

VETERANS DAY — 1967

An Editorial

Veterans Day, 1967, is an occasion to salute all the men and women, from 1775 to the present, whose services in uniform have been vital to our country's growth, and more than once to its very survival.

The dedication of this day to all veterans properly focuses the Nation's attention. The truth is that, in the final analysis, it is not solely massive, armies, navies, and air forces, or industrial might that win wars. Rather, victories are won by men — lonely individuals whose skins, courage, determination, and sacrifices, establish the measure of our Nation's strength.

While we can't recall it, there probably wasn't a moment of national relief and jubilation like that experienced by America on the eleventh hour of the eleventh month in 1918 — the World War I Armistice Day which since World War II has been changed to Veterans Day and is observed as a National Holiday.

After World War I, this sacred moment was observed throughout our schools, public offices and across our nation by moments of silence.

It had been the "war to end all wars" — at least to Veterans and Americans. Great sacrifices had been made — but perpetual peace had been at last achieved! Yet this lasted just a little over 20 years!

This Saturday we honor the men who also died in another great World Conflict, World War II, in addition to those who have paid the supreme sacrifice in Korea and other so-called Police Actions along the Communist Frontiers.

Today, as we go to print, more Americans are being killed at their posts in Viet Nam in an effort to halt the Communist efforts that are being made to "Conquer and Rule the World"

The presence of our American Soldiers at these jumping off places of civilization are a living reminder that despite all the talk of peace — a strong American force is an absolute necessity to preserve our American Ideals and Ways of Life and Liberty.

No one hates war more than the war veteran. No one strives more ardently for an honorable peace than the veteran who has known war in all its brutality. But that same veteran also knows that an honorable peace cannot be a reality as long as there are forces in the world aggressively seeking its domination and the eradication of individual dignity

Veterans Day 1967 calls for a national American expression of unity in support of today's generation of servicemen and women who are facing up to the hard truth in meeting this evil of our time. Their fine example follows in the same tradition of earlier generations of American veterans and should give confidence to all Americans. It proves that ordinary citizens are capable of meeting the challenges set before them in the defense of freedom anywhere in the world.

We believe that the actions and the attitudes of the "draft dodgers" and exhibitionists that are preaching or actually destroying their draft cards is something to make true Americans sick to their stomach.

Irresponsible and unpatriotic deeds like this have raised storms of protests and demonstrations across this great wide country of ours. But, it shows us that there are minority groups within our midst who have no respect for the Flag or the laws of the country that they are living in. These are the people that we have to watch out for — as well as the enemy!

"Teddy" Roosevelt is quoted as having once said: "Speak Softly" — But Carry a Big Stick". This bit of blunt advice has been ignored many times since its utterance by we "Easy Going Americans" and has undoubtedly cost us billions of dollars as well as the lives of many good citizens and soldiers.

We, as Good Americans, should do our utmost to see that "Our Big Stick" is in constant readiness so that the lives of all those brave men who died to preserve our freedom, will not have been in vain!



50 YEARS AGO

Nov. 9, 1917.

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The Women Citizens of New York State were given unlimited Suffrage in Tuesday's Election by a majority which is expected to reach 100,000.

Jacob Hann, 77, died at his home in Elm Valley Friday, November 2nd. His wife, three sons and four daughters survive.

John Wilcox, died at the Soldiers Home at Bath Saturday, November 3rd. Three daughters and a brother survive. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Miss Veronica Hyland has entered the Bryant-Stratton Business College at Buffalo for an efficiency Training Course.

Mrs. J. M. Green of Independence has moved to Andover to live.

Mrs. Mary Snyder returned to her home Sunday after spending several days guests of her son, Lou Snyder and family of East Valley.

Miss Acker of Hornell has been passing the week with Miss Mary White.

Mayor E. J. Atwell has gone to Battle Creek, Michigan for several weeks stay.

Miss Lottie Randolph returned Saturday from several weeks visit at Sonoma.

Lloyd Robinson has been home from Cornell University for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Robinson.

I. H. Thompson came home from Portland, Oregon Saturday where he plans to stay with his mother, Mrs. B. Hall this winter.

Miss Reva E. Clarke and Miss Mary Thompson of Canisteo were week end guests of Miss Clarke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Clarke.

Prof. and Mrs. George Robinson and daughter of Belmont, were week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Robinson.

Mrs. Frank Taft returned to her home in Jasper Friday after spending several days with Andover relatives.

40 YEARS AGO

Nov. 11, 1927

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In Tuesday's Election there were 45 votes cast. Frederick S. P. ter was elected Supervisor. Charles Lynch, Jr. won first prize in the Andover Potato Club, which was announced at a dinner Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Clark of Hartselle, are the parents of a daughter, Machine Rose, born Monday, November 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mulholland are the parents of a daughter born Tuesday, November 8th.

William Col. of Elm Valley has moved his family to the Crayton Earley Farm on Lingrey Hill.

With the near Zero temperatures and heavy snow, the Mail Men were unable to make their daily trips to Independence and South Hill, until Monday.

Robert A. Spicer of Independence is spending a few days with his grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Crandall of Andover, while Mr. Crandall and John Clair are in Buffalo the first of this week with a load of cattle.

A family shower was given Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Spicer at the home of Eugene Greggs of Independence Saturday evening. About 100 attended.

Miss Mary Smith of Buffalo was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leo Horan of South Hill Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Trowbridge motored to Batavia Thursday. Mrs. Forbes accompanied them and remained there for a time guest of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snyder and Mrs. Kathryn Snyder, left Friday on a three-day trip to Rome and Utica and other points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Clarke and Mrs. W. S. Calhoun of Andover and Mrs. E. G. Probanco of Whitesville, left today enroute to Florida where they plan to spend the winter.

30 YEARS AGO

Nov. 5, 1937

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In Tuesday's Election Edward A. Mullen was re-elected Supervisor for another two years. There was a total of 798 ballots being cast.

Mrs. Nellie Atwell Payne, 66, died Monday, November 1st at her home in Genesee, Pa. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Andover.

Mrs. Sarah Redmond, 76, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Goodnoe of Greenwood Saturday, October 30th. Two daughters and a son survive.

Mrs. Harold Hardy was elected President of the Three Link Club at the November meeting held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Glenn Reger.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Watson left today for Harrington Harbor, Labrador, where they plan to spend the winter.

George H. Kenyon, 75, of Independence was instantly killed in a highway accident along the Scio - Belmont Road Thursday night. Burial was in Little Genesee.

Mrs. Frank Gilder, 81, died Tuesday, November 2nd at her home on the corner of Dyke and Main Streets. Her husband and a sister survive. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge of Erie, Pa., spent a few days last week with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Judson Burdick of Elm Valley.

A. Dougherty of South Hill and Michael Dougherty of Andover, motored to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Thursday and visited relatives in that city until Sunday.

Charles Church spent several days last week visiting at the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloss of Canisteo.

Mrs. Henry Baker left Thursday on the Erie for a two weeks visit at the home of her niece, Mrs. James Hathaway and other relatives and friends in Chicago.

Misses Margaret and Pauline VanSkiwer of Stannards passed the week-end guests of their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Smith.

I. M. Crowbridge returned Sunday from Covington, Pa., where he and William Rogers have been drilling.

Rockefeller Announces New Fire Training Film "Ground Ladders"

Governor Rockefeller announced the release of a new fire training film called "Ground Ladders" which will be used in the New York State standardized fire training program of the Division of Fire Safety.

"This film," Governor Rockefeller said, "utilizes the concept of programmed learning in the training of firemen and is a step of vital importance to the safety of the people of New York State."

In the 19 year history of the State's standardized training program, over 250,000 firemen have participated," Governor Rockefeller continued. "Today, there are 150,000 paid and volunteer firemen in New York State and the job of training these men demands the use of modern education techniques."

Governor Rockefeller said that "this new approach to the training of firemen is the mark of leadership that New York State gives to the Fire Service, and, is a significant stride forward in assisting fire departments throughout the State to train their men as efficiently as possible."

Does Your Auto Or Truck License Expire This Month?

New York State residents whose automobile and truck registrations expire at the end of this month should be receiving their punch card renewal applications through the mail any day now.

The Department of Motor Vehicles said that more than 950,000 applications were sent out from its Data Processing division in Albany during the past two weeks and should be in the hands of the owners within the week.

The punch cards are returnable at anytime before November 30. Owners may renew by mail if they do so before Thanksgiving, November 23. After that, they

For Society's Sake: Up With Upperdogs!

The following article by Dr. Upton, president of Beloit University, Beloit, Wisconsin, was taken from one of his recent public addresses.

I have just about reached the end of my tolerance for the way our society at the present time seems to have sympathetic concern only for the misfit, the pervert, the drug addict, the drifter, the ne'er-do-well, the maladjusted, the chronic criminal, the under-achiever, the loser — in general, the underdog.

We have lost touch with reality and become warped — if not in fact, psychotic — in our attachments.

IT IS TIME for SOMEONE to stand up and say: "I'm for the upperdog!"

I'm for the achiever — The one who sets out to do something and does it.

The one who recognizes the problems and opportunities at hand and endeavors to deal with them.

The one who is successful at his immediate task because he is not worrying about someone else's failings.

The one who doesn't consider it "square" to be constantly looking for more to do, who isn't always rationalizing why he shouldn't be doing what he is doing.

The one, in short, who carries the work of his part of the world squarely on his shoulders.

Not necessarily the wealthy, the ones in authority, the gifted. Just the doer, the achiever — regardless of his status, his opulence, his native endowment.

WE ARE NOT born equal; we are born unequal. And the talented are no more responsible for their talents than the underprivileged for their plight.

The measure of each should be what he does with his inherited position. No one should be damned by the environmental condition of his life — whether it be privileged or underprivileged.

It is a dying fashion to pay respect to those who achieve — who really "have it" to use the vernacular. This is the day when the fashion is to be for the underdog.

The attitude is being developed that if you really want people to care for you — and who doesn't — don't be successful. Be a misfit, a loser, a victim of one's environment.

I'm not sure of the reason for what appears to be a general psychological aberration. But I suspect it springs from a massive social guilt.

THE ONE MOST CERTAIN point is that our problems will be solved by doers — not people with good intentions but people with good deeds, not those who talk a good game but those who play a good game — the achievers.

We will never create a good society, much less a great one, until individual excellence and achievement are not only respected but encouraged.

That is why I'm for the upperdog, the achiever, the succeder.

In building a better society. And this will only be done by those who take seriously their responsibility for achievement, for making the most of their native ability, for getting done the job at hand.

should do so by visiting at the issuing office nearest their places of residence to make certain they have their new stickers before the deadline.

Some owners who have obtained a new vehicle may get a renewal which contains data for a vehicle that they no longer own. This occurs because applications are printed a month in advance of the mailings. If this happens, the owner must use a paper application which he can obtain from an issuing office. The punch card should be submitted with the paper application.

Persons whose registrations expire in November who do not receive a punch card by November 17 must also use a paper application.

Special registrations — initial plates — must be sent to the Special Registrations Unit in Albany.



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