

FLAG DAY

An Editorial

The Flag of the United States means something different to each of us. It often evokes some special memory, something which touched us deeply, perhaps fleetingly or in a still, solemn moment never to be forgotten.

It could mean the Fourth of July and fireworks or the muffled drums and riderless horse in a hero's funeral procession. It could be a parade or some special ceremony. No matter what particular personal thoughts or reminiscences are associated with the Flag, there is an even deeper more universal meaning to Old Glory.

The Flag is often called a symbol for what America is, but it's much more than that. It does stand for all of the freedoms and rights that are so basically American. But it's also a rallying point, the battle standard, around which our great Nation has been built. It marks the point toward which men surge when called upon to fulfill the national purpose. Seen in the flashing light of rockets and shell bursts, it is the sign that men fight on. Lifted atop some rocky crag of a battle isle, or above some stately building, it is a mark of victory — a victory which has never resulted in the subjugation of man but instead has advanced the cause of individual dignity.

Yes, the Flag of the United States represents the greatest cause ever undertaken by mortal man, a cause to which mankind must continue to rally if the lofty concept of individual dignity is to be universally attained and preserved.

The history of the Stars and Stripes is the history of our nation: it symbolizes not only the ideals, traditions, and free institutions of our Republic, but also the expansion and territorial development of our United States. The thirteen original stars have grown in number to fifty — the union of our fifty states held together by the bond of our national government — while the thirteen stripes preserve the traditions and ideals of the thirteen colonies or original states which so nobly laid the foundations of this great independent nation.

Display of the Flag is a privilege. It is an act which reaffirms our basic freedom of choice. Thursday, June 14, is Flag Day, marking the 196th anniversary of the adoption of the first flag of our country. Every household and every business place in Andover should mark this day with a Flag on display.

Fly the Flag with pride and gratitude! Fly it to affirm your desire that our Nation shall remain strong and true to her lofty purpose! Fly it in memory of victories won! But, above all, fly it to mark the point to which men shall rally to fight on, whether with blades and shot to meet a godless aggressor or with minds and hearts to meet the spiritual and physical challenges which also threaten our very existence.

Here are a few rules on the proper "Flag Etiquette":

The flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff.

The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff should be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the radiator cap.

The Flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.

The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

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50 YEARS AGO

June 8, 1923

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"Uncle" David Wilson, 103, the oldest resident of Allegany County, died June 5th at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Stein of Wellsville.

Rosa, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bartle of Dryden Hill, died Sunday. Funeral services were held Tuesday with the Rev. R. E. MacGowan officiating. Burial was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

Miss Bernice Hawks of Wellsville and Clarence Mead of Andover, were united in marriage Saturday May 26 by the Rev. Carl W. Flewelling of Wellsville.

Mrs. Eliza Gallagher and daughter, Miss Anna, left Monday for two weeks visit at the home of their sister and aunt, Mrs. E. C. Cassidy of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams have moved into their new home, recently completed on Elm Street.

The Misses May and Mary Dean are now at their respective homes on Davis Hill, on vacation from hospital work in Syracuse and Buffalo.

Mrs. Ruth Adams Allen and daughter, Doris, of Los Angeles, California, are visiting relatives on Voorhees Hill.

Mrs. W. H. Church of Proctor District, spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Grace Fanton and family of Voorhees Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Baker and son, Donald, spent Saturday and Sunday at the B. S. Baker home at Tip Top.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cook of Castle, have been passing a few days with their niece, Mrs. Esther Dodge and Mrs. Mabel Caple of Elm Valley.

Mrs. W. N. Rice went to Ford City, Pa., Thursday to visit her sister, Mrs. A. E. Mooney for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Quigg spent Sunday at Rochester, guests of their son, Danny and Carl Tucker.

Mrs. Elmer Caple was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Mae Thompson at Hornell, Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Leona Davis went to Hornell Tuesday for a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Gates Saunders and son, Jack, were visiting at the home of Mrs. Saunders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Snyder the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Howe and children of Wellsville were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Howe's brother, Buriel Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams and Mrs. Earl Howland and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Green of Burdette, Sunday and Monday.

The Misses Ellen Driscoll and Mary Dean are home from the Sister of Charity Hospital in Buffalo, where they are in training for nurses, for a three weeks vacation.

Mrs. Ila Clark returned Sunday from a week's visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Reva Thompson of Bennett's Creek.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Grenolds and daughter, Lois, arrived in Andover Saturday and were guests of Mrs. Grenolds' mother, Mrs. Ella Vars until Tuesday, leaving for New York City where they will remain until the doctor finishes his special medical work the first of July.

40 YEARS AGO

June 2, 1933

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers
On Tuesday, May 30th Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke renewed the vows taken 50th years ago, when Miss Cora Whitney and Charles Updyke were united in marriage by the Rev. Sutherland in Andover. Mr. and Mrs. Updyke have resided in the same house on East Greenwood Street for the past 50 years.

Mrs. Denzel Baker and Mrs. David Slocum staged a surprise birthday party consisting of fifteen friends in honor of Mrs. Lee Mill-



By Alex Rankin

As this is being written the final, mad, rush by the Legislature to flee the Capitol is over for another year.

Bills were pushed so fast and hard through the calendars that clerks were mumbering bill numbers, chapter headings and effective dates, and the gavel barely had time to rebound before "read the last section" rang out, followed by "call the roll" and "the bill is passed."

There was time for a few laughs, however.

Such as the ones prompted by an exchange between two Democratic Senators over a bill that would allow a judge to reduce alimony payments if it could be proved that the man's ex-wife was living out-of-wedlock with another man.

Senator Mary Anne Krupsek of Canajoharie got up to denounce the measure as bad legislation, saying it would prompt men to pay other men to live with their former wives in order to get out of paying a little more alimony.

To which Senator John J. Santucci of Jamaica replied:

"I don't know which would be worse, paying someone to perjure himself or paying someone to live with his ex-wife."

Laughter was a scarce commodity in both the Senate and Assembly, however, as legislators struggled to get their pet bills up for a vote in the days and nights of madness.

Legislators have been known in the past to shove "spooker" bills that might otherwise be defeated until the last minute, hoping they would be passed in the confusion.

speech of Andover and Mrs. William Bohne of Wellsville Friday afternoon at the Baker home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Higby visited her mother Mrs. H. C. Burgett at Perry from Sunday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Witzel motored from Utica and passed Memorial Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chase.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hann and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caple and Miss Mary Messler motored to Rochester, Sunday to view the liacs.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nobles have moved to Towanda, Pa., where Mr. Nobles is employed in a silk mill.

Mrs. DeEtta Bullard has purchased the Edwards house on the corner of Pleasant and East Avenue and is making repairs preparatory to making it her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Haist of Buffalo, have moved their household goods to Andover and are occupying the apartment over the H. H. Williams Store, where Mr. Haist will assist in the store.

Floyd Greene of Greenwood, spent a few days this past week with his son, Earle and family of Independence.

Mrs. Carrie Slade of Andover, was a guest Friday until Wednesday of her brother, Floyd Clarke of Independence.

S. W. Clarke drove to Toledo, Ohio, Monday to bring his daughter, Evelyn Baker and children to Independence for a visit.

Mrs. Frank Ingraham accompanied her son, F. L. Scott to Cuba Monday for a visit.

Mrs. William Dodge passed the week at the home of her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nye of Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Aiken and daughter, Mrs. Brownell and two children have returned to their home on Pleasant Avenue, after passing the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cleveland and daughters of Pichburg visited from Saturday until Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker.

Mrs. Peter Becker and son, Harry of Hornell, were week-end guests at the home of her father, Mr. and Mrs. Jett Blodgett.

Most of the time it doesn't work. It can't exactly be classified as a "spooker" bill, but one saved for the last minute was a bill raising the salaries of legislators by \$8,500 a year beginning in 1975.

The bill, as written and thrown out onto the floor in the dying hours of the session, would end the \$5,000 "stop gap" legislators are paid each year for "expenses" for which they do not have to submit any justification, and replace it with a per diem voucher system with a \$50 a day limit.

It also ended the fat Legislative Pension Plan for anyone elected to the Legislature in the future, but so far no one has explained just what it will be replaced with.

The bill caused a lot of problems because a number of upstate legislators opposed it. But their colleagues put intense pressure on them to vote for it, accusing them of being "heroes" because they will be able to grab headlines for voting against hiking their own salaries and yet at the same time putting the pay hike in their pockets beginning in 1975.

In a particular bind was Republican Senate Majority Leader Warren M. Anderson of Binghamton, who had to vote for the bill — because he is the GOP leader — when he allowed it out on the floor.

But many of the GOP Senators from districts that surround Anderson, who was elected by a close margin last year, voted against it. This was one of the arguments used on the holdouts, that their "no" votes could cause the defeat of their leader in the 1974 elections.

Gerald Steidman of Genesee, Pa., spent Memorial Day with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Steidman and family.

Mrs. Nora Hackett, Mrs. Hattie Eggleston, Miss Minnie Clark and Miss Reta Stearns motored to Bushford Wednesday. Mrs. Eggleston remained until Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Clarke and Miss Alice Clarke were guests Memorial week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Whitford of Watontown.

Mrs. Ellen Casey returned Monday from a ten day visit with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Moran of Wellsville.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Crandall were guests at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clarke of Independence over the week-end.

30 YEARS AGO

May 27, 1943

Claire C. Backus, Publisher
Memorial Day services were held in Andover, Sunday afternoon. The introduction was given by Ralph Temple; Prayer, Ralph Shaft; Gettysburg Address by James Smith, in Flanders' Field by Lois Borden and the address was by Rev. Charles Keller.

Arling Baker and Almon Wood were in Belfast recently to purchase the greater portion of the stock of the Lilly Hardware of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Slisby are the parents of a daughter, born Tuesday, May 25th.

Miss Julia Flynn, 79, died Tuesday, May 25th. A brother Andrew Flynn of Andover survives. Funeral services were held Friday with the Rev. Charles Keller officiating. Interment was in Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

The Servicemen's pictures in this week's issue of The Andover News are of PFC John H. Howland of Camp Lejeune, N. C., and Winner H. Cook, H. A. 2/C of Chelsea, Mass.

Lt. and Mrs. John Common and son, John, arrived from Chicago, Illinois, Friday, to spend ten days at their home in Andover.

Private Charles W. Lever has

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