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"If There is not a Way, Cut a Way."

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September morns and September eves are chilly. Let's go to the movies.

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—Germany has lately been the Land of Promise and France the Land of Performance.

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A salient? When the Yanks have been in France a little longer "there won't be no such animile."

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At this season the hay fever victim ceases to be aesthetic. He can see no beauty whatever in goldenrod.

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General Foch is personally of small stature, but notwithstanding he is at present the biggest man in Europe.

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It is probable that all the boys of seventeen and some few of the men of forty-five wish they were a year older.

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From a nation of wasters we have become a nation of savers and lenders. Let the Fourth Liberty Loan prove it.

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Bids for peace according to specifications are in order, but we understand that the specifications do not call for a German peace.

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"Actions speak louder than words." The actions of the Allies during the past few weeks have certainly shouted aloud to the world.

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Nobody will weep for Debs' sentence. Ten years or thereabouts will give him time to think — something that he evidently has never done.

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The Spanish influenza is said to be beginning a visit to this country. Most things Spanish are not to be sneezed at, but the influenza is an exception.

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By the end of the war will soldier and civilian alike have forgotten what a glass of beer looks like? or will they still be able to recognize one when they see it?

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While Secretary Baker is in France studying the aircraft question, it is to be hoped that he will not wish to take a flight in an American plane. He might have some difficulty in finding one.

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Our young sailor objects to being called a "jackie." In his own parlance he refers to himself as a "gob." In our view any one considering himself a "gob" should welcome the name "jackie."

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"Do your Christmas shopping early" is an old, old friend. It has always made its appearance the week following Thanksgiving, and nothing could be more unexpected than to find it greeting us early in September.

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Just now it requires about 1,500,000 pounds of fresh beef a day to feed the American Army in France, besides proportionate quantities of other meats, canned goods, potatoes, vegetables, bread, coffee and other foodstuffs, all laid down in France and all ready at the dot. And Uncle Sam is managing it all.

THE LIBERTY LOAN

In the first week of September a workingman entered the bond department of one of Chicago's largest banks. He asked for the last list published, and picked out a six per cent. issue. He then asked one of the salesmen for a quotation, and received a sad, sweet smile in reply. The bonds had all been sold.

His lamentations melted the salesman's heart. "I'll try and get some for you at the market," he promised, and adroitly extricated himself from the customer's embrace.

The issue had been for $600,000,000.00, and the impoverished dwellers in this war-wasted land had gobbled it like ice-cream. Since those of us who don't fight must work—whether we like it or not—we naturally have money—whether we like it or not, and sound concerns that want $600,000,000.00 at 4½ can soon get it.

"Those of us who don't fight." What is our answer to the Fourth Loan appeal on behalf of those who do? What will the munition shop hand at ten dollars a day do for his khaki clad brother at thirty dollars a month? We are not all high priced workmen, but there are few of us who cannot buy a bond by installments.

We boast that American soldiers are the best fed and the best treated in the world. We shall be eternally disgraced if we fall below that standard; we are the richest nation. For those who daily risk mutilation, torturing wounds and death no sacrifice that we make can discharge the full measure of our obligation.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

It is unfortunate that so many truths are truisms. We would realize that early shopping at Christmas is a holy obligation if people would give up saying so. We tell each other about it, and repeat it to ourselves. And on December the 24th we join the good old annual bull-fight.

Proverbs were made to be neglected. Even ethical fundamentals are accepted to be disregarded. We agree that it is wrong to lie; we feel insulted when we are called liars; and we would be ashamed to be without gumption enough to tell a good one when expedient.

When Moses broke the stone tables of the Law on Sinai he probably saw what was coming. "What's the use of ten commandments?" he thought. "Or twenty? They'll all be endorsed and disobeyed by the same people."

The ancient rule about Christmas shopping has additional backing this year. Consideration for salesgirls we have habitually withheld, but here it is Miss Columbia that speaks "Make work easy for salespeople," she says. "Don't exhaust their reserve energy — they need it for knitting. Don't make it necessary for storekeepers to hire extra clerks—they are wanted for war work. Don't buy useless things. Buy chiefly for children. Spread your shopping early December."

This is embodied in the published request of the National Council of Defense. Patriotic citizens will observe it, and others may well contemplate the possibility of something stronger than a request next year.

In order to conserve paper the Government has limited the usual fall output of novels. We shall not object. Every one who reads the news from abroad realizes that nowadays truth is far more interesting than fiction.

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An army cannot march nor fight without its home support. Think of what the army is doing in France. Remember that we at home are its support, and subscribe to your limit for the Fourth Liberty Loan.

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One of the institutions of the army in France is the traveling bathroom. An outfit that requires three trucks to carry it is rolled up to the lines as the boys leave the trenches and provides bathing facilities for five hundred men an hour.

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Your attendance is requested at the farewell performances of the Crickets' Symphony Orchestra. Their concerts will be discontinued for the winter months. The next season will begin in August, 1919, with a large number of new and able performers.

PERSHING

It is not entirely our own fault that we get false estimates of the merits of public men. What they do most conspicuously is generally what matters least.

How many public men have you seen in the flesh? Two? Six? A dozen? What was each of them doing at the time? Riding in a parade, or laying a cornerstone? And when is a man more useless than when parading or cornerstoning?

As a rule we don't see our public men at all, but we hear them splash. We read about their noteworthy activities. A statesman climbs into the spotlight when he puts thru a piece of legislation, and a general when he wins a battle. At the moment of success we notice them, but the real spade-work escapes us. It has already been done.

When the Wright brothers became famous their importance ended. They were unnecessary. They were important when no one had heard of them except their fellow townsmen who laughed at them for trying to make a bird out of a gas engine. Struggling obscurely against prejudice was their important work. After recognition came any one could carry it on.

A picture of an insignificant bookkeeper at his desk would not be very different from a picture of General Pershing toiling thru reams of typewritten records concerning transportation and commissariat. After abstracting everything that can possibly be entrusted to subordinates, try to estimate how much he has to do.

A bronze statue of him accomplishing the prosaic routine work that culminated in his tremendous victories would be a faithful likeness, but it wouldn't be worth looking at as a work of art.

We have grown so familiar with his name that we take him for granted, and fail to appreciate the magnitude of our debt to him. On the fruits of his labor depended Europe's estimate of America, and he has had countless opportunities of bungling. Lack of imagination has spared us the tension of suspense, but now that the crisis is past we should draw a breath of relief and thank Heaven that Pershing had the job.

FOOD PRICES FOR EUROPE

Take a large cake of ice and hold it against the back of your neck. It will keep you from getting hot under the collar.

The following is a vindication of the Government, which allows food to be sold to the Allies at lower prices than obtained here. Many people have got mad at the President and Administration for permitting it, but they should really give the policy their hearty endorsement.

A weekly wage of forty shillings is thought good pay for a skilled workman in England, where salaries are lower than here; it amounts to ten dollars a week. Offer it to a city sewer-digger in America and he will taint.

Yet British workmen, for this absurd (to us) salary, have been helping us in various ways. For a long time they have been building 150 aeroplanes a day, against 35 to 40 combat planes shipped by us in a year. In other words, British workmen, starting any morning at 7 a. m. could have quit at 10 on the same morning and rested for a year. They would have built 40, our first year's shipment, but they kept right on, and supplied our army as well as theirs.

Most of the ships that carried our army to Europe were British. The British workman built and manned them — for a newsboy's income, and we should not grudge him a slight reduction on pork and beans.

Pity the man or the woman who cannot merge their very spirit into that of a good book. Tho the cares of life be great and heavy, or tho they be small and annoying, association with our favorite author for a short season renews our grasp upon the practical things of life by changing the thoughts into new channels, thereby refreshing and renewing our zeal and stimulating the soul to renewed exertions.

—Old papers for sale at News Office, 10c a bundle.

TRACTORS FOR RENT

In communities like ours we understand co-operation better than they do in the large cities. In populous centers they combine in groups only, whereas in less congested areas the whole neighborhood forms a federation.

It is simply a sum in proportion. At the North Pole community life reaches the ideal. One exployer co-operates with another. They have no one else to talk to. They share each other's canned beef and save each other's lives.

New York is the opposite extreme. There they spit up into little coteries, and each small clique is a stranger to the other. We in Andover rise above New York conditions, but we have not nearly attained the spirit of fraternity that is imparted by the Arctic snows.

Other centers are more to blame than ours. Last season many thousands of acres of wheat growing land were not sown because it was difficult to get the fall plowing done. Which meant less wheat for the army and the Allies, and, incidentally, you and me.

The draft had, of course, taken numerous farm-hands away. But it has been proven that many tractors that could have done the work with less help were allowed to stand idle. In Pennsylvania farmers owning tractors rent them out at from $3.50 to $5.00 an acre, which can hardly be called unreasonable; but they didn't do it enough—in Pennsylvania and elsewhere.

Community folks should get together more, in regard to many things besides tractors. Let's get acquainted.

WOMEN FARM WORKERS HERE

A camp of twelve girls, under the auspices of the Woman's Land Army of America, came to Andover last night, from Syracuse to assist the South Hill farmers in harvesting their potatoes.

The women will be quartered in the Gus Lynch house on South Hill. They bring their own cook and board themselves, farmers paying them 25c per hour while employed.

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BASSETT, The Jeweler

Holstein Auction

There will be offered at public sale, at Ryderdale Farms, 3½ miles east of Cuba, N. Y., on

Tuesday, October 8, 1918

Beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., one of the finest collections of Registered and Grade Holsteins ever put up in this section, including

24 Head Registered Stock
56 Head of Grade Stock

These include Bull and Heifer Calves, Milch Cows from two to seven years old and Yearling Heifers. All the stock is from the famous Ryderdale herd, headed by Superba Rag Apple Korndyke, son of Rag Apple Korndyke, the greatest bull in the world.

GEORGE W. BAXTER, of Elmira, Auctioneer

Send for Descriptive Circular to Ryerdale Farms Company, R. F. D. 3, Black Creek, N.Y.

SPECIAL SHOWING of SEASONABLE STOCKS

The panicky condition of the market for all lines of merchandise is not reflected here in our large stocks of seasonable merchandise which we are still selling at reasonable prices.

We have in stock for men--

Wool Union Suits
Fleece Lined Union Suits
Derby Ribbed Union Suits
Wool Shirts and Drawers
Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers
Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers
Sweaters, all colors, $1.50 and upwards.
Jerseys, blue, khaki and maroon
Overalls and Jackets, all colors
Flannel Shirts, blue, gray and khaki.
Work Pants, corduroy, cottonade and heavy wool.
Work Socks in heavy all wool or cotton.
Work Shirts, black, blue or khaki
Work Gloves in cotton and leather
Rain Coats
Fur Coats
Cyclone Coats

New Overcoats and Suits

We received this week some very classy Suits in blue and brown mixed, all worsted suits.

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Town Gossip.

MAILS CLOSE

East

Train No. 4. . . . . 9:00 A. M.
" 26. . . . . 1:30 P. M.
" 8. . . . . 7:45 P. M.

West

Train No. 7. . . . . 10:30 A. M.
" 3. . . . . 7:45 P. M.

Tuesdays and Fridays—Trains No. 3 and No. 8—mails close 7:30 P. M.

W. F. O'CONNELL, P. M.

—A meeting of the local Dairymen's League will be held this evening.

—Mrs. Anna Wood is assisting in Andover State Bank during Miss Esther Northrup's vacation.

—The township of Little Genesee, this county, has three per cent. of its population in the United States service.

—Frank Brown has been repairing and improving the property on Hill Street, which he recently purchased of Chas. A. Rogers.

—Dr. S. E. Idleman, former superintendent of Olean District of the M. E. Church, has arrived overseas, having enlisted as a Y. M. C. A. secretary.

—Three hundred wounded French at Amiens lay three days with no attention until twelve American women physicians reach the place and administered to their needs.

—E. J. Reiman, of Angelica, has on exhibition two shells from the war front sent him by his son, Dr. Leo Reiman. Dr. Reiman is a nephew of Mrs. Jesse Hunt of this village.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ray McGill have moved to Andover from Mt. Morris, N. Y., and will occupy the brick residence owned by John Deming on Pleasant Ave. Mr. McGill is employed in the cutlery plant.

—Mrs. Eliza Cooper and son, Reed, entertained at seven o'clock dinner Tuesday evening the Misses Emma and Helen Folsing, Lula and Reta Slocum, Cecil Alford and Shirley Crandall. The evening was passed with music and games.

—Surely every woman in our village will be proud of the opportunity to contribute at least a towel, handkerchief or both, to be used for the comfort of some suffering American soldier. Have them ready for the Scouts when they call at your home next Monday.

—F. A. J. Waldron, of Rochester underwent a serious operation at the General Hospital in that city last Tuesday morning. Mr. Waldron was a former instructor in Alfred University, and has many friends in this locality who will be pleased to learn that he came thru the operation well and at this writing, his condition is favorable.

—Ask the firms who have advertised "if it pays." They are still doing business at the old stand.

—Miss Maude Wildman is teaching the East Valley School this fall.

—The Dairymen's League has announced its price for October milk at $3.58.

—Edward Seaman Relief Corps is arranging to ship a barrel of canned fruit to the Oxford Home.

—Ladies please call and see the new line of fall samples and suitings which have just arrived. Ella Bundy.

—A son is a recent arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Cable. Mrs. Alice Rogers is the nurse in charge.

—Word comes to Andover from Camp McClellan that Prvt. Howard Hann, of Andover, has been transferred to an officers training camp.

—The United States Government will present Fourth Liberty Loan honor flags to any town which sells Liberty Bonds to one out of every four of its inhabitants.

—At the meeting of Allegany County Civil War Association at Wellsville, last week, Comrade U. W. Stratton of this village was elected vice president for the coming year.

—Mrs. Mary Baker, of Barney Street, celebrated her 90th birthday Wednesday, Sept. 25th. Mrs. Baker is one of our eldest residents and friends remembered her by calling to offer congratulations, with several gifts, including a birthday cake.

—Att'y. L. G. Backus, of Mourovia, Calif., has enlisted for overseas service in the Y. M. C. A., and is now enroute for France. Att'y. Backus has been giving the greater part of his time to Y. M. C. A. work in cantonments on the Pacific coast during the past year.

—The big machine shops, owned by Clark & Norton at Wellsville, have been sold to the James Howden Company, Ltd., of Glasgow, Scotland. Representatives of the new management are now at Wellsville in control of the plant. The Clark & Norton Machine Company are known far and wide as a firm of repute. The James Howden Company is of international reputation and has been negotiating for the purchase of the Wellsville concern for some months. The outlook is brilliant for the new company. Little change will be made in the working force at the present.

—Comrade T. N. Boyd and ye editor turned boys again Saturday and with trusty rifles ventured forth in pursuit of the wild game prevalent in this section—namely, woodchucks. The trip was made up and over the hill north of Andover, where we walked all day and hardly get off the property owned by two Andover men—E. F. Stearns and T. N. Boyd. The greatest impression the writer received from the trip was that Earn Stearns and Tom Boyd owned all out doors on that hill, and that there is some Indian blood somewhere lurking in the later's veins, as he is a dead sure shot and some sportsman, for he sure cooked our dinner over a fire kindled in the woods to a turn.

—Fine Elberta peaches. Telephone your orders. John E. Cannon.

—Corporal Ray H. Miller, of Buffalo, reported as seriously wounded in action in France.

—Mrs. M. A. Fowler is contemplating improvements on her store property in this village soon.

—Wm. Loyd has rented the E. I. Hann residence on Fairview Street and will move his family thereto.

—The socialists have placed the name of a woman, Olive M. Johnson of New York, on their Labor ticket for Governor of the State.

—It is claimed that federal and state game laws conflict in some points. As the local hunters must observe both a safe thing to do will be to read up on each.

—The picture show, under the auspices of I. O. O. F. Lodge, drew a fine house Wednesday night. The pictures were good, including some interesting scenes from the war zone.

—B. B. Hann picked a fine bunch of red raspberries Tuesday coming up the Greenwood gully. They were as fresh and plump as tho they were not two months behind hand in maturing.

—Word comes to Andover of the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Bell Boyd, a former Andover woman, and Everett Forman Broddock, in Santa Barbara, Cali. The groom is a chemist in the sugar beet factory at Oxend, Cali., where they will make their home.

—The War Department has made a final decision to the effect that each member of the overseas force may receive one Christmas package from home. Packages must be shipped in standard containers which will be supplied upon application to the local Red Cross Chapters, it is stated. In order to insure delivery of the gifts to the soldiers by Christmas the packages should be mailed on or before November 15th.

—Henry Borst of Amsterdam, N. Y., a Justice of the New York Supreme Court, has been elected to the office of Grand Sire of the Sovereignty, Grand Lodge of the I. O. O. F. at the 94th annual session held last week in St. Louis. He succeeds Frank C. Goudy, of Denver, Colo. During the convention a service flag was raised bearing 100,724 stars.

ENSIGN HARDY HAS A FALL

The News learns that Ensign Clarence W. Hardy had a fall from his plane recently while doing patrol duty about thirty or forty feet at sea, off the point at Long Island. Something went wrong with the mechanism of his machine and he dropped five hundred feet into the ocean. He was immediately rescued by a life boat crew and, fortunately, neither he nor his machine suffered serious injury.

Ensign Hardy was transferred from the Naval to the Aero service some months ago.

NOTICE REBEKAHS

Word has been received from the District Deputy President that she will visit Andover Rebekah Lodge officially Wednesday evening, Oct. 16th. At that date the newly elected officers will be installed and the 67th anniversary of the founding of the Rebekah Degree will be observed with a suitable program arranged by the committee in charge: Mrs. Mary Warfield and Mrs. Hattie Kemp.

THE AUDITORIUM

People like the Bluebird plays and Nestor comedies that are being shown Saturday evenings. The program for next Saturday is "Stormy Knight," a beautiful drama, and the comedy "Married in a Hospital," together with a Pathe War Special.

For Wednesday, "The Strong Way" will be shown with Jane Elvidge, together with a Pathe News.

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HELP NEEDED TO SAVE THE POTATO CROP

The farmers in this vicinity have grown a splendid crop of potatoes, but a lot of help is needed to harvest them.

Many farmers lost their crop last season. They cannot afford to lose it again. This town is vitally interested in the success of its neighboring farmers. Besides no food must be lost. It will all be needed before another harvest.

Farmers are offering good pay for potato digging. You are not asked to donate your services. Everybody is urged to turn out and help. Don't wait for any special day. Go whenever you can.

Report to Ed. Horan. He will see that you find plenty of potatoes to dig.

Farmers wanting help are also asked to notify Mr. Horan of their needs.

—Red Cross directions for knitting socks will be published in next week's News for the benefit of the knitters, so watch out.

THE ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

Conducted under Supervision of Prin. Donald Clark

Mental arithmetic made its initial appearance in the High School Department Monday.

The Boy's Foot Ball Team has been re-organized this term with J. Emmett Dawson as manager. The boys have been planning to have one of those "real" games soon.

Mr. Healey, representative of the Rand McNally Book Co., was a business caller Friday.

The War Savings Army has been organized in the High School.

Boys and girls, under twenty-one, who purchase a War Savings Stamp, who perform some active patriotic service, may become soldiers in the Army by signing the following pledge:

"I believe in the principles for which my country draws her sword, hereby commit myself to the cause of justice and human liberty, dedicate myself to my Nation's need, support her constitutions and will submit to such services and sacrifices as may be imposed on me by my superior officers of the War Savings Army of the United States of America."

Upon proof to the officer in charge of the performance of patriotic service and the securing of the second W. S. S. he shall be declared a corporal. Upon fulfillment of further service and the accumulation of the third W. S. S. a commission of second sergeant shall be ordered, and when the fourth W. S. S. shall be obtained by the individual, he shall be designated a first sergeant. If he secures the fifth W. S. S. he shall be nominated second lieutenant. He shall be declared a first lieutenant upon his acquiring his sixth W. S. S.; the seventh shall carry with it the grade of captain the eighth that of major, the ninth lieutenant colonel, and the tenth shall entitle the holder to the rank of colonel. A constant patriotic service shall be a prerequisite to advancement.

If you cannot be a corporal be a private.

Back the former High School boys, who are now serving the "Colors."

Athletic sports are attracting much of the boys' time at this season. Basket Ball Teams have been chosen and six games played.

Those having 100 % in spelling in the academic sections are:

Section I.—
Mary Boyd
Ellen Driscoll
Zola Goodridge
Allen Harvey
Roxy Ingraham
Hettie Nobles
Mildred Smith
Section II.—
Elton Greene
Dasa Detemer
Helen Pingrey
Harriett Williams
Section III.—
Thelma Alvord
Denzil Baker
Emily Clarke.

Hereafter Chapel will be in session Monday morning.

Hettie Nobles, Reporter.

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The Bluebird Play
"Stormy Knight"
Nestor Comedy
"MARRIED IN A HOSPITAL"
And a Pathe War Special

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IN
"The Strong Way"
And a Pathe News

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