

## A FEW EDUCATION GRAINS OF TRUTH!

An Editorial

What is a College Student? Who is responsible for him? Who is to blame when he foments, agitates, or joins in and participates in riots and student protests of a violent nature where property damage and physical injury occurs — or law and order is broken and shattered? What sets him apart and makes him any different than any other citizen?

Let's assume that he is a product — ranging on an average — between 18 and 21 years of age. Why do we say product? Well, isn't he?

According to Webster's International Dictionary, a product is: "anything produced by generation, growth, labor, or thought".

Thus, a College Student is a product of a mother and father — and the end result of: (1) parental control, guidance, discipline, leadership and indoctrination; (2) environment; (3) friends and associates; (4) instruction and education presented thru grammar and high school; (5) last but not least, principles, theories, ideas, and ideals attained to date at college.

Now, as to the blame for where his mis-deeds are concerned — Parents, Let's Face It! He has been (or should have been) under **your** direct control until he entered College — usually around 18 years old — which is his whole life! True, he may have been led and motivated by companions — or teachers — but why should he have listened to them if he had been taught: the difference between right and wrong; discipline; respect for law and order, religion, and the individual rights of every one as guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States?

When violence erupts and students are hurt, or killed — instead of listening to a few professional agitators or politicians, placing the blame on the police or soldiers who have been **called in** to restore and maintain law and order — why not do some earnest soul-searching — accept **your** responsibility — and make an earnest effort to get at the root of the cause and trouble?

What sets him apart and makes him any different than any other young person? First, it's his intelligence as exhibited by the marks he has received on State Regents Exams; and second, his avowed interest in attending College to further his education.

This leads us up to another point in the Education System to be evaluated — and perhaps may offer answers to the demonstrations on College Campuses.

In State University Centers, students must have a minimum average grade in 5 regent subjects of 88 - 89 in order to be eligible to be able to apply to attend school. And, on an average, only 1 student out of 8 applicants is accepted.

In five of the 4-year State University Schools which include Oswego, Oneonta, and Cortland, applicants must have an average grade entrance of 87 — with at least 6 applicants for every opening at these schools.

In the other 4-yr State University System Schools, students must have a minimum average grade of 83. And, here again, there is only 1 out of 6 applicants that is accepted.

Since most of the campus unrest, demonstrations and riots is being fomented by a small minority of students, many questions of why? are being asked.

Parents are asking why: "their children who have averages of 80-85; who are not interested in changing the 'establishments' over to suit themselves; and are **truly interested** in getting an education" — shouldn't be accepted in these schools — and toss out the demonstrators! And, they have a very good point.

Are these students who appear to have high I.Q.'s actually only "educated fools" that can't accept the realities of our complex social life and the accepted laws of our modern society? Are they sincerely interested in getting an education — or are they only using it as an excuse to evade the draft? Is their I.Q. so high that they don't have to study — and thus have idle time to get into trouble?

And, Taxpayers, since it is your Tax Dollars that are being spent at these State Universities, it is up to **YOU** to tell your Congressman what you want them to do!

Do you want the demonstrators booted out of College to make room for students that want to learn? Or let them stay and destroy our entire higher education system?



## 50 YEARS AGO

May 14, 1920

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Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Clarke of Independence entertained about 90 neighbors and friends at their home in Independence Monday, May 10th in honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They were assisted by their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke of Independence and their daughter, Mrs. Carrie Slade of Albany.

Martin O'Brien, 88, one of Andover's oldest residents died Sunday, May 9th at the home of his nephew, Thomas McAndrew on First Street. Burial was in Wellsville.

Rev. Geo. A. Orton will close his pastorate with the First Baptist Church of Andover, Sunday, May 16th and has accepted a call to Pavilion.

Mrs. Emily Benjamin Crandall, 71, died at her home in Independence Sunday, May 9th. Her husband, a son and a daughter survive. Interment was in Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Trowbridge have moved back to Andover from Port Jervis, N. Y., and are occupying rooms in the Atwood tenant house on Pleasant Ave.

Miss Mary Casey is enjoying a few days vacation this week from her duties in the Clinic Hospital at Olean.

Jerome Remington of Painted Post visited his brother, D. D. Remington this week.

Lee Trowbridge left Andover Tuesday to begin work for a Wellsville firm, drilling.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker were in Buffalo Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. H. P. Garvin returned from Pittsburgh, Pa. Monday after spending a few weeks with her sister.

Messrs. Ligouri Lynch and Max Richardson were business visitors in Buffalo the first of the week.

Miss Grace Cheesman is passing a week in New York City as the guest of Miss Angelina Wood.

Henry Gill of Little Valley passed the week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gill. St. Chas. Bozzard came Monday from Angelica to spend some time with his niece, Mrs. Emma Robbins.

Miss Earl Bassett returned home Sunday after spending a few days visiting in Buffalo, guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers.

Mrs. Eliza Gallagher and daughter, Miss Anna, have returned from several weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. E. A. Cassidy of New York City.

Miss Margaret O'Horgan of Detroit, Mich., was calling on friends in Andover the first of the week.

James B. Dagon, 65, of Hornell died Wednesday, May 12th. His wife, a son, four daughters and two brothers survive.

## 40 YEARS AGO

May 16, 1930

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A very pretty double wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Dynes at the Methodist Parsonage Wednesday, when Elbert Burdette Burdick and Frances Laura Kemp and Lawrence Perkins and Winnifred Freeland, all of the town of Alfred were united in marriage.

G. W. Falwell of Hornell is the manager of the new Atlantic & Pacific Store which opens Saturday May 17th in the former Burrows Store.

Henry Stacey of Olean and Janet Riggs of Knapp's Creek were united in marriage Saturday, May 10th by Rev. McIntosh.

Miss Ellen Casey has successfully passed her State Exams and

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by Alex Rankin

The doldrums are with us. It is that period between the end of the 1970 session of the State Legislature in Albany and the next date on the state's political calendar—the June 23 primaries.

Those with thoughts of running this election year without the official party designation are out getting signatures on petitions.

Everyone else is out looking for money.

A certain call to the Democratic debacle at Grossinger's came the other day when Democratic Rep. Max McCarthy of Buffalo announced he was back in the running for U. S. Senate in the June primaries — and hopefully against the incumbent, Charles E. Goodell in the fall.

No one seems to have a clear idea why Max got back in the race.

Those of us who were at Grossinger's remember the afternoon he announced he was no longer in the running. He stepped right up to the brink of denouncing the bosses who ran the show — then backed away with a smile and some platitudes.

Some are guessing that McCarthy is back in the race because Crangle and others were stung by criticism that their Democratic ticket — except for one — is all from New York City.

The one exception isn't much help — he's from Westchester.

It's obviously too early to start predicting June winners.

Meanwhile a lot of county and

city officials around the state are busy weighing the odds of introducing off-track betting parlors in their areas as the result of legislation passed in Albany — part of the package deal to give New York City more money.

And still others are busy counting the new money they may get under the expanded lottery bill passed at the same session.

Under the new state lottery, tickets are going to go for 25 cents. And be sold in vending machines. In bars and liquor stores.

A lottery task force has been created in the State Department of Taxation and Finance and the State Lottery Commission to figure out how to increase ticket sales under the new plan.

The new wider system, along with off-track betting, were sold to a number of legislators with the argument that illegal gambling takes in millions of dollars a year and there has been no way so far to stop it.

Racketeers use the money to finance their other activities, such as the huge sums of cash needed to purchase heroin overseas, for their loan-sharking operations and for payoffs to police and public officials.

The argument was that the only way to beat the underworld was at their own game.

That is, make the lottery cheap and often enough to compete with the numbers game, and legalize off-track betting to run the corner bookie out of business.

It sounds good on paper.

is now a Registered Nurse and is employed in the Buffalo General Hospital.

Mrs. Orville Green of South Hill is visiting her son, Ford Green and family of Bradford for a few days.

The Garvin family returned to their home in Pittsburgh, Pa. Thursday.

Miss Gertrude Cheesman was in Almond over the week-end to visit her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cook.

Mrs. Ellen Casey returned Friday from Oil City, Pa. where she had been called by the illness and death of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Quigg were week-end guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Murphy of Hornell.

Olin Pingrey of Elmira is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kaple this week.

Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Sheppard and daughters, Natalie and Eva of Avoca were calling on Andover friends, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ida Stearns and grandsons, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Neva Edwards for a week returned to their home at Oswayo Pa., Sunday.

Charles D. Erskine returned from Cameron Mills, to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Slocum, Saturday.

Miss Melba Gee of Wellsville was a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Laven.

Mrs. Wm. Ghostley of Independence, passed Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Henry Bennett.

Wm. McAndrew has returned to Georgetown College at Washington, D. C., after a short visit with his mother, Mrs. W. J. McAndrew. Mr. and Mrs. John E. Cannon left Thursday for a few days vacation in New York City.

## 30 YEARS AGO

May 9, 1940

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Commissioner Boyd and his men completed their tree planting pro-

ject this week with a total of 310 trees set for Andover property owners free of charge.

Lloyd Mead of Elm Valley has purchased the farm of Mrs. Inez Ordway on Pixley Hill and Mrs. Ordway has purchased the Truman Burdick farm in Railroad Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tracy were pleasantly surprised when 18 friends invaded their home Monday night to give them a housewarming and also to celebrate Mrs. Tracy's birthday.

Mrs. Maude Clarke of Independence is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Whitford in Watertown, Pa.

Mrs. Christina Atwell of Elm Valley spent a few days last week at the home of her son, Wilmer Atwell of East Valley.

Mrs. Sarah Burdick visited at the home of her brother, Archie Dodge near Eldred a couple of days last week.

Miss Aileen Walsh and Miss Florence Hill were in Buffalo over the week-end.

T. G. Burdick of Railroad Valley is visiting at the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Burdick in Waverly.

Michael Dougherty, A. L. Dougherty, Mrs. John F. Baker and Mrs. Grace Howland attended the funeral of P. H. Dougherty at Bolivar Friday.

Miss Agnes Fisher spent several days with Miss Catherine McCaffrey in Rexville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wenz who passed the winter in Florida, returned to their home in Andover Sunday.

Eugene Nobles of Towanda, Pa., spent from Thursday until Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nobles of Shovel Hollow.

Mrs. Edward F. Padden has returned to the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Padden after passing several weeks with her daughter and family, Mrs. James Kinnerney of Hornell.

Mrs. F. S. Potter is spending this week in Corning at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Tucker who have been spending the past two weeks in Florida, were guests at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Baker from Thursday to Sunday.

Romeyne Vernet Akin, 73, died Friday, May 4th in Deland, Fla. His wife, a daughter and two grandchildren survive.

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