

**DOES YOUR CHILD RIDE A BIKE? An Editorial**

If your child rides a bike, more than likely you, as parents, are well aware of the Annual Bike Rodeo which was held recently that was sponsored by the Andover Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose of this Bike Rodeo is to promote and teach bike safety to all of the youngsters that participated in the program. However, in this case, as well as many others like it where safety is preached, the ones that need it the most — are the ones that will stay away — or else stand along the side-lines and taunt or tease the ones that are making an effort to learn something.

Thus in conjunction with this program, we urge parents to teach their children bike-safety rules which include:

1. Obey all applicable traffic laws such as traffic signals and stop signs.
2. Avoid heavily-travelled streets — and stay off Village sidewalks.
3. Ride a straight path — don't zig-zag back and forth across the street or highway. Keep to the extreme side of the road. When riding in a group, ride single-file.
4. Don't stunt-ride on the street — and never carry extra passengers.
5. Be sure the bike is in good mechanical condition, equipped with good brakes, tires, securely fastened saddle and handle bars adjusted to the rider, a horn or bell, and lights and reflectors for night riding as required by the law.

In addition to this, we urge parents not to buy a bike that is too big for the child. A bike that is too big is hard to control and becomes inherently unsafe for that reason. And don't let your child ride in the street until he can control his bike, ride in a reasonably straight line, and look over either shoulder to check traffic conditions.

**A MARK OF CITIZENSHIP**

A brief news item tells of a U. S. Senator receiving a letter from one of his constituents on the matter of gun control legislation. The constituent noted that he had to pay for a license and provide certain personal statistical information before he could go fishing in Ohio. On the other hand, he wrote his Senator, he bought a gun with no red tape at all.

It is difficult to see any parallel in the two instances. The Senator's constituent bought a license and paid a fee to fish in the state waters of Ohio — waters that the taxpayers had stocked with fish. The only purpose of fishing license in Ohio, or anywhere else, is to help protect and conserve fishing as a sport. If the gentleman in question who bought the gun desires to go hunting, he will undoubtedly have to buy a hunting license in Ohio as he would anywhere else — again to preserve the sport of hunting.

If regulation of guns is carried to an extreme, millions of Americans will be deprived of another sport — shooting. Competitive rifle and pistol contests are as much a part of the sporting world as baseball or anything else. Competitive matches and pride in marksmanship with firearms is as traditional to the U. S. scene as marksmanship contests were with the bow and arrow in the days of Robin Hood. Extremism is the end result of emotion and faulty reasoning of which the letter to the Ohio Senator is a perfect example. It hardly seems fair or sensible to permit extremism to take charge where firearms are concerned.

The right to own firearms is a mark of responsible citizenship. And every day we see the exercise of that responsibility, whether it is a father teaching his son how to handle a gun or a rifle team competing in an international match. The average citizen's familiarity with firearms adds an incalculable element to the security of the nation.

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**50 YEARS AGO**  
 August 23, 1918

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Henry Kenyon, 62, died Thursday, August 16th at his home in Independence. His wife, a daughter, three brothers and a sister survive. Burial was in Independence Cemetery.

Miss Blanche Redmond has returned to her home in Canisteo from Washington, D. C. where she has been working as a clerk in the office of the Adjutant General. Miss Redmond will teach in Canisteo Academy this coming year.

Granville M. Barney, 77, died at his home on Main St., Tuesday, August 20. His wife, a son and two daughters survive. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Dean of Winchester, Ky., are enjoying a two weeks vacation with their parents and other relatives and friends on South Hill.

E. M. and C. O. Livermore of South Hill visited relatives in Canisteo Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Smith and children of Andover visited at the Horan home on South Hill from Thursday until Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. George Lynch of New York City are spending their vacation with relatives in Andover and on South Hill.

J. A. O'Leary has been in Albany this week in attendance at the State C.M.B.A. Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barrett and daughter, Edna, and Mrs. Mary Hartum left Monday morning on an automobile-trip to Decatur, Michigan, for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hazlett of Huntington, Pa., have been guests this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Sylvia Mourhess.

Miss Anna O'Leary of Dunkirk is in Andover for a visit with relatives and her many friends in her home town.

Mrs. Henry Livermore returned home Tuesday from a week's visit with Nile relatives.

Mrs. P. L. Lynch and children of Patterson, N. J., are in Andover for a few weeks visit with relatives.

Mrs. Maude Baldwin and children have been guests of her mother, Mrs. S. C. Parker this week.

Mrs. Bessie Herrick of New York City was called to Andover by the death of her father, G. M. Barney.

Prof. and Mrs. Edward Hardy of Elmira are guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hardy at the farm.

Pvt. Charles Calhoun left Saturday for Washington, D. C. after ten days furlough passed at his home in Andover.

William Kinney was called to Andover this week by the illness of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Kinney.

**40 YEARS AGO**  
 August 24, 1928

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B. C. Williams has sold his grocery business, corner of Main and Center Streets to Charles Fisher. Mr. Fisher took possession Wednesday morning.

Robert Campbell, 57, died Sunday, August 20. His wife and three children survive. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery.

Walter Downer has been drawn as Grand Juror and James Doran and George Alford as Trial Jurors to serve a term of the Supreme Court at Belmont commencing Tuesday, September 4th.

Mrs. Fred Short and children of Wellsville spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallace.

Mrs. Sherd Austin left Saturday for an extended visit with her brother at Newark, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dean and daughter of Casey, Ill., are enjoying their annual vacation with their mother, Mrs. Margaret Dean and family of South Hill.

E. C. Langworthy has been in Dayton, Ohio, this week, attending the Great American Handicap Trap Shoot.

Mrs. E. J. Pierce has been spending the week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wood

of Woodhull. Mr. and Mrs. James Cannon left yesterday for New York City where they will visit the markets in the interest of the Cannon Stores.

A. L. Rogers is in Syracuse this week as representative of Andover Lodge No. 786 I.O.O.F., to Grand Lodge of the State of New York.

Miss Rosellen Casey of the General Hospital, Buffalo, is passing two weeks vacation with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Casey.

Mrs. David Slocum is visiting at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Horton of Buffalo this week.

Miss Edna Cable of Buffalo is home for a vacation at the home of her mother, Mrs. Floyd Hagan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Joyce and family and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lorce and family of Airport were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Joyce.

Florence Pierce has finished her summer school work at Genesee and returned to her home at Alfred Station for the rest of the summer. She will teach this coming year at Andover.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
 August 26, 1938

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Miss Caroline Kirchgasser of Little Genesee and Raymond O'Boyle of Andover were united in marriage Tuesday, August 23 by Rev. P. C. Tracy at Wellsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Temple and family moved their household goods Monday from Jamestown and are now located in the J. P. Cannon house on Elm St.

Mrs. Ettie Monte and son, Archie Monte of Haverstown, N. J., moved into the Atwood apartment on Pleasant Ave., this week.

Mrs. Laura Holbert of Almond is visiting her brothers, Fred and Floyd Slocum of Davis Hill this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Foss of Elm Valley are parents of a son, born Tuesday, August 16th.

Mrs. Nettie Greene, Maxson and Christine of Cleveland, Ohio, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Crandall of Independence.

Mrs. E. J. Atwood returned Friday from several days passed with her cousins, Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Crawford at their cottage on Keuka Lake.

Lawrence Hunt of Washington, D. C., arrived in Andover Monday to pass his vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Jesse Hunt and to greet Andover friends.

Chandler Bassett and Bill Woodruff are passing this week at Keuka Lake.

Mrs. Anna Riley of Wayside, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. James Dougherty and sons, Charles and James of Nowata, Okla., are visiting their mother, Mrs. P. J. Dougherty and sisters in this vicinity.

Miss Anna Yannie is in Angelica this week where she is assisting the Senior Class with a booth at the Fair. Miss Yannie is the Class Advisor.

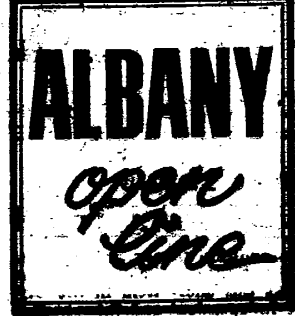
Miss Edna Smith R.N. of Corn- ing, spent from Thursday until Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDonough of New York City, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Anne McDonough.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan Witter of Buffalo were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Witter this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Quigg passed the week-end with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Murphy in Hornell.

The most unique pets in the parade at the Flower Show this week were a pair of tame woodchucks belonging to Betty Jean Rice.



by Alex Rankin

Perry B. Duryea Jr., is probably smiling to himself today. The accord they stopped court- ing the presidential nomination ballots at the Republican National Convention in Miami Beach, his chances of becoming the Speaker of the state Assembly improved 100 percent.

All during the 1968 session of the Legislature, Duryea, the Republican Assembly minority leader (elected Gov. Rockefeller would do the most to help recapture the Assembly from the Democrats.

Duryea's position then was understandable — he was not foolish enough to go around knocking the man who signs the bills.

Privately, however, those close to Duryea said he felt Richard M. Nixon would make the best showing.

And, of course, Nixon won in Miami Beach.

Republican Assemblyman John H. Terry of Syracuse voiced this optimism. Terry is chairman of the Republican Assembly Campaign Committee. His job is to help Republicans all over the state get elected to the Assembly.

Terry, travelling around the state this summer, has listened to local Republican leaders assess the situation in their areas.

"Several areas expressed a preference for Nixon," said Terry, "and overall, Nixon will do more to enhance our chances of recapturing the Assembly."

The Clinton-Essex Counties district is an example. The Democratic incumbent, Louis Wolfe, was elected in the 1964 Goldwater debacle. This fall he is faced by Andrew Ryan Jr., of Plattsburgh, and Terry feels that with Nixon on the ticket, plus Wolfe's voting record, Ryan has a good chance.

"Wolfe's voting record doesn't represent the thinking of the people there," said Terry "and Nixon will do well there."

Terry said the same thing about the chances of Republican Ronald Tills of the Buffalo suburb of Hamburg and the chances of Dan Becker, the Republican running in the 96th AD of Orange and Rockland Counties.

The arithmetic behind this is: of the 80 seats in the Assembly now held by Democrats, 24 are from outside New York City.

Of those 24, about 12 or 15 are considered "marginal," that is, the Democrat there won two years ago by a very slim margin or won in a district with heavy Republican registration.

Republicans now have 70 of the Assembly seats. They need 76 — a simple majority — of the 150 seats to win control.

By hanging on to what they already have — a distinct possibility due to the present fractured condition of the Democratic party at the state level — Duryea may just be banging the gavel from the high Speaker's chair next January.

