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"There is no Way, Cut a Way."

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Spuds, beans and bullets—they win.

Equal rights and equal fights for all.

Sow and save, but cut out the "wild oats."

Farm and arm—and both are vital necessities.

A year or two more and we will have a bread line of kings.

"No work, no eat." is the slogan. The war leaves no room for slackers.

Hundreds of men are enlisting and millions are going to the ball games.

"Wasting food is a sin" says our neighbor. You bet, we're growing wings.

"Enlist your dollar" advises a humorous wag. Do it—we are the recruiting officer.

Uncle Sam's gun may be slow to fire, but it has a powerful long reach, once it does let go.

If your old Star Spangled Uncle keeps kicking up the dust he soon will be leading a cyclone.

"Millionaire youths are coming right to the front" we read. Good! The poor boy is already there.

"Following the flag" with some young bloods is confined to attaching it to the front end of their automobile.

India's peanut crop is said to be phenomenally large this season. But who wants to substitute peanuts for spuds!

God pities and satan despises a slacker. Heaven don't want them and hell won't have them. Farm or arm—fight or produce.

In these days of scarcity of foodstuffs there is no room for the professional beggar or the hobo. Give him a hoe or the boot.

If the cost of living continues to increase everybody will have to enlist to keep from starving to death. Sir, the United States are present or accounted for.

If your boy balks at using a hoe escort him to the woodshed and do unto him as you were done by in your own youthful days. It may pain him, but it will train him—and he'll hustle.

We are at war. We want officers. We want men. We want guns. We want ammunition. We want equipment. We want ships. We want food. We want everything and have darned little of anything.

The billions of money the United States is lending the Allies will be spent in this country for food and war supplies. That means work for everybody left at home and good money for your work. Well!

## PROSPERITY ARRÄD

Some people seem to have imbibed the false idea that our war is bound to produce hard times. But it will not. Look the facts in the face. Our Allies, England, France, Russia and Serbia and the smaller nations all require immense stores of our supplies and food. They can only produce a very limited supply at home, hence they must depend upon the United States to supply these stores for them. The stored up and hidden wealth of the United States is being loaned to our Allies in order that they may finance the war, but this vast sum does not actually cross the water. It will remain in this country practically intact, but instead of being hoarded up as heretofore, it will be used to pay for these enormous quantities of stores. It, therefore, will be put back into circulation in this country and will spread out over the land like water suddenly released from a giant reservoir. Every nook and corner of the country will get its share and every man who is not too lazy to work will participate in the getting. There is always a reprieve after the first shock of war, but that is even now passing away. In a few weeks it will cease to exist and the country will be a humming hive of industry. Get busy brother.

## FIGHT OR WORK

With a foreign war on our hands and possible famine staring us in the face, every man in the United States, who is physically and mentally able, should be required to either fight or work. If a chronic loafer is found who will neither fight nor work, then it is incumbent upon the authorities to take him into custody, put him in a field and compel him to aid in the production of the vast quantities of foodstuffs that are required to keep the wolf from the door. No sentiment or friend-authority over us for the public welfare must predominate over every other consideration. So put the case bluntly, America must work or starve.

## LET THE GOVERNMENT FIX PRICES

The cost of living is becoming intolerable. Upon even the flimsiest excuse prices of foodstuffs are raised, and if no food excuse exists they are boosted on general principles.

Millions of people who are dependent upon their daily labor find it almost impossible to keep soul and body together. In hundreds of thousands of cases their vitality is slipping away from pure lack of sufficient nourishment.

Yet in the very face of this the insatiable food speculators and profit-grabbers are turning the screws tighter every day.

There appears to be but one way in which this sucking of the blood of humanity can be stopped and that is for the government to take prompt action and fix a maximum price at which every article of food is to be sold, and in fixing the maximum price should be first scheduled down to normal. The fact that a scarcity in foodstuffs exists should not be accepted as an excuse for allowing prices to remain at their present outrageous figures. And the same action should be taken in reference to every article of necessity that we use.

## MORE FARMERS AND MORE FOOD

For many years now the young men have been leaving the farms and crowding into the cities. The result is that the cities are congested with idle men and the farms are idle for lack of men.

We are compelled to feed not only our own people, but the allied nations fighting Germany as well—and the men to raise the food are not on the farms.

The Allies are suffering for food and we are facing a tremendous shortage even for our own consumption.

Does the prospect look inviting to you? Are you doing your part to relieve this condition? Back to the farm. It needs you.

## WHAT THE WOMEN CAN DO

What can the women of America do to help win the war? She can do much, many things. One of the principal things, however, is to reduce the cost of her own table by increasing the production of garden foods at home. Every penny's worth of food raised in the home garden releases just that much that can be devoted toward feeding some other person who has no place for a garden. In addition to feeding the people of our own country we must supply food for the people of England, France, Russia and Italy in which countries so many people are fighting that they cannot produce enough food to keep their people from starving.

While the head of the family is conducting his business affairs, the wife and young sons and daughters can do much in the garden, and in this crisis it will be a signal honor for them to do so. When you see a woman planting and weeding and caring for her garden you will know that there is a woman who has principle as well as pluck and one who places the welfare of her country above the soiling of her hands.

## RED CROSS FOR ANDOVER

An informal meeting was called Monday evening at the Library to consider the Red Cross work in Andover.

Notwithstanding the meeting was hurriedly called, about 63 persons were present, representing all classes in the community. The meeting was enthusiastic. No greater work is possible for us at this time.

Andover bids fair to have a large class enrolled for Red Cross Work.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to those who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our dearly beloved Arlo. Especially do we feel grateful to Rev. Chas. Collins for his words of comfort to the Elm Valley Ladies Aid, to the nurse, Miss Rice, and to all who furnished the beautiful flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Mead  
Lloyd Mead  
Mrs. Julia Mead.

## A SMALL BLAZE

About mid-night Sunday night fire was discovered in the boxes in the cellar of L. P. Crandall's grocery store. The fire department made short work of it. The goods in the store did not escape entirely however, as the smoke and water damaged the stock somewhat.

## FAST TRACT MEET AT ALFRED, WEDNESDAY, May 16.

Track teams from three Buffalo High Schools will compete at the Ninth Annual Interscholastic Field and Track Meet at Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y., on Wednesday, May 16. These will be from Technical, Lafayette and Masten Park, Canisteo Academy. Last year's champions, will be ready to take the Meet again, while Elmira Free Academy, and Bradford will dispute any claims for supremacy.

It promises to be an interesting Meet, a fast Meet and one, records from which will last for many years. The volunteering of high school students for agricultural work has caused many of the smaller schools to cancel their entries, although the management of the Meet has notified all that these students will be eligible. It is impossible to give a complete list of entering schools because of the unsettled condition, but there will be a goodly number in Alfred Wednesday, May 16. Preliminaries at 10 A. M.; Finals at 2 P. M.; Speaking Contest, 7:30 P. M.; Dancing at 9.

In Japan it is reported that a hundred thousand women have pledged themselves to marry only men who will agree to become boosters for women's rights. These women want equal treatment with men in the field of matrimony, of morals, and at least better treatment than they are getting in the field of economics. Husbands have got to take their coats off and help.

One serious defect is noticeable in the selective draft law. It should have particularly specified and included for service the food ship should be allowed to sway those whom you have placed in speculators and illegals.

Chicago packers say that they are willing to accept the government price regulation. So are we—and we sincerely hope that it will regulate not only the price of meats, but of every other blessed thing we eat, wear and use. A few are becoming rich at the price of pauperizing the many.

## MAE MURRAY IN

### "THE BIG SISTER"

Auditorium, Wednesday

There is a powerful story in "The Big Sister," starring the gifted stage and screen favorite Mae Murray which relates the struggle between two vastly different types of men for the same girl. This girl, Betty Norton, is the daughter of a worthless individual who leaves her penniless and in sole charge of her little brother Jimmy. "Nifty" Mendez and an underworld power, attempt to get control of the girl through

intimidation, and in here from this man she meets Roy Channing, a young millionaire. These are the two men to whom this girl appeals—arousing very different emotions in each. But there is a third man who comes into the story, a crook on whose better self this girl has a strong influence. The conflict of these various differing elements of society and the tremendous heart appeal which is awakened by the object of their strife, she struggles to protect her little brother from harm, for a gripping Famous Players production on the Paramount Program.

## 1882 ROCKWELL BROTHERS, & CO. 1917

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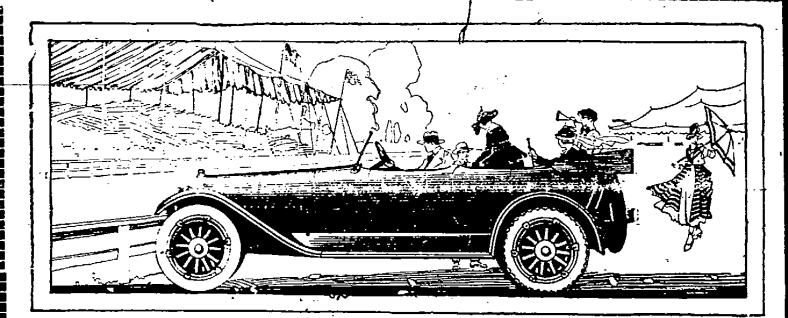
We are celebrating our 35th anniversary with a big sale just at the season of the year when you are thinking of New Furnishings for yourself and your home. Space will not permit listing all of the items in this sale, but we assure you that you will find many bargains in our large stocks.

- 500 yds. extra heavy factory, worth today 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c yard.
- 500 yds. ladies' choice bleached sheeting, worth today 13c, at 11c yard.
- 10 pieces plain and fancy gingham, worth today 15c, at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c yard.
- 142 yds. of all wool Ingrain Carpet, worth today 98c, special 79c.
- 5 seamless Tapestry Brussels Rugs, regular \$17.50, at \$13.50.
- Oak and Mahogany Stands, new design, regular \$8.00, at \$5.90.

- LADIES' SUITS**—New Spring Suits, regular \$15, at \$12.50.  
Regular \$24 and \$25.00 at \$19.75.  
Regular 29 to 32.50 at 25.90
- COATS**—New spring models, Ladies, Misses and Juniors at 10 per cent discount.
- 127 yds. Ingrain Carpet, worth 80c, special 59c.
- Oak Rockers with cobbler or cane seats, regular \$2.50, at \$1.69.
- \$20.00 to \$24.00 Baby Carriages, three only, your choice \$14.75.

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