Thanksgiving, the President of this—the largest and most influential Free Country in the World—is assassinated in broad daylight in front of millions of horrified watchers.

In our opinion and from our point of view, it reflects directly back on the Police Department as a whole, and even more so, on the Citizens of Dallas itself who maintain and keep them in office. These same citizens who but a short time ago showed their contempt and spat at one of the President's most important Emissaries—Adalai Stevenson.

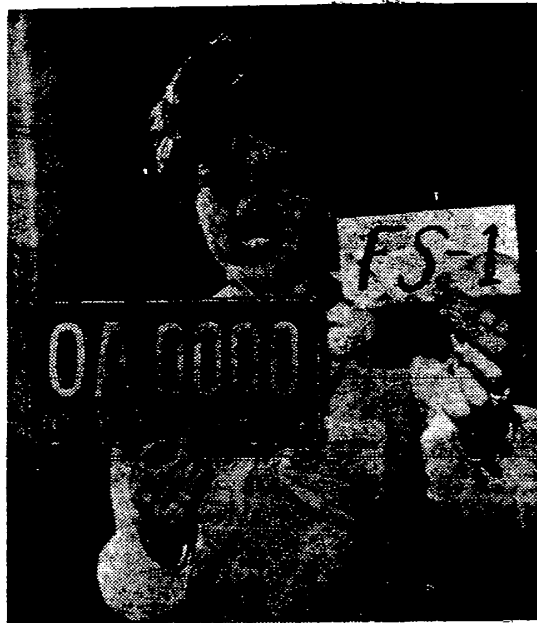
The first error it would seem that was committed — was the decision for a visit to what appeared to be an unfriendly atmosphere to the President's Administration. We do not question the right to such a visit — but should the life of our Chief Executive be placed in jeopardy for the furtherance of any political party — be it Republican or Democrat?

Then too—shouldn't maximum security be exercised when any tour or visit is made—such as the use of the bullet-proof glass and auto that is furnished for a motorcade of this type? After all—as has only been too tragically and clearly proven—it only takes one shot from the weapon of a crack-pot or scheming assassin to cut down any human—regardless of his rank, stature or position.

As far as the Dallas Police are concerned: why was a man with a suspicious looking package allowed to enter a building along the route without first checking the contents?—the Officer must have been doubtful or he wouldn't have stopped him to begin with? Why was anyone allowed to slip thru the cordon of Police after the killing on just their own say so? Why would a veteran officer approach a potentially dangerous fugitive without a drawn gun to use in case of an emergency?

With the eyes of the entire world on American Justice, was the suspect given his Constitutional rights or was he hurriedly used as a quick scapegoat?

Why was it publicly announced about transferring Lee Oswald from one jail to another? Why was it necessary to allow such a large crowd of Newsmen



SOMETHING NEW FOR 1964—Miss Rose-Marie Lucarelli of the State Department of Motor Vehicles displays a sample of the new 1964 automobile number plate which goes on sale on Monday, December 2. The paper marked "FS-1" she is holding points out that to get your 1964 plate, you must also present a new FS-1 form from your insurance agent.

Attention All Motorists!

Within the next week or two, nearly all of New York State's 5.8 million motor vehicle owners will be receiving the FS-1 form they will need to register their vehicle for 1964. Motor Vehicle Commissioner William S. Hulst has announced.

Mailing of the forms by insurance companies and agents is timed to coincide with the beginning of registration plate sales which begin on December 2nd.

This year, in addition to the usual renewal stub application blank, and check, all vehicle owners will have to submit proof of financial security when they obtain their 1964 plates. In most cases, this proof consists of the FS-1 form.

"Therefore," said the Commissioner, "I am urging all motorists to be on the lookout for the FS-1 forms, and to place them in safekeeping until they purchase their plates."

Some insurance companies and agents have already made their mailings, but the bulk of the FS-1s will be mailed during the next two weeks, according to word received by the Commissioner from the insurance industry.

The Commissioner had this further advice for motorists:

"When your FS-1 arrives check it immediately with the data on your vehicle registration. It should be white in color. Be sure the name, address, and vehicle identification numbers are the same on both forms. If the FS-1 is incorrect, you should contact your insurance man immediately to obtain a corrected certificate."

and TV men present during such a critical move? Who let Jack Ruby thru the Police Cordon and why wasn't he searched? Why wasn't any action taken when Ruby moved directly in front of the Police Escort to shoot his handcuffed victim? Was this killing committed in order to silence the accused assassin before he might reveal other accomplices or tie-ins with a subversive group?

The circumstances around the whole tragedy, or series of them, certainly seem strange, and we, along with many others are glad to see that the New President has ordered a full fledged investigation into the case by the F.B.I.

Let's hope that they will be able to find out the truth so the American Public will at least be informed of what really happened in Dallas, Texas!

Allegany County Fire Control Report

The following is a report from the Allegany Control at Andover, for the month of October, 1963:

FIRES	
Industrial	2
Dwellings	4
Motor Vehicle	6
Grass & Brush	81
Farm Buildings	5
Miscellaneous	459
Pennsylvania Calls	1
Dump & Rubbish	22
Total Calls	580
ACCIDENTS — 1	
MUTUAL AID	
In County	17
Out of County	2
Total Calls	19
AMBULANCE CALLS	
Alfred	6
Bolivar	9
Richburg	2
Fillmore	6
Total Calls	23
Radio Checks	54
Siren Tests	114
Vehicle Maintenance	11
Vehicle Practice	11
Fire Drills (School)	5
Clean Chimney	1
Clean Sluices	1
Total Calls	197
Total Calls for the Month	1048
Civilian Defense Alert Participation—Oct. 25, 1963, 6:00 p. m. to Oct. 26, 1963, at 6:00 a. m. This necessitated alerting the Towns of Allentown, Centerville, Ormal, Short Tract and Wiscoy-Rossburg. In the twelve hour period 228 calls were made in addition to the regular calls.	

Turning Back The Pages of Andover History

(Taken from the Files of The Andover News)

50 YEARS AGO

Nov. 21, 1913

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Mrs. Livonia Young, 98, died November 15, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Nichols. Three sons and a daughter survive.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Spicer and son were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Beach of Hornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Updyke of West Union visited his sisters, Mrs. Laura Witter and Mrs. Martha Bines over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taft and children of Jasper were week-end guests of his mother, Mrs. Eliza Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pease were in Greenwood Tuesday in attendance at the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Young.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gallagher of Salamanca were Wednesday guests of Andover relatives.

40 YEARS AGO

Nov. 16, 1923

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Harry Smith, B. C. Withiams, Bert Brown, Chas. Robinson, Chas. Stebbins, E. H. Robinson and Rev. E. H. Whelan attended the Laymen's Meeting of the Methodist Church in Olean Tuesday.

E. J. Kilbane was in Wellsville last week, called there by the death of his brother, Patrick.

Mrs. Clarence Kemp was called to Smethport, Pa., Tuesday by the death of her sister, Mrs. Robert Oliver.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brundage Mrs. A. C. Frisbey, Mrs. Arling Baker, Mrs. P. M. Swink, Mrs. Kate Joyce and L. E. Jordan were in Wayland Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lester Starnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Rogers and son, Albert, returned this week from a motor trip and a few days stay in Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Reiman of Angelica are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt this week.

30 YEARS AGO

Nov. 17, 1933

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Arthur A. Pooter, 73, died at Mountain Clinic in Olean Friday, November 10. His wife survives.

The mercury registered 12 below Thursday morning and the blanket of snow makes excellent sleighing.

Mrs. Arling Briggs, 47, died Sunday following two years of ill health. Her husband, two daughters and her father survive.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burger are the parents of a daughter, born Wednesday night.

Mrs. V. G. Graves, Mrs. Jennie Baker and Frank Graves were Rochester visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Darter and Mrs. John W. Cannon were called to Kane, Pa., by the death of their sister, Mrs. Margaret Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Mee and children of Rochester spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dennison and daughter of Hornell passed Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker.

Rev. W. L. Greene returned Friday from Syracuse where he attended the State Bible School Convention.



Afton, Okla., American: "Was it Patrick Henry who said: 'Give me Liberty or give me death' or did he say: 'Taxation without Representation is tyranny'? We cannot see as to which it is, but we do know that under the present setup we are like unto death and our representatives are being taken away from us and our representation (is), at times, doubtful."

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