

IT'S LATER THAN YOU THINK!

An Editorial Worth Repeating

The average life of each of the world's great civilizations has been 200 years, and their progression seems to have followed this sequence:

- 1. From Bondage to Spiritual Faith;
2. From Spiritual Faith to Great Courage;
3. From Courage to Liberty;
4. From Liberty to Abundance;
5. From Abundance to Selfishness;
6. From Selfishness to Complacency;
7. From Complacency to Apathy;
8. From Apathy to Dependency;
9. From Dependency back to Bondage.

This year, the United States of America is 200 years old. And, from the looks and appearances around us, it would seem as if we are in the 8th period — doesn't it?

We are sure that all serious thinking people can put approximate dates to the stages from 1 thru 7.

From our recollection, the latter part of stage 5, namely the Selfishness, became manifest shortly after the outbreak of World War II.

Many people became money hungry when they saw the big pay that was available in the defense plants. Patriotism was subjugated to the value of the almighty dollar and draft dodging became very noticeable.

During World War II, Labor Unions that controlled part of the Nation's defense effort were allowed to go out on strike for higher wages. This, despite the fact that many of us on the combat fronts were receiving an average of \$60 to \$74 a month and were risking our lives daily.

After World War II, we seem to have traveled along the 6th stage, as the Korean conflict came along. We, as a nation, lost many Soldiers — but this wasn't even considered a War! Instead of emerging victorious, the best thing that was accomplished was a compromise — with a stalemate!

We lost a great deal of "face" with the free people of the World as a result of the settlement of this conflict. Then we were embroiled in Vietnam — and many voiciferous "so-called" Citizens were demanding that we QUIT — before we achieved a decisive VICTORY!

Yes, we passed thru the 7th stage quickly when we allowed the "Reds" to establish an accessible base in Cuba — Just a few miles from our "Home Shores".

Now it appears that we are well into the 8th stage as our Leaders, Workers, and Unions demand more and more of management! These people want to be taken care of practically from the cradle to the grave. They want to work fewer and fewer hours — make more and more money — do less and less at their jobs — live higher and higher — and spend more of their time playing and vacationing.

And, with the establishment of "Medicare" as well as "Medicaid", we followed the "Primrose Path" of Socialism! Add the governor's ambitious spending plan to "bail" New York City out of its fiscal woes — where does that leave poor John Q. Taxpayer? — Just WHO is going to earn the money to make this Welfare State possible? Taxes are so high now that many ambitious people have to work at a regular job and have at least 1 or 2 part-time jobs on the side in order to afford to live at the social level they desire — And, this is just the BEGINNING!

Let's see if we can't get people around us interested in how our Tax Dollars are being spent — and help put a stop to this deplorable inflation and waste of our financial resources!

If we don't — our Apathy will allow the majority to turn into complete dependency — and from there it's just a short step to complete BONDAGE!

"Inside The State Capital"

By James L. Emery

12/29/75 The headline in a Rochester newspaper on Sunday read, "Profits — tax hikes are Carey Victory". Clearly then, with Governor Carey claiming a victory, the taxpayer must claim a defeat. Thanks to 76 Democrat Assemblymen, the State taxes go up by another \$700 million over the next two years.

In my 12 years in Albany, I have never seen a time that has made me quite so disgusted with the use of blatant political force. It became evident that the Assembly did not have the 76 needed votes to pass the tax package.

Republican Assemblymen had taken a firm no tax stand. For several hours, Democrat leaders and political bosses twisted arms of upstate Democrat legislators until finally, one of them caved in to pass the Democrat tax package as a Christmas gift to State taxpayers in 1975.

During these several hours, Democrat leaders locked the doors to the Assembly Chamber and summoned armed Capitol Police instead of employing the normal unarmed Sergeant-at-Arms and his staff. Never have I seen the necessity or need of this and, hopefully, I will never see it again.

What good is the appointment of citizen study groups if Governor Carey will not listen. Governor Carey appointed a statewide private sector Labor-Management group that met in November in Buffalo. The meeting was held to discuss the business climate in New York State.

Governor Carey and Assembly Democrats had better learn that New York State residents want budget cuts not taxes. New York State taxes are 49% higher than the national average, 76% higher than Ohio and 104% higher than North Carolina.



50 YEARS AGO

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In renewing their subscription of \$2.00 to The Andover News, Mrs. W. St. Clark of Fallbrook, California, says weather is very warm, just like a June day — Mr. Clark and brother have been digging new potatoes for the market.

Four of the best mechanics from Rochester Cabinet Company are remodeling the Sugar Bowl. The entire interior is being painted in silver grey oak, the booths and all wood are in the same beautiful color.

A daughter, Barbara Leola was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jones December 9. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cornelius of Beach Hill, are parents of a daughter, born December 13.

1/5/76 — All New York State sportsmen have a right to be concerned these days. Last year, Governor Carey sought the support of sportsmen's organizations for the increase of hunting and fishing license fees saying that the money would permit the Dept. of Environmental Conservation to hire sufficient personnel to expand fish and wildlife habitat management programs.

Once the measure gained approval it was realized that all was not exactly as originally presented. For one thing, the estimated increase in revenues was set at around \$3 million but the state budgeted only \$1.125 million in matching funds for the program in the supplemental budget.

Now comes the Governor's job freeze and the question arises as to whether or not anyone will be hired at all to carry out those programs promised by Governor Carey when he sought the support of the sportsmen.

Hunters and fishermen have paid the increased fees this past year, and, in all likelihood, they will be expected to pay them again next year. It is certainly reasonable, therefore, that they and all the public be told once and for all in specific terms just what the additional revenues created by the fees increases are being used for.

I hope the Carey Administration will finally deliver a straight answer to the NYS Conservation Council and the public and that the true nature and extent of implementation of the promised programs will be revealed.

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Edward Kibane is driving a new Hudson Super Six, which he purchased in Hornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ordway of South Hill, are parents of a son, born last week at the Halsey home.

Floyd Caple, who lived in part of the Fincher homestead at Elm Valley, has moved to Almond.

Miss Mary Smith, the popular teacher of Elm Valley School No. 7, is planning to give the ladies their usual Christmas tree.

A son was born December 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Madison of West Grotonville Hill.

Miss Alice Smith of Geneva State Normal is spending her Christmas vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Smith.

Miss Edna Smith spent last week end in Rochester as guest of her sister, Miss Cecelia Smith, who is a nurse at the Rochester General Hospital.

William Hammell is home from his work for the United States Pipe Line Company, which he has been employed as foreman on the line between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. Work has been suspended until March 1st.

A fine program and Christmas Tree was featured Wednesday evening following the regular meeting of Andover Rebekah Lodge. The opening number of the program was an orchestra selection played by the Misses Alice Rogers and Louise Harrison; Messrs Robert Lynch and Louis Joyce, violins; George Carr, traps and Mrs. Hayden Rogers, Piano.

Other musical numbers rendered were violin solo, Miss Alice Rogers; violin duet Misses Rogers and Harrison, Mrs. Rogers accompanist; violin quartette Misses Rogers and Harrison, Messrs Lynch and Joyce, with Edward Cannon piano, accompanist; piano solo by the Misses Helen Vickers, and Doris Church; vocal duet, Mrs. E. P. Rogers and Mrs. Edna Youmans. Also Misses Inez and Edna Bines vocal solo and violin solo by Oliver Kemp. Recitations were given by Marion Swarts, Ida Clair and Jack Saunders and a reading by Miss Georgia Bines with closing selections by the orchestra. Several scores were responded to by the musicians. A Christmas Tree and distribution of gifts followed the program.

The Literary Society put on a program December 11. It was composed of lines of some of the most noted poets and their poems. Those taking part were: Raymond Huggins, Ruby Robinson, Georgia Bines, Naoma Sticker, Priscilla MacDougald, Gerald Ham, Marjorie Williams, Alice Rogers, Edna Barrett, Carl Greene, Louis Joyce Louise Harrison, Robert Lynch, Gertrude O'Connell, Fanny Perry and Rose Dawson.

Andover and Arkport played basketball at Arkport, December 11 — Andover won the game 41 to 14. The Andover players were: Alvord, Rogers, Horton, Lehman and Dawson.

40 YEARS AGO

December 13, 1935

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Anson Brewster Cole, died at his home in Wellsville, December 10. Mr. Cole was born in Andover, December 29, 1861 a son of Burdell and Mary Brewster Cole. On February 11, 1884 he married Miss Mary Crandall of Belmont who died December 29, 1927. He is survived by two daughters, Miss Pauline Cole of Wellsville and Mrs. Lois Magargil of Cleveland; one son, Harold of Bradford, Pa.; two brothers, A. J. and Charles Cole of Elm Valley. Burial was in Forest Hill Cemetery, Belmont.

At the regular meeting of Anne W. McArthur Chapter No. 242, O.E.S., Monday evening, Mrs. Marion Theeget entertained the Past Matrons and Past Patrons at a 6:30 dinner. After dinner the following officers were elected for 1936: Mrs. Mary Carr, Worthy Matron; Mrs. Jennie Carr, Assn. Matron; George Beebe, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Gertrude Kupp, Secretary; Miss Mary Snyder, Treasurer; Mrs. Pearl Randall, Conductor; Mrs. Carrie Hunt, Assn. Conductor; and Mrs. Myrtle Trowbridge was elected Trustee for 3 years.

Mrs. Beesie Mulconery brought to The News Office this week, an

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