

FLAG DAY

An Editorial

The Flag of the United States means something different to each of us. It often evokes some special memory, something which touched us deeply, perhaps fleetingly or in a still, solemn moment never to be forgotten.

It could mean the Fourth of July and fireworks or the muffled drums and riderless horse in a hero's funeral procession. It could be a parade or some special ceremony. No matter what particular personal thoughts or reminiscences are associated with the flag, there is an even deeper, more universal meaning to Old Glory.

The flag is often called a symbol for what America is, but it's much more than that. It does stand for all of the freedoms and rights that are so basically American. But it's also a rallying point, the battle standard, around which our great Nation has been built. It marks the point toward which men surge when called upon to fulfill the national purpose.

Yes, the Flag of the United States represents the greatest cause ever undertaken by mortal man, a cause to which mankind must continue to rally if the lofty concept of individual dignity is to be universally attained and preserved.

Display of the flag is a privilege. It is an act which reaffirms our basic freedom of choice. Monday, June 14, is Flag Day, marking the 194th anniversary of the adoption of the first flag of our country.

Fly the flag with pride and gratitude! Fly it to affirm your desire that our Nation shall remain strong and true to her lofty purpose! Fly it in memory of victories won! But, above all, fly it to mark the point to which men shall rally to fight on, whether with blades and shot to meet a godless aggressor or with minds and hearts to meet the spiritual and physical challenges which also threaten our very existence.

Time For Taxpayers To Wake Up

Employed Americans will work over two and a half hours every day in 1971 (more than 650 hours) to pay their federal, state and local tax bills. The 10 percent surtax accounted for a big jump in federal taxes. Of course, state and local taxes are climbing, too.

In 1932, these receipts were slightly more than \$1 billion; by 1940 the figure had doubled. In 1950 federal income tax receipts reached \$26 billion, and were \$54 billion in 1959. In 1968 receipts had nearly quadrupled in the 1950 level — with no relief in sight!

The average American's tax load has increased drastically over the years. In 1902, all taxes — federal, state and local — came to \$18 per capita. In 1948, the figure was \$337 and by 1958, \$628. In 1969 the estimated tax bill, federal, state and local was \$1,230 for every man, woman and child in the United States, according to the Tax Foundation, Inc.

It's time to rediscover fiscal sanity — by insisting on reduction of non-essential public expenditures at every level — federal, state and local.

The only way this can be accomplished is for taxpayers to demand action and keep the pressure on until they receive satisfaction.



50 YEARS AGO

May 27, 1921

J. H. Backus, Publisher
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bryndage are parents of a son, born Monday. Milton Clarke of Independence has been spending a few days at North Bingham.

Miss Ruth Baker of Railroad Valley, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clarence Wilbur at Cleveland, Ohio this week.

Miss Mary Raufenbarth returned home Sunday after spending the week with friends in Wayland and Elmira.

Mrs. Mary Whitney and children of Oil City, Pa., are guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Livermore.

Erwin D. Baker is attending the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, held at Winona Lake, Indiana, May 19 - 27.

Miss Frank Langworthy has returned to her home in Railroad Valley after a few days visit at the home of her niece, Mrs. George Gleason on Hill Street.

Mrs. George Crandall and son, Sidney, have come to Andover from Elmira and with her husband are occupying the home of Mrs. Clara Crandall on Dyke Street.

Mrs. Rogers Crandall and two children of Andover, were guests of Mrs. Nora Burdick of Alfred Station for a couple of days last week.

A. D. Howe of Whitesville motored to Andover Sunday, taking his sister, Mrs. Sylvia Mourhess home with him. Mrs. Mourhess is spending the week visiting relatives at Whitesville, Genesee and Bingham Center, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Williams and daughters, Ima and Bernice, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Ostrander of Wellsville, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and Mrs. Mary Warfield were Tuesday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orange Smith in honor of their fifty-first wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Richardson were Wednesday guests at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bassett of Buffalo.

Hon. J. S. Phillips of Albany was a visitor in Andover the first of the week.

Mrs. F.-S. Clarke returned home the last of the week from St. Petersburg, Fla., where she has been passing the winter.

40 YEARS AGO

May 22, 1931

J. H. Backus & Son, Publishers
Miss Minerva Trowbridge of Rochester, was a guest over the week-end of Mrs. Carl Clarke of Independence.

T. R. Bassett of Albany, has purchased the A. C. McFetridge residence on Dyke Street and will move his family here this fall.

Miss Anna D. Edwards of Andover and Carroll Wellington of Arkport, were united in marriage May 16th.

Mrs. R. C. Shergur spent a few days the fore part of last week in Buffalo with her daughter, Madeline.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ruggles of Corning spent from Saturday until Wednesday guests of Mrs. Beesie Hawkins.

Mrs. Eva Williams is visiting her daughter in Binghamton. Burrell Williams motored with his mother to that city.

Miss Ruth Robbins and daughter, June, of Elmira, spent several days with her sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Steadman.

Miss Mary O'Boyle returned to her school duties in Jamestown Saturday. Miss O'Boyle has accepted the same position in Jamestown for 1931-32.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stearns spent from Wednesday until Friday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Stearns at Elmira.

Mrs. Sarah Green of Alfred spent the week-end with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Green.

Mrs. Darwin Lehman and daughter, Barbara, returned Sunday from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Perry of Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Atwell of Greenwood spent the week-end



by Alex Elwell

After a lot of behind-the-scenes wrangling, mostly among New York City legislators, the Senate and Assembly, finally passed the other day Gov. Rockefeller's \$1.5 billion transportation bond issue.

Passage puts the issue squarely up to voters in November when it goes on the statewide ballot. Approval by voters is critical for two reasons:

1. Without it, a lot of highway construction in the state will probably grind to a halt.

2. Some \$300 million from the bond issue will be used to balance the \$7.7 billion state budget passed by the state Legislature in April.

Between now and November state officials should be very busy explaining just where they want to spend the money.

Barring the debates over the issue in both houses one thing was made plain: While the transportation projects are fairly detailed for New York City, little or no attempt was made to explain in detail how the money will be used in the rest of the state north of the Bronx county line — upstate New York.

There was talk of \$81 million for self-propelled rail car service between upstate cities. Those mentioned were Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Rome, Utica and Binghamton. And that was it. No more details. There must be a score of communities across upstate that have been left stranded by the abandonment of services by

the big railroad. In some places the tracks were left to rust. What about these areas?

Perhaps the reason for the fact that \$1.1 billion of the bond issue will be spent in New York City.

Some highway programs have been cut by officials in seeking to balance the bond issue. Many

Completion of the Southern Tier Expressway, the Erie Expressway, the Niagara County Road 3 Expressway and St. Lawrence County the Spring Valley Expressway, the Route 7 Expressway, the Expressway between Rome, Chenango, Delaware, Otsego, Schoharie and West Seneca Highways.

Failure of the bond issue plan it amounts to a catastrophe. It will be a number of serious questions by Rockefeller on the second point, the state budget.

Could Rockefeller on his own cut back state spending by \$300 million if the bond issue fails?

It seems like a tall order. He might solve it by calling the Legislature back into special session to raise still more taxes to close the gap.

It should be kept in mind that these problems arise because the state must have a balanced budget. The Legislature balanced the budget this year by counting \$300 million in funds it doesn't yet have the authority to spend.

That's really sticking your neck out.

with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Greene of East Valley.

Misses Mary, Nellie and Ruth Barrett and Frank Coyle and George Book of Buffalo, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Williams are visiting relatives in Buffalo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Haist of Buffalo, spent the week-end at the home of H. H. Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Cheesman and daughter, Marion, are visiting at the home of Miss Gertrude Cheesman this week.

Mrs. Carolyn Cook, daughter, Shirley and Miss Gertrude Beebe, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Phelps of Lancaster.

30 YEARS AGO

May 22, 1941

Clare C. Backus, Publisher
Mrs. Daniel Mulcahy, 47, of Wellsville, died Saturday, May 17. Her husband, her mother, three brothers and two sisters survive. Interment was in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Mulholland are parents of a son born Thursday, May 15.

Miss Jean Millsbaugh has accepted a position as instructor in Latin and French in the Avoca High School this coming year.

James Adams, 62, died Thursday, May 15th. A brother survives. Burial was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

Miss Betty Greene was home from the Warsaw Hospital to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Greene of Independence.

Mrs. Rose Maxson of Alfred is visiting at the L. A. Potter home in Independence.

Miss Mary Dean returned to her home in Ithaca Wednesday, after spending a few days at the home of her brother, Louis Dean of South Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence King have returned home after passing the winter in the South.

Misses Virginia and Virginia Hyland of New York City passed the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Theresa Hyland.

Mrs. Mary West is attending the sessions of Rebekah State Assembly at Albany as a delegate from the Andover Rebekah Lodge.

H. W. Jackson, President of the

And-Well Producers Co-operative, was in New York City and Albany from Wednesday until Saturday attending the Federal - State Milk Hearing.

Mrs. Clara Hann spent several days this week at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Robinson at Alfred.

Mrs. John Harrington of Wellsville, visited at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horan the first of the week.

Mrs. James Fuller of New York City is visiting her father and sisters at the Folsing home.

Miss Doris Dean spent last week with friends in Genesee and Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cook passed the week-end in Perry with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowles Whiting were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Robinson of Galeton, Pa., over the week-end.

Misses Gertrude and Agnes Joyce of Buffalo, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Joyce of Joyce Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haver of Harrisburg, Pa., were guests at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynton from Wednesday to Sunday.

Mrs. Carroll Ruger, daughter, Lois and Mrs. Pearl Mesler passed the week-end in Rochester at the home of Mrs. Ruger's mother, Mr. and Mrs. William Kibler.

Taxpayers Ask IRS

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Q) How can I correct an error on my return?

A) Form 1040X is the preferred form to use to correct an error on your original return. The 1040X calls only for information that relates to that part of the original return which you wish to change. It is not necessary to include all of the information furnished on the 1040 which you filed.

Form 1040X and instructions are available at your local IRS office.

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