

## ALCOHOL AND DRINKING!

An Editorial

What do you know about alcohol and drinking? Everything? We dare you to take this following True False test with an open mind — and then search your conscience to see if perhaps your concepts need to be changed or up-dated!

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1. Alcohol acts like an anesthetic on the nervous system.
2. Just one or two drinks can reduce your mental efficiency and physical coordination.
3. Some individuals are better drivers after they have had a few drinks, because they purposely drive more safely.
4. Coffee, Tea, or some other stimulant will help a person under the influence of alcohol sober up.
5. The more alcohol there is in the body, the longer a person must wait before he can drive safely.
6. The amount of alcohol in a person's system can be accurately measured.
7. Abuse of alcohol by drivers or pedestrians is a factor in at least 1/2 the accidents occurring on our streets and highways.
8. The most serious effect of alcohol on a driver is to increase his self-confidence while reducing his ability to act and react.
9. Drunkenness can be diagnosed by an ordinary physical exam.
10. For some people, a few drinks can increase visual ability, depth perception, and the acuity of other senses.
11. Abuse of alcohol is probably the biggest killer of young drivers.
12. Alcoholism is hereditary.
13. Alcohol is a stimulant.
14. Heavy drinkers have up to 50 times as many accidents as other drivers.

## Answers To Alcohol Quiz

1. True. Alcohol is chemically related to ether, chloroform, and other anesthetics.
2. True. Alcohol has its effects the moment it is absorbed into the blood stream.
3. False. They may think they are better because of alcohol, but no driver can prevent its numbing effect on brain and body.
4. False. Once alcohol has been introduced into the body only time and the normal body processes can overcome its effects.
5. True. The average person requires about three hours for every ounce of alcohol he has consumed, to totally dispose of the alcohol and its effects.
6. True. With a Breathalyzer or similar device.
7. True. Drinking drivers alone cause about half of all highway deaths, and appreciable percentages of the far more numerous nonfatal crashes.
8. True. Alcohol causes physical and mental functions to slow and become temporarily "older" while making behavior "younger", — Gayer, uninhibited, and carefree.
9. False. An ordinary physical examination does not show mental and sensory deterioration, it takes a blood test or breathalyzer.
10. False. Just the opposite. Only one ounce of 80-proof alcohol can reduce visual acuity alone as much as the wearing of dark glasses after sun-down.
11. True. One study shows that 50 percent of 15 to 20-year old drivers and 88 percent of 21 to 26 year old drivers in fatal accidents had blood alcohol levels far exceeding legal limit in intoxication.
12. False. Children of alcoholics typically have a better record regarding alcoholism than do other individuals.
13. False. Just the opposite. It is a drug, a depressant. Seemingly stimulation is due to lessening of inhibitions by its narcotic action.
14. True. Persons who drive after drinking five or more ounces of alcohol are involved in traffic accidents to an extent ranging from 6 to 50 times their "fair share."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear "Red",

Thanks for the fine review of the history of the Independence Seventh-Day Baptist Church and the prominent part it played in the lives and careers of many people in the community.

However, I was dismayed at the misunderstanding as to the meaning of Church Services of Seventh Day Baptists in the Community of Independence. The Independence congregation was always prosperous and proud of the firm financial condition of their church.

We have formed a merger with our Sister Church at Alfred Station and are proud to be able to transfer a respectable amount of liquid assets to the new union.

Sincerely,

Carol Burdick  
Deacon and Acting Moderator

## FROM OUR FILES

## 50 YEARS AGO

January 30, 1925

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Thomas McCaffrey, of Rexville, died at his home January 24, 1925 at the age of 81 years. He was born in Ireland, but came to this locality at the age of five years. He is survived by his widow; one Miss Kathryn of Rexville. He was also an own cousin of W. F. O'Connell of Andover. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Rexville.

Clare Greene has completed the work necessary for a preliminary certificate, having passed Regents requirements.

Two Andover boys were highly praised in Alfred University Art Department in charge of Professor Fritz Hildebrand. Max Crandall who made a spirit desk last year and is now making a unique shaving stand. Donald Pingrey made an old fashioned cherry bureau into a sideboard last year with admirable results which Professor Hildebrand considers one of the best bits of work done in his department. He is now making a wardrobe desk. Another one of last year's students who was unusually skillful, was Rodney Robinson, now teaching in Rutherford, New Jersey. Mr. Robinson made the scenery for the church and tavern scenes in "If I Were King" for last year's commencement play.

Mrs. Amy A. Crandall, died January 25th at her home in Little Genesee at the age of 85. She was the widow of E. R. Crandall. She was a step-mother of Mrs. M. A. Crandall, and an aunt of Rev. W. L. Greene of Andover. Burial was in Little Genesee.

The thermometer went down the lowest Wednesday A. M., that it has ever been since the establishment of the U. S. Weather Bureau Station in Andover in 1922. It was 20 degrees below zero by the thermometer.

Good old fashioned sleighs are in the lead these days.

Mrs. Claire Backus entertained the Entree Noug Club at her home on Chestnut Street, Monday evening.

Word was received in Andover of the death Thursday, January 28 at the Jones Memorial Hospital, of Franklin Terbury of Wellsville. Mr. Terbury and family were residents of Andover for a number of years. He was born in Dansville, January 16, 1848 a son of Maynard and Mary Foote Terbury. On March 6, 1880 he was married to Violet Woods, who survives him with the following children: Mrs. Laura Woodworth of Alfred; Maynard of Ohio; M. W. of Wellsville; Mrs. Theodore Woodworth of Los Angeles, California and Lawrence of Belmont; and two brothers. Burial was in Alfred. A son, Stanley Charles was born January 28, 1925 to Mr. and Mrs.

## "Inside The State Capital"

By James L. Emery

MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY  
136th ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Moving days are over in the legislative halls with Democrats and Republicans settling into their new roles as majority and minority, respectively. My office will remain the same, Room 525, Legislative Office Building, Albany, N. Y. 12224, and the telephone is 518-472-2030.

As expected and predicted, the new Democratic majority gave the bulk of the committee chairmanships to the City of New York. A quick look at the list shows that the new Democratic majority must not have liked the Republican efforts of 1969 when the number of committees was cut to 31. The Democrats have created seven new committees and two subcommittees. But wait a minute, isn't this the Democratic majority that campaigned on a reform platform, vowing to reduce government spending? This increase in the number of committees certainly isn't a step towards reformed government. It is quite the opposite. It brings back memories of the Democratic majority between 1965 and 1968 when they had 34 standing committees, with several committees never handling a bill but being created to make chairmanships and give extra staff allowances. I wonder if this time these will be meaningful and working committees?

It seems that other great reforms promised by the Democrats during the 1974 election campaign were also soon forgotten when the session opened. When the Democratic majority presented their new rules, there was no suggestion to end the practice of the Speaker voting "empty chairs". So the Republicans, since it had been a campaign promise made by the Democrats, offered the amendment on the floor for a vote. But surprise, the new majority party rejected this by a party-line vote. Now, I'm not saying that the old system won't work, but when you

promise the voter something during an election and then don't follow through with the promise I feel they should be brought to task. If you agree, perhaps you might wish to write to the Speaker of the Assembly, Stanley Steingut.

One rules change that was enacted by the majority Democrats, is in my opinion, a giant step backward. The rule, which by the way was not mentioned in their campaign, is, "A member may abstain from such vote on the grounds that such vote will constitute a conflict of interest". According to those who offered the rule change, the member himself will decide if he has a conflict of interest. Voters did not elect their representatives in state government so that they could abstain from voting on a measure. There are other problems with this as well. For instance, under the new rules if any measure pertained to a lawyer, we could never pass a bill since more than half of the members are attorneys. So it seems the Democrats are just looking for an easy "cop-out". If a member has, or thinks he has a conflict of interest, he should as in the past, eliminate the conflict at the private level and fulfill his obligation to the voters by recording a vote on an issue.

Turning to matters more close to home, by questionnaire response has been outstanding and if you have not yet returned yours I would appreciate your doing so soon. It is important that I know the thinking of the people of the district prior to my voting on any measure and the returned questionnaires are most helpful. Many people have written letters or notes with the questionnaire and I will answer these as soon as possible. I believe it is more important to look at all of them prior to answering a few at this time, but I am sure a reply will be received by all in the next few weeks.

Much interest has been shown in some of the consolidation of government bills that I have introduced, even by many agencies within state government. It seems obvious that agencies and departments should be consolidated and it is my intention to continue to press for this type of legislation.

Charles Ruger of South Main St., Wellsville. The Rugers were former residents of Andover.

Howard Briggs was installed as Master of the West Greenwood Grange, January 3rd. After in stallation an oyster supper was served to seventy people present.

Clyde Slocum of Elmira, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Slocum of Davis Hill, and Miss Mildred Cronk of Trumansburg, were united in marriage Saturday, January 24, 1925.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. O'Connell, Mrs. Madge Dawson, Mrs. William McDonough and Charles Fisher attended the funeral of Thomas McCaffrey in Rexville, Wednesday.

Fay Boyd and Miss Helen Folsing were in Kane, Pa., Wednesday to attend the wedding of Dr. H. G. Storer of Andover and Miss Flora Lind of Kane. Fay Boyd acted as best man at the wedding.

## 40 YEARS AGO

January 25, 1935

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The Young Women's Friendly Class of the M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Edith Thorne, Friday evening. Mrs. Mina Ruger and Mrs. Inna Lewis assisted Mrs. Thorne as hostesses. There were thirty ladies present. The birth days of Mrs. Inna Lewis, Mrs. Anne Childs and Mrs. Edith Thorne were celebrated. A birthday cake made by Mrs. Cecile Ruger was presented to them.

The Annual Meeting of the Andover Presbyterian Church was held last Sunday. Dinner was served to seventy-five members and families. The following officers were elected: Annie Kemp, Trustee for 3 years; Harry Baker, Trustee for 3 years in place of George Beebe who resigned; Bertha Hardy, Organist; Frances Rogers, assistant Organist. The treasurer's report of the various branches of the church were read and each showed a substantial balance.

The Casino boys will hold a St. Valentine's Party, February 13 at the Casino Club House. A popular orchestra will furnish the music for dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Dougherty and little son, Charles, of South Hill, were in Hornell, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Joyce attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Cornell in Rexville Friday.

Miss Veronica Joyce of Davis Hill, has been helping Mrs. Tony Dougherty the past week.

Commissioner Howland was a business visitor on Voorhees Hill last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bell and daughter and Mrs. Lottie Drew and daughters, Edith and Esther of Independence, were in Machias, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Church and daughter, Doris of Rochester, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Greene of Independence.

Ray Deck, Leon Wildman and Clifford Baham of Whitesville, returned Monday night from a trip to Iowa, where they bought a carload of horses which will arrive next Friday.

Miss Aileen Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Walsh of Andover, was a member of the Girls' Glee Club of the Fredonia State Normal, which broadcasted over the WGR Radio Station, Saturday, January 19.

Mrs. Carl Childs entertained the L. L. Bridge Club, Thursday evening, January 17, at the home of Mrs. William Childs on Main St. Miss Helen Folsing received high and Miss Emma Folsing second high scores.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Deane at the Jones Memorial Hospital, January 17. Mrs. Harry Kemp called on Mrs. Emma Furd and Mrs. Wade Theetge at the St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell, Sunday P. M. Miss Agnes Taylor of Hornell spent the week-end with her sisters at the Taylor Farm on the Liberty Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Theetge were in Hornell, Sunday calling on Mr. and Mrs. Wade Theetge at the St. James Mercy Hospital. On Monday the steady drop in the mercury, a heavy number of Andover Grangers journeyed to Andover, Wednesday evening to

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