

A TRIBUTE TO "MOM"

An Editorial

This coming Sunday is "Mother's Day" so, many families across the country will be celebrating the occasion with a family get-together to honor their respective "Moms" in their own customs and traditions.

Many of us that are grown up live long distances away from our parents and find it impossible to drop in and visit or entertain them. Thus on special occasions we send them a card and a gift, or perhaps even talk to them on the phone.

For Mother's Day, we think that one thing Mom would appreciate most of all would be a letter from her children with an account of everyday happenings, and a special invitation extended to come and visit a spell.

Mothers need to have the feeling that they are still wanted and needed by their family. Thus we could sit down with pen in hand, spend a few minutes in retrospect, and write a letter something like this:

May 8, 1974

Dear Mom,

Do you still remember teaching us to respect our parents and elders, using courtesy and politeness whenever we were addressed? Who was it that taught us to respect other's toys, playthings, and belongings — and still not be selfish or greedy?

Who was it that helped us gather May Flowers, make candy and goodies to put in our little May Baskets made out of wallpaper samples — and then watched us distribute them to our neighbors thus teaching us that it was "More Blessed To Give Than Receive?" Who stuck up for us when a substitute teacher punished us unjustly — and yet on the other hand, spanked us when we were naughty, either in school or elsewhere? We weren't continually warned and threatened — we knew that if we misbehaved we would get spanked on the spot — and on the seat — even if it was in Church or Sunday School.

Who taught me to stand up and fight my own battles when a big bully threatened me and made life miserable for me on the way home from school? Yes, as I remember, you told me to pop him when he came running out to hit me — or else you would spank me when I came home bawling from my lumps and bruises I found out that a bully with a bloody nose will run just as fast, if not faster away from you — as he would towards you to hit you!

Who was it that after Dad was accidentally killed in an auto accident, kept the family together and acted as both parents to us. Went on long hikes with us, encouraged us in our study of music, and was even game enough to let us teach you how to swim?

Who was it that let us bring our friends home to play cards or build model airplanes, and when we were through — raid the refrigerator — or help ourselves to the pie or cake in the cupboard? If I recall correctly you used to bake 9 pies every Saturday morning — and by Monday morning, they would all be gone. Of course, my pals were growing boys, and even my sisters' girl friends used to have pretty good appetites.

Who was it that made us study and do our homework before we could go out and play — or else have our friends in? Yes, we each had our own chores to do — and they had to be finished during the week-end — before we thought about our entertainment. But, I can't recall ever grumbling about being overworked either.

Of course, I could go on for hours, time permitting with memories running through my mind, but instead must return to the daily grind. So "Happy Mother's Day" and whenever you decide to come up and visit us this summer let us know so we can make arrangements for your visit.

With Loads of Love,
Your Son

News From Albany

by Assemblyman James L. Emery

For years the millions of dollars in State assistance for the arts and cultural events have gone mainly to our large cities. I am happy to report that as a result of a proposal by Speaker Perry Duryea, we have passed legislation which will give per capita funding for the arts to every county and every section of the State. This means that for the first time counties in our Assembly District will receive State money for cultural events and organizations concerned with the arts proportionate to the rest of the State.

There is no doubt that the many civic groups who engage in arts related activities, will benefit for the first time as a result of this State aid. For example, the beautiful Sonnenberg Gardens in Canandaigua will have the funds available for necessary maintenance of this popular facility. In another instance, there are a number of residents in the area, especially in Allegany County and the Alfred area who are members of the very fine Hornell symphony. They receive a great deal of enjoyment from performing in the symphony and thousands each year enjoy the concerts. These funds will now make it possible to properly finance this fine organization.

In addition there are many local theater groups, talk groups and art colonies who will find this long needed State money useful. I was happy to support the measure which made this possible.

Speaking of cultural endeavors the Assembly has once again passed legislation to exempt square dance clubs from the State sales tax on dues paid by members. If enacted, this would extend to square dance and folk dance groups, tax exemptions comparable to those given bowling leagues and swimming clubs.

Folk and square dancing is a very popular pastime in this area and this tax break should be welcomed indeed by those who are members of these organizations. This includes a number of our senior citizens, many of fixed incomes who find this a most relaxing pastime.

Two other measures which have recently passed the Assembly may make summer travel and recreation more enjoyable and are of interest to this area. One measure would allow the purchase of an annual pass for \$15.00 a year giving vehicles free access to State Parks that charge a vehicle entrance fee of \$1.00. It would be used on weekdays, other than holidays and does not include free access and use of camp sites. Because of this \$1.00 entrance fee, many people do not use the State Park system as often as they would like during the summer. This would give local families a break and in our area would apply to Letchworth State Park and Stony Brook State Park.



50 YEARS AGO

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Mrs. Mary Warfield, 65, a life long resident of Andover, died Wednesday, March 26 at her home on Greenwood Street. A son, Herbert Warfield of Bradford, Pa., a daughter, Mrs. Clara Childs of Andover and a sister, Mrs. Hattie Burger of Greenwood, survive. Funeral services were conducted Friday with the Rev. C. H. Whelan officiating. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Terbury and family of Andover, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Terbury of West Greenwood.

Miss Augusta Lewis of West Greenwood, spent the last of the week with her parents in Rexville.



My next door neighbor tells me that you introduced a bill concerning seat belts? Just what will this bill do for me?

—G.S.—Watertown

My bill will amend one section of the National Traffic and Safety Act of 1966. This section requires automobile manufacturers to install special seat and shoulder harnesses in 1974 automobiles. The straps are connected to the ignition and the automobile will not start unless the harnesses are fastened. My bill would make this "ignition interlock system" optional. Since coming to the Senate three years ago, I have found that one of the most consistent complaints by New Yorkers and other Americans has been directed at the increasing involvement of the federal government in their lives, a sort of "Big Brotherism." I do believe in strapping in, but I do not believe that the American public wants to be told that they cannot operate their cars unless they do what "Big Brother" wants.

I saw you on television a couple of weeks ago talking to a bunch of gasoline dealers. Now that you have talked to them, what are you going to do about these gasoline shortages?

—A.D.—Brooklyn

I talked to the gas station dealers about cooperating with the new federal allocation proposals. A system has now been established that attempts to make sure that each one of us gets our fair share of gasoline during the energy shortage. I explained to the dealers the procedures that the federal government has invoked, and invited them, and any other New Yorker, to direct any problems to my offices throughout New York State. If any New Yorker feels that he is not getting his fair share, he should telephone one of my offices—in Rochester, Albany, or New York City—and we will in turn put him in touch with the appropriate federal official.

By cutting through red tape, members of Congress can often lend a hand to those with problems involving the federal government. Through the columns of this newspaper, Senator Buckley answers questions of general interest. He will respond personally to all communications addressed to: Senator James L. Buckley, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

William Joyce of West Greenwood is spending a few days with his father, Henry Joyce of Andover.

Kenneth Loomis of Elmira is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Loomis of West Greenwood.

Miss Lena Updyke was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. Will Pease and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wagner of Hornell were week-end guests of Wilmer Cronk and family.

Miss Bessie Stocum of Andover spent the week-end with relatives on Voorhees Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wallace and sons of Canisteo, were week-end guests of his brother, John Wallace of Barney Mills.

Rodney Robinson and Carl Hann are representing Andover in the Alfred College Glee Club this season.

Word has been received in Andover of the death of James F. Garvin in Oklahoma. He was the son of Mrs. Margaret Garvin of Chestnut Street, Andover. A brother, Peter J. Garvin of California and a sister, Mrs. Rose Dean of Andover survive.

Cashier and Mrs. John E. Cannon are passing the week in New York City.

Harold Dawson of Elmira is passing a few days with his mother Mrs. Madge Dawson.

Misses Mayme Doran, Julia Barrett and Anna O'Leary returned home Saturday after spending the week in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Watson returned home Thursday from Florida, where they have been passing the winter.

April 11, 1924

Andover has ordered 5,000 trees to be set out in Andover this coming year.

B. F. Lewis and son, Erwin of Rexville, spent Monday at the home of George Conley at West Greenwood.

Miss Lillian Sherman of Rexville spent the week-end with Miss Lila,

Austin of Barney Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Lencher and son, Clifford of Olean, were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Colebert of Barney Mills.

Carrol Richmond has moved his family and household goods from independence to Bolivar.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Davis of Davis Hill, served warm sugar to Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis Leeman Davis and Clifford Burdick and family last Thursday evening.

Ransom Monroe left Andover Monday for several weeks visit with friends at Orb, Nebraska of which place he was a former resident.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bennett of Tupper Lake passed from Taursday until Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett.

M. G. Edwards of Woodhull has been the guest of his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Brundage, this week.

Miss Esther Carpenter of Wellsville visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Millspaugh from Friday until Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Fisher of Canisteo, is passing the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alois Kellenberger.

Mrs. Betsy Clarke of Alfred Station, visited Miss Alice Clarke Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Louise Johnson left Tuesday for a few weeks visit in Philadelphia, Pa.

Jesse O'Donnell of Hornell was a Thursday guest of his brother Dr. C. W. O'Donnell.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Henry and Mrs. Don Wilcox and son, Richard of Hornell, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Snyder spent Sunday guests at the home of Miss Sadie Cleveland of Wellsville.

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