

## HUNTERS — What Is YOUR Game? An Editorial

Hunting is a thrilling sport. It gives a man a chance to get away from that day-to-day pressure that builds up from "bringing home the bacon" for the family. It gives him a chance to absorb the great outdoors and inhale that good clean fresh air in our surrounding hills and valleys. It also gives him a chance to relax as well as to be alone with his thoughts.

Hunting, however, ALSO demands a great personal responsibility involving the safety of others. Every year many innocent people are wounded or killed needlessly by the improper use and handling of guns.

Deer season was hardly open for 2 days and the Headlines were already Screaming: "3 Hunters Wounded as Deer Season Opens"; "Hunter is Slain, 4 are Wounded"!!!

Thus it behooves all of us — Parents, as well as Hunters — to check our guns as well as the safety rules and regulations that should be observed while handling firearms.

After checking with several law enforcement agencies, here are some DO'S and DON'TS that should be observed for gun safety:

Do buy a good second hand one, or if possible, a new one. At any rate, have it checked by a reputable local gun dealer.

Or make sure that your boy knows the proper way to handle a gun and also knows the State Conservation Laws and Regulations in effect in your locality. Teach him to respect other peoples property — after all a hunting license doesn't give you the right to hunt on private property UNLESS you have permission from the property owner. (Even if the land isn't POSTED).

FOR ALL HUNTERS: ALWAYS consider every gun loaded until proven otherwise.

Never look DOWN the barrel of a gun to see if it is plugged or loaded — always open it and check from the receiver end.

Never point a gun at Anyone!

Be Extra Careful in loading or unloading guns near cars, highways, or around other hunters. Many hunting accidents happen every year in just this manner. Remember. It is a violation of the Conservation Law to have a loaded firearm ON or IN a VEHICLE!

Never climb through or over a fence without first unloading the gun.

Always know the position of the rest of your fellow hunters in your party. It's very easy to work out a whistle or bird call to show your position if you move without alarming the wild game.

Never shoot at a flat, hard surface — ricochets can wound and kill!

Always know whether your gun is loaded or not when afield — and MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE NOT! Alcohol and guns can be a deadly mixture!

Never shoot at ANYTHING THAT MOVES. Be sure and identify any game before shooting at it — we have never seen a hunter yet that looked like a deer — when it was close enough to identify it as a Buck or Doe!

Never stand loaded guns, or lay them on the ground, whenever there are dogs or children anywhere near. An excited animal or child could easily knock a weapon down or bump it so it could accidentally discharge. ALSO Keep Both Gun and Ammunition away from children!

Never use a gun for a crutch or an arm-rest — it could go off and leave you — arm-less.

Finally — Be ABSOLUTELY SURE That Guns carried into Camp or Home are unloaded. Then keep them locked up!

We are sure that if all of our readers follow these suggestions, they are very likely to be around to hunt again — another season! So-o-o Happy Hunting!



## 50 YEARS AGO

November 12, 1920

J. H. Backus, Publisher

Harold Raymond, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Farwell, died Friday, Nov. 5. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

George Guinn picked some ripe field strawberries on his farm Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Trowbridge are parents of twin daughters, Marion and Marjory, born Sunday November 7th.

Leo Horan took up his residence on the Horan farm Wednesday.

Mrs. Wahl has returned to her home in Elm Valley after a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Guinn.

Mrs. Gertrude Burgess of Alfred was a week-end guest at the A. C. Greene home in Independence.

Mrs. T. B. Tittsworth returned to her home in Plainfield, N. Y. Thursday after a visit with relatives and friends in Independence.

George Beebe was in Corning Wednesday in attendance at the State Conclave of the Cantons I.O.O.F.

Misses Emma and Helen Folsing went to Montour Falls Thursday for a week-end with their sister, Miss Elizabeth Folsing.

Mrs. Leon Wahl and son, William left Wednesday for a few weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ayers of Binghamton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett of Canisteo were week-end guests at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Thorne and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bloss passed the week-end at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wilson of Whitesville.

Editor J. Harvey Backus is in Syracuse this week as guest of the American Press Association with other weekly newspaper editors in New York State.

November 19, 1920

Miss Mary Vickers and Jack Cull of Buffalo, were united in marriage last week.

Elmer Coats moved last week from South Hill to the George Mattison farm near Andover.

Paul Diffin, who has been passing some weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Diffin, left Wednesday for Prescott, Arizona.

Mrs. C. M. Lash was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gustafson last week. Mrs. Lash and daughter, Chrystene, left Monday for Collins Center, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Burger and son, Clayton of Willettsville, N. Y., are visiting his father, Will Burger and family.

Roger Crandall returned Saturday from Belmont, where he had been attending the meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Frank O'Leary of Sugar Grove, Ohio, was in Andover last week looking after the interest of his mother's farm on Pingrey Hill.

Mrs. Hattie Lippincott and Mrs. Mary Terry of Almond visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harvey Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Almond Lamkin of Newfield, N. Y., visited Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Kemp, Ames Rogers and other Andover relatives Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fanning of Detroit, Mich., who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Alice Randolph, left for New York City Tuesday where they will visit their son before returning home.

## 40 YEARS AGO

November 14, 1930

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Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Williams of Grove St. are parents of a daughter, Beta Lou, born Monday, November 10th.

Truman W. Crawford, 60, died at the Will Pease farm on Greenwood Hill, Nov. 4. Burial was in Owego.

Mrs. Howard Dean and daughter of South Hill were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Dennis of Hornell.

Mrs. M. Dean of South Hill was a Tuesday overnight guest of her sister, Miss Anna O'Leary of And-

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by Alex Rankin

Aides of Assembly Speaker Perry B. Duryea, Jr., of Montauk and Senate Majority Leader Earl W. Brydges are saying privately that the two leaders will probably wait and call a special session of the Legislature to deal with reapportionment next year.

The reasoning is simple — and painful enough: Brydges, Duryea and Rocky face a whopping budget deficit when they go to work in January on the 1971 session.

The estimates of the size of the hole in the taxpayers pocket is anywhere from \$1 billion to \$1.4 billion.

In the past Rocky and company have made up such deficits with bonds — a sort of spend now, pay later deal.

But the fly in the ointment this time is the fact that most of the bond authorizations have run out.

It could take one, and maybe two tax hikes to make up the difference between what is in the treasury and what the state wants to spend.

That kind of problem will take more than two months of dickering, wheeling and dealing to fix, and leave no time for reapportionment.

Rocky and New York City Mayor John Lindsay have managed to put a smile on the real feelings they have for one another, but now the governor may throw away the pretense Rocky is still burned up

because JVL endorsed Goldberg after Rocky, who has financed JVL's campaigns in the past, asked him to stay neutral.

Conservatives, who claim more than half of all legislators were elected with their support, will no doubt try to cash in on all this, taking credit for cutbacks in spending.

But it's strictly personal, Rocky and Lindsay, fighting it out.

Pro-abortionists are holding their breaths these days. They are waiting to see what opponents of abortion reform who fought bitterly against the abortion reform bill, have cooked up in the way of amendments for 1971.

Those who favored abortion reform are finding what a young lady lobbyist for the cause told this column 11 months ago is true: The real problem is in the hospitals, the nurses and doctors.

Opponents of abortion reform are finding their strength for reform of the reform, and perhaps outright repeal of the reform law, in the hospitals.

The medical profession, at this point, appears to be the only group actively blocking full implementation of the abortion reform law passed earlier this year.

The voters themselves are no help to opponents of reform. While some who voted for the reform were voted out of office, many more were reelected.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halsey accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitford of Hartsville to Lancaster for a visit with their uncle, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis and children of Youngstown, Ohio, spent the week-end with their aunt Mrs. John Kemp.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood of Hagerstown, Md., are guests of their aunt, Mrs. Alice Clarke of Church Street.

P. L. Lynch of Hackensack, N. J., spent the week-end at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Dougherty and other relatives in Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles attended an Eastern Star meeting at Hornell Monday evening, at which time Mrs. Nobles was installed as Grand Adah of the Order of the Eastern Star, State of New York

November 21, 1930

Andover Presbyterian Church has extended a call to Rev. Frank H. Bisbee of Lyndenville, to become their pastor. Mr. Bisbee and his family expect to move to Andover December 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brewster of West Greenwood, were in Rochester Friday to attend National Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beebe and Mrs. Frank Cook were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tibbitts of Clyde, N. Y.

## 30 YEARS AGO

November 14, 1940

Chaire C. Backus, Publisher

The large barn on the Norman Rogers farm near Andover, burned to the ground Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Miranda Atkins and William Carpenter of Raymond, Pa., were united in marriage Thursday Nov. 7.

Francis Mead was elected Master of Andover Grange Monday evening following a tureen dinner.

The Patrick Higgins farm house on Voorhees Hill burned to the ground Saturday evening.

Miss Martha Loreta Nuzum of Fairmont, West Virginia and E. Carlton Green of Railroad Valley, were united in marriage Saturday, November 9th.

A surprise visit and dinner was given Mr. and Mrs. John Dodge Sunday by relatives and friends in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clarke of Rochester were guests over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Clarke of Independence. They

started for Florida, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Van Schaick of Voorhees Hill, went to Whitesville last week to pass the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Adams of Voorhees Hill, are enjoying a visit with relatives in Michigan.

Miss Doris Baker of Shongo, spent from Saturday until Tuesday at her home in Andover.

Mrs. John Quigg is passing some time with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Murphy and family of Hornell.

Mrs. Sarah Guinn left Tuesday for Johnstown, Pa., where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. D. A. Murphy.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Healey, Jr., of Franklin, Pa., passed the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Alvord.

November 21, 1940

Snow shovels made their initial appearance here Friday morning to remove the four-inch snowfall of the night before.

Miss Louise M. Rogers of Andover and Walter B. Marion of Wellsville, were united in marriage Saturday, November 16. Mr. and Mrs. Clement Manion were their attendants.

A family surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Wentworth Sunday in honor of the birthday of her father, Charles Updyke. Twenty-six were present.

Mrs. William Spicer of Independence was called to Canisteo Friday by the death of her father, Frank Larrow.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Clarke of Independence, are passing a week with relatives in Port Allegany, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hunt and son, Larry of Rochester, passed the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parker.

Paul Alderson of Bath is passing his Thanksgiving vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Alderson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Munro of Buffalo are guests this week at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caple.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bassett and son, Chandler are passing Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bassett in Buffalo.

Mrs. Clara Hann left Wednesday for Buffalo where she will spend some time with her daughter, Miss Edna Caple.

Miss Lella Volk of Honolulu, Hawaii, is passing the week with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Temple.

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