

Are You In A Hurry to Meet — An Accident?

An Editorial

The Road Report . . . ARBA

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?



Automobiles provide us with the personal mobility to get wherever we want to go. The family car is driven an average of 10,000 miles each year and most of these miles are short trips close to home.

American Road Builders' Association

Carelessness and haste are prime Causes of Accidents!

When it comes to driving an automobile — Are you careful or careless? What a stupid question to ask a motorist! Of course we are careful — after all, aren't we a licensed driver?

Each one of us knows that we are the most careful driver on the road! And yet, thousands of licensed motorists are killed on the Nation's highways each year.

Granted — you may be a careful driver on the highways, but what about your care when you step out of a car? Do you ALWAYS (1) Shut the engine off, (2) Take the key out of the ignition, (3) Set the parking brake, and/or, put the shift lever into park with automatic transmissions, or put it into low or reverse with a manual shift, (4) And on hills, cut the wheels into the curb when you are parking?

Or are you like many of us — when we are in a hurry? Pull up to the curb or into a driveway, step hurriedly on the parking brake, or else slip the shifting lever into park, and dash into a store or the Post Office — meaning only to be gone for a minute or two?

Unless you can truthfully, and without any reservation, answer YES to all 4 of the above listed questions — THINK — REFLECT on what could happen!

When you walk down the Street, notice how many cars are stopped at the curb — with the engine running — and several small children cavorting around in them. What would happen if a child should happen to bump or accidentally pull down on the shift lever in cases like this? Or, as far as that goes, what is more natural for a small child to pretend they are driving — the way they have seen "Mommy" or "Daddy" do?

Why not play safe — and get in the habit of shutting off the engine when you park your car and take the key with you — even if you only intend to be away a couple of minutes? After all, you never know when someone is going to stop and ask you a question — and the resulting conversation may take from five to fifty minutes — if you are anything like us! Anything could happen in this length of time — and it could spell GRIEF!

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FROM OUR FILES

50 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1916

J. H. Backus, Publisher. Hubert Padgett died at his home on Chestnut Street Friday, March 17th. His wife and five sons survive. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery.

At Tuesday's Village Election there were 62 votes cast for the following officials: President, E. J. Atwood; Trustee, E. D. Baker; Trustee, J. J. C. E. Brown; Treasurer, James P. Cannon; Collector, James D. Cheesman.

Emier Coats has purchased Ed Hyland's farm on the Davis Hill Road between Andover and Alfred.

Roscoe Collins of Allentown returned home Tuesday after a short visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. T. G. Burdick of Tip Top.

Mrs. Walter Ball of Hornell is spending a few days at the home of his parent, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Ball of Tip Top.

Alonzo Stocum went to Genesee, Pa., Tuesday for a visit with his brother, Frank Stocum.

Miss Marie Welch went to Utica Monday where she has a position as teacher of fourth grade and music in one of the public schools.

Mrs. John Oakes and baby returned to their home in Path Monday after spending a few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Starr.

40 YEARS AGO

March 19, 1926

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers. Orville G. Clarke, 78, died at his home in Independence Thursday, March 18th. A daughter and two sons survive. Funeral services were held Sunday with Rev. W.-L. Greene officiating. Interment was in Independence.

A handsome new electric sign has been erected this week over the entrance to the "Fountain of Youth."

Word has been received this week of the graduation of Miss Mae Cocoman, Wednesday, March 17th, as a graduate nurse from the Sisters of Charity Hospital at Buffalo.

George Dodge of Alfred Station spent the week-end at the home of his sister, Mrs. Sarah Burdick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Short of Wellsville spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallace.

Miss Dorothea Snyder left Wednesday for Buffalo for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers.

G. L. Bordon left Monday for Rochester, where he has accepted a position as salesman. Mrs. Bordon will remain in Andover for the present.

30 YEARS AGO

March 20, 1936

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers. An Ice Storm did great damage Tuesday and Tuesday evening. Electric and telephone service was paralyzed. It is impossible to estimate the damage, but it will run into thousands of dollars in Andover alone, and we are much less hurt than many other places in this section. The loss of electric service crippled all industries from Olean to Binghamton.

At the Village Election last Tuesday, the Citizens Independent Ticket made a two to one victory over the Republican Ticket, electing Patrick Hyland and William F. Snyder for another two-year term.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Joyce are the parents of a daughter, born, Wednesday, March 18th at their home on Greenwood Hill.

Mrs. Charles Caple visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Munro in Buffalo from Thursday until Sunday.

Mrs. Frances Dwyke of Wellsville spent the week-end and Mrs. Janice Wetmore and family and other relatives this week.

Miss Sarah Cannon.

GREENWOOD NEWS

Grace Young, Reporter

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Andover, N. Y. March 21, 1966

To The Editor of The Andover News

Dear Sir: There is your letter that has bothered me for a long time — that is the condition of the Baker Road.

I have lived in that place but can honestly say I have never known a road in such bad shape.

When we take the bus to town I thought they were going high but never the less we paid. So if someone should say I would be asking too much of the supervisor to at least fill the big holes.

Sincerely Mrs. Charles Fenton, Olive Street, Andover, N. Y.

Andover News Andover New York

Dear Sir: I enclosed my check for year's subscription of Andover News. My mother, Mrs. Wardick looks forward to Friday for the paper. She just turned 80 on Feb. 17th. We wish to say hello to Mr. and Mrs. Backus. I hope Mr. Backus is feeling better these days.

Sincerely Florence B. VapAcrum

P.S. How'd you like the snow storm. We got lots here in Schenectady — but nothing like Syracuse. We sent some of our plows up to dig you out.

Brewster, Irene Chaffee, Janet Jackson, Eloise Holt, Committee, plus Marilyn Austin, Virgil Street-er and Doris Cheesman. Mrs. Jacqueline Murphy and Juniors and Cadet Girl Scouts waited on table.

Greenwood Volleyball Team went to Cohocton Tuesday for the Steuben County C League. Coach Hibbard took the team to Rochester Saturday for a play-off with Scio. The Allegany Team won the 2 games out of 3.

The Cheerleaders had trouble on the slippery road coming home and were late for the dinner. The Baseball season begins after Easter.

Grace Young, Red Cross Chairman, reports \$120.00 collected by the Scouts and from the organizations.

Greenwood Chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars was host Monday night for the visitation of the Steuben Officials, Arthur Putman of Prattsburg, District Grand Lecturer and Mrs. Esther Simons of North Hornell, District Deputy Grand Matron. Worthy Matron Marion Dixon and Worthy Patron Haydon Cook presided at the meeting. Special program before the opening of the meeting were selections by the Debonnaires of Canisteo Central School. Local Officers wore rosebud corsages and members did a St. Patrick's routine drill with green hats. Refreshments were served to 80 members and guests. (Please Turn to Page Three)

The BIG ELMS Restaurant. Bring The Entire Family For Your Easter Dinner. Advertisement for a restaurant featuring a family scene illustration.