

## FIRE PREVENTION EDITORIAL!



Last year in the United States, 7,100 persons lost their lives in fires. Thousands more were injured. Property damage resulting from fire reached a staggering \$17 billion. With care, a huge portion of this shameful waste could have been avoided.

During the week of October 4 - 10, all of us will be asked to redouble our efforts to cut down on this enormous toll of life, limb and property; to check our homes and places of business against hazards which might at some unexpected moment burn us out and threaten our very persons; to remind ourselves that fires can indeed be avoided through the exercise of care.

Fire Prevention Week is "not just another crusade to be taken lightly." It was conceived, and is repeated at this time every year, as a deadly serious reminder to all Americans that fire prevention is a relatively simple task, but one which must be kept in mind at all times.

How simple it is, for example, to put that cigarette or match — out before discarding it, rather than tossing it carelessly away, perhaps to kindle a fire with consequences you will never forget.

How simple to clean out that kitchen stove, rather than taking the risk of a badly charred room or gutted home which can be the result of an accumulation of grease.

Fire Prevention Week is a time to think of these things: to throw out old newspapers and other unneeded collections of combustible materials; to check — or have a serviceman check — electrical appliances and wiring and heating equipment. It is a time to pledge ourselves to making fire prevention a year-round job.

Matches and smoking, according to studies of official records, are responsible for one out of every five fires.

But don't let us kid ourselves the real culprits are PEOPLE — people who are careless with matches or who have less than tidy smoking habits.

We offer these suggestions to help hold down fires of such origin:

1. After using a match, break it in half before discarding it.
2. Keep plenty of ash trays on hand in every room.
3. Use them.
4. Empty them often, but not into paper bags or other flammable receptacles.
5. Before going to bed at night, empty all ash-trays, preferably in a covered metal container.

That is the message Fire Prevention Week seeks to convey.

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## FROM OUR FILES

## 50 YEARS AGO

October 1, 1920

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Mrs. John Horton is the new saleswoman at the M. A. Fowler Bargain Store.

A barn owned by Frank Cocoman of Greenwood Hill, was struck by lightning in the storm Monday night and entirely destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke, Decatur and Chas. Clarke have returned to their home in Independence Monday after a week's visit with H. N. Slade and family at Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Greene have returned to their home in Warren, Ohio, after a week's visit at the home of his brother, E. V. Greene of Tip Top.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Baker returned to their home at Tip Top Tuesday after a week's visit in Cleveland Ohio and Salamanca, N. Y.

Chas. Clarke of Independence has begun his studies at the Agricultural School at Alfred.

Miss Ruth Baker spent the past week in Rochester guest of her sister, Mrs. O. R. Henderson.

Miss Esther Baker of Silver Springs spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baker.

Miss Aneti Feeley and Leo M. O'Connor of Hornell, were united in marriage Wednesday, September 29th at St. Ann's Church in Hornell.

Miss Grace Cheesman has returned from a visit of several days in Philadelphia, Pa., with Mrs. E. C. Strong, formerly Miss Mary Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Lash and children arrived in Andover this week from Collins Center and will remain here for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Vars and Miss Ruth Mings have returned from several weeks stay at their cottage in Rhode Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Vars and son have returned from an auto trip and visit at Mrs. Vars' former home in Maine. Her father, D. I. Floyd, accompanied them to Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Frisbey are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. L. T. VanWort at their home in Corning.

Mrs. Clara Crandall has returned to Andover after an extended stay in the west and will occupy her home on Dyke Street as soon as it is vacated.

Mr. and Mrs. William Call and daughter, Bernice, and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mead were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Jackway at Westfield, N. Y., from Thursday until Friday.

Mrs. Thaddeus Clarkson has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lewis Flohr of Canisteo this week.

## 40 YEARS AGO

October 3, 1930

J. H. Backus &amp; Son, Publishers

Rev. H. C. Shergue will be pastor of the Andover Methodist Church for the coming year. Rev. Walter Dynes, who has been pastor for the past three years, has been appointed to Belfast.

Miss Zita Joyce and Raymond Drake of Andover, were united in marriage Tuesday, September 30 by Rev. C. E. McHugh.

Miss Laura Burdick of Coldwater, N. Y., and Elwood Williams of Andover, were united in marriage September 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Crandall of Independence accompanied their son, Edward, to Lancaster, Pa., Monday where he is entering college.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halsey were visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark of Hartsville over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stearns and son, Judson and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns, visited Mrs. Ella Stearns and other relatives and friends at Port Allegany from Saturday until Monday.

E. A. McFetridge of Dansville is passing a week with his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McFetridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Cassius Cartwright of Alfred were guests at the home of his sister and husband, Mr. and

Score another one for Rocky. Several weeks ago the cry — or mumble — was "Edward V. Who?"

Today, of course, a lot of people know who Edward V. Regan is.

That's the real significance of the alleged blunder Rocky made recently during remarks to a group of black businessmen in New York City when he said Arthur Levitt, Regan's opponent for state comptroller, would run in November.

That was no blunder, pal, that was public relations at its best.

After the speech political reporters were burning up the wires trying to find Regan — he was in deep obscurity in Syracuse — for a story. Now his name has been in headlines and on television screens all over the state, something even all of Rocky's money couldn't purchase because of the "legitimate" interest that went with that exposure on the part of a curious public.

And as everyone can see, the so-called blunder didn't hurt Rocky at all.

It's yet another version of that old political line: "I don't care what you say about me, just spell my name right."

Mrs. Byron Proper, Wednesday. President and Mrs. J. E. Cannon of the Burrows National Bank are attending the Bankers' Convention at Cleveland, Ohio, this week.

Mrs. Pearl Davis of Nile was a guest from Friday until Sunday of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leeman Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Pease of Mapleton, N. Y., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Baker.

Miss Ruth Barrett of Buffalo was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke were in Shinglehouse, Pa., Tuesday, returning Wednesday. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sherwood and Mr. and Mrs. Voorhees.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Trowbridge and family of Hornell spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Trowbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bennett of Olean were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stebbins Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Sara Williams of Rexville was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rogers from Monday until Saturday.

Miss Katherine Folsing of Elmira, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Folsing.

Miss Rosellen Casey returned to the General Hospital in Buffalo Monday after a month's vacation with her mother and other relatives in the vicinity.

## 30 YEARS AGO

September 26, 1940

Chas. C. Backus, Publisher

The Andover Rod and Gun Club placed another shipment of bass and bullheads in Andover Ponds Tuesday.

Charles D. Hann, 83, died early Monday, September 23 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Lanphear of Hornell. A daughter, a sister and a brother survive. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

John Horton, 53, died Sunday, Sept. 22 at his home on Barney Street. His wife, a son, a brother and a sister survive. Interment was in Whites Corners.

Mrs. Harry Kemp entertained at a family birthday dinner Sunday in honor of the birthdays of Harry Kemp and his mother, Mrs. Roxie Swain, who was 82 years of age.

A family gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nobles in Shovel Hollow Saturday evening in honor of the 54th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Nobles.

Lt. Wm. Howland of CO. 6 U. S. Naval Training Station at New

Some think the senatorial winds are beginning to shift after Goodell's appearance recently before the state's daily newspaper publishers in Albany in which he outshone his opponents Ottinger and Buckley.

But we have been saying all that right along. Get Goodell in a meeting where he gets hard questions fired at him and his "Independent" theme (when Nixon is right I'm for him, when he's wrong I'm against him, this state doesn't want a rubber stamp senator) goes over big.

But his problem is still with the grass roots party workers, who obviously held their jobs because they follow the rule Goodell has violated in their eyes, to wit: If you are a Republican, you have to stick with Republicans right down to the last comma. Mavericks and Independents don't build party machines.

If Charlie could sit down 15 minutes alone with every single voter in the state, he would come away a winner.

But he can't, and so Ottinger will murder him with his millions of dollars on television spots and Buckley will finish him off with Republican defectors.

port. R. I., passed the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Howland of Elm Valley.

Friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mrs. Alice Livermore of South Hill Sunday to help her celebrate her eighty-eighth birthday.

Mrs. C. M. Crandall of Independence, accompanied Mrs. Myrtle French to Cleveland, Ohio, Thursday to spend two weeks with her brother, Ernest Greene.

Misses Elaine and Joyce Jones of Wellsville, were guests from Friday until Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke of Independence.

Carl Tassell returned to his home in Independence Thursday from a few days' outing at the World's Fair in New York City.

Hon. Jesse S. Phillips of New York City and Dr. Edward R. Cannon of Rochester, were guests over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Cannon.

Mrs. John E. Vincent left Andover Saturday enroute to California, where she will spend the next two months before returning to New York City for the winter.

Mrs. Emily Ruger of Hornell, spent from Friday until Monday guest of Mrs. Theresa Hyland.

Mrs. Hattie Rennells and granddaughter, Miss June Rennells of Coudersport, Pa., were week-end guests of Mrs. Rennells' son, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rennells of Tip Top.

Mrs. Clara Hann passed Friday and Saturday at Alfred with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter and son, Bob, visited her mother, Mrs. Pearl Ryckman at Brocton over the week-end.

Mrs. Douglas Whiting is passing the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Drake at Bath, due to the illness of her mother.

J. J. Powers of Poughkeepsie is visiting his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kemp.

Miss Mary E. Joyce R.N. of New York City, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Burns and other relatives for a few days.

Mrs. Albert Dennison of Hornell, spent Wednesday and Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Boyle of Belfast and Mrs. Mary Keough of Wellsville were recent guests of their sisters, Miss Nora McAndrew and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Appier.

When the average American reaches 70, he will have consumed the equivalent of 150 head of cattle, 24,000 chickens, 225 lambs, 26 sheep, 310 swine, 26 acres of grain and 50 acres of fruits and vegetables.