

Top Row left to right Donald J. Culligan, 6th Ward; Gary A. Lee, Town of Dryden; James Cortright, Town of Danby; Clair Updike, Town of Enfield; Claude Holden, Town of Groton; William B. Kerr, Town of Ithaca; Jerome B. True, 7th Ward; Edward P Abbott, 4th Ward; John Marcham, 5th Ward; Michael J. Leary, 2nd Ward. Center Row left to right Paul Menzies, Town of Caroline; James Graves, 1st Ward. Bottom Row left to right Harris B, Dates, Town of Lansing; Kay Dimmick, Deputy Clerk; Clifford E. Bower, Chairman; Elsie D. Boyd, Clerk; Robert I. Williamson, County Attorney.

## Celebrating Tompkins County -

## Clair Updike a man of many adventures

Recently while looking in the Town of Supervisors of Tompkins County book of 1969 I came across this:

Resolution of Commendation Clair D. Updike. Whereas Clair D. Updike was duly elected Supervisor for the Town of Enfield commencing January 1, 1962 and served continuously as said Supervisor through December 31, 1969 and during his term of office, he was Chairman of the County Officers Accounts Committee and the Animal Health and Conservation Committee and served on the Airport, Courts and Correction, Purchasing, Veterans, Buildings and Grounds, Education, Highway, and Social Services Committees and was a member of the Administrative Study Committee and Charter Commission, and served as the County Supervisor Representative on the County Extension Service, the said Clair D. Updike gave unsparingly of his time in the execution of his duties as Supervisor that this board unanimously records in its minutes its deep appreciation of Clair D. Updike for his years of service on this Board of Supervisors and extends to him best wishes for the future.

Clair was born in Enfield and was actively involved in dairy and grain farming in the Town from 1945 to 1974. Clair was also on the Enfield Town Board in the decision to purchase the property to build the current Town Hall in 1966. He served as Enfield Justice of the Peace from 1952 to 1959.

We invite readers to share their memories send e-mail to <u>historian@townofenfield.org</u>.

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