

UNEMPLOYMENT INS.: GOOD AND BAD NEWS!

An Editorial

If you've ever been between jobs and on the collecting end of New York State unemployment insurance, chances are you've been grateful for the state law that makes these payments available to people temporarily out of work through no fault of their own.

Chances, too, are that you would far rather have been working at a regular job.

Strangely enough, however, there are those who hold another point of view. Powerful labor interests view the New York State Unemployment Insurance Law as a weapon, enabling them to spin out the length of a strike and thus substantially strengthen their demands.

They can do it, too. The state law, as it now stands, allows strikers to collect unemployment benefits after they have been out on strike seven weeks.

The irony is that the money strikers collect comes from the employer against whom they are striking. Unemployment insurance funds are derived solely through payroll taxes paid by the employer. Not from general taxes. Not from the workers. But from their employers.

Empire State industry has proved it is getting pretty fed up with having to pay for strikes against itself. In the ten years from 1962 to 1972 we have lost 8.6 percent of our manufacturing jobs. Some industries moved to states which don't have this law.

Which states don't have this law? Only 48. There has to be a message in that fact. There is.

The message is directed straight to legislators in Albany, and it says loud and clear: now repeal the law.

"THE MEANEST MOTHER"

There are gems that appear in publications which by circumstances are obscure to the general public. A friend sent us one which has a feature entitled "The Meanest Mother".

We quote from portions: "I had the meanest mother in the whole world. While other kids ate candy for breakfast, I had to eat cereal, eggs or toast. While others had cokes and candy for lunch, I had to eat a sandwich. My mother insisted on knowing where I and my sister and two brothers were at all times. You'd think we were on a chain gang. I am nearly ashamed to admit it, but she actually struck us. Not once, but each time we did as we pleased. Can you imagine someone actually hitting a child because he disobeyed? Now you can see how mean she really was. The worst is yet to come. We had to be in bed by nine each night and up early the next morning. We couldn't sleep until noon, like our friends. So while they slept my mother actually had the nerve to break the child labor law. She made us work. We had to wash dishes, make beds, learn to cook, and all sorts of cruel things. I believe she laid awake nights thinking of mean things to do to us. She always insisted we tell the truth — the whole truth and nothing but the truth, even if it killed us. It nearly did. My mother was a complete failure as a mother. None of us has ever been arrested or divorced. None has beaten his mate. Each of my brothers served his time in the service of his country. And whom do we have to blame for the terrible way we turned out? You're right — our mean mother. Look at all the things we've missed. We never got to march in a port-parade, take part in a riot, burn draft cards or a million and one things that our friends did. Using this as a background, I am trying to rear three children. I stand a little taller and am filled with pride when my children call me mean. Because, you see, I thank God He gave me the meanest mother in the world." End quote.

Mothers — how many of you can qualify for this "title"? Or, have you joined the "Modern Parade" of "Permissiveness" and "over-indulgence"?

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50 YEARS AGO

May 25, 1923

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Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lee of Tip Top are spending the week in New York City, New Rochelle, Plainfield, New Brunswick and Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Henderson and daughter, Dorothy of Rochester, spent Saturday and Sunday guests at the B. S. Baker home at Tip Top.

Mrs. Mac Dean and son Charles returned home Sunday after passing a few weeks with relatives in Hornell.

Miss Margaret McCormick of Rexville, returned home Monday after a few days visit with her niece, Mrs. Jos McDonough.

The Misses Whitford and Randolph of Alfred, were guests over the week-end of Miss Erma Clarke of Independence.

Mrs. Martha Orvis is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emily Swain of Canaseraga this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brundage who have been passing the winter in California, arrived home Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Brundage were guests of relatives at Russell, Kansas, on their return trip.

Miss Susan O'Dell of Greenwood was a week-end guest of Miss Monica Padden.

Mrs. Emma Clair is in Buffalo this week representing Edward Seaman Relief Corps as a delegate at the Department Convention in session in that city.

J. A. O'Leary left Andover Sunday to attend the conferring of the 3rd degree Knights of Columbus, at Olean that afternoon. From Olean, Mr. O'Leary went to Dunkirk to attend the State Convention of the Knights of Columbus held in that city this week, and will visit his sister Miss Anna O'Leary and other relatives in the city.

June 1, 1923

Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Fuller are parents of a daughter, Bernice Louise, born May 30th.

The Shovel Hollow and Pardon Schools closed last Friday with a picnic held in the woods. The respective teachers Misses Monica Padden and Emma Folsing are engaged to teach the schools again this coming year.

Mrs. Jennie Ballard of Rushford District Deputy Grand Matron of Allegany District, made her official visit to Anna W. McArthur Chapter No. 242, OES, last Monday evening.

Mrs. Wood of Alfred, accompanied Mrs. Erwin Clarke of Independence home for the week-end.

Miss Dorothy Day of Whitesville was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Gertrude Van Schaick of Voorhees Hill Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Robison are at Warsaw, guests of friends for a few days.

Mrs. H. G. Clark and son, Everett were recent guests of Mrs. Clark's sister, Mrs. E. N. Johnson of Whitesville.

Curtis Burdick and Sherman Hurd of Wellsville left Saturday for the Shriner Convention held at Washington, D. C. next week.

Mrs. E. A. Richardson and son, Max, are spending a few days guests at the home of her sister, Mrs. Earl Bassett at Buffalo.

Miss Margaret Dougherty is spending the week-end in Buffalo and Niagara Falls, guest of her brother, Anthony Dougherty.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Inskip and three children of Kenmore were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Thorne and other Andover friends over the week-end.

40 YEARS AGO

May 26, 1933

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers

Edward W. Cable, 48, died Thursday, May 18th. His wife, two sons, a daughter and a sister survive. Funeral services were held Saturday morning with the Rev. Herman Gerlach officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Wellsville.

Bessie Hawkins of Andover and John Greenan of Sheffield, Pa.,



by Alex Rankin

Two of the three female members of the Senate pulled an unusual gimmick for that chamber the other day — a filibuster of sorts.

Democratic Senators Carol Bellamy and Karen Burstein found themselves in a normal situation for legislators — voting on a 107 page bill shortly after it was thrown on their desks.

Ms. Bellamy and Ms. Burstein, both freshmen, got upset enough to begin reading it aloud, word for word, at about 7 p. m. The bill was the one creating the Adirondack Park Agency. Under the rules of the Senate they had until shortly after 9 p. m.

After about 50 pages they stopped, but not before they had outraged the crustier members of that august body of legislators. They had started at a point when the Senators thought they were about ready to leave the Capitol for the day for dinner.

Because of the controversial nature of the bill they had to stay around for the final vote.

Ms. Bellamy and Ms. Burstein made a good point or rather rubbed it in. That point is that all too often legislators are asked to vote on bills they haven't even read.

They haven't been read because there isn't time. When the supplemental budget comes up for example, it will be placed on the desks of legislators and voted on within an hour, if past performance is true to form. That document usually contains at least 200 pages.

Ms. Burstein, it will be remembered, said earlier in the session that women in the Capitol were little more than sex objects for male legislators.

This touched off a furious storm, which suddenly died down when it was learned that several legislators had made indecent proposals to a female technician at the Albany Medical Center and had physically harassed her.

The furor over that incident has yet to die down. The legislators involved were never named.

30 YEARS AGO

May 20, 1943

Claire C. Backus, Publisher

Mrs. Olive Manroe, 64, died Saturday, May 15th. Two sons, a daughter, a brother and a sister survive. Funeral services were held Thursday with the Rev. Harold Austin officiating. Burial was in East Valley Cemetery.

Private Alvin M. Hoover returned to Santa Rosa, California, Wednesday after a 16-day furlough passed with Mrs. Hoover in Andover.

A. C. and Mrs. Leslie Brundage of Purner Field, Albany, Georgia, are enjoying a 12-day furlough with Andover relatives.

Max Baker was home from Ft. Wright the first of the week. Max has been promoted to Private First Class.

William Fairbanks, 68, of Elm Valley, died unexpectedly at the home of Leo Flynn in Greenwood last Sunday afternoon, May 16th. Three brothers and a sister survive. Funeral services were held Wednesday with the Rev. Harold R. Austin officiating. Burial was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

The pictures of Servicemen in this week's issue of The Andover News are of Private Richard B. McAndrew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McAndrew, and Corporal John Regan, son of Mrs. T. K. Regan, both of Andover, and both graduates of Andover High School.

Frances William Smith and John M. MacKenzie were united in marriage Saturday, May 8th at Tampa, Florida.

Poppy Poster Prizes offered to the three groups in the Andover Central School by the American Legion Auxiliary were awarded to the following: Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades, Paul Oridway; Seventh and Eighth Grades, Richard Wheaton and High School, Maxine Clarke.

Mrs. Eva Crowner of Elm Valley was pleasantly surprised by a company of relatives and friends on Saturday evening, the occasion being her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Padden of Elm Valley, are parents of a daughter born Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Greene of Independence, received word Monday of the arrival of a daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Monroe of Buffalo. Mrs. Greene and Ann Marie spent from Friday to Sunday in Buffalo with Mr. and Mrs. Monroe.

Burdette Cross has moved his family from Wellsville onto the LaFrone Clark farm on South Hill, where he will work the coming year.

Mrs. Margaret Padden, teacher of the Fulmer Valley School, accompanied her pupils to Wellsville Friday afternoon where they attended a show.

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