

DOES YOUR CHILD RIDE A BIKE? — An Editorial

If your child rides a bike, more than likely you, as parents, are well aware of the Annual Bike Rodeo which will be held this coming Saturday that is sponsored by the Andover Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose of this Bike Rodeo is to promote and teach bike safety to all of the youngsters that will participate in the program. However, in this case, as well as many others like it where safety is preached, the ones that need it the most — are the ones that will stay away — or else stand along the side-lines and taunt or tease the ones that are making an effort to learn something.

Thus in conjunction with this program, we urge parents to teach their children bike-safety rules which include:

1. Obey all applicable traffic laws such as traffic signals and stop signs.
2. Avoid heavily-travelled streets — and stay off Village sidewalks.
3. Ride a straight path — don't zig-zag back and forth across the street or highway. Keep to the extreme side of the road. When riding in a group, ride single-file.
4. Don't stunt-ride on the street — and never carry extra passengers.
5. Be sure the bike is in good mechanical condition, equipped with good brakes, tires, securely fastened saddle and handle bars adjusted to the rider, a horn or bell, and lights and reflectors for night riding as required by the new law.

In addition to this, we urge parents not to buy a bike that is too big for the child. A bike that is too big is hard to control and becomes inherently unsafe for that reason. And don't let your child ride in the street until he can control his bike, ride in a reasonably straight line, and look over either shoulder to check traffic conditions.

HANDS OFF!

An Editorial

With the room assignments for the ACS Students appearing in this week's paper, it reminds us of the rapidly approaching reopening of School — and the end of summer vacation.

Thus, before School starts, we would like to call attention to a few comments made by a prominent Child Welfare Officer:

Judging by the increasing rate of juvenile delinquency, too many parents are leaving to the schools or the police departments — the job of training their children in concepts of right and wrong. Thus parents are delinquent before their children are."

It is now being proposed that courses in ethics or rules of behavior be added to the curriculum of American high schools. That would be a good thing.

But before that, every child at home and in grade schools and high schools should be impressed over and over with one single rule, namely, "Keep your hands off other people and other people's PROPERTY".

If this simple rule were followed through life, the record of crime we see in the papers each day would be practically non-existent.

Next to the parent, the schools should drill this rule into the head of every student, not just occasionally, but every day when classes open. Examples taken from the daily news could be used to show how following that simple rule would save a great deal of suffering and grief for juveniles and families."

In addition to the above comments we might add that: Setting the example for children to follow is often much more effective than that of following the adage of "don't do as I do — do as I say"!

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50 YEARS AGO

August 20, 1915

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brundage are the parents of a son, born Wednesday.

Miss Anna O'Leary of Dunkirk was a guest of her sister, Mrs. William Dean and family from Friday until Tuesday.

Miss Isabelle Feeley of Hornell is passing the week guest of Miss Ruby Snyder.

J. A. Lynch of Hornell is passing the week at the home of his brother, Charles Lynch.

Jessamine Baker has been the guest of her Aunt, Mrs. Lillian Barney of Independence for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Perkins and family of Rochester are guests of her mother, Mrs. Ida Lee Baker.

Misses Lilly and Reba Corwin of Wellsville have been passing the week with their grandmother, Mrs. Elwin Livermore.

Mrs. Nellie Gee and son, Lloyd have been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Floyd Cartwright of Hartsville, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tucker left Sunday for Denver, Colo. where they will make their future home.

Dr. and Mrs. George Lynch of New York City are visiting relatives in Andover and vicinity this week.

40 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1925

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George W. Watson died Monday, August 17th. He was the father of Mrs. C. A. Robinson.

Chancey G. Witter, 80, died Monday, August 17th. Burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

Professor and Mrs. Simpson and family are nicely located in the Davis property recently purchased by the Board of Education.

The Dougherty family reunion was held Sunday, August 16th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Baker of Pingrey Hill. 38 were in attendance.

Linford Potter liberated 4,000 trout from the New York State hatchery Saturday in the stream near Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dean and family of Casey, Ill., arrived at the family home on South Hill Monday for their vacation.

Mrs. George Cummings of Andover and her sister, Mrs. R. I. Bell motored to Wellsboro, Pa., Monday to visit their brother, C. B. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Pease were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allie Mead.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Burdick and son of St. Louis, are guests of Andover friends this week.

J. J. Dougherty returned Sunday from Bradford, Pa., where he had been attending "Old Home Week" held in that city.

30 YEARS AGO

August 29, 1935

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Lois Ann Burger, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Burger, died Sunday, August 10th.

Edward T. Lynch, 64, died Saturday, August 17th while working in the field.

Miss Margaret A. Kelley of Almond and Louis J. Joyce of Andover, were united in marriage Monday, August 18th by Rev. Herman Gerlach, pastor of the Blessed Sacrament Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Brown of Painted Post are the parents of a daughter, Mary Cecelia, born Thursday, August 15th.

The 13th Annual Old Timers Picnic of Vorhees Hill will be held in the Pine Grove on the Carrol Church farm, Vorhees Hill, Sept. 1st.

Meat Specials this week: — Chuck Roasts, lb. 23c; Short Ribs of Beef, lb. 15c; Pork Loin Roasts, lb. 25c; Pork Chops, Center Cuts, lb. 32c; and Club Franks and Large Bologna, lb. 19c.

Miss Helen Langworthy of Niagara, is spending a couple of weeks' guest of her sister, Mrs. M. A. Bassett and family of Independ-

"Red's" Racetrack Rambles

LAYFIELD & STAYER SHARE HONORS AT BRADFORD

Bill Layfield, No. 54, in the Sportsman's Class, and Ed Stayer, No. 61, in the Modern Class, shared the honors in winning the Feature Races at the Bradford Speedway, Thursday night. The weather was a little too cool after the showers in the afternoon, but these two features kept the racing fans so excited that they forgot all about everything else.

In the Sportsman's Class, as soon as Bill Layfield, No. 54, and Bob Grove, No. 79, worked their way up thru the pack and out in front, a red-hot battle for the lead developed that lasted right up thru the last lap; with Dutch Strang, No. 14, Larry Swander, No. 99, and Jim Hakes, No. 88, slugging it out for the next three positions. Two different times toward the end of the race, Bob almost pulled up even with Bill — only to spin out — and then would have to catch up and try it over again, with Bill almost sliding into the bank on the home-stretch when his brakes started to fade from the terrific contest.

The Modern Feature was a real "Donnybrook", highlighted by a spectacular crash in the 18th lap when Bob Biglev, No. 7, pushed his car a little too far in the No. 4 turn and went roaring up over the bank in front of the stands tearing out three big posts holding the cables in front of the wire fence and finally coming to a stop near the starter's stand. The car was really a mess but Bob didn't seem to be seriously injured although he was taken to the hospital for observation and kept overnight. After the restart, Bud Perkins, No. 57, moved out into the lead, closely followed by Ed Stayer, No. 61, Jerry Schimp, No. 93, and Jim Schimp, No. 26, with the boys holding these positions until the last lap when a slower car slid into Bud on the No. 5 turn and slowed him down enough so that Ed was able to slip by and cross the finish line ahead.

For a brief re-cap of the races:

In the Sportsman Class — Leon Burgess, No. 1, took the 1st heat; Bob Grove, No. 79, the 2nd heat; and Bill Layfield, No. 54, the "Consy". In the Feature, Bill Layfield, No. 54, took the "Check" while Bob Grove, No. 79, was 2nd; Dutch Strang, No. 14 3rd; Larry Swander, No. 99, 4th; and Jim Hakes, No. 88, 5th.

In the Moderns — Bill Brock No. 4B, took the 1st heat; Bud Perkins, No. 57, won the 2nd; and Willis Dietz, No. 95, the "Consy". In the Feature, Ed Stayer, No. 61 took 1st; Bud Perkins, No. 57, 2nd; Jerry Schimp, No. 93, 3rd; Jim Schimp, No. 25, 4th; and Bill Bigley, 5th.

In the match race during intermission: Bud Perkins, No. 57, came in 1st; Ed Stayer, No. 61 2nd; and Jerry Schimp in No. 93, 3rd.

LAYFIELD TAKES 100-LAPPER IN SPORTSMEN HIDEK TAKES MODERN FEATURE

Bill Layfield, No. 54, won the 100-lap Dean Layfield Memorial Trophy Race in the Sportsman Class, while Paul Hidek, No. 67, won the regular Modern Feature at the Hornell Raceway Friday night.

Although the weather was a little cool, the track was in the best shape of the season which made the two features the hottest so far at this track.

In the last 50 laps of the Sportsman 100-Lapper, Bill Layfield with that neat little No. 54, a '38 Plymouth with a Spitfire 6 Chrysler engine, was able to win in a breeze with Daryl Dennis, No. 822, finishing a lap behind. Bill Deming, No. 11, placed 3rd even though he went over the bank between the No. 3 and No. 4 turn, but was able to come roaring and bouncing back up onto the track with-

dence.

Frank Weinhaner is enjoying a trip to New York City with other newsboys at the expense of the Buffalo Evening News.

Mrs. Gertrude Joyce, RN, of Buffalo, Miss Veronica Joyce of Hornell and Mrs. Raymond Drake and children of Binghamton, are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Joyce.

out losing his position. Phil Pike, No. 14, however wasn't so fortunate as he went over the bank in about the same spot while in 3rd place and had to sit the last few laps out — thus ending up in 7th.

In the Modern Class, Paul Hidek, No. 67, went over the bank near the No. 4 turn during the heat — only to come roaring back up over the bank and then made up almost half a lap to place 4th — and then came bouncing back to win the hotly contested feature.

For a brief re-cap of the evening's races: In the Sportsman Class — Harold Jewell, No. 140, took the 1st heat; Larry Scouten, No. 71, the 2nd; with Bill Layfield, No. 54, taking the Feature; Daryl Dennis, No. 822, 2nd; B.I. Deming, No. 11, 3rd; Jerry Updyke No. 81, 4th; and Larry Scouten, No. 71, 5th.

In the Moderns — Lynn Stone No. 338, took the 1st heat; Floyd Green, No. 7, the 2nd; Bud Perkins, No. 57, the "Consy"; with Paul Hidek, taking the Feature; Floyd Greene, No. 7, 2nd; Bud Perkins, No. 87, 3rd; Lynn Stone, No. 333, 4th; and Ronny Hurd, No. 97, 5th.

BILL LAYFIELD & EDDIE FAY SHARE HONORS AT SPORTSMAN RACEWAY

Bill Layfield, No. 121, and Eddie Fay, No. 15X shared the honors at the Sportsman's Raceway Saturday night with Bill winning the big 100-Lap Dean Layfield Memorial Trophy Race in the Modern Class; and Eddie winning the 1st 50 laps of the 100 Lap Trophy Race in the Sportsman Class.

The Modern Trophy Race was a rip-roaring affair with Lyle Cornelius, No. 04, crowding Bill Layfield, No. 121, throughout most of the race until he lost a wheel and was forced from the race. This left Bill in the undisputed lead and the real battle being passed back to the next 4 cars: Basil Schutt, No. 13, finally being able to take over the No. 2 slot with Bob Williams, No. 52, finishing 3rd.

In the Sportsman Class, the 1st 50 laps of the 100-Lap Dean Layfield Memorial Trophy was run off with a terrific battle for the No. 1 spot between Eddie Fay, No. 15X, and Larry Swander, No. 99. Larry Swander followed Eddie for about 40 laps and then took over the lead — only to lose it in the final few laps when he twisted off his right rear axle and was forced to slow down — although he was able to keep his classy Hudson rolling enough to still finish in the No. 2 slot, less than a lap behind the lead car.

This race was highlighted when Herby Layfield, No. 48, was clipped in the No. 4 turn, lost control of his car and went charging up over the 10-foot bank in front of the stands and ended up tearing thru the fence and stopping just in front of the crowded stands. Although Herby was pretty well shaken up and his car wrecked — he still went back to the track and talked the driver of No. 6 into letting him take over the controls of his car and wound up in 4th place in the Feature.

For a re-cap of the results: In the Modern Class — Art Tomack, No. 82, won the 1st heat; Harold Sherwood, No. 11, the 2nd; and Bill Layfield, No. 121, took the Feature, with Basil Schutt, No. 13, in 2nd; Bob Williams, No. 52, 3rd; Floyd Green No. 7, 4th; and Bill Brock, No. 4B, 5th.

In the Sportsman Class: Eddie Fay No. 15X, who qualified in the fastest time in 18.9 seconds, placed 1st; Larry Swander, No. 99, with 19.9 sec., was 2nd; Dick Seaman, No. 22, with 21 sec.; was 3rd; Herb Layfield driving No. 6 which was qualified in 19.8 sec. with 21 sec., was 5th; Bill Higby, No. 711, 6th; Paul Blauvelt, No. 5, was 4th; Bill Marble, No. 54B, 7th; and Russell Cary, No. 381, 8th.

Sunday, instead of going to Woodhull to cover the races there, we took a "postman's Holiday" and drove down to Trenton, N. J., to see and cover the 200 mile NASCAR race. We pulled in down there around 10 A. M., so that we would have plenty of time to get organized, pick up our passes etc. — only to find out that the race had been officially called as of 9 A. M., due to rain — with further showers predicted for the rest of the day.

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