

DANGER! STUDENTS Back To Work

An Editorial

September brings around a big change in the lives of millions of Americans — both young and old. This is the month when School begins again. For several months the School Doors have been closed — now they are open again so its back to books and blackboards.

Cartoonists will be having a field day portraying the so called typical boy (or girl) slowly plodding towards school, dragging their books behind them with perhaps a dog frisking along at their heels or beside them. This may make an interesting picture but we think it is far from the truth outside of the exception. Most young people that we have talked with are looking forward to the challenges in store for them.

Modern education, what ever its faults may be, is a great deal different than it used to be. New worlds have been opened, or are being explored! The frontiers of knowledge are being moved forward to an almost unbelievable speed, with the youth of today being offered opportunities that would have been unimaginable even just a few short years ago. The opportunity is there — it is up to each individual student whether it shall be used to the fullest extent or not.

However, we as adults, can do our share in helping "the younger set" beat their way to a happy success story — or push them into the discard pile. Whether we are motorists, parents, or teachers — we all play an important part in their education!

If we are motorists, we should be reminded that with the school term here — most traffic accidents involving children occur shortly after school. This fall be especially alert between the hours of three and five p. m., the most dangerous hours of the day for children.

Sound driving calls for lower speeds on residential streets, particularly near parked cars, since most child-traffic accidents occur when a youngster darts into the street from behind a parked car.

Parents — your children should be taught that they have the same responsibilities on their bicycles as motorists have in their cars. Bicycle riders must give hand signals, obey stop signs and keep to the right, just as motorists do. They should also be taught to be careful pedestrians — looking both ways before crossing a street or railroad tracks, etc.

They should also be encouraged in their school work, and in some cases, made to do their homework so they will be able to keep up with the rest of their class for if they should fall behind in the first five or six weeks of school they are apt to become discouraged and join the ranks of the "Drop-Outs".

Records show that nearly one-third of those who drop-out of high school will do so in the first six weeks of the term and thereby doom themselves to the bleak employment-earnings prospect.

Teachers also have a huge responsibility! Many times you will be faced with the nerve wracking problem of curbing animal spirits which too often were unchecked by parents through vacation. You will also be faced with students who may not be able to grasp your instruction, or who show no apparent interest.

At the end of the first five week test period you should be able to determine what per cent of the class "is digging your jazz", and if there are very many of them failing, it might be wise to take a good long look at your methods of instruction. After all, its much more important to your reputation as an instructor, to correct a few minor deficiencies than to waste a whole year of your time as well as the students and then have to look at them another year when they are repeating the same subject over again.

Yes, education is a joint effort, and if everyone concerned takes the correct attitude, we are sure that Andover Central School will turn out a well educated group of graduates!

**50 YEARS AGO**

August 31, 1923

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The plans for the Church School this year is to divide the boys and girls into six groups. Teachers of the groups will be Mrs. J. C. Lever, Rev. W. L. Greene, Rev. C. M. Whelan, Mrs. R. E. MacGowan and Rev. R. E. MacGowan. Each group will meet for one hour each week.

Motorists should use care in stopping their machines in Pennsylvania. Cars must not park at the top or foot of a rise or on a curve and no place where there is not at least 200 feet clear vision. All four wheels must be off the improved road while parking.

An unusual early and severe winter is rumored to come to this area. Wild geese and other feathered life have started for the South.

Andover boys evened up with A. C. Nine of Hornell Sunday by winning a good ballgame with a score 9 to 6. Howland pitched a good game. Each team now has a game to their credit and arrangements are being made to play off the tie. Players are: Dawson 2nd, Howland p, Trowbridge 3rd, Bloss r, DeRemer lf, Backus c, Boyd 1st, Scott cf, Baker s, umpire McGill, Dawson, O. Baker

Allegany County Odd Fellows are planning their third annual picnic to be held on Labor Day at Belmont. A program starting at 9:30 and continuing through the day, ending with dancing until 9:30 p. m.

Coal dealers are reasonable in their charges. The price of coal in Andover has been from \$13 to \$13.50 per ton.

Andover was in on the first transcontinental mail service by air. A letter, written by Miss Helen Baker of San Francisco, California to Miss Sara Jeanette Bettinger. The test of 28 hours service from coast to coast was a success.

The comrades of the 85th and anyone who wore the blue uniform during the Civil War are invited to meet at Riverhurst Park near Westons Mills September 14 to greet each other and renew acquaintances and tell of their experiences from 1861 to 1865. Widows, sons and daughters are invited to join with the comrades and their wives. A luncheon dinner will be served at 3:30 in the park.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mulcahy and family of Olean, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Regan of Allegany, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Mulcahy.

Mrs. Milton Yorton, Misses Helen and Dorothy and Clyde Yorton of Saginaw, Michigan, are visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Beebe and family.

Mrs. Gates Saunders and son, Jack of Hornell, are spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Snyder of Dyke Street.

Mrs. W. H. Diffin left Saturday for a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Monaghan at South Dansville.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cable and family attended the Harrington reunion at Wellsville, Wednesday.

Mrs. Gertrude Burrows and daughter, Virginia, returned to their home in Albany after visiting at the home of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Burrows.

Miss Louise Earley is home from Chautauqua where she has been vacationing.

40 YEARS AGO

August 25, 1933

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George Ruth and Frank Higgins of Wellsville, representing Allegany County on the County NRA (National Recovery Act) were in Andover, Friday and a committee for Andover named was: J. Harvey Backus, chairman; A. D. Fuller and Dr. John Common. The plan which was explained by President Roosevelt in his recent radio address, is being taken by the employers to add two or more persons. This is the first step in one way or another to fight the Depression and help

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by Alex Rankin

More evidence on Gov. Rockefeller's plans for 1976 are surfacing.

Later this month Rocky is going to New Jersey to speak at a \$100 a plate dinner for Charles W. Sandman, Jr., the GOP candidate for governor of that state.

His visit to New Jersey is the first in a series of such engagements that will take him across the nation in the next two months.

Rocy's official spokesmen refused to comment on the latest evidence of presidential ambitions on the part of the governor — who has also declined so far to say whether or not he will run for a fifth term for governor next year even though he probably will.

"You could call it a reconnaissance flight," remarked one New York State GOP official.

Rockefeller has taken steps to defuse the charge that all those judges he has the power to appoint to combat narcotics addiction will wind up on the political patronage plum tree.

The other day he appointed 16 new Court of Claims judges to handle the expected increase in

put back to work those that are unemployed.

The Annual Flower Carnival, under the auspices of the Methodist Brotherhood Class held at the M. E. Church, Wednesday, was a success. The floral display was especially beautiful. A 7:30 program followed by presentation of prizes. The song "Sweet Chariot" by male quartette Messrs William Lang, John Croyle, Chas. Robinson and Mr. Preble, also the Mixed Chorus by Mrs. Cora Baker, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Mrs. Glenn Ruger, Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Jones and William Lang brought enthusiastic applause.

The following persons received prizes: Class I General Display, First — Mrs. T. R. Bassett; Second, Mrs. Charles Robinson. Class II, Artistic Arrangement — First Mrs. Frank Brown, Second Mrs. Carl Burdick, Elm Valley; Class III, First Mrs. Hubert Watson, Second Mrs. Ray Church, Gardens; 1st Mrs. C. H. Watson, 2nd Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Honorable Mention Mrs. James Cannon; Rock Gardens — 1st Mrs. Orson Robison, 2nd Mrs. Benjamin Wallace. There were 16 flower gardens and 6 rock gardens judged.

Among 1,500 delegates and members of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows convened in Binghamton for its 10th Annual Convention. The Andover Lodge No. 786 was represented by J. Harvey Backus and W. N. Rice.

The members of the Edward Seaman Womens Relief Corp., held their annual picnic on the adjoining lawns of Mrs. Jennie Carr and Mrs. Grace Howland on North Main, Wednesday afternoon. There were thirty present.

Dr. Howard J. Leahy is locating in Andover for the practice of his profession. He has rented the suite of offices in the McLaughlin building formerly occupied by Dr. Walter J. Grenolds.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nottingham and daughter, Reta, were Monday guests at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Moland in Alfred.

The Baker reunion was held August 17 at the home of Brinton and Miss Ruth Baker at Tip Top. There were fifty-four relatives present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caple entertained for dinner Friday night. Prof. and Mrs. Leon Cook and daughter, Betty of Raleigh, N. C., Mrs. DeEtta Bullard, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hann and John Deming.

A picnic was held at the William Pease farm home on Greenwood Hill last Sunday with twenty-five relatives and friends present. Those from out-of-town were: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tracy and daughter, Leona of Scio; Norman Tracy of Buffalo; Mrs. Herbert Updyke,

trials under the tough new drug law that will cut back on the number of guilty pleas to reduced charges and probation instead of jail.

Of the 16, nine are Republicans, six are Democrats and one is a Liberal.

On the other side of the coin, however, four are former Assemblymen, including two who were defeated for re-election last year, and one was an Assemblyman who ran for Congress and was defeated, plus a Democrat who supported Rockefeller the last time he ran for governor.

State Environmental Conservation Commissioner Henry Diamond pedaled his bike across the state to promote the \$1.1 billion conservation bond issue.

New York City Assemblyman Peter A. A. Berle and his 10-year-old son are going to canoe the Erie Canal from Buffalo to Albany.

He hopes to paddle 12 hours a day promoting what sounds like a good idea, the transformation of the banks of the canal into a giant park and recreational area.

Wellsville; Mr. and Mrs. Vincent McCormick and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Mr. and Mrs. Francis Updyke of man Joyce of Rexville; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updyke, Mr. and Mrs. James Wentworth and family and Mr. and Mrs. William Pease from Andover

Thieves dug several bushels of potatoes at the Perkins farm on Voorhees Hill, Monday night.

Men from the Town of Hartsville were surveying Monday for a new road to be built from the school house to the west line of the Raymond Stewart farm. Work will begin next Monday.

Miss Marion Swartz returned Monday after three weeks at the home of her mother, Mrs. Alice Swartz at Waneta Lake.

30 YEARS AGO

August 19, 1943

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Andover has received word that Staff Sergeant William Dougherty, son of the late James J. Dougherty of Andover, was killed in action in the Solomons on August 13.

Miss Marie E. Mahl and Robert Ingerson of Buffalo, were united in marriage August 4 at the Methodist Church in Springville. Mr. and Mrs. Ingerson are teachers in Andover Central School.

Mrs. George Blank, 45, a native of Andover and daughter of James and Ida Krusen Hammond, died in the Jones Memorial Hospital August 13. She is survived by her husband, one sister and five brothers. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery, Andover.

Cpl. Robert W. O'Boyle, son of Mrs. Mary O'Boyle of Andover and Miss Dawn Sequin of Rouses Point were united in marriage August 14. Mrs. O'Boyle is a teacher in Andover Central School.

Andover Central School will resume its activities Tuesday morning, August 31 in order to make it possible to have a weeks' vacation later in the Fall for potato digging and other harvesting operations. Pupils 14 years or over are needed on the farms. Andover Central School is fortunate in having a complete faculty of 28 members. There are five new teachers: M. D. Ohmstead, Vice-Principal and Science; Glenn Bronson, Agriculture; Elizabeth Dinicy, Music; Eugenia VanBuskirk, English and Latin and Elma Benton, Girls Physical Education.

At the Annual Flower Show held at the Methodist Church, last Thursday the following were winners of prizes: Mrs. Allen Corwin, Jennie Smith, Lina Ruger, Marian Northrup, Phyllis Mitchell, Norma Perry, Everett Clair, Irma Lewis, Minnie Clair, Patricia Dolan, Inez Common, John Nobles,

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