

FIRE PREVENTION EDITORIAL!



Last year, fires killed 491 persons in New York State alone, injured many more — and destroyed \$226 million in property.

During the week of October 3 - 9, all of us will be asked to re-double our efforts to cut down on this enormous toll of life, limb and property.

Fire Prevention Week is "not just another crusade to be taken lightly." It was conceived, and is repeated at this time every year, as a deadly serious reminder to all Americans that fire prevention is a relatively simple task, but one which must be kept in mind at all times — since statistics show that nearly half of those who died were either small children or elderly people.

How simple it is, for example, to put out that cigarette — or match — before discarding it, rather than tossing it carelessly away, perhaps to kindle a fire with consequences you will never forget.

How simple to clean out the basement, attic, garage, and other storage areas — and then keep them free from debris, clutter, and oily or paint-soaked rags and flammable trash.

Fire Prevention Week is a time to think of these things: to throw out old newspapers and other unneeded collections of combustible materials; to check — or have a servicemen check — electrical appliances and wiring and heating equipment.

Matches and smoking, according to studies of official records, are responsible for one out of every five fires.

But don't let us kid ourselves the real culprits are PEOPLE — people who are careless with matches or who have less than tidy smoking habits.

We offer these suggestions to help hold down fires of such origin:

- 1. After using a match, break it in half before discarding it.
2. Keep plenty of ash trays on hand in every room.
3. Use them.
4. Empty them often, but not into paper bags or other flammable receptacles.
5. Before going to bed at night, empty all ash-trays, preferably in a covered metal container.

That is the message. Fire Prevention Week seeks to convey.

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50 YEARS AGO

September 16, 1921

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Miss Ruth Hahn of Andover and John Baldwin of Wellville were united in marriage Wednesday, September 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Baker of Greenwood, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Friday.

Miss Esther Baker is teaching school at Arkport this year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dolan are parents of a son born September 13th.

School started September 6th at Sunny Side with Mary Hull as instructor.

Mrs. Mha Pingrey is the guest this week at the home of her brother, A. M. Mingus of South Hill.

B. S. Baker of Tip Top brought the editor a basket of delicious, good size strawberries, just picked from his bed.

Miss Elizabeth Folsing returned to New York City Wednesday to resume her duties as nurse at the Lenox Hill Hospital after several weeks vacation in Andover.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lanphear of Hornell, passed the week-end at the American House guest of her mother, Mrs. Rosanna Joyce.

Miss Mary O'Leary who has been passing her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Leary, left Sunday to resume her duties as teacher near New York City.

Miss Mary Joyce of Hornell is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hitchcock are visiting relatives in Skeneateles and also taking in the State Fair at Syracuse.

Paul DeRemer returned Saturday from Akron, Ohio, where he has been employed for some time.

Mrs. Anna Delaney and daughter, Miss Agnes Delaney, are enjoying a few days visit with friends in Buffalo.

Robert J. Flynn is attending the State Fair at Syracuse this week.

September 23, 1921

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Garvin of Chestnut Street entertained thirty guests Sunday, September 18th at a surprise party in honor of the golden wedding anniversary of Mrs. Garvin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Dean of South Hill.

Miss Florence G. Chapman and Burrell Fuller, both of Andover were united in marriage Wednesday, September 21 by Rev. W. H. Smith.

Miss Dasa DeRemer is teaching the Purdy Creek School this coming year.

Miss Ella E. Hand of Andover, is teaching the 5th and 6th grades in Angella High School.

James Redmond has sold his farm on Greenwood Hill to Howard Briggs, who will take possession this fall. Mr. Redmond expects to reside in Greenwood.

Mrs. M. A. Bassett of Independence is spending a couple of weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Langworthy in Alfred.

Frank Crandall, accompanied by his brother, George Crandall, left Monday for Buffalo to attend the Buffalo Fair.

The Misses Mary and Capella Joyce, who have been visiting at the homes of James Duggan and Henry Joyce, have returned to their home in Hornell.

Mrs. William J. Brown of Oil City, Pa., spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. John Casey.

Alonzo Stocum of Paynesville, was greeting Andover friends the last of the week.

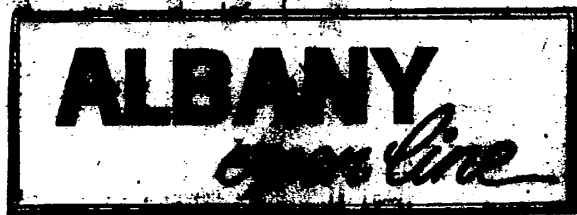
Miss Marie Walsh has returned to her school duties in Utica, after spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferner Richardson are spending a few days in Buffalo guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers.

Mrs. Adella Hunt returned Saturday from several weeks visit with relatives in Rochester and Belfast.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams have returned to Andover after spending some time in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Porter spent the week-end in Dansville.



The welfare figures for August are in, and according to State Welfare Commissioner George W. Wyman, they "attest that the basic trend established in July has continued."

In July, 10.8 per cent of the welfare recipients who were referred to the state Division of Employment were dropped from the rolls for failing to meet the tough new standards set up by the state Legislature this year. In August the figure was 7.7 per cent.

In August, said Wyman, 54,725 cases went to the employment division. Of that number, 24.3 per cent failed to comply.

"We have directed local districts to make certain that they are fully exploring the possibility of fraud on the part of individual recipients whose aid has been suspended," said Wyman in a report to Gov. Rockefeller, who added that he will work closely with Welfare Inspector General George Berlingier.

Joe Boyd, one of the top men on Rocky's staff, is coordinating the drive across the state to secure approval for the \$2.5 billion bond issue.

Boyd has problems because there are no big races in New York City to draw voters to the polls this year, and he would have to get 90,000 vote pledges for the bond issue to get enough to offset the New York City vote.

The state committee on public expenditure is chaired by J. Daniel Mahoney, re-

cently released the results of a poll conducted by about 6,500 of what he called "key party friends."

About 45 per cent of the friends want Nixon in 1972, but 33.5 per cent want Reagan and 11 per cent want Agnew.

"Decline of morality" was listed by the most (12.3 per cent) as the single most important issue facing the country, followed by big government (11.7 per cent) and inflation, welfare, ending the war, subversion, victory in Vietnam, nuclear defense and labor unions.

Last on the list? Pornography at 1 per cent.

About 45 per cent of the friends want to see William Buckley take on Sen. Javits in 1974 and asked what two issues the friends want the state party to tackle this year. The tops were welfare and high taxes.

Busing and pornography were at the bottom of the list behind pollution.

Several weeks ago the Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, the spending habits of New Yorkers, in state and federal government.

Some four people showed up. This is the second time the survey has been held. The last one was in 1968. It is currently conducting a campaign to get some new blood and money into its effort wasn't there — the Citizens Public Expenditure Survey.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wahl of Elm Valley have been passing several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. V. Stratton.

10 YEARS AGO

September 12, 1931

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Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Proper passed their golden wedding anniversary September 3rd. At the last regular meeting of the OES, held Monday evening the order surprised the couple with a party in their honor.

The following will instruct in the local schools: Elm Valley, Mrs. Christina Appier; East Valley, Mrs. Irma Lewis; Pingrey Hill, Miss Anna M. Lynch; Shovel Hollow, Annette Taylor; Davis Hill, Miss Genevieve Clark; Voorhees Hill, Miss Thelma Lewis; Lane School, Miss Ritenbacher; Dean School, Miss Mary Dolan; Fulmer Valley, Miss Vivian R. Groves; Independence, Mrs. Agnes E. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis and family of Independence went on a auto trip last week, visiting places in Canada and the State Fair at Syracuse.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Heran are parents of a daughter, Mary Alice born Saturday, September 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hengland have moved to 13 Ed Earley house on 21st Hill.

Robert G. Smith, who is on the Buffalo Herald College team, two weeks vacation with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Common.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swain attended the Toronto Fair last week. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ruger are in Detroit Michigan this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sheppard of Spruce Pine, N. C., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Earley this week.

Mrs. E. D. Baker and daughter, Ella, left Wednesday for Rochester where Miss Baker will enter college.

Mrs. William Lodge spent part of last week with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nye of Independence.

Mrs. Harry Smith is in company with relatives from Bainbridge, left Wednesday for a visit with relatives in Chicago and other places of interest.

September 14, 1931

Grant Sherwood 66, died Monday, September 13th. His wife, a daughter, a brother and two sisters survive. Interment was in Valley Brook Cemetery.

Mary Holroyd of Knoxville, Pa., and George W. Carr of Andover, were united in marriage Sunday, September 20th.

The Rev. John Kelly, of Belmont, died Tuesday, September 22. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marvin in East Valley, was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Della Monroe has moved from Andover to Arkport to make her home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baker are parents of a son, born Saturday, September 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halsey of Davis Hill, spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark of Hartsville Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Waters are parents of a son, Richard Harold, born Thursday, September 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Coats are parents of a son, Robert Prentice, born Wednesday, September 16th.

John Dean of Buffalo is visiting friends in Andover this week.

Mrs. Michael Dougherty and nephew, Robert Lynch went to New York City the last of the week, where they will spend several days. Robert will go to Cambridge where he will enter Harvard Law School.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Sherman left Monday for Texas for the winter.

Former Principal of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. Levis Toops and daughter, Doris of Kilbuck, were calling on Andover friends the last of the week.

Kenneth Alvord of Owego spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chapman.

Mrs. Agnes Langworthy has returned from several days visit with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Macomber at Schenectady.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutherland spent from Wednesday until Friday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ines Brundage of New York City. Mrs. Darwin Sutherland of Hensburg.

Henry Phillips returned to his home in New York City, Saturday, after spending several days with Miss Mary Snyder.

30 YEARS AGO

September 11, 1901

Chairman C. Backus, Publisher Arrangements have been made for the building of a new building to house the newspaper. The purchase of the property was E. J. Allen, F. V. Conrad and

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