

DANGER! STUDENTS Back to Work An Editorial

September brings around a big change in the lives of millions of Americans — both young and old. This is the month when School begins again. For several months the School Doors have been closed — now they are open again so its back to books and blackboards.

Cartoonists will be having a field day portraying the so called typical boy (or girl) slowly plodding towards school, dragging their books behind them with perhaps a dog frisking along at their heels or beside them. This may make an interesting picture but we think it is far from the truth outside of the exception. Most young people that we have talked with are looking forward to the challenges in store for them.

Modern education, whatever its faults may be, is a great deal different than it used to be. New worlds have been opened, or are being explored! The frontiers of knowledge are being moved forward to an almost unbelievable speed, with the youth of today being offered opportunities that would have been unimaginable even just a few short years ago. The opportunity is there — it is up to each individual student whether it shall be used to the fullest extent or not.

However, we as adults, can do our share in helping "the younger set" beat their way to a happy success story — or push them into the discard pile. Whether we are motorists, parents, or teachers — we all play an important part in their education!

If we are motorists, we should be reminded that with the school term here — most traffic accidents involving children occur shortly after school. This fall, be especially alert between the hours of three and five p. m. the most dangerous hours of the day for children.

Sound driving calls for lower speeds on residential streets, particularly near parked cars, since most child traffic accidents occur when a youngster darts into the street from behind a parked car.

Parents — your children should be taught that they have the same responsibilities on their bicycles as motorists have in their cars. Bicycle riders must give hand signals, obey stop signs and keep to the right, just as motorists do. They should also be taught to be careful pedestrians — looking both ways before crossing a street or railroad tracks, etc.

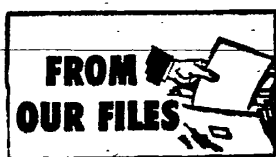
They should also be encouraged in their school work, and in some cases, made to do their homework so they will be able to keep up with the rest of their class for if they should fall behind in the first five or six weeks of school they are apt to become discouraged and join the ranks of the "Drop-Outs".

Records show that nearly one-third of those who drop-out of high school will do so in the first six weeks of the term and thereby doom themselves to the bleak employment-earnings prospect.

Teachers also have a huge responsibility! Many times you will be faced with the nerve wracking problem of curbing animal spirits which too often were unchecked by parents through vacation. You will also be faced with students who may not be able to grasp your instruction, or who show no apparent interest.

At the end of the first five week test period you should be able to determine what per cent. of the class "is digging your jazz", and if there are very many of them failing, it might be wise to take a good long look at your methods of instruction. After all, its much more important to your reputation as an instructor, to correct a few minor deficiencies than to waste a whole year of your time as well as the students and then have to look at them another year when they are repeating the same subject over again.

Yes, education is a joint effort, and if everyone concerned takes the correct attitude, we are sure that Andover Central School will turn out a well educated group of graduates!



50 YEARS AGO

August 25, 1919

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Mrs. Ethelyn Dodge visited her grandmother, Mrs. Amelia Orvis this week.

Tim Padden of Tulsa, Okla., is in Andover for a vacation visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Gray of Arkport were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Gray.

Miss Anna Snyder spent last week at Silver Lake the guest of Miss Mauss of Wellsville.

Misses Julia and Mary Raufenbarth are spending a few days in Wayland guests of friends.

Thomas H. Williams is visiting Jesse Clark on the Redmond farm for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Sherwood were week-end guests at the home of his sister, Mrs. Bird of Almond.

Mrs. Dell Rogers of Nile has been a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. W. Stratton.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Groszolds are enjoying a few weeks vacation and visit with relatives in Rhode Island.

Misses Ruth Robinson, Sylvia Reiss, Doris Livermore, Harriet Williams, Louise Earley and Beatrice Frank, are passing the week at Cuba Lake.

Mrs. Maud Haskins and two children of Corey, Pa., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Scribner this week.

Mrs. Eugene O'Leary and daughter, Mary Ellen, left for their home in Sugar Grove, Ohio Wednesday, after spending several weeks at the home of her brothers and sisters.

40 YEARS AGO

August 16, 1929

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Meiss Jennie Dodge visited at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ethelyn Lyke in Hornell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Whitford of Darlington, Pa., are guests of Mrs. Maude Clarke of Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl V. Clarke of Independence, are spending a week at Keuka Lake.

Mrs. Pounder and daughter, Helen of Mahoney City, Pa., are visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Illig of Independence.

Floyd Slocum is building an addition and porch on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Davis of Davis Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dougherty and children of Texas, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Ella Dougherty and family this week.

Mrs. Helen Green of Almon, Ohio, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Vivian Sweet and her brother Milton Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Robinson of Rutherford, N. J., are visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Trowbridge and family of Hudson Heights, are guests at the home of his father, Lee Trowbridge this week.

Mrs. Sidney Kaple was in Hornell at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Thompson Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Thompson returned home with her for a visit.

Mrs. P. Gallagher, son and daughter of Washington, D. C., were guests last week of her brothers, James, Frank and Mark Dean.

Miss Doris Baker returned home Saturday from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Saunders of Machias.

30 YEARS AGO

August 18, 1939

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John L. Lewis of Independence, was among the graduates at the 84th commencement of the Bryan and Stratton Business Institute of Buffalo Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Clarke arrived Saturday from Syracuse to spend a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clarke of Independence.

Mrs. John Illig of Independence and her sister, Mrs. Charles



By Al Rankin

Governor Rockefeller indicated the other day he likes the principle of President Nixon's revenue sharing proposal, but isn't too happy with the details.

The governor is right. The details are that if the plan were to pass Congress and be in operation now, New York State would get about \$65 million in 1970.

To you and me, that's a lot of money. But in terms of state spending — and taxes — that's peanuts.

Most legislative experts who have spent years trying to trim the governor's big budget will agree that the lire where peanuts turns into real money in Albany is the \$100 million mark.

Anything over \$100 million is significant.

That wasn't true not too many years ago when the state budget was less than \$1 billion.

But only last year the budget was \$5.5 billion.

This year it is \$6.4 billion.

And even if no new spending programs are started next year, the budget will probably go over the \$7 billion mark.

So when you talk about \$65 million in a \$7 billion budget — that's \$7,000,000,000 — you aren't talking about anything that will significantly lower taxes.

And that is, of course, just what the governor wants to talk about next year when he and the legislature are running for office.

State Comptroller Arthur Levitt recently helped delay any plans the State Thruway Authority might have had to raise tolls.

The authority planned a toll hike, but the State Automobile Association put up such a howl that R. Burdell Bixby, Thruway chairman, asked Levitt to audit the super highway's books.

Levitt's flinty-eyed workers already go over the daily expenses of the Authority, but the annual audit is done by a private Buffalo firm, Ernst & Ernst.

Several years ago that firm tucked away a very interesting fact in one of its annual reports — which no one except bond purchasers bother to read.

That fact is now pressing hard

Dreher of Wellsville, are spending a week at Mahoney City, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Atwell of Elm Valley, returned Monday from a week's visit with relatives in Flint, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Robinson and daughter, Merry Lou, and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holden, all of Baker, Mont., arrived Sunday, to spend a few days guests of Mr. Robinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson. They plan to visit the World's Fair in New York City before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Terry of Elmira and Mrs. Gerald Burns and daughter of Toledo, Ohio, are guests of their father and sisters at the Folsing home.

Miss Edna Barrett of Buffalo, is spending a two weeks vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barrett on Corwin Hill.

Raymond Lynch of Olean, is passing a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lynch.

Miss Aileen Walsh returned Saturday from a trip to Detroit, Mich. She left Wednesday to pass a week at Lake George.

Miss Doris Honegger is passing this week in Coudersport, Pa., the guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Page.

Miss Marion Horton of Buffalo is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Slocum this week.

Mrs. J. N. Wentworth visited Mr. and Mrs. Benj Hoaglin at Corning last week.

Mrs. George Stephens of Livonia N. J., was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bassett last week.

Miss Roberta Church, who attended Summer School at Geneseo, returned home Friday.

upon the Thruway Authority and probably pushed them towards a decision to raise the price for the dubious honor of riding on the Thruway.

The fact is that with the completion of Route 81 from the Pottsville area to the Pennsylvania border near Binghamton, and a route 17 from Buffalo to Harriman and the new superhighway find they can take a four-lane divided highway with no traffic lights from one end to the other without paying a cent in tolls — or suffering from the kind of food and the poor service that goes with it that is offered at Thruway restaurants.

It's enough to put potholes in Bixby's road map.

U. S. Senator Charles E. Goodell is at it again. He said through an aide that he will fight for his nomination next year no matter what.

No matter what is a bitter primary fight.

If Rockefeller dumps Goodell from the ticket next year — and from that far away it doesn't look too likely no matter how much upstate Republicans don't like Goodell — it looks like State Senator Edward Speno of Long Island has the inside track. Speno has been writing letters and making phone calls to upstate Republican chairmen for more than a year now. That kind of persistence has to pay off sometime.

Everyone seems to be out after Governor Rockefeller — upstate Republicans for picking Charles Goodell as U. S. Senator, his political friends for promising to make the Long Island Railroad the best in the nation in two months.

Now he's got a piano tuner out after him.

The piano tuner wants \$200,000 to be exact.

The tuner, a Long Island man, said he went to the governor's mansion at Pocantico Hills, Tarrytown, on May 18, 1966, to tune a piano.

When he got there, he said, he found his path to the piano blocked by a heavy "religious statue" in his way. He picked it up to get at the piano. The base fell off and dropped on his foot.

The piano tuner charged in his lawsuit that Rockefeller was negligent. His lawyer says that at the time there were more than 80 Rockefeller employes in and around the house, and that one of them should have either moved the statue or warned the man it was broken.

The 77-year-old piano tuner "is not looking to get rich" from the suit, said his lawyer.

Look for the state Legislature to do a little backpedaling on state aid to education and welfare next January.

The weathervane here is Assembly Speaker Perry B. Duryea Jr., a Republican who has been sneaker for one year and would like to wam it for another two.

At a recent Albany press conference, Duryea said he would like to see about \$2 million in welfare cuts restored to the budget, and an increase, unspecified in state aid to education.

But three weeks ago Rockefeller said the "cupboard is bare."

In view of the large number of school districts running on austerity budgets because voters rejected the regular ones at the polls, someone is going to have to put some goodies back in the cupboard during 1970 session of the Legislature if Republicans want to keep their majority in both houses.

Democrats are already hitting hard at the cutbacks. There have been two separate calls in the past 30 days for a special session of the Legislature to restore the cuts made when the Legislature met earlier this year.

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