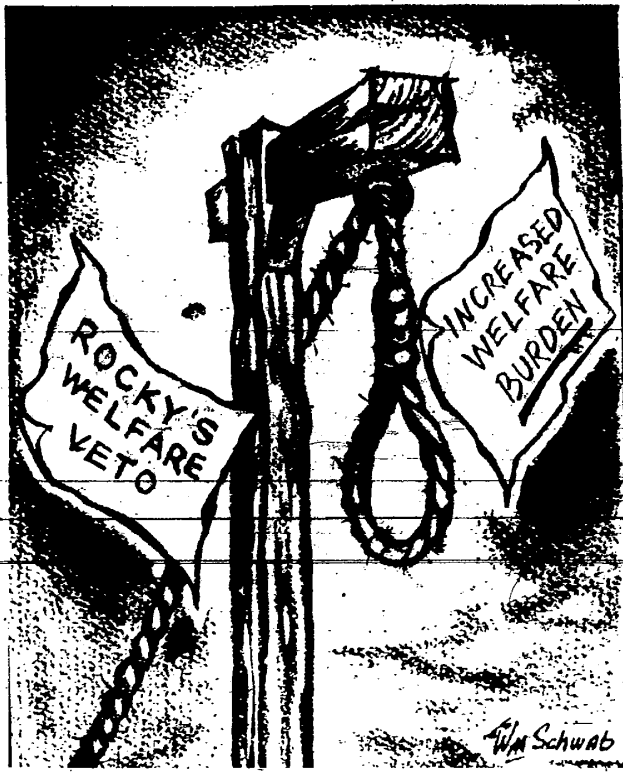


STEP UP TAXPAYER

An Editorial



For the last few years in particular, the cost of Welfare in the State of New York has been rising at a rapid rate. In particular instances, we here in the Town of Clarence were faced with a \$2.00 per thousand raise in 1964 alone. This appalling rate of increase is directly responsible to the fact that there are no residency laws in the State of New York which prohibit out of staters from moving in today and starting their welfare collections tomorrow.

The Clarence Town Board is spearheading a drive to get the bill brought before the State Legislature again this year. It is hoped that our governor will not again defeat this important tax burdening problem when he is asked for his pen of approval on the bill. Two years ago he saw fit to veto the bill after it was passed by both houses of legislature.

There are many facts and figures which will substantiate this move for a reasonable residency law in the welfare act, but in our own situation, the tax dollars paid by Clarence residents this year for welfare would have amounted to \$18,000 return per recipient to the Town of Clarence welfare families.

Without the residency requirements, which is in effect in nearly every other state, New York is virtually asking these people to come by the scores and settle here. Maybe we like being the helping hand for all destitute people in the United States. We are more than willing to take care of our own, but let's not keep TIGHTENING THE NOOSE of our welfare burden by taking care of these cases from all over the United States.

The above Editorial and cartoon appeared in the January 23rd issue of the Clarence Press, Clarence, N. Y., which is in the Buffalo area.

From our stand point of view it certainly seems that there should be a residency law required before we, the Taxpayers, should have to be bled dry by Taxes in helping to pay the Welfare costs of Migrant Workers and the like.

In our own County of Allegany, when over one third of the county budget is spent for welfare it would seem that some kind of action—could—and should—be started to support some such kind of legislation.

**Turning Back
The Pages
of Andover History**

(Taken from the Files of
The Andover News)

50 YEARS AGO

February 20, 1914
J. H. Backus, Publisher
Mrs. Katherine Garvin, 85, died at the home of her son, Michael Garvin February 16th.

Fire destroyed the old Hamel house on Chestnut Street early Tuesday morning. The families of David and Julius Hitchcock, residents of the home, escaped in their night clothes as the thermometer registered 4 below.

Henry Bennett and family are moving to Canisteo this week, where Mr. Bennett will take over the management of the Park Hotel which he owns.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Prast and Mrs. J. J. Oakes were business visitors in Bath Monday.

E. D. Baker, A. R. Baker, and E. A. Richardson are in Rochester this week attending the Hardware Convention.

Mrs. Arthur Burrows and daughter are visiting Buffalo relatives this week.

Robert Brundage left Sunday night for New York City where he will work for the railway mail service.

Jason Hunt, Jr. was called to Andover from Pittsburgh this week by the serious illness of his father, George Hunt.

40 YEARS AGO

February 8, 1924
J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers
The Andover Post Office was moved Saturday from the Vars Block on Main Street to the Baker Brothers Building on Greenwood Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Rogers are in Buffalo this week delegates to the State George Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Briggs have returned to their home in Himrods after spending some time at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. F. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers were Sunday guests of Jesse Snyder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rogers, Ames Rogers and Mrs. C. T. Rogers were in Whitesville Sunday to attend the funeral of Carlton White.

E. R. Crandall was a business visitor in Rochester from Tuesday until Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Robinson were business visitors in Buffalo the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Millsbaugh were Sunday visitors of Whitesville relatives.

30 YEARS AGO

February 2, 1934
J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers
Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary Saturday with a dinner at the Baptist Church followed by Open House at their home.

Virginia Wright, 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Wright died Tuesday night at the Jones Memorial Hospital the results of injuries received when struck by a car that afternoon.

George E. Babcock, 80, died at the home of Mrs. Bessie Babcock, January 26th. His wife and a son survive.

Miss Dorothy Dean graduated from the St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing Saturday and Miss Kathryn O'Donnell has completed her Nurse's Training at the Buffalo General Hospital.

Miss Margaret Dougherty of Athens, Pa., passed the week-end with her mother, Mrs. P. J. Dougherty.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kaple visited at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. John French and other relatives in Purdy Creek the first of the week.

Loop City, Nebr., Times: "Even though women often wear tennis outfits when they can't play, and ski suits even when they can't ski, they sure mean business when they put on a wedding dress."

**Letter To The
Editor**

977 Bruckner Blvd.
Bronx 59, N. Y.
Feb. 10, 1964

Editor, Andover News
Dear Sir:

I am moving to:
21-29 72nd Street
Astoria, L. I.

This is my New Address. We have been living at this apartment for 34 years here on Bruckner Blvd., and are being driven out by the Colored and Puerto Ricans.

We are the last family that's White to leave this house. You can't live with these people, especially the Negroes—they tell you "We are boss"—and they mean it.

We don't want to move, but we have to. It's all right for Politicians to talk about interstate business—but it doesn't work.

John C. McDonough
P.S. You can print this letter if you wish.

Ed. Note: We wonder what kind of "Civil Rights" people that find themselves in this kind of a situation could demand—and how far their results would get?

To help this situation however—how about some of the older local citizens that know the McDonough family dropping them a line of two so they won't be so lonesome when they move into their new home?

Ed. Note: Here is a letter received by Mayor Paul Kilbane which should settle all the rumors about the Village Christmas Decoration Lights for Main St.

**STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS**

Hornell, N. Y.
January 21, 1964

Paul E. Kilbane, Mayor
Village of Andover
Andover, New York

Dear Sir:
It has been brought to our attention that from time to time

personal decorations have been erected across or within the right of way of State highways located within various communities. Such action is, however, in violation of Section 52 of the Highway Law.

This statute provides that no person, firm, corporation or municipality shall enter upon or construct any works in or beyond any portion of a State highway, except under such conditions and regulations as may be prescribed by the Superintendent of Public Works. Penalties are provided for violation of the law.

While we recognize the interests of localities or local organizations in the erection of banners, etc., particularly during the touring or holiday seasons, our experience has indicated these constitute a potential hazard. Primarily, they are a distraction—which, as studies have proven, are a significant factor in rear-end collisions. Such devices also can confuse a motorist's view of traffic signals and interfere with his perception of warning or destination signs. Finally, there is the possibility that decorations over the highway may be torn from their moorings by high winds or heavy precipitation, thereby endangering both motorists and pedestrians.

In compliance with the law, and in the interests of highway safety and public safety in general, the erection of signs or other devices over the State highways is not permitted.

Very truly yours,
W. J. DENNIS
District Engineer

**Albany
Report**

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

A mystery is beginning to unfold here which would be fun to watch if it were not so nerve-racking. The mystery is, "where will we get money for increased aid to education?"

Some legislators more knowledgeable than I, and already saying that the question is not "if" but "how." They seem to assume that somehow a small rabbit is going to be brought out of the hat, regardless.

What lends credence to this expectation is the powerful support swinging behind an increase in the budgeted aid to education in the person of the Speaker of the Assembly, the Carlton of Nassau County.

Nassau County spends more on its schools from local tax money than almost any other county in the state. The state shares school costs with them, the same as with everyone else, in varying percentage depending on the wealth of the district. But the state shares only the first \$500 spent per pupil for the year, and many schools in Nassau are spending as much as \$1,000. Thus the change in formula Mr. Carlino and friends are seeking is an increase in the \$500 figure to somewhere nearer the state average cost per pupil of \$601 for last year.

The problem is that even small adjustments are very expensive when multiplied by all the school districts in the state. Thus a shared-cost ceiling of \$535 per pupil, for example, would cost an extra \$55 million a year, and \$585 per pupil about \$135 million.

Now, under our commitment to pay-as-you-go, there are two ways to raise this kind of money: (1) rob some other part of the budget or (2) raise taxes. I feel strongly that the first is not possible and the second is not desired.

Not only Nassau districts, but every school district in the state would help hold the line on local school taxes. So the search goes on and the optimism persists that somehow, somewhere, the money will be found without its costing anything. The mystery deepens as the 1964 session moves into its second month.

**CRASSROOTS
OPINION**

Bridgehampton, N. Y., News: "One hundred years ago George S. Boutwell, first Commissioner of Internal Revenue, had a staff of only one clerk, and personally read all letters from taxpayers."

Florence, Ore., Siuslaw News: "The philosophy of our federal government has swung away from the philosophy of our founding fathers, inasmuch as the responsibility for social governing was placed as near the people as was possible. Now, under our present government, the responsibility is removed as far as possible from the people, and centralized in dictatorial bureaus in our Nation's capitol. There are laws governing and protecting everything else, maybe it is time now for a law protecting the people from the government!"

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