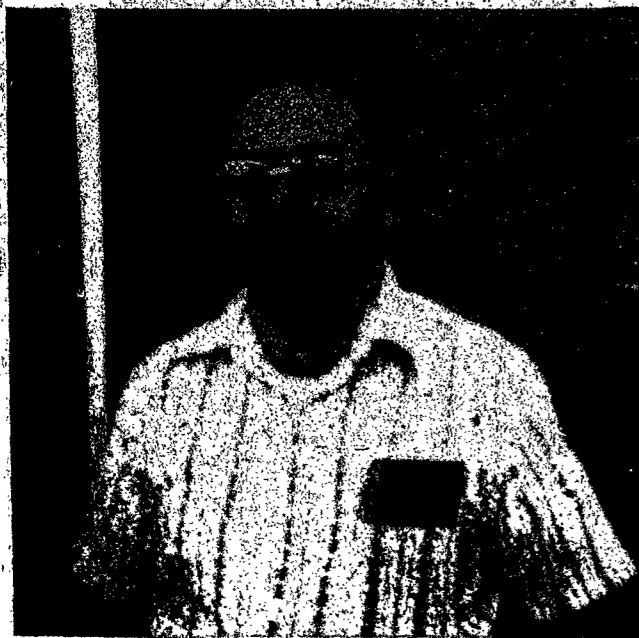


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Will open store in old Oneida

John Rich of Shushan will open a hardware store on Main street in Greenwich soon after the first of the new year. It will be located in what has been known as the Sanderspre building, in the quarters formerly occupied by the Oneida markets. Mr. Rich is buying the building. Mr. Rich is the proprietor of Rich Electric, an

electrical contracting business.

He also owns the Cambridge hardware, having purchased it about a year ago. Mr. Rich expects that when he opens his store in Greenwich it will be managed by Dick Waite of West Hebron, who is now working in his hardware in Cambridge.

Supervisors adopt \$16 million budget

The Washington county board of supervisors Friday adopted a budget of \$16,048,998.02 to operate the county in 1976. The meeting was called as a public hearing, and half a dozen county residents expressed their displeasure with parts, or all, of the budget as presented. Before the meeting the supervisors had trimmed \$333,000 from their first draft of the budget, which was reviewed in this newspaper last week. "There is no fat left in it," Chairman Albin R. Nelson of Greenwich declared.

On the roll call vote, 13 of the 17 supervisors voted for approval, three voted no, and one was absent. The no votes were cast by Glenn R. Jones of Argyle, Walter C. Perry Jr., of Hampton and Leon M. Layden of Kingsbury. The supervisor of Fort Edward, Louis G. Fisher, was not present. In the voting, with each supervisor allotted votes in proportion to his town's

population, 2,068 votes were in favor, and 876 opposed.

Of the \$16 million budget, \$1,470,849.27 will be raised by real estate tax. This is an increase of about \$175,000 over the amount raised in 1975. Supervisor Laurence E. Andrews of Granville, chairman of the finance committee, said. That means that property owners will pay from \$2.10 to \$3.50 more per thousand of assessed valuation next year than they did this year for the county's share of the town-county tax bill. Most town tax rates are up, too, so when the taxpayers receive their bills between Christmas and New Years, they will find government is, again, more expensive than it was. The \$2.10 to \$3.50 spread is caused by differences in tax equalization rates among the towns. Those with higher equalization rates will have a lesser increase in taxes.

Congressman polls area on New York city crisis

Congressman Ned Pattison has announced that he has learned "that an overwhelming majority of people in the 29th Congressional district favor federal loan guarantees for New York city to prevent default and its potentially disastrous effects."

Speaking at a press conference at the Citizen Genet high school in East Greenbush, Pattison said a high volume of constituent mail and the results of an informal poll have bolstered his conviction that people in upstate New York do not want to see New York city go bankrupt.

Because the issue of New York city default is so important, Pattison said, he "felt it was crucial to find out just what my constituents were thinking." He asked his volunteers to conduct a telephone poll throughout the district to find out people's opinions.

Of the 180 people contacted, 82 per cent said they favored loan guarantees to the city to prevent default, provided the city was put under strict budget controls.

In addition, the poll showed that 79 per cent felt that default by New York city would hurt New York state, and 59 per cent believed it would seriously affect all of the country.

The poll results reflect the constituent mail that he has been receiving on New York city, says Mr. Pattison. Some 85 per cent of the letters from the 29th district have favored federal help for the city prior to default. He shared excerpts from some of the

letters he has received on the subject.

A family from Mechanicville wrote simply: "Please help New York city." A "life-long Republican" from Fort Edward said "I was shocked beyond measure to hear the president so glibly speak of the city's bankruptcy. If we can spread our largesse all over the world, we simply must not look the other way, but be a little more positive in an approach to the problems of New York city."

A number of writers who disagreed with the Congressman's views felt that federal assistance would mean that every other city in trouble would now expect help. Pattison said he shared that fear, but felt it was unfounded.

"The legislation I support has eligibility requirements so strict that no community could qualify unless it was on the brink of total collapse," he said. "And even then, like New York city, it would get no money. It could only receive a loan guarantee, and only if it instituted a plan to balance its budget and correct its mistakes."

Cold turkey

It's getting colder. There are heavy frosts at night and the temperatures don't get much higher than 50 anymore. There's a possibility of a snowy Thanksgiving.

Last week's temperature highs and lows were recorded as follows:

November 19	54	25
November 20	52	30
November 21	61	51
November 22	50	34
November 23	43	27
November 24	40	26

Planners select Dr. Clark

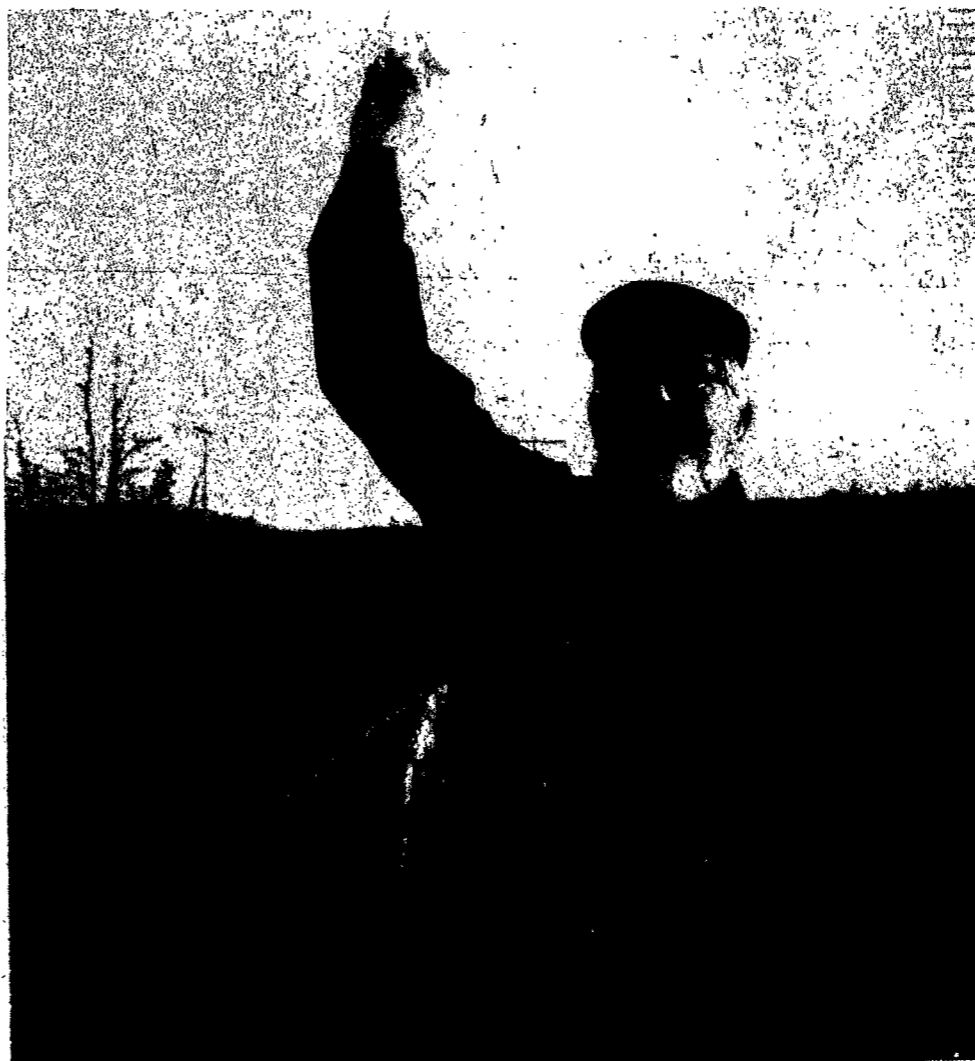


Dr. Charles R. Clark of Cambridge was elected the 1976 chairman of the Lake Champlain-Lake George Regional Planning board at their November 20 meeting. Dr. Clark

replaces William J. Lytle Jr. of Greenwich, who served as chairman of the 30-member board for three years. Other officers elected for 1976 were Frank Madden of Clinton county, vice chairman; James DeZalla of Essex county, secretary; and John Wertime of Warren county, treasurer.

Charles Gardephe, a senior wildlife biologist for EnCon, and William Roden, an EnCon public information officer, spoke on the state environmental quality review act and the new wetlands law. The act will require that state and local governmental agencies prepare a draft and final environmental impact statement for action which they have determined may have a

significant effect on the environment. The law covers any wetland that qualified under the extensive definition section of the law and protects freshwater wetlands from development. The law went into effect on September 1. In the Adirondack park, the Adirondack park agency will administer the two new environmental laws.



Everyone waves to Elmer

Anyone who travels route 372 between Cambridge and Greenwich knows this man. He's the man who waves, and always has a Santa Claus smile for passers-by.

He's Elmer LeRoy Riley. "That's Elmer as in Elmer's glue, and Elmer's tune; LeRoy, like the Great Gildersleeve's nephew, and Riley, just like The Life of Riley with William Bendix," clarifies Mr. Riley.

Self-described as "an outdoor man", Mr. Riley lives at Stinner's Homestead in Coila, but spends a great deal of his time up the road from that place. He has lived at the senior citizens' home for a little over a year.

Born October 24, 1911, in the town of Easton, Elmer recalls with pride that

as a young man he sorted melons at the Hand melon farm.

In 1942 he turned to the railroad for a career. From his years as a railroad man Elmer retains "one choice possession: a genuine railroad watch." His watch keeps perfect time. The crystal of it must be removed for the watch to be set. This he eagerly demonstrates. "The back comes off too," says Elmer, "but only two people take the back off a railroad watch; a watch repairman and a damn fool."

Elmer has many friends: truck drivers, people who live in Greenwich and work in Cambridge, and vice versa. The majority of persons who drive by him wave - even if Elmer doesn't wave first.

But it was Elmer that started it. Why? "Oh, just to be sociable."

County well represented at Farm Bureau session



Miss Donna Glasier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Glasier, dairy farmers of RD 1, Granville, was chosen second runner-up in the Miss Farm Bureau contest staged at the New York state Farm Bureau annual meeting in Niagara Falls, November 12. Escorted by Nelson Rist, president of the Washington county Farm Bureau, Miss Glasier placed third among sixteen contestants.

A full-time early admission student at Adirondack Community college, majoring in police science,

she will graduate from Granville high school in 1976. Recently elected to Who's Who Among American High School Students, Donna has been president of the junior class, vice president of the Spanish club and a member of the Girls Athletic association.

More than 800 farmers and their wives gathered at the Niagara Falls session, November 11 to 13. Richard McGuire of Salem was re-elected to a sixth term as president of New York state Farm Bureau. Owner of a

500-acre dairy farm operation, McGuire has been active on the state level since 1961, and serves on the executive committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Mrs. Philip Griffen of Stillwater was selected for a two-year term on the State Women's committee. Retiring after four terms from the Women's committee was Mrs. Ray Johnson of Washington county.

Delegates studied a number of problems of growing concern to New York farmers: decline in

fluid milk consumption, access to free world markets, the menace of increasing government regulation and agricultural and marketing and bargaining.

Pictured here are the Washington county delegates to the convention. In the first row are: Carol Senecal, Doris Saunders, Donna Glasier, Barbara Rist, Norma Skellie, Julie Sialinski, Polly McGuire, and Richard McGuire. In the back row: Wayne Senecal, James Saunders, Nelson Rist, Sam Sialinski.

Cossayuna fire leaves family of five homeless

The home of Donald Wadsworth in Cossayuna was completely destroyed by fire Monday night, leaving Mr. Wadsworth, his wife, and their three children homeless.

It was about 11:30 p.m. that the fire started, says Mr. Wadsworth. He and his children, Annette, 15, Carol, 12, and Wanda, 11, were asleep in bed at the time. His wife, Kathryn, he says, was still up. She alerted the others.

"All I know is that it started in the kitchen ceiling," Donald reports. "I tried to put it out while my wife called the firemen, but I couldn't do anything. Then we got the kids out because we thought the ceiling would fall on them."

"It was a total loss. All we got out with was the clothes on our backs," he stated.

Mrs. Wadsworth called the Cossayuna volunteer fire department. They responded with two trucks, and called the Argyle fire company, which brought engine one, a pumper. The two companies set up a mutual aid relay, explained Donald Bain, Cossayuna's fire chief.

By 4:30 a.m. it was obvious that nothing could be saved, he said. By 6 a.m. the fire was cleared up and the last truck returned to the Cossayuna fire house.

The Wadsworth family spent the night in Mr. Bain's camp.

Hepatitis at jail

A guard at the Washington county correctional facility in Salem discovered that he had a mild case of infectious hepatitis Friday. To prevent the spread of the disease, immunization clinics were held at the jail Monday and Tuesday. Both inmates and personnel were given injections of gamma globulin as a preventative.

Because court was in session at the time of the outbreak, jurors and other persons present were advised to see their own physician.

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