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Editorial

by Mary Ellen Corwin

The United Nations — A Failure?

Since the birth of the United Nations in 1945, the member nations have been striving toward peace and understanding between nations. However, many people have claimed that the U. N., like the League of Nations, has failed in its efforts.

Admittedly, the organization does have its shortcomings and imperfections. It did not, for example, prevent the Korean War, nor the various conflicts in Israel, Cyprus, Kashmir, Hungaria, Egypt, the Congo, or most recently, Vietnam. It did, however, with the use of U.N. Troops prevent the overrun of South Korea by the Communists. It stopped the fighting in the Suez Canal Crisis in 1956. It also negotiated a truce between Indonesia and the Netherlands in 1947, and also between Israel and the Arabs in 1949. More recently, U.N. troops were sent to the Congo to restore order in 1960.

Other functions of the U.N. include over eighteen specialized agencies that try to raise the standard of living in all nations of the world. The agencies range in scope from labor, communications, and education to postal systems, finance, and health.

We can never be sure of how successful the United Nations has been, or what the course of history would be without it. However, United Nations Day, October 24, was observed this week by nations around the world. Let's remember what this organization is doing for us.

Student Opinion

by Candy Congelli

Have you ever been in a crowd and mentioned the word "school"? Try it sometime. You'll be amazed at the reaction you get. From some you'll hear a little bit of distaste. From others you'll hear a "Hi like it". Then there are those in the middle group who go to get it over with, but it doesn't really bother them.

The latter two groups are small, don't have to worry about it. It's the first group who usually have the most trouble. They come to school with a negative attitude and therefore don't really put forth very much effort.

Confront a person like this with the problem that he might not graduate and he'll probably say, "Oh, I'll make it", or "who cares"? When he finally does find out he has to buckle down and work it's usually too late and he hasn't much choice, but to do his best and get as far as he can. And, if worse comes to worse he'll probably quit school and get a low paying job or no job at all.

It just goes to show even if school sounds like a threat to you, do your best and you'll never regret it in the end.

The Problem Corner

Dear Eennie and Meenie,
 I'm fifteen and really like the Mod fashions. Most of my baby sitting money goes to buy these clothes. My parents don't particularly like these fashions and tell me that my money is being frittered away, as they are just a fad and will soon be out of style. I don't know whether to continue buying them or to save my money for other things. What do you think?

"Fashion Crazy"

Dear "Crazy",
 We feel that both you and your parents are right. Since you do have your own money, your parents don't have to worry about their money being "frittered" away. However, don't go overboard! We feel that fads are fun and you should go in for some of them. Your parents probably realize this and are looking out for your interests. So why not cut down just a little on the money you spend for clothes? Your parents would be happier and you'd have more money for other things, too.

Eennie and Meenie

Feature

Teachers Take Extra Courses
by Mary Howland

Seven of our teachers at Andover Central School are furthering their education by taking an extra course offered by a college or a University.

Mrs. Burdick, one of the first grade teachers and Mrs. Carmody, the reading teacher, are taking a course on how to teach reading. Their class is held weekly at Genesee State Teacher's College.

Mr. Brace who is our high school history teacher plans on taking a course, "Modern Trends in Social Studies", at Mansfield State College.

Our Junior High English teacher, Mrs. Burger, is presently taking a Math course. She is Mrs. Franz, the Assistant Librarian. Her course is being offered at Alfred Tech.

We have one teacher who is taking a Math course. She is Mrs. Franz, the Assistant Librarian. Her course is being offered at Alfred Tech.

Miss Font, the Spanish instructor, is also taking a course at Alfred University. Her course is entitled the "Fundamentals in the Philosophy of Education."

Mr. Frascella, the Junior High Science teacher, travels to Alfred University twice a week to attend a class entitled "Methods in Science."

These teachers spend their valuable time attending courses so that they in turn can teach us a more broadened area of knowledge.

To you teachers, the students of A.C.S., say, thank you!

Senior News

The Seniors have been regularly having play rehearsals under the direction of Mrs. Reba Kessler. The play, "Curtain Going Up", by Gregory Johnston, will be presented on Friday, November 10, by a special arrangement with Samuel French Publishing Company. Remember, the date! The Seniors need your support.

Traveling

Traveling is a very good education. You are able to learn a great deal more about something by seeing it, rather than just reading about it. For instance, if you took a trip to Texas, the corn fields for which Indiana and Illinois are famous, are so vast that they seem almost endless. On the borderline going into Missouri from Illinois, you cross the great Mississippi River into the city of St. Louis. There you drive right by the Busch Memorial Stadium where the World Series were held this year. Located just behind the stadium is the Gateway Arch. This arch is the newest and tallest monument in the United States.

Oklahoma is the state of the Czarks and the hillbillies. The people live a very simple life. There are shacks, with roofs made out of leaves, along the side of the road where they sell their produce. Then we reach the Lone Star State of Texas. It's impossible to travel through Dallas without being affected by the sight where President Kennedy was assassinated. Another outstanding feature of Dallas is the famous Cotton Bowl.

On returning home you may pass through Arkansas where there are cotton fields and rice paddies row after row. On the edge of each field there are little shacks, which all look alike, where the cotton pickers live. Then you come to the Blue Grass State of Kentucky. This state is also well known for the famous racing horses. After traveling in all these other states, it seems good to get back to our own beautiful State of New York.

Who's Who In The New Faculty

This week we are interviewing the high school history teacher, Mr. Michael Brace, a graduate of Mansfield State Teachers' College. Last year Mr. Brace taught his first year at Whitesville Central School. He likes hunting, baseball and basketball.

He and his wife Linda, live on Greenwood Street in Andover.

Report Card System For Andover Central School

The misunderstanding over the new report card system in the Andover Central School created by an article which appeared in the October 12 issue of the Andover News apparently needs clarification. The article was intended to inform the parents of the progress reports that were being mailed to them, and not as a total explanation of the new system.

The kindergarten report system will be the same as it has been in the past. The parents of children in Grades 1 - 12 who are not doing satisfactory work will receive a progress report at the odd five-week intervals. This report is to inform the parent that the student is failing and to explain why. The parents will also receive a progress report on a student who may not be failing, but who is doing unsatisfactory work.

The elementary and junior — senior high school report cards will be issued at ten week intervals. Grades will be reported to the nearest unit of one rather than multiples of five. This means that 82 will be reported as 82 rather than 80; 83 will be reported as 83 rather than 85.

In the elementary school:

1. The grades for writing, science, health, physical education, art, and music will be E, S, or U rather than a numerical grade.

2. There will be a system of reporting work habits and social habits along with an effort grade.

3. The passing grade will be 75

for grades 1 - 6 in reading, arithmetic, social studies, English, and spelling.

4. There will be no honor roll in grades 1 and 2. There will be an honor roll in the remaining grades 5 - 12.

In the junior-senior high school:

1. The passing grade will be '3'

2. There will also be a system for recording effort.

The new cards will be a four page printed form. At each ten week interval a composite report (one of the four pages for each ten week period) will be sent home in an envelope. The parents will keep the report, sign and return the envelope.

Cafeteria Menu

October 30 - November 3

MONDAY: Beef Barbecue with Bun, Vegetables, Molded Salad, Milk.

TUESDAY: Parsley Potatoes, Sliced Meat, Vegetables, Bread and Butter, Cake, Milk.

WEDNESDAY: Spanish Rice, Buttered Vegetables, Bread and Butter, Fruit, Milk.

THURSDAY: Split Pea and Bacon Soup, Vegetable Soup, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Fruited Jello Milk.

FRIDAY: Macaroni and Cheese, Buttered Vegetables, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Cherry Cobbler, Milk.

Downbeats

The Junior High All-County concert will be held Saturday, October 28, in the Bolivar Central School at 8 P. M.

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