

The Andover News

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OUR KEYNOTE:
'If There is not a Way, Cut a Way'

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If this war goes on indefinitely they will soon be teaching geography in the schools by war maps.

If more men profited by all their mistakes they would soon be millionaires.

The mystery of the whereabouts of Ex-Czar Nicholas is beginning to rank with the mystery of who hit Billy Patterson.

'Germans Economize on Light'—Headline. Which they can very easily do since their principal activities seem to be under cover of darkness.

The old-time spendthrift, who boasted that he had money to burn, now has a son who is boastful of the fact that he has coal to burn.

In thanking Gott for the destruction of that hospital ship the Kaiser apologizes for the failure to sink the wounded soldiers who were aboard.

If that man Hoover keeps on he will soon have all the doctors 'down on him.' There won't be a case of chronic dyspepsia or gout in the country.

Mr. Hoover should award a medal to that beauty doctor who declared that corn-bread 'makes for a fine pink complexion.' That ought to out-Hoover Hoover.

Altho denied the privilege of reading a division to France, the Colonel seems determined to expend just so much ammunition, and is exploding it on the President.

The big hog-production rally, recently pulled off all over the country, was strangely silent on the question of increasing the tribe of the 'hog that walks like a man.'

When formerly the condition of the biscuits at breakfast was wont to try the temper, now it will constitute a gauge of patriotism. We are to say good-bye to white flour.

We don't see why the fact of old Balam's ass talking should be classified as a miracle. There are a number of asses in this town, and the miracle would be to find one that didn't talk.

A news item says, 'Hoover wants the Government to buy all the sugar.' It might just as well. With the whole country going 'dry' there'll soon be nothing left to mix it with.

Germany is reported to be eating dogs. This country could spare her a few million, and they ought to be extra toothsome, as they have been practically brought up on mutton.

The Indianapolis Star says: 'When we get to heaven we shall understand the Russian situation and probably not until then.' We don't believe any of that Russian mix-up originated up there.

Congresswoman Jeannette Rankin has broken into the Irish question. Some friend should whisper to Miss Rankin that that is the best question in the world to let alone. It is loaded at both ends.

Germany says President Wilson has been slandering that country. Impossible! He would have to acquire some yet unknown language before he could do that. The English language is woefully inadequate for the purpose.

IF PEACE SHOULD COME

Altho, it may be premature to speculate on the possibility of peace being concluded, anyway soon, still the notion of 'Roussau'...

This is a contingency we should always be ready to welcome. It can work only good to us and not any harm.

We could stand a falling off in the price of commodities and be the better off. We could also benefit by an enlarged supply of everything that enters into the life and activities of the people.

The United States is not only the great creditor nation of the world; it is also the supply depot of the earth. All nations are now looking to us for the implements of peace as well as war.

Peace, if it can be had with honor, will be welcomed by every soul in this country, because it will release for the beneficent service of mankind, forces that are now employed in the arts of destruction.

BE PATRIOTIC

Extract from Editorial New York Globe: 'You, we—all of us have been "hollering" for months about what we wanted to do, to help the United States do its part in winning the war.'

It has been urged that thru the order the Germans will hear of the radical measures taken to overcome our fuel and transportation plight and be comforted, edified, and strengthened by the knowledge of Nonsense!

We conservatives, who have made light of Bolsheviki doctrines will feel very foolish if eventually we have to thank that 'cult' for a victorious peace.

CLOSING ORDER

Since the closing order has begun to subside and business is getting steadily set out on the new course, the country can view the matter in the light of sober reason.

Business is rapidly adjusting itself to the change. Not only this but the great army of loyal, patriotic business men of the country, the men who were already bearing much of the burden of war, have come smilingly to the front and shouldered this new burden willingly.

The Monday closing order, together with the previous five days closing order, marks the first real sacrifice the people of this country have been called upon to make in the prosecuting of the war.

Experiences of the past few months have demonstrated that the quality of American patriotism has in no sense deteriorated nor has it become less universal.

Let us hope that further sacrifices will not be necessary. But should they become so, rest assured the people will face them with a smiling composure and a readiness of acquiescence.

Those responsible for the order that no more profanity is to be used by the mule drivers in our army in France, were doubtless moved by a worthy motive.

In a speech to his soldiers the Kaiser is quoted as saying: 'The gigantic battles which raged from spring to fall on Belgium and French soil were decided in favor of your glorious guns.'

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(Name of Bank to be filled in)

Burrows

Easter Sunday comes March 31st. Guy Harter is at Wellsville for treatment. Floyd Slocum has been ill a past week at his home east of the village.

Robert Niles died at the home of his daughter at Alfred Jan. 19th.

Miss Ruth Gordon, of Belton, and Norman D. Otis, of Wellsville, were married Jan. 28th.

Henry T. Merritt, an aged resident of Cuba, was found dead at the home of his son, Feb. 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. Michael were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Will Friday.

The Inasmuch Society of the E. Church will meet with Mrs. Mayon Earley, Friday, evening, Feb. 1st. A tureen supper will be served.

Our rural mail carriers look for old Santa Claus, of the previous year, when they get in from their routes some of these "blizzard" days.

Mrs. J. P. Cannon entertained a company of friends Thursday afternoon, at her home on Elm street, in honor of Mrs. A. A. Carter of Cleveland.

E. P. Rogers has rented of E. Vars his ice business, and will have charge of same the coming season. Mr. Rogers now has a large force at work on the ice, and is having the ice crop which is of unusual fine quality.

L. P. Crandall was in Andover Sunday, looking after personal interests. He has secured position in the machine shop of the Curtis Aeroplane Company at Buffalo, beginning work Monday morning.

News readers will be more than glad to learn that our travel correspondent, M. J. Brown, who is now telling you of his Alaska trip, is soon to sail for France to get data for further articles on this and other country news papers.

S. Marshall S. V. Case of Canasraga, has resigned his office. He has not made public his future plans, but we will hear that "Steve" has something better in the wind as long as one of those men capable of holding down most any good job.

Report is to the effect that gasoline is to be no higher than \$1.00 a gallon.

A. C. Bedford, chairman of the Petroleum War Service Committee, says there is no shortage of gasoline for use in this country. In fact the stock is increasing and will further increase before long.