

THE BIG LIE !!!

An Editorial

How can our leading politicians distort the truth so much, gain National publicity on it — and expect the people to believe them? What is happening to our country that the public even lets them get away with this kind of "hog-wash"? Why are many of our newspapers even printing these stories — without explaining to the public that the words are actually meaningless?

One of our subscribers in Ithaca, N. Y. recently sent us some Newspaper clippings which you — our readers — should know about.

Here is part of a news story taken from the front page of the July 3, issue of the Ithaca Journal: "Central Park Sniper Shoots 4"! The story goes on to tell "that a gunman killed a woman in a comfort station, fled into a group of trees and sprayed shots around the park that injured three other persons, and finally was killed by policemen wearing bullet-proof vests." Carrying a 45-caliber Army revolver, the gunman climbed to the roof of the stone comfort station, "fired three shots out of his revolver", said Detective Lt. Arthur Deutch. "I let him have 12 in the chest and McLoughlin hit him too".

At the end of the article another headline read: "LBJ: 'Senseless' " Washington (AP) — President Johnson expressed horror today at the Central Park shooting in New York City.

The President issued this statement: "In New York City this morning, bullets from a sniper's gun have brought heartbreak and horror. Again senseless tragedy has struck at gunpoint. I call upon Congress and all of the people of America to pass the gun control measures which are needed to protect the American people against insane and reckless murder by gunfire".

Then from the Ithaca Journal on July 4th on the same shooting, this appeared: "Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York, campaigning in Oregon for the Republican presidential nomination, said in a statement: "This shocking burst of violence by gunfire in the heart of our major city shouts its message to Congress. Give us sensible controls over guns".

Now, we leave it up to YOU — **THE PUBLIC !!!** Are we supposed to be so stupid that we don't know that the Sullivan Law has been in effect in New York State for years? And, under this law, all law-making citizens have had to register their pistols and handguns and have had to go to the courts and get permits to own and carry them? Furthermore, in New York City, a pistol permit that is valid in any other place in the state — isn't good in the City. A special permit has to be issued by the New York City Police Department — for any citizen to own or carry a hand-gun! Thus, the only people that have hand-guns that aren't registered — are either criminals — or people that are already breaking existing laws! So, How in the name of heaven could any more new laws do one bit more good?

However, what really is so shocking is that either our leading Politicians don't know how strict our existing laws are on handguns — or else they are trying to "brain-wash" the public that doesn't realize what the actual facts are. Or is there some other reason?

On July 5th, the Ithaca Journal came out editorially stating: "Enforcement the Key". And this, in our opinion, is the only sensible approach to the whole situation! They cited that Mexico, for one, has tight regulations governing the sale of both pistols and rifles. A government blessing is needed for purchase of either. But, the black market gun traffic in that nation is virtually unchecked. Even legitimate stores sell weapons — no questions asked.

Thus the only intelligent answer is: slap a good heavy sentence on all criminals committing crimes with guns — and leave the law-abiding citizens and sportsmen alone!



50 YEARS AGO

July 12, 1918

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Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wood of Springfield, Mass., are guests of Andover relatives and friends for a time.

Mrs. Chas. Page of Almond visited relatives and friends in town over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Faisant welcomed a new daughter, Elizabeth Louise, to their home July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloss are the parents of a daughter, Virginia, born Saturday, July 7th.

Mrs. Charles Livermore, a former resident of South Hill, and her two children of Aurora, Ill., are guests at the home of E. M. Livermore.

Miss Mayme Dean of the DeGraff Memorial Hospital in Tonawanda, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dean and other relatives of South Hill.

The Clarke Reunion was held in the Andover Park June 27th with ninety-five in attendance.

Miss Louise Earley is spending a few days in Salamanca guest of Miss Beatrix Franks.

Mrs. Belle Doran is passing the week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. W. Stratton.

Dr. P. B. Hardy of Tecumseh, Mich., has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hardy this week.

C. E. Clark and family of Gowanda were week-end guests of his brother, H. G. Clark and family.

Alvin A. Denning of Buffalo was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mont Crance.

Miss Helen Corey passed the week-end with the Misses Raufenbarth at their cottage at Cuba Lake.

Miss Sylvia Hardy of New York City is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hardy for the summer.

Mrs. Archie Bloss returned home the last of the week after spending a short time with her sister at Shinglehouse, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Burgett returned Sunday from Perry, Caledonia and Ontario Beach, having been away since Wednesday.

Fred W. Snyder of Kansas City, Kan., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Snyder and other relatives and friends in town this past week.

Miss Mary O'Leary has returned from her school-duties to pass the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Leary.

40 YEARS AGO

July 13, 1928

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Misses Mary Snyder and Mary Boyd left Wednesday on a motor trip to Kansas City, Mo., for several weeks visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Snyder. Harold Howland accompanied them for a two weeks stay.

Clark Fulkerson motored to Andover Sunday, returning Monday with his family to Akron, Ohio, where they expect to make their future home.

Miss Mae Dean R.N. of Ithaca and Miss Elnora Dean of Cleveland, Ohio., are in Andover to pass their vacation with their mother, Mrs. Margaret Dean and other relatives. Miss Elnora returning from a trip to Yellowstone Park.

District Deputy Grand Master C. S. Jones of Belmont and suite, were in Andover Tuesday evening and installed the officers of Andover Lodge No. 786. William E. Green was installed Noble Grand.

The Church family reunion was held July 4th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Church of Greenwood St. There were over fifty in attendance.

The 16th annual reunion of the Levi W. Dodge family was held at the home of William Greene of East Valley, July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stebbins motored to Cyclone, Pa., Saturday and were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Black.

Mrs. Jennie Baker and family have moved from Corning, where she has lived for several years,

back to her home on Baker Street. Miss Mabel Wagner has signed a contract with the Franklin Square High School, Long Island, as instructor in History the coming year.

The Andover Firemen made a fine appearance in New Uniforms, blue and white trimmings, Thursday, at the convention at Bolivar. They were accompanied by the Andover Young People's Band.

Mrs. Jane Updyke of Independence has been spending a few days with her son, Fred at West Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Baker have returned from their wedding trip to Cleveland, Ohio and other points of interest. They will make their home in Hornell.

Leon Phelps has returned to his home in Saratoga Springs after spending a few days visiting friends in Andover.

Mrs. Ila Clarke, Mrs. Letta Thompson of Canistota and Mrs. Walter Wood of Bridgeton, N. J., were guests of Mrs. Betsy Clarke of Alfred Station last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burgett of Kenmore, N. Y., were week-end guests of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Burgett.

Edson Langworthy and brother, Lynn Langworthy of Alfred Station, were week-end guests of their uncle, Edwin Langworthy of Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mead and Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles and family have returned from a motor trip to Ramsey, N. J., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Trowbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Church left Saturday for Allentown, Pa., for a few days visit at the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Church.

30 YEARS AGO

July 15, 1938

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Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Rogers and Mrs. Melvina Robbins and son Herbert Robbins of North Birmingham spent the week-end in Gettysburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Baker returned Tuesday from a trip to Cleveland, Ohio and called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker before going on to Alfred to make their home.

Mrs. Polly Edwards, 75, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Miranda Atkins of Whitesville on Friday, July 8th. Four daughters, a son, two brothers and two sisters survive. Interment was in Whitesville Rural Cemetery.

Miss Agnes Fisher is visiting friends in New York City this week.

Miss Elizabeth Cannon of South Hampton, L. I., is spending her vacation in Andover.

Miss Marian Swarts passed the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred McClure and family of Wellsville at Keuka Lake.

J. J. McGuckin of the Bronx, New York City, is visiting his sisters, the Misses Mary and Alice McGuckin and Mr. and Mrs. John Quigg.

Mrs. G. S. Robinson of Alfred spent the day Friday with her sister Mrs. F. L. Hann. In the afternoon they called on Mrs. Locha Burdick and Mrs. Lovina Osborn in Elm Valley.

Miss Helen Folsing was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Dronsfeld at Victor, N. Y., from Sunday until Tuesday evening.

Kenneth Vars of the Boman Technical School at Lancaster, Pa., is passing a month with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Vars.

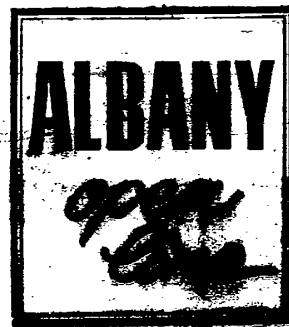
Miss Ruth Baker of Tip Top returned Friday from a trip thru the New England States. She made the trip in company with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilbur and son, Byron of Cleveland, Ohio, who are passing their vacation at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clemens and daughter of Wellsville are passing the week at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Greene.

Miss Mary Lou Clark of South Hill spent a few days last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis of Independence.

Eggs cooked at too high temperatures will become tough and leathery.

Americans spend \$125 billion a year for farm products.



by Alex Backus

Gov. Rockefeller has both vetoed and signed into law a number of bills passed by the recent session of the Legislature with significance to the state's towns and villages.

They were given little or no attention by the big daily newspapers of the state, but they are important. Here are some of them:

Rockefeller vetoed a bill that would have made towns pay the salaries of volunteer firemen for time lost from their jobs while appearing in court "as a witness or large legal proceedings arising out of his official duties" as a volunteer.

Rockefeller vetoed volunteer fire companies exist separate and apart from town government, except on a contract basis.

"It would be completely illogical for a town to have to assume responsibility for lost earnings", said the governor, and towns also "have no way of providing in advance funds which would have to be used to meet the obligations."

The governor extended for another year the postponement of application of revised assessments of state lands in towns and villages, but said if the bill comes up again next year, he will veto it.

The assessments were supposed to be lowered in 1962, meaning less money for towns and villages. But every year since then he has signed a bill limiting the loss to two percent of the total tax revenues of the municipality in any year.

It was supposed to be a "transition" measure. In this case, the transition has taken seven years.

The governor vetoed a bill that would have lowered from age 70 to 65 the eligibility age for getting free fishing and hunting licenses. Rockefeller said he vetoed the bill because the state Department of Conservation was against it, and because of legal technicalities.

He also vetoed a bill that would have made it unlawful for anyone to sell an outboard motor with a destroyed, removed, altered, defaced or concealed manufacturer's serial number.

The bill was obviously aimed at the illegal sale of "hot" or stolen motors.

Rockefeller said the bill would not work because the state, towns and villages don't have a motor number identification system in the first place, and they don't require motor owners to register the number.

Rockefeller vetoed a bill that would have required volunteer fire department equipment to have safety belts for every fireman riding on the vehicle. The governor said the bill was "too vague".

Rockefeller signed a bill which will allow municipal policemen to chase fleeing felons anywhere in the state. Before the bill was signed, a village or town policeman made such an arrest at his own risk.

Now he can arrest someone without a warrant if a felony is committed in his presence anywhere in the state and for a felony committed in the village or town, whether or not it was committed in his presence.

Rockefeller said the bill further lowers the barrier for the development of regional police responsibilities.

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