

THE GOOD SOCIETY

An Editorial

What is "The Good Society?" Many books have been written in seeking to answer that question — many more will roll from the presses as the years go by.

It can be answered, in a very few words and simple terms. It could be stated as a society in which each individual has the inalienable right to choose his path in life within a framework of equitable laws designed to prevent him from encroaching upon this same right in others.

NO LAW CAN MAKE MEN EQUAL — but law can guarantee equality of opportunity.

It is, above all, a society in which individual freedom and rights is limited by, and only by, the right of a people as a whole to maintain and protect itself.

It is a society which fully recognizes the policy that President Jefferson believed in — that Government is best — which governs least.

Freedom without fear; strength without coercion; pride without arrogance; and an endless sense of the worth of man — these are marks of "The Good Society".

What does all of this have to do with to-day?

A minority of our population, under the guise of a demand for equal rights, stirred up by radicals, possibly aided and abetted by underground Communists, are creating acts of violence and incidents which are shaking the very roots of our society.

America, in the past, has been the land of opportunity. It has been a land where emigrants from many lands have been able to build fortunes and great business empires through hard work and ambition.

Large groups of immigrants from many foreign countries — The Italians, The Irish, The Jews, The Chinese, The Japanese — These are some that have reached our shores in the past century searching for freedom, the right to worship, the privilege of a free education, and the right to vote when they were educated enough to deserve that right.

These minorities didn't demand special treatment, but instead raised themselves by their own bootstraps. They were willing to work, whether it was digging ditches, mining coal, building roads, working in canning factories, or helping build road-beds and laying track for the railroads.

These people worked hard for their whole generation — sent their children to school and saw to it that they received as much education as possible. Many of these children became Doctors, Lawyers, Contractors and businessmen of all branches.

Most of these people worked twice as hard to set the example for their own race or nationality. Sometimes they were called "Wops", "Micks", "Kikes", "Chinks", or "Japs" but they took it in their stride and proved to the more fortunate "Born Americans" that they were indeed worthy citizens — willing to work and fight for their new "Country."

These people probably know more about our government and are more Patriotic Citizens than the native Americans. Many of them came to this country long after Lincoln freed the slaves.

Now we are faced with the Negro race situation — riots — picketing — cries of discrimination — even a march on Washington. Stirred up by a bunch of radicals, helped by a group of so called "Do-Gooders" this Negro minority is arrogantly demanding that the majority of Americans give up some of our rights granted us under the United State Constitution so they can have special rights.

Why should we, the Majority, be told by the Government whom we can employ in our own place of business, where we have to send our children to school, whom we have to associate with?

To us, it seems high time that the Negro race as a whole, borrow a page from the immigrants that have come to this country, long after they were here in this country, and through their own ambition and hard work earn what is rightly theirs instead of trying to wrestle or seize and take away rights of the vast majority of citizens.

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50 YEARS AGO

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School opened Tuesday morning, September 3, 1918 with an enrollment of 223 pupils, 61 which are in the High School Department.

Miss Annette Taylor is teaching at Elm Valley.

Roy Parker has purchased the Earley bungalow on Rockhampton Ave. and will occupy the same.

Miss Mary Dean of South Hill returned Saturday to her school work at St. Elizabeth's Academy at Albany.

Francis Conroy of South Hill and Miss Nellie Williams of Genesee were united in marriage Monday at Albany, Pa.

Miss Nellie McAndrew of South Hill is to teach in Palmer Valley the coming year and opened her school Tuesday.

Byron Clair of Hornell is the guest at the home of his father, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Clair of East Valley for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgins of Canaseraga spent Saturday and Sunday at the A. C. Baker home at Tip Top.

Miss Esther Baker of Andover spent the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baker of Tip Top.

The Misses Mary and Lenora Dean of South Hill went to Dunkirk Saturday for a few days visit with relatives, after which Lenora goes to Buffalo as a student in the Normal School of that city.

Jesse Burdick and Roger Crandall were in Belmont Monday serving as Jurors.

Miss Mayme Dean of Tonawanda is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. T. Garvin this week.

Miss Elizabeth Basset returned to her work at Morristown, N. J. Sunday.

Miss Margaret Padden is spending a few weeks in Hornell guest of Mrs. Charles Tamer.

Atty. C. M. Lash left last Friday for Lake George, where he is going to teach the coming year.

Mrs. Eliza Gallagher and daughter, Anna, left Friday for New York City where they will spend two weeks guests of friends.

M. G. Palmiteer and wife of Hartsville were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Sherwood were guests at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Church of Voorhees Hill Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Inskip and children of Kenmore are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Thorne and other Andover relatives.

Ed Joyce has gone to Canajoharie to work for Brown & Bailey.

40 YEARS AGO

Sept. 14, 1928

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Charles E. Green, 77, died Sunday, September 2. His widow, a son, a sister and a brother survive. Interment was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

C. D. Earley and family have moved from Friendship to Andover.

School began Monday in the following rural districts, with the following teachers: Elm Valley, Miss Emma Folsing; Cobb District, Miss Mary O'Boyle; Shovel Hollow, Miss Ada Mitchell; Lane School, Miss Ruth Taylor; East Valley, Mrs. Irwin Lewis; Pixley Hill, Mrs. Dan Appier; Railroad Valley, Mrs. Mary Church; Fulmer Valley, Miss Mildred Seely; Pingrey Hill, Miss Helen Higgins; Davis Hill, Miss Genevieve Clarke; Independence, Mrs. Orson Robinson; District No. 9, Hartsville Hill, Miss Anna Lynch.

Mr. and Mrs. Arling Briggs, Misses Rosanna and Edna Joyce and Meno Meade attended the Meade Reunion at Niagara Falls one day last week. From there they went to the Toronto Fair for the remainder of the week, returning home September 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis and

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis of Davis Hill, spent from Thursday until Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. U. V. Davis of Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace of West Greenwood, took her sister, Miss Jennie Waters to Rochester Sunday, where she will enter training for a nurse.

Miss Edna Barrett is passing the week with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rowe of Wellsboro, Pa.

Miss Ruth Robinson began her duties this week as instructor in the school at South Orange, N. J.

Mrs. Mary Cook of Castile was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. E. E. Orvis and other relatives in Andover.

Miss Doris Baker went to Genesee Tuesday where she will attend the State Normal School the coming year.

The Misses Margaret Weber and Ellen Barrett of Buffalo were guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Barrett this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Guinn and son have returned to their home in Port Jervis after passing a week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Guinn of First Street.

Mrs. John Joyce returned Sunday from Schenectady where she represented the Thomas M. Lynch American Legion Auxiliary of Andover at the State Convention held in that city Sept. 6, 7, 8.

Miss Nellie Horan accompanied her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Horan to their home in Schenectady, where she is visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Childs motored to Toronto Wednesday and attended the fair during the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Snyder and Mrs. Neil Sinclair were Rochester visitors the last of the week.

30 YEARS AGO

Sept. 16, 1938

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The voters of the proposed Andover Centralization Area, approved the centralization at the election held at the Andover High School Tuesday. A total of 753 votes were cast, 527 favorable and 226 no.

Henry L. Carr, 74, died Wednesday, September 14th at his home on North Main Street. His wife, a daughter and two granddaughters survive. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Atwell and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burdick of Elm Valley attended the State Fair in Syracuse Saturday. H. W. Jackson accompanied them as a delegate to the milk producers' meeting.

Miss Lenora Dean of South Hill returned to Cleveland, Ohio, Saturday to resume her school duties in that city.

School opened in Independence Tuesday with Mrs. Agnes Greene as teacher.

Wallace Clarke returned to his home in Solvay, where he will teach the coming year.

Mrs. R. A. Clarke of Independence was a guest of Mrs. Charles Bassett of Wellsville Sunday and Monday.

Charles Spicer of Independence accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spicer to Wellsville Saturday and was their guest until Monday.

H. W. Coryell is attending the Dairy Milk Inspection Convention being held in Rochester this Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. G. W. Weuz, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. S. B. Stillman of Cuba, are on an extended vacation trip through the Western States.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Padden and Miss Bernice Hardigan of Friendship were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hyland.

Mrs. Kenneth Alyord is passing the week with her mother, Mrs. Mary C. Leo of Wellsville.

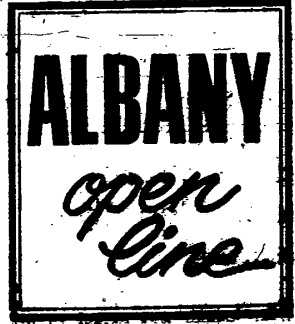
Miss Doris Langworthy of Alfred Station was a week-end guest of her grandmother and uncle, Mrs. Agnes and E. C. Langworthy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joyce, Jr., of New York City spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joyce, Sr.

Miss Doris Robinson of Alfred spent the week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hann.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bixby were guests of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bixby of Towanda, Pa., Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nye and family passed the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nye



by Alex Rankin

CHICAGO — The Democratic disaster in Chicago can't do anything but help the Republicans regain control of the state Assembly this November.

But disaster is a mild word for it — today, something like chaos is a better word.

The state Democratic party was showing large cracks at the seams before the Democratic national convention.

Weeks before the convention, the party met in Syracuse to give Negroes, Puerto Ricans and Chinese more representation at the convention. The Syracuse meeting was open to the press.

But in Chicago, things clammed up quickly.

At one point, I was threatened with arrest by Democratic officials because I was 10 feet from a closed door — behind which a caucus was in progress.

Before a Chicago policeman could arrive, the meeting was over.

The closed-door meeting was held to pick a state committeeman and take a stand on the Vietnam issue. The noises drifting through the door were anything but harmonious.

Many Democrats are convinced that Vice President Humphrey will have trouble carrying New York State — witness the fact that backers of Sen. Eugene McCarthy carried a majority of the districts in the June primary.

Wednesday afternoon the New York delegates held another caucus at the convention hall, this time to vote on presidential candidates.

In the next room, delegates from California were meeting to do the same thing. In that room the door was wide open. Reporters, as well as curious on-lookers wandered in and out as pleases on behalf of all candidates were made.

The next door, however, that of the New York delegation, was slammed shut. Reporters who managed to get in before the meeting started were promptly given the "bum's rush."

The degree of secrecy in this case is directly proportionate to the depth of the split among state Democrats.

Republicans need only a six-seat gain to take control of the Assembly — and thus rule the Senate and governor's office.

Everyone seems to agree the Republican presidential candidates, Richard Nixon, has strong coattails, particularly upstate.

Republicans have mapped out at least a dozen upstate Assembly districts they feel they can capture — with the help of Nixon — from Democrats.

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of Independence.
 Mr. and Mrs. Dan Witter were guests at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Updyke of West Union Sunday.
 Mrs. F. L. Hann and daughter, Miss Edna Cagle spent Thursday and Friday visiting relatives in Hornell and Alfred.

Those who ask questions must stand and listen.

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