

A HUGE SUCCESS STORY !!

An Editorial

An active Service Organization for a sponsor; a great deal of planning; wonderful co-operation and participation; plus a lot of hard labor — equals the huge success story of the first Annual Allegany-Steuben Maple Festival here in Andover this past weekend! And, when residents all over the Western part of New York State could view the results over WHEC, Channel 10 TV — this was the "frosting on the cake".

Without an active organization like the Lions Club to plan and finance the project; and, without the full co-operation of the Andover Central School Board, Administration, and key Faculty Members — it would have been almost impossible to have launched a joint, two-County Maple Festival.

Without the wonderful co-operation of the Maple Producers; Village and Town Officials; Church, Fraternal, Civic, and Youth Organizations; the area News Media, to include Newspapers, Radio Stations, and Channel 10 TV — it would have been very difficult to conduct a Festival of this size.

And then — without the support of loyal advertisers — it would have been financially unfeasible to underwrite the cost of the Parade, Queen Contest, Entertainment, etc.

Lastly, without the participation of local and area residents, all of the above efforts would have been for naught as no one can profit "playing to an empty house".

The assistance extended by the Wellsville and Alfred Lions Clubs; the Civil Defense Group from Fillmore; Alfred University and Alfred Ag-Tech was very heart-warming, and certainly appreciated by every one. And, of course, without the free entertainment donated by area artists and performing groups — the program would not have been complete.

The Parade, led by the American Legion Color Guard, Mayor, and Supervisor, was very colorful with the Bands, Musical Units, Antique Cars, Floats, Marching Units and other entries.

The exhibits, demonstrations, displays, entertainment and especially the antique steam engines and model displays actually running, added to the Pageantry of the Festival. And, with the pony rides and kiddie rides to the accompanying "merry-go-round" music, the "Mardi-Gras", "Carnival Air" was complete.

As far as the purpose, aims, and goal of the Maple Festival is concerned, we feel that this was accomplished. With over 7,000 persons attending, (a very conservative estimate) the Maple Producers were certainly exposed to a great deal of favorable publicity — and were certainly helped in their field. A \$10,000 figure of gross receipts realized from the Festival appears to us to be a conservative estimate as every organization that we have contacted has reported that they made a profit ranging from \$50 to \$900.

This money made by all of the non-profit organizations in the area means that they have this much less that they have to raise in the local Community — or else they will be able to expand their charitable projects — that much more. True, it was a lot of hard work for the members in every organization that participated — but almost any money raising project is work. And, if the other members weren't satisfied with the financial results, let them get off their dead — "hands" the next time — and see what they can do!

Among other things that are certainly worth mentioning is the splendid attitude shown by the young people in the community who pitched in and helped tremendously. Their youth dance held in the ACS Cafeteria was a "howling success" financially, and judging from the "wall-to-wall" noise emanating from there down the corridors, they really "had a ball" and, — no trouble or incidents!

Thus, looking at the over-all picture at the present time — the Maple Festival was a HUGE SUCCESS and helps bear out the promise that next year's event will be BIGGER and BETTER!



50 YEARS AGO

April 6, 1923

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Mrs. Mary Jane Atwood, 87, died at the family home on Pleasant Avenue, Wednesday, April 4th. A son, and a daughter survive. Funeral services were held Friday with the Rev. Charles Whelan officiating. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery, Andover.

Miss Corine Crandall of Wellsville and Cecil Clark of Andover, were united in marriage March 28 by the Rev. Clay Poland, pastor of the Wellsville Baptist Church.

Burr Ruger has sold his residence on Rochambeau Avenue to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Babcock and family, who returned last week from Oklahoma, where they have been for the past three years, are moving into the house vacated by Charles Bloss — on Rochambeau Avenue.

Charles Bloss, who has been the obliging clerk at the Burrell Williams Cash and Carry Grocery for the past year, has left the position and will make cheese at the Murray Factory on Greenwood Hill. Mr. Bloss will move his family to the new location.

Clifford and Charles Howland of Andover, were guests of Burrell Cole in Elm Valley, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karcanes and daughter, Fotine, motored to Buffalo Thursday where they will attend the Easter services Sunday at the Old Greek Orthodox Church of which they are members.

Miss Dorothea Snyder has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers of Buffalo the past week. Jesse Snyder went to the city Wednesday and will accompany her home the first of the week.

Mrs. Frank Nobles has gone to Wellsville to remain for a time to assist in the care of her brother William Ghostley of that place who is critically ill.

Miss Dora Wagner, who is teaching near Canisteo, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wagner during the Easter vacation.

Miss Mary O'Leary who is teaching at Carteret, N. J., came home to pass the Easter vacation at the home of her father, James A. O'Leary.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gallagher and family of Hornell, are spending a few days guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Lynch.

Miss Nell Walsh who has been working in New York City, is spending a short vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ellen Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Stevens of Shinglehouse, Pa., were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gleason Sunday and Monday.

Rooney Robinson was home from Alfred to pass the Easter vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Robinson.

Malcom Brundage is spending a few days at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Anna Moquin of Woodhull.

F. S. Clarke who has been passing the winter at St. Petersburg, Florida, arrived home Sunday.

Mrs. Michael Casey and son, Howard are spending a few days guests of friends in New York City.

Harold Kemp of Depew, was visiting his parents and other Andover friends over the week-end.

Miss Anna Faisant is home from her school duties at Mt. St. Vincent for the Easter vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Wallace were guests of friends in Perry over the week-end.

Miss Mary Driscoll is spending a few days guests of friends in Corning.

40 YEARS AGO

April 14, 1933

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Mr. and Mrs. Wilkes Jenkins moved their household goods to Hammondsport, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Clair are parents of a daughter, Mary Joan, born Wednesday, April 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vanderhoef

Republicans in the Assembly under the leadership of Perry B. Duryea, Jr., the Speaker, took a couple of giant steps forward — and, one step backward — in reforming the rules under which the Assembly operates.

The rules, and how they are used or abused, play a large role in the image of the Legislature. Abused, they reduce orderly process to a mockery of the democratic process.

The steps forward came when the rules were changed to forbid anyone from voting who is not sitting at his assigned chair in the chamber. In the past the lack of this rule has led to all sorts of abuses that end in phony vote totals.

The step backward is a new rule that the Republicans will now have 30 minutes after a vote is taken in which to supply the Democratic minority with an official tally of the vote. It is a minor step backward because with the new rule requiring members to be in their seats, it will be harder to cheat — or even make honest mistakes.

Duryea has to be given a lot of credit for reforming the operations of the Assembly in the years he has wielded the gavel in that chamber.

The final step — mechanical voting — has yet to be taken, however.

That would produce the kind of image the Legislature now lacks.

Electronic voting was tried once before — tried is not quite the word. A voting device was installed in the Assembly but never actually used. It was poorly designed.

Also, it was ahead of its time. The committee system had to be changed first.

Duryea has done that, but it would appear that one final step

of Barney Street, are parents of a son born Wednesday, April 12th.

Attorney C. L. Earley has sold his farm, known as the Cole farm, North of the Village, to a Mr. Donnellson, who has moved there from the Edward Pierce farm at Tip Top, which he has worked for the past two years.

Two important trains No. 3 and No. 4, on the Erie will be discontinued effective April 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Padden and family have moved from the Mike Hyland farm to the Tom Boyd farm on Pingrey Hill.

George O'Dell from Dryden Hill has been spending some time with his brother, Robert O'Dell and family.

Mrs. William Dempsey of Rexville, passed the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Isabelle McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Padden and family spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents on Dryden Hill.

Mrs. George Calhoun spent the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cartwright of East Valley.

John Briggs returned home Sunday from Dundee where he visited his brother, Howard Briggs and family for several days.

Mrs. Mattie Wilcox and granddaughter, Mary Elaine Baker, passed the week-end at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stout in Wellsville.

Mrs. Clarence Hicks and daughter, Miss Winifred of Honeoye, were guests of her sister, Mrs. Bertha Pingrey Monday and Tuesday and attended the OES Chapter meeting.

Mrs. Charles Cagle is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Munro at Buffalo for a few days.

Mrs. J. F. Monaghan of Arkport spent from Wednesday until Sunday with her sister, Miss Mira Diffin.

S. F. Lester of Middlesex passed Wednesday and Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns and family.

Miss Anna Yannie of Fredonia is passing the Easter vacation with

has to be taken there too.

Electronic or mechanical voting on bills will work if the committee system can be restricted so that, say, on a given day there will be absolutely no committee meetings and therefore the Assemblymen will have no excuse not to be in the chamber voting on bills.

That's the problem now. An Assemblyman comes into the chamber at the beginning of the day and is recorded as present. He may stay for an hour voting on bills and then leave to attend a meeting. But unless a special situation arises where someone demands a "slow roll call" vote, that legislator will be voted "yes" on bills the rest of the day.

Duryea has tried to change that too. But it is extremely difficult for a clerk to keep track of 150 Assemblymen who are often roaming around the chamber.

The new rule change would also seem to end the practice on the part of Assemblymen of walking around the room snapping their fingers and pointing their thumbs down when they want to be recorded in the negative on a bill but are in the process of walking out of the chamber or engaged in a conversation in the back of the room.

One sad note in the debate on the rules change came from the Republican Majority Leader, John Kingston, who insisted that there is nothing wrong in a legislator voting one way when his name is called and then after the tally is announced walking up to the clerk and switching his vote.

It's like allowing all those people who voted for McGovern to go back to the polls the day after election and switch their vote to Nixon so they can say they voted for the winner.

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Yannie.

Linford Horton came home Thursday from Rider College at Trenton, N. J., to pass the Easter vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Horton.

Robert Common of the University of Buffalo passed the week-end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Common.

Miss Ruby Robinson came home from Alfred University Thursday to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Burgett and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Higby motored to Perry Monday to take their uncle L. M. Burgett who has been visiting in Andover to his home.

30 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1943

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The annual meeting and election of officers of the Andover Fire Department was held Tuesday evening at the Fire Hall. Officers for the coming year are as follows: Francis Vickers, President; I. H. Gilfillan, Vice-President; Everett N. Clair, Treasurer; Orville J. Whitaker, Secretary; Charles Holt, Foreman; Clare Jackson, First Assistant Foreman; Lewis Howe, Second Assistant Foreman; Carl Childs, Chief; Albert Rogers, First Assistant Chief; William C. Snyder, Second Assistant Chief and Fay E. Boyd, Trustee for three years.

Miss Louise Freeland of Andover and Clifford W. Houghtling of Hornell, were united in marriage Saturday, April 3, by the Rev. Helena Champlain. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Perkins of Elm Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean are parents of a daughter, born Saturday, April 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Lenford Bledsoe are parents of a son born Monday, April 5.

The new Village Board met Monday evening for their organization

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