

## A PASSING SEASON

## An Editorial

The seasons of the year run their course swiftly. No one knows that better than our millions of school-age youngster. The summer vacation is going fast — and the beginning of the next school year is fast approaching.

Many, perhaps most, will return to school with a feeling of regret. Summer vacation to most young people, with all its sports and many-sided attractions, is fun. Of course there are a few that work all summer while others attend summer school to either raise their last year's marks or else make up subjects that they flunked out in last semester.

Thus, the majority of youngsters probably wish it could last forever, since its only human nature to enjoy a good time.

However, to a few — it is a time of decision — or rather indecision! These are the ones that are thinking about not going back to school. These are the potential drop-outs!

To these young people — we say: here is a golden opportunity to find out for yourselves how important a High School Education is!

Go out and hunt for a permanent, full-time job! Go to the employment offices of big firms and apply for a clerical or soft-collar job! Go to big industrial plants where you know the workers are drawing big wages for their skilled labor.

What is one of the first questions that you are asked? HOW FAR DID YOU GET IN SCHOOL!

Despite all of the labor-saving progress that has been made, we still live in a world in which work and knowledge are essential. The advances of science and technology have vastly increased the kind and amount of education that is needed if the young person is to have a successful and rewarding career as an adult. Little room is left for the uneducated and the half-educated.

Those who lack at least a high school education face a tough road ahead. Also, college training is of necessity demanded by more and more employers. If you were an employer, would you want to take a chance and hire someone who wouldn't even stick to something long enough to finish High School? Wouldn't you hesitate in spending good money to teach them a trade — and fear that they would become a "drop-out" from your plant — and float on like a "will-o'-the-wisp?"

Just what are the prospects for a boy and girl that becomes a "drop-out" from school? If you are a boy would you be satisfied and happy as a "grease monkey" in a filling station for the rest of your life? If you are a girl, would you be content and settle for a job as babysitter, housekeeper, laundress, or the likes? Or if you were extremely fortunate and learn a trade or profession would that be enough?

Nowadays, stress is laid on physics, mathematics, the chemical arts, and other of the sciences. But the boy or girl who learns only a trade or a profession — is but half a person. The finished student must have at least a fair working knowledge of literature, the other fine arts, and economics. It is this last classification that the schools and parents in too many instances seem to have failed. Too many graduates leave the halls of "Ivy Walled Cathedrals of Learning" with too little understanding of basic economics to even be successful in running their own household after they are married.

As a student — return to school with a will — And let your school and parents properly prepare you for a constructive place in the world into which you will enter as an adult!

## "Inside The State Capital"

By James L. Emery

## NEW MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS

At intervals over the summer months, I would like to use this column to review for you some of the bills passed by the Legislature and acted upon by Governor Carey.

At present, we are coming to the end of the 30 day signing period during which the Governor must make final decisions on all bills sent to him by the Legislature before adjournment. During the course of the session itself the Governor has 10 days in which to decide to approve or reject a bill sent him by the Legislature. If he does not actually sign or veto a bill, it is considered vetoed once the appropriate time period has run out.

One of the new laws passed this session directs the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to establish a program to rehabilitate drivers convicted of drug or alcohol-related traffic offenses. Rehabilitative driving instruction courses would have to be made available within 18 months in any county having a substantial number of such violations.

Participation in the courses would be voluntary but a sentencing judge or the Commissioner could prohibit participation if they felt some other penalty was called for in a particular case. Satisfactory completion of a course would be considered a proper alternative to any penalty, fine or imprisonment which would otherwise have been imposed. Following completion of such a course by a motorist, the Commissioner could then terminate revocation or suspension orders and return the motorist's license.

This legislation also provides for fees to defray the costs of the program, permits the Commissioner to issue conditional licenses so that a motorist could continue to earn a living while taking courses and creates an Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Board to advise and make recommendations to the Commissioner. The Commissioner is also required to report annually to the Governor and Legislature on the status of this new program so that it may periodically be re-evaluated.

Another bill has been enacted into law which also concerns the issuance of a limited use license mentioned earlier. The law permits the Commissioner to issue a license for a specified period of time but to restrict its use to driving necessary for business purposes. If a person who operates a motor vehicle with one of these limited use licenses is convicted of a moving violation or failure to comply with any restriction placed upon him by the terms of that limited use license, that person would face a revocation of license privileges for a period of up to 10 years.

The rehabilitative program and the limited use license concept are new features of New York State motor vehicle and highway safety law and their practicality and effectiveness will have to be reviewed once they have been in operation for awhile.

## ASSEMBLYMAN EMERY'S SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 14th

Friday, August 15 — 7:15 p. m. York Firemen's Field Days Parade to be held south of York on Route 36.

SATURDAY, August 16 — 10:00 opening ceremonies of the 10th International Calumet Camporee Seneca Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America at Wolf Creek Scout Camp, Cuba, New York.

Saturday, August 16 — 12 Noon dedication of the Army Reserve Weapons Range at the Andover Rod and Gun Club, Andover, New York.

Wednesday, Aug. 20 — 1:00 p. m. inspection trip and informational meeting sponsored by the Genesee State Park Commission. Sites will include Braddock Bay State Park, Hamlin Beach State Park, Oak Orchard Marine Park and Lake-side Beach State Park.

The land area of the United States — Alaska to Hawaii, Minnesota to Florida — Maine to California — totals more than 2 billion acres.



## 50 YEARS AGO

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Susanna LaForge Potter Saunders born in Matteawan, N. Y., on December 19, 1838, died August 11, 1925 at the home of her son, Oscar Potter of Independence. She was the daughter of Samuel and Susann Fuller LaForge. On December 25, 1856 she married Joseph Potter who died July 30, 1883 and in 1886 she married Anson Perry Saunders of Alfred, who died in January of 1903. She is survived by one son, Oscar.

Andover Follies of 1925, a Home Talent Production, is booked for August 18-20.

Haying has been greatly delayed this season by the rainy weather. Making hay while the sun shines is slow work this season.

A number of Andover people attended the annual picnic of the Western Association of the Seventh Day Baptist Church held at Island Park in Wellsville, Monday.

The Atwood Stores are being wired for electricity this week.

The Village side streets received another generous coat of tar Monday.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Raymond F. Quinn to Irene Eck of Port Jervis, N. J. on August 15.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harkness of Revville are parents of a daughter born at the St. James Mercy Hospital. This is the 10th child born to them.

Miss Emily Ballard died at the family home on Dyke Street, Saturday evening, August 1, 1925 at the age of 70. Death was due to a general breakdown following several years of poor health. She was a life long resident of Andover and is survived by one sister, Arvilla and one brother, David.

Large moving vans from Jamestown brought the household goods of R. V. Akin, Friday to the new home he recently purchased of Mrs. Margaret Hallett on Pleasant Avenue in this village. Mrs. Hallett and her sister, Mrs. Hurst have moved to the home of Mrs. Alice Randolph of Elm Street, which they recently purchased.

Plans are well underway for the Second Annual Banquet of the 1921-1922 Class of Andover High School. It will be held this year on the evening of August 20 at the Hotel American.

The 49th Annual Harvest Home of the Presbyterian Church is in full swing today. There was the usual good crowd. Hon. J. S. Phillips is the speaker of the day following the Chicken Pie Dinner.

A company of 36 relatives and friends came from Elgin, Illinois, to visit Monday evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Green of Baker Street. A pleasant evening was enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Green were recipients of many beautiful and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Perry are parents of a daughter, Edith born August 3, 1925 at their home in West Greenwood.

Mrs. Leon Connel and sons David and Robert and Mrs. Lovina Osborn of Elgin, Illinois arrived Sunday morning to spend their vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Osborn at Elm Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cornelius are parents of a son, Donald George, born August 8 at their home in Elm Valley.

Miss Ruby Jordan of Nile was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wall at Alfred Station last week.

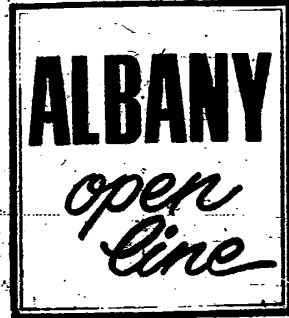
Ralph Williams who has been staying with his grandmother, Mrs. H. E. Lee at Tip Top for three weeks, has returned to his home in Andover.

Miss Milda Clarke of Independence has recovered from the measles so as to be out of quarantine.

About 70 of the Clarke family gathered at the home of H. M. and R. A. Clarke, Tuesday, August 4. A very enjoyable day was spent together.

Harold Kemp of the Batavia Barracks at Batavia, and Floyd Turner of Depew are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kemp this week.

Mrs. Vincent Axford of New



by Alex Rankin

The State Legislature, elected and therefore theoretically responsible to the people, passed laws and the governor signs them into law.

But as anyone who has ever dealt with a state department or agency — their numbers are growing — knows, that's not the end of the road.

These departments and agencies, run by people who were never elected to anything, then write "rules" that in theory implement the laws.

Ah too often, however, the rules wind up ordering things done that were never intended by the Legislature or the governor. The state's problems with Medicaid since 1966 is a perfect example.

Now the State Legislature has passed a new administrative procedure law which lawmakers said will end many of the present abuses and frustrations.

But the new procedures don't go into effect until Sep. 1, 1976, which is a lot of time for the department and agency officials to lobby to have the law amended.

It is already full of holes. The governor, agencies of the Legislature and the courts, for example, are exempt, as well as prisons, the State Insurance Fund and the Workmen's Compensation Board and the Unemployment Insurance Appeal Board. That's a lot of ground.

You say you don't believe that conditions are so bad in many of the hospitals run by the state that patients can buy illegal drugs as easily as candy bars?

Well that's what an inmate of Matteawan State Hospital told reporters, two Assemblymen and Lt. Mary Anne Krupsek when they made a surprise visit to the hospital the other day.

The following date the inmate was beaten by fellow inmates and had to be transferred to another section of the hospital for his own safety.

It seems his fellow inmates were upset because they had a good thing going and didn't want their supply of illegal drugs cut off. A guard said the man was punched because his friends "felt he should have kept his mouth shut."

It would seem to be a legitimate question to ask if guards were involved in the smuggling of dope into the hospital.

Apparently not from the guards' point of view, however. Officials of the union representing the guards demanded that Gov. Carey prevent public officials from making any more surprise inspections of the institutions they are supposed to be guarding.

And you wonder why everyone seems to have forgotten that government is supposed to serve the people instead of the other way around.

They obviously forgot a long time ago in New York City.

Members of the "Big Mac", the group Carey set up to oversee the fiscal operations of that city in the wake of the crisis there, recently returned from a trip across the country and were shocked and shocked at the way everyone else thinks of the Big Apple.

The city has given everything money and power to the city employees, and then used a long list of bookkeeping gimmicks to cover it up. If the economy hadn't gone bad, no one would have noticed, or cared, either.

Orlean is visiting her mother, Mrs. Marie Clark and other relatives.

Miss Dorothea and Mrs. Coleman have returned to their home in Wellsville after spending two weeks visiting with Andover relatives.

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