

Don't Let A Burglar Blow Your Vacation

An Editorial

"If you're planning a trip this summer, take a few pre-cautions — to safeguard your home —".

Coming home to a burglarized home is no way to end a vacation. If you're planning a trip this summer, take a few precautions to insure that everything will be in the way you left it when you return.

Before you leave, be sure to:

— Tell a neighbor where to reach you in an emergency. Give him an itinerary of your trip, so in an emergency, he can contact you by calling the highway patrol or leaving a message at your destination.

— Give your neighbor a spare key and ask him to check your house daily.

— Stop newspaper, milk and other regular deliveries.

— Have the post office hold your mail while you're gone or have your neighbor pick up your mail regularly.

— Arrange to have your lawn mowed, your houseplants watered and your pets tended.

— Notify the local police or sheriff's office so officers can keep an eye on your house.

— Check your policies to see if your car and homeowner's insurance are in force. Also make sure that your driver's license has not expired.

— Store your exceptionally valuable items. It's also a good idea to photograph these items and record their serial numbers in case of theft so you can help recover them.

— Set your thermostat at a minimum air conditioning requirement.

— Leave shades and drapes the way you normally leave them when you're at home. You might want to set a timer that turns on a light or two, making outsiders think that someone is home. It generally doesn't help just to leave a light on because if someone is casing your house, he'll see through that plot after a few hours.

Lock all windows and doors. If you have a sliding glass door, lay a length of pipe or a broom stick in the inside track to keep a burglar from jiggling the door open.

If you'll take these steps to safeguard your home, you'll be less likely to have your vacation spirits dampened by a burglary.

And, while speaking on this subject, we are wondering what is being done to solve the recent break-in and burglary of a Main Street business place. This, and acts of vandalism, as well as drag racing on Main Street — especially on week-ends — should obviously draw closer police surveillance even if it means all night patrols.

It certainly must be as irksome to many other taxpayers as it is to us to have these things going on in "Our Hometown" and, unless there is an immediate curb put on these illegal activities, things could get "out of hand".

Remember, it is the duty of every Good Citizen to report violations and turn over whatever evidence that is available to the police — for better law enforcement and protection of all of us.

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50 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1923

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Mr. and Mrs. Myron Bloss of the Lane School District, were pleasantly surprised by a group of Andover folks and a picnic party was held on the lawn. After a short display of music talent following a bountiful dinner, the group returned home, leaving Mr. and Mrs. Bloss to ponder over the amusing events of the day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown, Mrs. Ila Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bloss, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloss and two daughters, Virginia and Virgil, Mrs. Mary Hartum and Miss Emily Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor of Hornell, her mother, Mrs. Lenora Davis of Andover, were callers on Davis Hill, Sunday.

A. O. Kemp drove to Waneta Lake, Saturday after Mrs. Kemp, Oliver and Marion, where they have been spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Swartz at their cottage, also attended the Boy Scouts Field Meet at Camp Gordon. About 1700 people were present.

A. M. Wood and family enjoyed a motor trip with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hann, Sunday to a large farm home of T. L. Wood near Westfield, Pa.

Mrs. L. N. Theetge, Mrs. Florence Slocum, Mrs. Joseph Herman and daughter and Mrs. Harold Emery called in Wellsville, Wednesday.

Mrs. L. G. Probasco, Mrs. Anson Richmond, Mrs. Clarke and George Probasco motored to Andover Saturday. Mrs. E. G. Probasco who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Addie Coleman at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Backus, returned with them to Whitesville.

The State Examiner of the Andover Lock-up states that it is unsafe to use without a supervisor. The floor and ceiling are wood and the sidewalls are plastered and papered. The lock-up is highly inflammable and no person should be locked up without a competent person to remain and provide supervision.

S. Clementine Parker, 72 died July 12 in the home she had resided in since her marriage fifty-seven years ago. Three daughters and a son, and a half-sister survive. Burial was in Valley Brook Cemetery, Andover.

Miss Marie Elizabeth Joyce and Allen Mortimer Harvey, both of Andover, were united in marriage July 18 by the Rev. A. D. Shepard at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joyce. The attendants were Miss Emily Clarke and Harry Joyce, Jr.

Misses Mary and Celia Smith, Anna Joyce, Mrs. Alice E. Knowles, Carl Hann and Rodney Robinson are those from Andover listed in attendance at Summer School at Alfred University.

Robert E. Church, president of Allegany County Rural Letter Carriers Association has been elected a delegate to the State Convention to be held at Syracuse, August 9 and 10.

A barn belonging to Lee Millspaugh at Whitesville, was struck by lightning and destroyed. A cow in the building was killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Childs and son, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pease and son and Leon Cronk spent Sunday at Electric Park.

40 YEARS AGO

July 14, 1933

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Edgar M. Sain, Scout Executive for Seneca Council and Boy Scout Troop No. 14, of Olean, installed and presented the Charter to the newly formed Troop No. 42 Friday night at the Andover High School Auditorium. Seventeen boys were taken into membership: Clyde Kemp, Raymond Briggs, Clyde Briggs, Charles Burgett, William Dugan, Frank Folwell, Donald Hardy, George Joyce, Donald Joyce, Edwin Kemp, Bruce McGill, Orville Mesler, Farnham Pope, Lester Regan, Alan Tuttle, Kenneth Vars, William Woodruff and

ALBANY

Open Line

by Alex Rankin

The old argument about "temporary" state commissions that seem to go on and on forever, providing pensions and patronage for generations of party faithfuls, seems to have been settled by the state's highest court.

One such commission that used to come under attack every year was the "Temporary State Commission of Investigation." One suspects the attacks were made because the commission has spent much of its time looking into municipal corruption.

At any rate, the commission was in fact looking into corruption in the Albany Police Department and members of that force went to court, saying the commission should be disbanded because while the legislation creating it was "temporary" it has in fact become permanent.

The State Court of Appeals disagreed, saying the commission is in fact legal — temporary or not — because the Legislature keeps pumping money into it every year and appointing commissioners to serve on it.

Bills the governor vetoed this year:

— Because its provisions were so vague or uncertain and filled with technical mistakes, he vetoed a bill that would have allowed the Transportation Commissioner to make payments in lieu of taxes on property taken for highway purposes so long as the former owners stayed on the property.

— The town of Liberty in Sullivan County wanted to sell the county about 240 acres of land,

Victor Yannie, Richard Harder, the Scoutmaster, assisted by Frederick C. Mulholland and Roger Tuttle. The Troop Committee was G. W. Folwell, chairman; John E. Vincent, Ralph Burgett, R. O. Snyder, C. C. Backus, C. H. Watson and P. D. Perrone.

The Dodge reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dodge at Wellsville, July 4th. Will Green was elected President; John Dodge, Vice-President; Mrs. Sarah Burdick of Elm Valley, Secretary-Treasurer and Mearl Hibbard of Petrolia, Program Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Bunt, Miss Ethel Haynes and her mother attended the community reunion held at West Notch, Sunday with 107 members present. Mary Bunt was elected Chairman & Program Committee for the next year's meeting at Island Park in Wellsville.

The Genesee Team finished undefeated Sunday by winning from Andover by a 5-6 score in a 12 inning game, in the Octagon League. Players were H. Lehman, ss; Clair, 3rd; E. Lounsberry, c; DeRemer, lf; Cartwright, cf; Church, 2nd; Bloss, rf; Dawson, 1st; Howland, p. Base on balls off Howland — 1 in 12 innings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Backus, Mr. and Mrs. Claire Backus and son James, attended the sixth annual reunion of the Amos Lovejoy family held at Morris, July 8 and 9. Miss Katherine McMorrin of Constable and Mrs. Burch McMorrin of Syracuse gave interesting historical records of the Lovejoy family.

Misses Mary O'Boyle and Gertrude O'Connell are attending Summer School at Alfred University.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Joyce are parents of a son born July 11. Miss Mary Casey is the nurse in charge.

Atty Mira Diffin has purchased the corner lot of East Avenue and Center Street and has broken ground preparatory to the building a residence there.

Andover farmers are especially busy harvesting the hay crop which in most meadows is a bumper crop.

Hayden Rogers has rented the second floor of Mrs. LaRue Crandall residence on Water Street and plans to move their household

part of a 258-acre park area the town acquired in 1966. A bill allowing the sale was vetoed because it didn't provide for reimbursement to the state, which had paid 75 per cent of the purchase price in the first place.

— Another bill would have allowed suburban developers with land divided into five or more parcels for residential purposes each parcel being of five acres or more, to be exempt from regulations requiring them to obtain approval of their plans for obtaining and furnishing adequate and satisfactory water supplies. It was vetoed.

— A bill mandating the licensing of animal technicians, or assistants to vets, was vetoed because the language of the bill apparently nullified what the bill was intended to do. Calling the situation "somewhat confusing", the governor pointed out that while it called for the licensing of people who work under the supervision of licensed veterinarians, the bill went on to prohibit anyone working for a licensed vet from providing any "physical care (to) animals" regardless of whether the care provided amounted to the practice of veterinary medicine under existing law or not.

Rockefeller told the Legislature to try again next year on this one.

— A bill would have allowed school districts to include interscholastic athletic programs in austerity budgets that go into effect when voters turn down a regular budget. Rockefeller vetoed it, as he has in the past because he said such events are low on the priority list.

goods from Rochester.

Mrs. M. A. Orvis was given a surprise party on her 87th birthday anniversary Monday. Guests

were Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns, Miss Reta Stearns, Miss Minnie Clair, Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Sheppard and Miss Eleanor Fellows of Harrison Valley. A delicious luncheon was enjoyed and the honored guest received gifts and cards in memory of the occasion.

Mrs. Robert Dean and daughter, Beatrice spent Wednesday visiting friends in Hornell.

30 YEARS AGO

July 8, 1943

Claire C. Backus, Publisher

The pictures of two local boys in the United States Service this week are: Pvt. Geo. Leslie Lehman and Cpl. Wilbur C. Lehman, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lehman.

Distribution of sugar for canning of fruit and vegetables has been allotted on the basis of a maximum of 25 pounds to the holder of each war Ration Book No. 1, providing the sugar is used entirely for home canning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Freeland are parents of a daughter, Eleanor Mae, born at the Tullar Maternity Hospital in Wellsville, July 5th.

George Alvord, 85, a resident Andover for 60 years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Oliver Karnes in Elm Valley, July 2nd. His daughter and a brother survive. Burial was in Whitesville.

A. D. Fuller has received word of the promotion of James Fuller to First Lieutenant. Lt. Fuller, stationed in Hollywood, has been making a movie of the play "This Is The Army". This picture made up in two units will be shown in England and Africa.

Pvt. Newell C. Baker has been assigned to an automatic weapon Battalion at Camp Stewart, Georgia.

Wisner Cook has been advanced to Hospital Apprentice First Class and transferred to Howard University at Cambridge, Conn.

The First Methodist Church in Whitesville was the scene of the wedding of Miss Dorothy Elizabeth Pero, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Pero and Henry Ham-

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