

# Andover News

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"There is but a Way, Cut a Way."

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Faith and laziness are twin  
brothers.

For the past year we have  
been learning how to save. Now  
let's save.

Many a fellow would have  
much better luck if he'd spell it  
with a "p."

"Billy Sunday Has Hot Time"  
—Headline. Must be fighting the  
old gentelman with fire.

The price of soap isn't worry-  
ing the small boy. He's perfect-  
ly willing to economize to any  
extent.

We are told that 153 languages  
are spoken in Russia. That ac-  
counts for it. They are all rolled  
up into one.

Yet we have heard not a  
word from either the Hon. Rich-  
ard Pearson Hobson nor the kiss-  
ing dog.

The garbage can is probably  
the only article of commerce on  
the market that has not boosted  
the price.

Von Bernstorff has been made  
a "Kirchlicher Geheimrat." We  
don't know what it is but what-  
ever it is it serves him right.

The fellow who remarked to  
his best girl "It's as plain as  
the nose on your face," now  
wonders why she foxtrots with  
the other fellow.

The country will wait with pa-  
tience to see if the "dryness" of  
the nation's capital will have  
any effect on the quality of the  
oratory in Congress.

Certain bibulous gentlemen of  
this town are reported to be  
greatly exercised over the re-  
port that this country is to send  
a large number of "tanks" to  
France.

From conditions in Russia it  
would appear that Siberia was  
made to give up some very un-  
desirable citizens. Better send  
them back.

Col. House has dinner with the  
King of England. Nothing is  
said in the Despatch of the King's  
opinion of the colonel's conver-  
sational powers.

The government would have  
no difficulty oiling the wheels of  
the war chariot if we could fry  
out of the two-legged hogs as  
easily as from the four-legged.

It is estimated that your Uncle  
Samuel's total resources are 250  
billions of dollars and his debts  
three and one-half billions. As  
another pointedly remarked: "We  
haven't begun to fight yet."

It now develops that the  
dreaded "Donoh Battalion" at  
Petrograd surrendered when the  
first gun was fired. The girls  
evidently prefer to die natural  
deaths after all.

Dedicated to the Andover  
publishers to illustrate just what  
they are like:

They had a little lamb,  
They grew into a sheep,  
They grew to Mary's great delight,  
They grew ten times its keep.

The unfinished business  
of Congress  
will be the remedy  
for the national energy has been de-

## WILL THEY DO IT?

The cry that we knew would  
come sooner or later, has been  
received this week from the an-  
gushed heart of a sorrowing  
Andover mother, asking why And-  
over churches do not do some-  
thing to help save the boys, by  
way of furnishing them with sui-  
table places for manly entertain-  
ment and sports.

It was but a few short years  
ago that just such an effort was  
undertaken by a number of And-  
over people with a vision. But  
instead of getting back of their  
movement and giving it their  
hearty support some of the And-  
over church people succeeded in  
killing the enterprise, the very  
thing this mother now sees the  
vital need for.

What the "mother" says in  
her article if another column of  
this issue of the News, is all too  
true. An active boy who has in  
him the vim and pep that will go  
to make an energetic, successful  
business man must have some  
avenue in which to blow off the  
superfluous energy created in  
him. If there is no way provided  
he will provide a way for him-  
self, and his judgment cannot be  
expected to be mature, and often  
leads him into ways of crime or  
near crime.

The Andover play-rooms for  
our young people would have  
avoided all this could it have  
been allowed to live.

But inasmuch as it was church  
people who killed that most  
worthy undertaking—an honest  
effort made to provide a decent  
place for our young people to en-  
joy themselves under refined in-  
fluence and superintended by the  
very best people in Andover—it  
is now up to these same church  
people to themselves provide such  
a suitable place and show us  
other sinners how it should be  
conducted, and made successful.

It was about five years ago  
that the young peoples' play-  
rooms project received its death  
blow. Yet the churches have not  
lifted a finger to fill the place  
so much needed.

Will they ever do so?  
Wait and see.  
We are all waiting.

## LOOK WELL TO THE ROADS

Our people will be fortunate if,  
in the drive after a record pro-  
duction in all lines, they keep  
well in mind the great importance  
of good roads. Good roads are,  
in fact, one of the prime factors  
of success in our efforts to exceed  
all former productive records.

The farmer who, after harvest-  
ing a bumper crop, attempts to  
move that crop to market over  
poor roads, soon finds that he  
must sacrifice a large per cent of  
profit in reaching the market with  
his wares. The lumberman who  
has cut a choice lot of material  
finds he must give up the lion's  
share of his profits in getting his  
stuff to the railroad. The same  
holds good in all lines—poor roads  
mean a waste in energy; good  
roads, conservation of energy that  
may be profitably employed in  
more production.

Just now this matter is of more  
vital importance to Andover than  
it ever was before. By the clos-  
ing of the N. Y. & Pa. railroad  
hundreds of our farmers  
will be forced to find different  
markets. Will they come to And-  
over or will they go elsewhere  
with their product. For a large  
proportion of those living along  
the line between Greenwood and  
Whitesville the natural outlet will  
be Andover, as it was before the  
railroad was built, but the farmer  
would drive farther to some other  
town if the roads to that more  
distant point were better. If it  
is therefore imperative that Andover  
business men see to it that there  
is no better roads to other places  
than those leading from these  
towns to Andover.

The tendency to slackness in  
this direction grows greater all  
the time. Hundreds of our work-  
ers have gone to the army; others  
have been drafted to take their  
places in the industries. Labor in  
all lines is at a premium.

The people of this country,  
however, have never known the  
meaning of the word "defeat"  
and "failure." They must not  
learn at this late date. A de-  
termination on our part that the  
industrial life of the country  
must not and shall not deteriorate  
will work wonders. Hitherto on-  
ly a very small per cent of the  
national energy has been de-

directed to the stern question of  
making a living. We have had  
abundant time for the varied in-  
terests of life. Now, however,  
some of those interests must take  
second place. The demands upon  
our time and energy are such  
that more and more we must cut  
out the frivolous and devote our-  
selves to the serious phases of  
life.

We can, however, find the time  
and the means and the labor to  
keep our roads up to the stand-  
ard of efficiency. We must if  
we are to continue to grow and  
prosper and gain our share of  
the new business that is just now  
knocking at our very door for  
admission. If we do not take  
immediate action along the good  
roads movement we will find a  
large part of our energy to build  
up a prosperous, produce-market  
community will have been entirely  
wasted.

## THE "TRIMMINGS" OF LIFE

Human activities have from  
time immemorial been roughly  
divided into two classes, com-  
monly designated by the plain-  
spoken as the "essentials" and  
the "trimmings."

The division is an arbitrary one,  
and like most arbitrary definition  
is frequently unfair. It implies  
that the one is vitally necessary  
while the other is superfluous.  
This is far from being the truth.

Many centuries ago a great  
Teacher declared that "Man shall  
not live by bread alone." This  
truth has lost nothing of its force  
with the passage of time. There  
are many vital interests in life  
besides that of a mere subsistence.  
These interests are they which  
mark the dividing line between  
man and the brute creature. They  
are the demands of his nature  
that grow out of his higher intel-  
ligence, and they are just as  
essential to the completion of the  
character as are the demands of  
substance to the development of  
the purely physical.

If we are to reap the full re-  
ward of our service we must not  
set aside the social demands of  
life. It is untrue to say we have  
no time for such. Time devoted  
to the cultivation of the social  
life—within reason—is never  
wasted. It is really a period de-  
voted to the storing of energy and  
resources that shall aid us in the  
more material tasks. An intimate  
knowledge of the characteristics  
of our fellows, is a valuable know-  
ledge. Brushing up against the  
aims and aspirations of our  
neighbors and friends gives im-  
petus to our own aspirations and  
sends us forth to the contest with  
renowned foes and vigorous  
rivals.

In fact most of the occupa-  
tions of life can be successfully  
pursued without losing sight of  
those higher interests that mark  
the man or the woman of an up-  
ward vision. The mechanic can  
as easily be a gentleman as a  
lout. Even the crossing-sweeper  
need not be a boor. Cooking and  
dish-washing need not bar the  
mind and heart from things above  
and beyond the humble tasks. It  
is as easy for the farmer to medi-  
tate on the great philosophies of  
earth as upon the virtues or fail-  
ings of a political candidate. In  
short, achievement may have for  
its end the higher things of life  
as well as the baser.

Keep the fires burning bright-  
ly on the social altars. It is for  
the higher development of hu-  
manity that we are now struggling  
and it would surely be perversion  
of our efforts did we lose sight  
of the golden grain while con-  
tending ourselves with the husks  
of life.

When Congress meets this  
month it might economize fuel by  
arranging to utilize its "heated  
arguments."

The fellow who spends his time  
roasting Germany and the Kaiser  
could employ it to much better  
advantage in providing something  
for the boys in the trenches to  
roast. They are getting ready to  
attend to the Kaiser's roasting  
and they'll do it to a turn.

## NOTICE

The annual meeting of the  
stockholders of The Burrows Na-  
tional Bank for the election of  
directors and for the transaction  
of such other business as may  
come before the meeting will be  
held in the Banking Office, Tues-  
day, January 8, 1918, at 2 p. m.  
J. E. CANNON, Cashier.

# Christmas Clothing

We are showing a more complete line of  
Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits than ever.

Men's Suits in all styles, colorings and ma-  
terials, from the snappy belt all around to the  
conservative and stout models, are here in a  
more varied assortment than manufacturers are  
showing.

Boys' Knee Pants Suits in all styles are here  
in a great variety.

Juvenile Suits for the little fellows in a wide  
range of styles.

Friday and Saturday Overcoat Days  
All Overcoats at a 10 to 25 per cent Mark Down

## JAMES P. CANNON CO.

CLOTHING SHOW

## THRIFT STAMPS ARE NOW ON SALE

Children of America Given an  
Opportunity to Become Part-  
ners With Uncle Samuel, and  
Make Fine Investment.

Postmaster W. F. O'Connell has  
received the Thrift Stamps and  
War Saving Certificates and is  
ready for the great drive where  
every child in America is asked  
to purchase at least one Thrift  
Stamp.

In a letter to the News Harry  
E. Keller, of Cuba, announces  
that he has been appointed to  
see to the drive for the sale of  
these stamps in Allegany County.  
It is the best kind of a chance  
to become a veritable partner  
with the United States Govern-  
ment. You can invest a 25-cent  
piece now, and another when you  
get it, and so on until you have  
stuck 16 Thrift Stamps on to a  
card, and then you can exchange  
it for a \$5.00 War Saving Cer-  
tificate which will become due in  
1923. It is drawing compound  
interest at four per cent, and is  
not subject to a tax, and makes  
the very best investment there is  
to-day.

If you have property to sell,  
"classified advertising" will en-  
able you to sell it somewhere near  
"on time"—perhaps even in half  
the time you have anticipated.

## NEWS IN THE CAMPS

The Andover News for one  
year would be a nice Xmas gift  
to our boys at camp. Mr. Backus  
will send the Andover News to  
our soldier boys ONLY, for one-  
half price, which is seventy-five  
cents, provided they all get one,  
and this offer will expire Dec.  
15th, 1917. Hand all subscrip-  
tions to me. The Andover  
News is a most welcome paper at  
the camps.

A. R. BRILLON.

If buying things for the home  
is a part of your business, then  
studying the ads is, also, a part  
of your business.

## For Christmas

We have a complete line of  
**CHRISTMAS CARDS AND BOOKLETS**  
Ladies' Hand Bags and Purses  
Also a Great Assortment of  
**GENUINE IVORY PYRALIN GOODS**  
High Grade Stationery in Fancy Xmas Boxes  
**WHITMAN'S FANCY BOX CANDIES**  
Bibles, Testaments and Prayer Books  
Shaving Mirrors and Shaving Sets  
And All Sorts of Things Suitable for  
**Christmas Presents**  
at  
**HOLLAND'S DRUG STORE**  
Next door to Bank of Steuben, HORNELL, N.Y.  
DON'T FORGET THE PLACE

**Dependable  
Groceries  
Good Service  
Effort to Please is  
what you get here**

## L. P. GRANDALL

## The

Condensed  
from

Loans and  
Overdrafts  
U. S. Govern-  
ment Bonds  
Cash on Hand  
Banking Ho-  
Furniture and  
Federal Res-  
Redemption  
Interest ear-

Capital Stock  
Surplus and  
Circulation  
Reserved for  
Interest col-  
Dividends  
Deposits

## New York

Edward Padden is very  
with pneumonia.  
—See the new patterns of  
Bassett the Jeweler.  
—Help fight tuberculosis  
purchasing Red Cross Tags  
—Edw. Walsh began car-  
the mail on route three Satur-  
Dec. 1st.  
—Robert Church is ear-  
the mail on R. D. No. 2,  
Jesse Baker.  
—It is now proposed by  
line-haters to make owner  
license for their cats.  
—Miss Florence Davis, of  
ment, and William Mess, of  
ville, were married Nov. 23rd.  
—The oil market took a  
25 cent raise Tuesday, Pe-  
vania oil now being quote  
\$3.75.  
—The annual convention  
New York State Dairyman  
association will be held Dec.  
at Syracuse.  
—C. E. Hann was in  
wood last week laying oak  
in the farm residence  
riah Whitecomb.  
—H. W. Hatch, of Wells  
suffering from a fractured  
His dog ran into him and  
him on the slippery sidewalk.  
—Dr. George DeWitt D  
of Pittsford, N. Y., has be-  
cured as rector of St.  
Episcopal Church, at We-  
and came to Wellsville Jan-  
—Word comes to A  
friends that George Blom  
proving at the St. James  
Hospital. This will be  
many friends in this vic-  
tremely happy.  
—A box-car containing  
bushels of wheat was de-  
Batavia last week. It  
loaded a few tons more  
up 50 bushels short. It  
is being made to account  
shrinkage.  
—The funeral of Private  
Webster was held at the  
of his parents, Mr. and  
E. Webster, of Wells, Sat-  
day. The body was  
from Atlanta, Ga., where  
of pneumonia. He was  
Gordan.  
—Charles G.  
hull was in  
Main Street  
by Erie train  
night. He  
age, and  
thought  
proceeding