

THE PRICE OF OPINION

An Editorial

We learned at a very young age that any newspaper worth the price of the paper it was printed on was a newspaper which had opinions of its own and was a paper which made these opinions known to the public through its editorials.

Any newspaper which publishes the views of its editor, through the use of editorials, would quickly tell you that the weekly or daily routine would be made easier if its opinions were left unsaid.

We know from years gone by, that by expressing our opinions, ideas, and thoughts through the use of an editorial, and by speaking out in print we do not always win friends and influence people. Many times our views are among the minority, and quite frequently we find ourselves on the other side of the fence from our friends and business associates.

But then, we didn't enter this profession with the thought of winning a popularity contest. We feel there is a responsibility vested in us to set the stage for an open forum about our community.

We have been told, among other things that it takes guts, that nobody in their right mind would go against the grain of the majority, stick their neck out in print, and then stay around to be subjected to the repercussions which are sure to follow. Regardless of our mental evaluation by others, that is exactly what happens every time an editorial is published.

Sometimes the volume is turned to its highest and many times your family, which had no hand in the writing, becomes subjected to the little people who thrive on ridicule.

We constantly run into the person who waits for his supporters to surround him, or until he is half beered-up to take exception to something we write. But when he is alone or sober, he is ready to forget the whole deal. These people fail to realize they have an editorial column of their own right here in the newspaper. It is the letters to the editor column. It is always open, with a standing invitation to our readers to use it.

Hardly a week goes by that we don't have someone or some group suggesting editorial comment for our use. When asked why they don't write a letter to the editor, 99 per cent of the answers boil down to this: "We can't afford to get people mad at us, we're in business, or we have to live with these people."

Let us say this: agreement on every subject is not vital for intelligent discussion. Rather, conflict of opinion on an issue often brings forth truth, understanding, and action towards a better community — if those involved have the maturity to remain objective.

The editorials in The Andover News remain our ideas. They are our thoughts. We do not expect agreement on everything we write. But when you see it in print, it is there as a market-place for thought and discussion. But you can bank on one thing — when you read it in an editorial — that's the way we feel.

And, don't forget readers — your Hometown Weekly Newspaper is more vitally interested in what goes on locally — than any other newspaper in the world!

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THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS BASIC TO ALL YOUR AMERICAN FREEDOMS! Only as your Newspaper is free to print the facts, can you be free to know them. Only as you know the facts, can you act wisely in the best interests of your Community, as you see them. In America, there is plenty of room for opinions. **THERE IS NO ROOM FOR RESTRICTIONS ON THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO KNOW THE TRUTH!**

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50 YEARS AGO

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The first and we sincerely hope the last, cyclone that ever visited this community struck Friday night at about 10 o'clock and lasted nearly forty-five minutes, leaving in its wake a desolation that it will take a whole generation to efface. Houses were demolished, barns torn down, roofs ripped off buildings, in every part of the Village and one-third of the shade trees were torn up by the roots and looked more like a slashing in a lumber camp than the beautiful Andover of former years.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karcanes are parents of a daughter born Wednesday, July 28th.

Miss Flora Swarts and Lewis Seely of Whitesville were united in marriage Sunday, July 25th.

The new bridge over Dyke Creek is completed and as soon as the concrete hardens will be ready for use.

Miss Helen Smith of Olean is passing her vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Hann of Elm Valley.

Mrs. Wahl has returned to her home in Elm Valley after passing some time visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Guinn and her son, John Wahl of Andover.

Mrs. Mila Pingrey of Andover spent several days last week at the home of A. M. Mingus of South Hill.

Harold Payne of Kenton, Ohio, was greeting Andover friends the first of the week.

Lynn Hammond of Depew was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hollowell of Canisteo, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Hollowell of Andover.

The Misses Lela Slocum and Ella Dennison of Hornell, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Slocum for the week-end.

Mrs. Levi Tubbs went to Corning Thursday where she will remain for several weeks guests of relatives and friends in that place and vicinity.

Mrs. Bessie Herrick of New York City is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Nettie Barney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hammond and son passed Tuesday and Wednesday guests of relatives in Corning.

Mrs. Fay Bloss and daughter, Marion, arrived in Andover Monday from South Bend, Indiana for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bloss.

R. S. Tubbs left Andover Thursday for Camp Perry, Ohio, where he will be one of the contestants in the National Rifle Match, shooting with the Michigan State Team.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bloss and son, Elden and Mrs. Lawrence Bloss motored to Andover from Sayre, Pa., Wednesday. Leon remained to repair his property on Dyke Street.

40 YEARS AGO

August 1, 1930

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hardy entertained at dinner July 27th at their home on Rochambeau Ave., Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spicer, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Crandall, D. E. Livermore and Mrs. Addie Green, the occasion being the joint birthdays of Mr. Spicer and Mr. Livermore.

There was a pleasant gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McDonough on Dyke Street Saturday, July 19th to celebrate the birthday of Mrs. McDonough.

Mrs. Rose Coon-Gilbert, 78, died at the I.O.O.F. Grand Lodge Home at Ithaca, Saturday, July 26th. Her husband, a daughter and a sister survive. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

John H. Hoffman, 53, died at his home on Rochambeau Ave., Thursday, July 28th. His wife, three sons, seven daughters, his mother and two brothers survive. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Chase are the parents of a son, Forrest Junior, born July 28th.

Lynn Trowbridge plans to move

ALBANY

open line

by Alex Rankin

State Republican Party Chairman Chuck Lanigan is whistling up a tree when he says he expects his party to "unify" behind Charlie Goodell.

There is good, hard evidence all around the state — but particularly upstate — that what is really happening is that Republican workers are at this moment actively campaigning for the Conservative Party candidate for U. S. Senate, James Buckley.

It is one thing for Governor Rockefeller and Lanigan to get all the Republican county chairmen into a motel meeting room.

But neither one of them have managed to do the same thing to the thousands of Republicans who work under those county chairmen. To begin with, they won't all fit in one room. And to end with, while most of these folks over the past 12 years have come to owe Rockefeller a favor, most of those thousands have not been touched by the Rockefeller patronage system.

Lanigan did his whistling at the state committee meeting in Albany not too long ago where, as usual, reporters discovered everyone was still grumbling about Goodell.

Evidence of the fact they didn't

have to look too far is the almost universal quoting of Republican Assemblyman Vita Battista of Brooklyn, who used a lot of unprintable language to describe his feelings about Goodell.

Battista, as all Albany reporters know, is always good for a quote. In the Assembly he sits at the back of the chamber on the Republican side of the aisle and has a habit of waving his handkerchief to opponents on the other side of the aisle when the debate gets hot.

The Lanigan clincher at the meeting was that Buckley doesn't have much of a chance. The fact is he has a good one.

First, with Goodell running against Ottinger, liberals may split between the two and leave Buckley the winner.

Second, Buckley may generate enough interest to pull votes for his gubernatorial running mate, Paul Adams.

That really has Republicans thinking.

With Arthur Goldberg running on both the Liberal and Democratic lines on the ballot, Rockefeller needs every vote he can get.

his family to Hornell Saturday Mr. Trowbridge is employed at the Silk Mill in that city.

Earl Atwell of Elm Valley is moving into the Caple house this week.

Mrs. E. R. Crandall, Jane and Billy of Alfred, spent from Sunday until Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke of Independence.

Mrs. Charles Updyke was a week-end visitor of her daughter, Mrs. William Nelson of Hornell.

Miss Ruby Hunt of Washington, D. C., is passing her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Delia Hunt on Dyke Street.

Mrs. Louise Burbank has returned to her home in Scio after passing several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Earley.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Horan arrived Sunday from Schenectady for a vacation and visit with his father, Henry Horan and other Andover relatives. The Misses Helen and Anna Mae Smith of Bradford, Pa., who had been guests at the home of their uncle and wife, accompanied them to Andover.

Wilmer Atwell of Greenwood spent the week with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Irwin of Philadelphia, Pa., were visiting his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Robinson and daughter, Mary Lou of Midwest, Wyoming, arrived in Andover Tuesday to visit their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hurd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers of New York City were week-end guests of their niece, Miss Dorothy Snyder at the home of Jesse Snyder on Elm Street.

30 YEARS AGO

July 25, 1940

Claire C. Backus, Publisher

Richard Slocum of Wellsville is passing the week with his cousin, Gerald Goodridge.

Miss Beverly Ann Tracy of Scio visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tracy last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jones and daughter, Sally, spent the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Sly of Arkport.

Raymond Prest has returned to his home in Avoca after four weeks passed with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Prest.

Mrs. Edith Wheaton returned to her home in Alfred Sunday after a visit with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wheaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke and family of Binghamton were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Joyce and called on Mr. and Mrs. James Joyce and other rela-

tives. Miss Veronica Joyce of Hornell is passing some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Joyce on Joyce Hill. Miss Margaret Joyce of Hornell also passed last week with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burns and Miss Rosemary Mead motored to Buffalo Sunday with the Misses Joyce Ann and Mary Harris, who have been guests at the Burns home the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nobles and daughter, Patricia of Towanda, Pa., were guests over the week-end of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nobles of Shovel Hollow. They also called on Mrs. Jett Blodgett.

Mrs. Lynn Drake of Crosby Creek passed the week-end with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Whiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Clarke of Independence, are visiting her brother in Rochester this week.

Beverly Teribury of West Greenwood is passing some time with her sister, Mrs. Harley Foster and family of Candor, N. Y.

Mrs. Fred Brewster and daughter, Idanette of West Greenwood are passing two weeks with her brother, Henry Hall and other relatives in New Jersey.

The West Greenwood ball team played Troupsburg on their field Sunday with a score of 10 - 11 in favor of West Greenwood.

Robert Dean and Edward Dean motored to Pittsburgh, Pa., Saturday to pass the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Garvin and other relatives. Mrs. M. T. Garvin accompanied them home for a visit with Andover relatives.

Mrs. W. L. Greene, Mrs. Robert Church, Mrs. E. V. Greene, Mrs. William Pease, Mrs. Carl Tracy and Mrs. Elizabeth Hann are attending the Home Bureau camping party held at Spring Lake this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lever and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Leary are attending the World's Fair in New York City this week.

Roger Tuttle is passing a few days at Spruce Pines, North Carolina, guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd. Mrs. Tuttle, who has been visiting her sister, will accompany him home.

Miss Louise Snyder of Kansas City, Kan., arrived Sunday for a visit at the home of her aunt, Miss Mary Snyder.

David McHenry of Olean is passing the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Burdick of Tip Top.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. O'Leary of Oklahoma City, Okla., were guests of J. J. O'Leary and other relatives and friends in Andover for a few days this week enroute to the World's Fair in New York City.