

LIFE — OR DEATH — For Your Children?

An Editorial

"Last year, traffic accidents killed 146 school-age children — and injured 10,776", according to statistics furnished us by Motor Vehicle Commissioner Vincent L. Tofany in a recent news release.

Do you think that it couldn't happen to **YOUR** Children **HERE** in Andover? Do **YOUR** Children know the basic pedestrians rules — and most important — do they follow them?

We feel that most parents who have started to read this Editorial are sure that their children know all the safety rules — abide by them — and thus don't need to review them. Just the same as the parents of the boys that have bicycles — know that their Tom, Dick, or Harry — wouldn't do anything to endanger their lives while out riding their bikes!

Well parents — if you feel this way — then whose children were they that were riding their bicycles last evening on the Main Street bridge near the "Island" — and down Rochambeau Ave.? Three of the four bikes didn't have lights on them — and one of these lads had another boy riding on his handlebars. Yes, it was after dark — just before 8 p. m., and if our headlights hadn't shown us the bike weaving down the road ahead of us before we met an oncoming car with bright lights — it could have been a tragedy. As it was, we slowed down and followed the boys on the bike until it turned off into the driveway by the town Sheds.

Just to be on the safe side, assume that your children don't know the rules or sometimes fail to follow them!

By taking a few minutes to go over the rules one by one — and by following them faithfully yourself — you can make sure your youngsters both know the rules and understand their importance.

The first basic pedestrian rule — is for Parents: **Set a good example for your children!** Then, everyone follow the rest of these:

Cross streets at corners — do not jaywalk!

Avoid walking into the street from between parked cars!

Wait on the curb before crossing, and in the street!

Look carefully for turning cars!

Keep looking back and forth as you cross!

Walk, do not run, across streets!

When traveling in a group, look for yourself — and on someone else to look for cars!

Stay within white pedestrian crosswalk lines!

After waiting for a car to pass, make sure that there is another one coming on the other side — before you start to cross!

Watch out for cars leaving parking places!

At night, wear light colored clothes and cross at lighted places!

Never play or run in the streets!

On roads without sidewalks, walk on the left, facing oncoming cars!

Be alert when entering or leaving school buses or cars!

Obey the instructions of policemen and school crossing guards!

And, when carrying an umbrella, keep it up high enough — for clear vision!

Now Parents, we feel reasonably sure that if your children know — and obey — these rules, that there won't be much danger of them joining the fast growing casualty list!

FROM OUR FILES

50 YEARS AGO

September 28, 1917

J. H. Backus, Publisher

W. D. Fish, former editor of the Whitesville News, has gone to Montana to take over a position on a newspaper in that place.

Mrs. Mae Updyke Armstrong died last week. The funeral was held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Updyke of Greenwood Hill Friday with interment in Valley Brook Cemetery.

Miss Eloise Clarke of Independence is attending Alfred University this year.

Dr. L. N. Boston of Clarksboro, N. J. visited at the E. R. Crandall home in Independence last week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bassett of Independence spent Saturday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Langworthy of Alfred.

Robert E. Perry, 19, died at his home in this village Thursday, September 20. His parents, a sister and two brothers survive. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Capt. John D. Groves was up from Camp Dix for the week-end with his family at West Union.

Mrs. Jane Updyke of Independence has been visiting her daughters, Mrs. Martha Bines and Mrs. Laura Witter this week.

Mrs. Clay Jordan and Miss Ella Jordan left Sunday after a ten days stay with Mr. Jordan at the Hotel American.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kemp and Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Hann have been visiting relatives and friends at Binghamton and Norwich, N. Y. this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Rogers spent Sunday and Monday visiting at Attica.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bloss of Sayre, Pa., were visiting his brother, George N. Bloss and other Andover relatives several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Pitcher and Mrs. Mary Miller of Dundee, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kemp over the week-end.

Will Brooks of Belfast has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Witter and other friends this week.

Claire Backus substitute Mail carrier for Harold S. Brumard began Wednesday covering the Route.

40 YEARS AGO

September 30, 1927

J. H. Backus & Son, Publisher

Rev. F. A. Hassold announced Sunday that the last of October would end his service as pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kemp gave them a surprise Wednesday evening in honor of their 15th wedding anniversary.

Miss Florence Danhier of Wells-ville and Anthony Dougherty of Andover were united in marriage Thursday, September 22 by Rev. Dean Tracey.

A company of neighbors and friends of Mrs. Sophia Slocum gathered at her home on Davis Hill Monday evening, bringing a fine supper which they enjoyed together as well as the social evening afterwards. The visit was in the nature of a farewell as Mrs. Slocum has moved to North Bingham, Pa., to make her home with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Murray of Hornell are visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Murray and family of West Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Chase of Independence are the parents of a son, Donald Keef, born Tuesday, September 27th.

Mrs. Carl V. Clarke of Independence was a guest of his sister at Galeton, Pa., from Thursday until Sunday.

B. S. Brundage, President of the Andover Board of Education returned home Tuesday from Albany, where the plans for the new Andover School Building were submitted to the Department of Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant C. Fuller of Kalamazoo, Michigan return-

American Dairy Asso. To Hold Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of District 14 of American Dairy Association and Dairy Council of New York will take place at the Penn Yan Grange Hall, Wednesday, October 4, with dinner starting promptly at 8:00 p. m., according to Alton Dunlap, Secretary.

The featured speakers will include the management staff of American Dairy Association and Dairy Council of New York. Through an oral and visual presentation they will give those attending an insight on the competition that dairy farmers face in the market place and what ADA & DC is doing to combat them and the job that is yet to be done to increase fluid milk sales.

In addition the election of two directors will take place as the terms of Ronald Harris and Stanley Osborn expire.

Dinner tickets for Allegany County members are available from the District 14 committeemen who include: Howard Hulse Andover and Alton Dunlap, Cuba.

The dairymen's wives as well as others interested in milk promotion are also invited.

ed home Tuesday after two weeks visit with Andover friends and relatives.

Mrs. E. G. Frobasco returned to Whitesville Wednesday after a visit with Andover relatives. Her sister, Mrs. Addie Coleman accompanied her home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carr were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Myers of Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Witter of Sidney were guests of her mother, Mrs. Ida Baker over Sunday.

Mrs. McPetridge, Miss Minnie Clair, Mrs. Edward Teasdale, and Mrs. J. L. Williams were at Bolivar Thursday to attend a Past Patrons and Past Matrons meeting.

Mrs. Robert Dean is visiting friends in Pittsburgh, Pa., this week.

30 YEARS AGO

September 24, 1917

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The Wellsville Milling Company has rented the Beebe Store, corner of Main and Center Streets and will open a branch feed store there in the near future.

Eight dwellings were burned to the ground and the Methodist Episcopal Church badly damaged Sunday afternoon when flames driven by a 40-mile-an-hour gale swept the Main Street of the village of Oramel.

Miss Orpha Green is spending this week at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Atwell of Elm Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Post and family have moved from Hallsport to the Corwin house on Baker St.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gorsuch of Wellsville have purchased the Benj. Wallace house on Barney St., and are now located there.

Seven graduates of the Class of 1937 of Andover High School have entered Alfred University. They are: Farnham Pope, Jean McSpaugh, Cleon Pease, Lester Regan, William Woodruff, Alan Tuttle and Bruce McGill.

Mrs. C. M. Crandall of Independence has been spending the week-end with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Crandall of Almond.

Director S. W. Clarke of Independence, attended the Dairy-men's League Meeting in New York City Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Church were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lytle Church of Elkland Saturday and Sunday.

Atty. and Mrs. C. L. Earley in company with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Green of Elm Valley, left Sunday for a trip to Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Williams and daughter, Bernice, passed the week-end guests of Mrs. Bertha Pingrey of Honeoye.

Miss Mary O'Boyle of Medina and Robert O'Boyle of Jamestown passed the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Mary O'Boyle.

Fay E. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Myers and Mrs. Martin Hoyer are attending the American Legion Convention being held in New York City this week.

Ellis Horsfall motored to Canandaigua Sunday with Forrest Gee who passed the week with relatives in Andover.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sunday, Sept. 17, 67

Dear Mr. Allen:

About three weeks ago, we sold our cottage at Lake Demmon and moved to Alfred Station, to live in our new "Fan" Travel Trailer.

On Monday, September 11th, after two frosty mornings and receiving lectures from the younger generation on safe driving, we started for our home in Florida.

We spent the first night at Bel-fast with our 89 year-old aunt, and the next two nights at Kane, Pa., with our 88 year-old cousin.

The next night found us at a new trailer park just south of Selinsgrove, Pa.

Friday we traveled on to Front Royal, Va., and entered the Sky-Line Drive over the mountains to the Big Meadow Trailer Park, where we intended to camp for the week-end.

The Camp was full of campers and Trailers, but we found a location Saturday A. M. News of hurricane "Doria" came telling of the wind and rain coming up the Virginia Coast, so we packed up in a hurry and drove South to the first turn off the mountain-highway. Most of the campers were leaving as we did.

We found a trailer park near Lynchburg, Va., for the week-end. We plan to go to the Great Smokies for a few days, before going on to Florida.

Will write more later

Arthur Burdick

Tell the Backus's we were sorry we missed them in Andover. Will try to call on them later at Pine-llas, Park.

Friday Night, Sept. 22, 67.

Here we are at the western end of the Blue Ridge Parkway in the Blue Ridge Mountains at Smoke-mount Trailer Camp. We intend- ed to stay here till Monday then start South.

We spent one night at Rocky Mount, Va., then went back on to the Parkway and West to the Julian Price Park, where we re- mained for two nights.

Then yesterday came off the Parkway via the Grandfather Mountain, which is about 6,000 feet high. Had enough moun- tains and curves to last for a lifetime. Finally came down into Asheville and on to Cherokee for the night, where we found a good trailer park with all hooksups including showers. Today we came on up here.

We are now waiting for the bear to come so we can get some pic- tures.

Very truly yours
Arthur Burdick

Convention Viewpoint

The Constitutional Convention's work is done. Meeting since last April 4, the Delegates have writ- ten a new Constitution for our State that is going to be submit- ted for approval on the regular Election Day, Tuesday, November 7. This column has reported week- ly to all Andover residents the week to week actions of the Con- vention. Now we can begin to take a look at the finished article.

The tone, goals, and hopes of the Constitution and, therefore, the State can be quickly seen in the Preamble to the document. In simple but classic language, it describes the goals of our State government by saying:

"WE, THE PEOPLE of the State of New York, grateful to Almighty God for our Freedom in order to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the people maintain a representative and or- derly government, eliminate in- equality and poverty, assure legal social and economic justice, pro- vide opportunity for the fullest development of the individual, and to secure the blessings of Freedom and Liberty, DO ORDAIN AND ESTABLISH THIS CONSTITU- TION."

These high principles, so elo- quently stated, can only be achiev- ed by a State government given the power, responsibility and tools to act. Starting next week, we will examine each of the 15 proposals in detail.

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