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AD FAREWELL TO SOLDIER MEMBERS

Ad Fellows and Grange Units in Reception Given to Members of the Two Orders Who Went to Camp This Week.

A very pleasant evening was passed at I. O. O. F. Hall, Monday evening when the members of Andover Lodge No. 786 I. O. F. and Andover Grange No. 90 and their families met in a joint social gathering given in honor of the boys from the two fraternities who went to Camp Upton Wednesday to serve their country.

Those of the selective draft were Ralph Perry, a member of the Grange, and Harold Kemp and Carl O. Gustafson members of the Odd Fellows.

Over two hundred were present. The program consisted of recitations, songs, solos and orchestra selections interspersed with drills led on by the ladies of Andover Jobekah Lodge and twelve "Junior Rebekah" girls. Beautiful wrist watches were presented each to the boys, from their society.

After the program a buffet luncheon was served all and a good old-fashioned visit enjoyed. Every one present gave those in whose honor the meeting was being held a warm hand-shake and fervent God-speed, wishing them the best of luck in their efforts to capture the big Hun himself, kill the kaiser.

Mr. Gustafson was unable to be present as he was visiting his parents in Pennsylvania, but was presented with his watch from the Odd Fellows before starting for the front.

RECEPTION FOR DRAFTED

Silk Mill and Employees Honor Harold Kemp

The Andover Silk Mill and its employees gave a rousing reception Tuesday evening in honor of Harold Kemp, an esteemed member of its force who started for Camp Upton Wednesday with the other Andover boys of the selective draft.

Eighty-five employees were present. The reception was held in the new recreation rooms which were prettily decorated with the national colors.

The entertainment included dancing, games and music, both vocal and instrumental. The orchestra was from among the employees.

Superintendent J. H. Faisant, in presenting Mr. Kemp with a beautiful blanket, on behalf of the employees, took occasion to say him a high tribute. "Among other things he said: 'Harold Kemp has always been obedient and devoted to his parents, always obedient and devoted to his place, and cannot help but be obedient and devoted to his country and make a first-class soldier.'

After the program an excellent lunch was served by the mill.

The committee for arrangement was Miss B. Rice, Mrs. H. Callahan, Miss Mina Jones, Miss Mary Doran, Mrs. Jennie Carr, Miss Alice Barrett, Miss Fanny Bloom, Mrs. F. F. Hall, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Floyd Tuller, Donnie Smith, Clifford Cleveland, Edna Cables, Lynn Trowbridge, Roy Courtney, D. Knickerbocker, and John Hollowell, John Joyce.

UNION CAUCUS

Notice is hereby given that a union caucus of the electors of the Village of Andover, N. Y., will be held at Village Hall, in said village, on Saturday evening, March 2, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for Village office of such other character as may be brought before it.

By Order of
Date: _____

MUCH MARRIED

His Wife in Rochester and Another in Belfast

James B. Arlington, a discharged soldier from Rochester, was arrested at Belfast, Feb. 19th on a warrant sworn out by his wife for non-support. The story reads like this. July last Arlington went to Onondaga, where he met and married a young woman of 17 years. Later in company with his wife and her parents he located in Rochester. In September he came to Belfast, met and later married Miss Jane Hurley of that place. Since that date this much married Anderson has lived with both, making trips between Rochester and Belfast. He was taken to Rochester by the officers.

GEO. C. ROOSA ISSUES FOOD PROCLAMATION

County Administrator Out to Catch the Hoarders—5 Lbs. Sugar, Half Barrel Flour Limit Per Individual.

Andover News, Andover, N. Y., Gentlemen:

I am receiving complaints from different sections of our county concerning food hoarding. Every signed letter will receive attention. I solicit definite information, and will treat confidentially the names of the senders. In order to make a definite statement as to what is now classed as food hoarding, I have requested the Federal State Food Administrator to specify quantities on flour and sugar. He rules that Any Family Having More Than Half a Barrel of Wheat Flour, or More than 5 pounds of sugar, for Each Member of the Family, Will Be Considered as Hoarding, and is liable under the law of August 10, 1917, Regardless of When the Flour or Sugar was Purchased.

The penalty (which has heretofore been announced in the public press) is stated as follows:

"That any person who willfully hoards any necessities shall upon conviction thereof be fined not exceeding \$5,000, or be imprisoned for not more than two years, or both. Necessaries shall be deemed to be hoarded within the meaning of this Act when held, contracted for, or arranged for by any person in a quantity in excess of his reasonable requirements for use or consumption by himself and dependents for a reasonable time."

What's the Remedy

I realize that many families because of their custom in former years, or because of their habits of thrift, have purchased flour, and in some cases sugar, in excess of quantities now permitted; still others from selfish motives, have adopted the same course. The remedy is now to dispose of the surplus of both flour and sugar promptly, either by selling it to other families or arranging with their local grocer to take it back in exchange for other goods. Doubtless in many cases the grocer will be willing to buy it back, but he could not be expected to take it back on a cash basis at more than his present wholesale cost.

Let's Do Our Bit

Ninety-eight men from Allegany County left this week for different camps. It's all wrong for any family to refuse to do its part toward saving wheat flour and sugar for our Allies. That's just what the saving is for. There isn't enough for ourselves and for them also. No one will starve, and everyone ought to cooperate willingly.

Yours very truly,
GEO. C. ROOSA

WHITMAN AND HIS FOOD PROFITTEERS

Now Seeking the Safety Zone—Farmers Say Charles H. Betts Must Go—Puts Whitman on the Defense.

Albany, Feb. 22.—Governor Whitman's food administration machine is in retreat. Worn down by "smashing blows struck at Rochester, Syracuse, Ithaca and again at Syracuse this week, the Council of Farms and Markets and the State Food Control Commission took the four following steps on the defensive, all forced by the revolt of state farmers against extravagant, ineffective, superfluous "regulation" of the agricultural resources on which the nation stands dependent.

The Governor asked the council for the withdrawal of Charles H. Betts of Lyons as secretary of the Farms and Markets' Council. This fact has been announced by one of the executive's "right hands."

The council in session here conferred with William A. Orr, Secretary to the Governor, on what can be done to check the tidal wave of indignation looming on Albany and the Governor, and as a result of that conference decided:

That the state food control commission, target of the farmers' attacks, shall be removed from its present quarters in the agricultural building to a location either opposite the capitol in Washington Avenue, or to any other location selected by the trustees of public buildings, of which Mr. Orr is secretary.

Once ousted from the protecting wings of the old agriculture building, it is admitted the first step has been taken in the wiping out of the food control commission as demanded by the newly formed farm federation at Syracuse.

The council, in its high and lofty indignation that it should not be indicted for crimes committed by the commission—a body apart—seeks with all possible speed to detach itself in identity both by location and personnel with the commission.

The next indication of the defensive fight undertaken was the announcement that twenty more farm tractors have been asked for by the commission. This is a direct admission of the truth of the charge of how inadequate is the present supply made at Syracuse. But the commission is willing to take any steps that will appease the wrath of the farmer.

Ready to Aid Whitman

An authority closest to the Governor can be announced that the withdrawal of Charles H. Betts as secretary of the council is fixed and sure. Mr. Betts would not discuss the statement and would not deny that he will submit to crucifixion by the farmers in a frantic attempt to aid the Governor in his predicament.

The entire Whitman food machine is on the run—hysterical, panic-stricken and wild-eyed. From the start the Governor has realized the seriousness of the drive against him and his allies of administration; but he awaited the report of his miseries before giving his orders for entrenchment and general readjustment of forces to offset the attack.

At every one of the farmer meetings throughout the state the Governor had his representatives. In most cases they were unenlightened farmers. Their reports have been very discouraging. Lieutenant Governor Edward Schoenbeck himself went to the Syracuse clash, and returned to-day with his report to the boss that action must be taken if the old ship is to be kept afloat until the end of the season. The Governor broke into a cold sweat at the still meeting.

MOBILIZING FOR A DRY CAMPAIGN

Temperance Workers of Twenty-four Organizations Hold Secret Convention and "Harmonize" For Big Drive.

New York, Feb. 26.—In response to an invitation issued by former Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, representatives of many anti-liquor organizations in the United States met in the Hotel Chatham, Vanderbilt Avenue and 48th Street, yesterday.

After a session from 3 o'clock in the afternoon to 10:30 in the evening, the secretary announced that the conference had succeeded in adopting a plan. This proposes that the National Dry Federation, which is made up of all denominational anti-liquor organizations, the Anti-Saloon League of America and the W. C. T. U. will work under the direction of a central committee, with common literature and a common advertising campaign for the ratification by the states of the proposal to amend the Constitution for national prohibition.

Among those present, besides Mr. Bryan, were E. H. Cherrington, Howard H. Russell, Edward C. Dinwiddie and Wayne B. Wheeler, of the Anti-Saloon League of America; Mrs. Anna A. Gordon, Mrs. Lena I. Yost and Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp of the W. C. T. U.; Charles Scanlon of the Board of Temperance of the Presbyterian Church; Virgil J. Hinshaw and H. P. Faris of the National Prohibition Party; John Spargo of the National Party; E. L. G. Hohenthal of the Sons of Temperance, the Rev. Charles L. Steidle of the Federation Council of Churches. In all twenty-four organizations were represented.

After the conference, which was behind closed doors, the Chairman, Mr. Steidle, announced that the meeting was surprisingly harmonious and all concerned agreed that a united movement for putting thru the amendment to Federal Constitution was a necessity and that the union had been accomplished.

The chief speaker, Mr. Bryan, said he had attended conventions of Republicans, Democrats and Progressives, but had never attended a gathering of abler men than yesterday's. He said the harmony with which the conference transacted its business was an inspiration and argued well for the task before the Prohibition movement.

Plan to Centralize Effort

The temperance forces of the Nation are now united in a single movement for a single purpose, said Mr. Steidle last night. Representatives will meet within a few days and outline an aggressive campaign for ratification of the proposed Federal amendment. This campaign will include public meetings, with special appeal to workmen and women, advertising and uniform literature.

The new organization purpose to have campaigns conducted in the states under the joint direction of representatives of the three bodies, of which it is made up. This will avoid duplication of effort and save unnecessary expense. Steps will soon be taken to raise a large fund for newspaper and billboard advertising.

Before the conference Mr. Bryan told newspaper men he would be in Albany to-day to speak at a legislative hearing. He said he is confident the Legislature will ratify the proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution.

GRANGE PROGRAM

Farm Bureau Agent R. Q. Smith Will Be Here at Meeting, March 15th

At Andover Grange, Wednesday evening, March 13th, lecturer Harry Smith has arranged with Farm Bureau Agent R. Q. Smith of Belmont, to be present and discuss the matters most vital to the farmers in this section this spring.

Mr. Smith is a hard worker and is devoting his whole time and energies to the welfare of Allegany County farms. He has been the means of doing much to benefit them in the past two years and stands ready to still serve the farmers.

Let every farmer, who is a member of the local Grange, come out on the 13th inst. and hear the plans Mr. Smith has to put before you for your own benefit. He will co-operate with you in every way possible.

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DON'T WANT N. Y. & PA.

Government Refuses to Operate The Road. It Will Be Junked

Final sentence was passed on the New York & Pennsylvania Railway on Monday of last week when the officers of the road received a message from the office of Railway Director General Wm. C. McAdoo of Washington, D. C. stating that the Government would not assume the operation and management of the N. Y. & P. Railway, and that its continued operation was optional with the owners. The owners abandoned the line last November and since then no trains have been run over this end. A stub train has been run on the orders of the Public Service Commission of Pennsylvania. Now that the Government has refused to order any portion of the road to be continued in operation the authority of the Pennsylvania commission to cause the Pennsylvania end of the road to be operated appears to be lacking. Immediate measures will be taken to vacate the order of the Pennsylvania Commission, and plans will go on to junk the property.

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PERFECT SPELLERS

Fifth Grade perfect spellers for the week of Feb. 18-22 were:

- Emily Blodgett
- Elizabeth Cannon
- Florence Dougherty
- Anna Faisant
- Charles Gleason
- Rose Harrington
- Meta Harris
- Richard Harder
- Earl Hyland
- Clifton Harrington
- Agnes Monroe
- Charlie Page
- Marion Rogers
- Edna Rogers
- Alice Smith

rum business are the greatest anarchists in the country.

Mr. Bryan said he prided himself on the fact that he was the first presidential candidate to advocate national prohibition.

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RED CROSS WORK

A shipment was made Feb. 19, 1918 of eighty ambulance pillows with cases, sixty-one operating towels, twenty table napkins, ten feather pillows, twenty-six scullis, bandages and three hundred-fifty pairs ambulance socks. At the last meeting four pairs of socks were made using up the material on hand, also two tray cloths, three scrub cloths, eighteen dust cloths were hemmed and fourteen ambulance pillows were made. The Seventh-day Baptist ladies donated fifteen more pairs of ambulance socks and twelve napkins. The Order of Eastern Star gave twenty-two pairs of ambulance socks, and the Social Circle of the M. E. Church gave another pair.

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KNITTING

Feb. 26th the knitting division delivered to Wellsville Chapter four sweaters, one muffler and two pairs of socks. Seven complete knitted units have been given to drafted men from Andover since last report. Harvard Seaman Relief Corps have given \$10 worth of yarn, the same to be knitted by the ladies of the society under direction of the Red Cross.

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Read the classified advs.

Mother Cook's

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