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

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Why is near beer so far from beer?

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It Italy gets it, there will be one Fiume of garlic.

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Japan's beautiful manners do not prevent her being an expert grabber.

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Blessed are the inconspicuous! It is true they are not overburdened with bouquets, but neither do they receive bombs.

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Part of the old-time salt's education is not available for the modern sailor. He can no longer learn to splice the main brace.

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Mother, who are those People going about with a Wide-Smile? My dear, those are the Persons who subscribed to the Victory Loan.

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A position in the League of Nations is probably a good thing to keep America in peace. But universal military training would be a better one.

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The price of corn may fluctuate wildly in May, but if the corn itself stands steady in July and August it is all we can ask of Providence.

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The peace conference finally came to an agreement on Kiao-Chau. The principal cause of disagreement upon it was probably the spelling.

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The little May-day remembrance sent to Federal Judge Landis of Chicago was quite unnecessary. He blows up frequently enough without the aid of a bomb.

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Russia has issued an ultimatum against Roumania, and it will perhaps be effective. We have occasionally known Ma to issue an ultimatum against Pa, and she has nearly always gained her point.

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The brewers are all turning to the manufacture of ice cream. What if they should forget and use some of their former ingredients? Beer ice cream would probably become instantly and universally popular.

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We understood that the last war of all was at an end. Then what is all this about the Roumanian army in Buda-Pest and Jugo-Slavia sending troops to Fiume and the Russian Bolshevikt opening their spring drives?

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The Treasury Department has been urged to coin a half-cent piece. If the petitioners can point to anything that can be bought for a half-cent now-a-days the Treasury will probably give their request some consideration.

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There are many more luxuries in France than in this country. Where anthracite coal is $80.00 a ton, butter $1.40 a pound, beefsteak $1.00 and up, eggs $1.60 a dozen and milk 20 cents a quart, these must all be reckoned as luxuries.

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The wise people of the world are studying the question whether prices have risen or the value of currency has depreciated. But when we are paying 70 cents a pound for butter, it is not the reason as much as the fact which disturbs us.

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There seems to be some difference of opinion on the subject of buns. The hairdresser informs us that they are going out, and the barkeeper says there will be no more to be had after July 1st, but the baker says they are still in demand and will continue to be so.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

The successful business man must base his life upon honor and integrity. Beyond and outside of these, he must have the component of initiative, aggressiveness, determination, practicability and vision which America, in her love for condensation, has chosen to style "pep."

The successful wideawake and progressive town must possess the same qualities. It must have the judgment to realize that its prosperity and growth depend on the home advantages and business advantages which it can offer. And it must have vision enough to see that expenditures which secure these advantages are not an extravagance, but an asset.

Money spent in local improvements such as public buildings, schools, good roads, sewers, city water, gas and electric lights, is money well spent. Undertaking any of these improvements is like making an excellent investment which is bound to return dividends. The gain to the town reacts to the comfort and benefit of every citizen.

Who wants to live in a town without "pep," a town which drags out its monotonous existence without growth or improvement? When the question of a local improvement comes up stand behind it, "boost" it, work for it, vote for it. Install local improvements, and you will see your town sought by business enterprises and manufacturing.

It is up to you, Mr. Citizen. Stand up for local improvements first, last and all the time, and you will help make your home town a desirable place of residence and a progressive business center.

FACE THE FACTS

The Japanese are not as far away from Andover as we think. They are not with us in the flesh —not many of them — but they are bringing philosophical truths home to us with the utmost emphasis.

The elegance of their diplomatic language equals that of the most abstract minded of the idealists at the peace table. On brotherly affection, disinterested helpfulness, international co-operation, conciliatory unselfishness and these and kindred themes they discourse with rather more fluency than most of the delegates. They may intoxicate the more altruistic of the diplomats — but they stay sober themselves.

The war has dealt kindly with Japan. Her great rival, Russia, is now below the horizon, and likely to stay there. And as far as Japanese hegemony of Eastern Asia is concerned, there is nobody else in sight.

The province of Shantung, in talling under Japanese control, takes with it a population of 40,000,000. We are informed that the league of nations would prevent this annexation. At all events, the exalted phrases in which our own attitude was defined conveyed this idea.

The Fins, Russians, Poles, Austrians and Roumanians are all at war. The Italians and Jugo-Slavs are in battle array against each other. Various nations have internal wars going on right at home. Japan also would be at war, if there was any one able to dispute her claims.

Men and women of Andover, this world is a mess. We can call it a world at peace, if we like. We can call an elephant an angleworm. We can't get arrested for doing it.

There is need of peace, Heaven knows. There is need of a peace league, if it can insure peace. If it can't, it should still continue to try. But let us not commit the stupendous folly of assuming that all wars are ended forever, and that America is eternally guaranteed against danger from foreign aggression.

A few weeks ago, two Americans captured by Mexican bandits saved their lives by paying a ransom of $10,000. We aren't even safe in our own back yard.

And now they are attempting to prove that the crow is not so black as his feathery coat — that he is in fact a helper toward the cultivation of the fields. We are told that the crow follows the plow or cultivator so that he may feed upon the numerous larvae, such as cutworms, wire-worms and white grubs, which the turning of the soil brings to light. If a flock of crows is observed returning again and again to a particular field it is almost certain that the field is infested with noxious larvae. The crow is the only agency which will destroy cutworms and white grubs.

It is also said that crows destroy quantities of mice and young rabbits, and that their activities among sprouting corn and in the poultry yard have been greatly exaggerated.

We have never expected to see the crow upheld as an assistant to the farmer. And we hope that he is preparing to live up to this new and desirable reputation.

WHO'S WHO?

The self-determination of small peoples is to be more than a political process. It is going to be an exercise in comparative ethnology.

There are some small nations to be self-determined whose names we have only just heard of. And there are some that we haven't heard of yet.

No doubt there are folks in Andover who have always known who the Croations are. And the Jugo-Slavs. And the Lithuanians, Bosnians, Cingalese, Koreans, etc. Most of us, probably, have a fairly distinct idea where these different people live. Some of us, perhaps, don't know that. And very few of us have a precise idea of their exact political status.

It is perplexing to be confronted with the question whether a certain race is or is not a classified subdivision of a larger race. And, if so, whether it ought to be cut loose or not. And if not, why.

The Koreans have just put in a claim for self determination, and one of their reasons is that they are Christians. Some of them probably are. Their claim has a religious as well as a political basis. And it seems about as good a claim as several others that we have heard lately.

But it seems strange that we have only just heard it, and that the political side of it is kept carefully in the background. It theological convictions have been nourishing these aspirations so long, why have they been concealed till now? The inference seems to be that it is at present the fashion to claim political independence of some one or other, and the Koreans judged that it was time to get in line.

There is no question that, as long as this job of re-charting the world goes on, the more complex and diversified it will become. And it seems likely that every claim that is made has in it the seeds of another war.

OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ALMOST EMBARKS AT NEW YORK

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Huh?" But really he, was a fine fellow and a first class operator just the same.

Oui Oui

The nicest thing I had was at the French Consulate where I had my passport visaed. The office is just three steps from France at 10 Bridge Street, One step off the Battery, second step on top of the Goddess of Liberty, third step into Paree! When I stepped into the Consul's office I thought I was trying to break into a moving picture show or a circus. Fully a hundred people were jamming toward two clerks at the other end of the room, gesticulating, begging, arguing, parley-vousing to beat the band. I waited my chance to get up to the long counter and slipped in at an opportune moment. A big fat Frenchman behind me leaned over me and rested his fat stomach on my back for fully an hour, waving his arms each side of my head and repeating how many times he had been there and how long he had waited. All he got was, "Now you wait. Ze more you talk ze more you wait. You want to wait some more, all you have to do is talk some more. I tell you I tend to you right away." After a while I said, "If you please" and received attention. The Consul is a typically handsome French man; big, straight, heavy with Napoleonic mustache and beard and treated with most obsequious deference by associates.

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The refusal of permission to sail was a great disappointment to some of the men. Some were from California; some had made large sacrifices to take up this work; some had disposed of their business in order to go. Personally I was disappointed but just as glad that I could come home and take off the burden I had laid on willing shoulders in their desire to see me improve the opportunity of a lifetime to get a much needed change of work and scene in Europe. The selfish privileges I was enjoying were not wholly pleasant by any means and I was glad as well as sad when the chief said, "The War Department has just refused permission to sail to all save lecturers or technical or scientific subjects of direct value to the army at this time. Very sorry but orders are imperative."

Well, sir, you couldn't do a thing with that man; I appealed to him as a man and a brother. No good. I put it up to him as a Methodist. Fooled again. I made three passes above my head, pointed my finger at him two times and a half, taped my nose and looked wise. Nothing doing. Then I suggested that as the George Washington was sailing Friday, I would assume all chances of bad luck, occupy Woodrow's suite going over, and he could have it, so far as I was concerned, coming back. He wouldn't agree to that. Then I played my last and best card; I dropped into poetry and said.

"Lest going on the George Washington trouble you,
Agree to go on the I. W. W."

And he wouldn't even agree to that. You can't do a thing with some men.

And now must I say adieu. May be; may be not; for I dreamed that night the whole trip. I dreamed it in detail. Maybe the editor will want you to know about it.

During the last two years it has once more been demonstrated that

"Let fall to each what may befall,
The farmer he must feed them all."

Shoe Bargains

Here are a few trade stimulators that will pay you to investigate

36 pairs Men's Gun Metal Dress Shoes, were $3.50, now **$2.95**

Men's dark chocolate English toe Bals, a very dressy shoe, worth $6.50, **$4.85**

Men's black wax veal Work Shoes, were $3.00, now **$2.19**

Men's dark elk Scout Shoes, **$2.75**

36 pairs Women's Pumps, broken sizes, values up to $5.00, now **$1.95**

Youth's veal Blucher Shoes, sizes 1½ to 13, were $2.00, now **$1.65**

Boy's Blucher Shoes, broken sizes, priced to $3.00, now **$1.95**

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

West

Train No. 7	10:20 A. M.
" 3	7:30 P. M.

The Post Office closes at 7:30 every night except Saturday evenings open until 8 o'clock.

Beginning Dec 1, 1918 the Post Office will be closed on Sundays, but the mail from Train 8 will be distributed as usual.

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

Reportorials

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harley Pratt of Belmont a daughter, May 6th.

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—Mrs. Floyd Scott, who has been seriously ill the past week is reported as improving.

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—Dr. A. H. Houbert is the new rector of St. Phillips Church in Belmont. Dr. Houbert comes to Belmont from Utica.

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—Among recent marriages in the county was that of Miss Lillian Lewis of Wellsville and Claude M. Carpenter of Belmont.

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—Mrs. John D. Shaut, aged 74 years, died May 7th, at her home in Belfast after a lingering illness. The body was taken to Perry for interment.

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—Arlngi Baker, chairman of the Victory Loan Committee presented the Library with a genuine dress hat intended to be worn by the Germans when they triumphantly entered Paris.

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—Prof. Harold I. Coon has resigned as principal of Bolivar High School, to accept as the supervising principal of the High School at Mr. Morris, N. Y. Mr. Coon has been at Bolivar for four years.

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—Charlos Baker secured a fine catch of trout from Dyke Creek last Friday. He brought in 7 of the speckled beauties which together weighed 10 lbs. Three of them tipped the scales at over two pounds each.

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—Harlan Woods, editor of the Rushford Spectator, has just arrived home after several months of active service in France. Mr. Woods left Belmont about one year ago with a draft contingent going overseas within a few weeks. The newspaper fraternity of the county welcome him home.

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—A severe wind storm visited the section of the county near Fillmore, May 4th. Ernest Hann, on Snyder Hill, had a large barn demolished, also one on the farm owned by Ed. Common. Several other barns had roofs taken off and trees and smaller buildings were tipped over. One editor, in writing of it said, "the wind blew so hard it seemed even the mortgage on a farm would be blown away."

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hugh, of Whitesville, have a son, born May 11st.

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—C. W. Blossom, an aged and respected citizen of Belmont, died at his home in that village, May 6th.

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—Milton Case of Scio died recently at his home at Babcock's Corners. Deceased was well known thruout the county.

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—Miss Athalene Rowley and Henry Brown, both of Cuba, were married May 4th, at the M. E. parsonage, in Belfast, by the Rev. John M. Shank.

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—The Allegany Baptist Association will convene with the Wellsville Baptist Church for its sixty-second annual session, Wednesday and Thurday, June 4th and 5th.

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—Pseident Calhoun of the Andover Chamber of Commerce will have a surprise for all those who are fortunate enough to secure a ticket for the annual automobile advertising excursion to Rochsteer, June 10th.

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—Both houses of the legislature passed bill No. 1919, providing for an increase of $100 for all high school and rural teachers. This increase is to be paid by the state. Governor Smith is reported as being in favor of the bill and will undoubtedly sign it.

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—The annual conveniton of the Christian Endeavor societies in Allegany County will be held in the Presbyterian Church of Almond, Thursday, May 22nd. Rev. F. G Goffin of Albany, N. Y. president of New York State C. E. Union, will be present and address the convention. Every Christian Endeavorer should hear him.

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—The German nation will "observe a week of mourning" because of the severity, as they claim, of the peace treaty. "A week of mourning," they should endure years of mourning before even daring face the nations which have been devastated and murdered by their heartless atrocities. Germany knows better than any one else how little she deserves even a chance to sign a peace treaty.

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—Richard Lunn of South Bolivar met with a singular accident last week. He was hauling a traction engine and portable saw mill to Shongo; the road was so rough that he was thrown from the seat and fell between the boiler and one of the big wheels. He was wedged in so tightly that it was necessary to get lifting jacks and lift the truck before he could be released. This required over an hour during which he was pinned against the hot boiler. Mr. Lunn was taken to the Wellsville Hospital where, an examination revealed no broken bones. Several bad bruises the burns, while painful were not pronounced serions.

—Cashier J. E. Cannon is driving a new Studebaker Sedan.

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—Mrs. Claire Crittenden of Whitesville, died at their home in that village last Saturday.

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—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Parker entertained the Five Hundred Club last Friday evening, at their home on Rochambeau Avenue.

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—Cashier J. M. Brundage is at his old place in the State Bank after being detained at home by a slight illness for a few days.

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—The new Parker garage on Main Srteet is progressing rapidly. The tile work is up nearly to the first floor in the rear and south side.

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—Married — Word has been received by Andover relatives announcing the marriage in Washington, D. C., of Miss Ruth Williams and John Williams.

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—Fred Stebbins of Hornell has purchased the residence of Mrs. Abbie J. Nichols on Rochambeau Avenue, and will undoubtedly move to Andover. Mrs. Nichols expects to move to Denver, Col.

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—John Nobles has the material to begin work on his new residence on Greenwood Street at once. Mr. Nobles began work on the lot last fall but was unable to get the necessary material on account of the war.

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—Word has been received by Andover relatives that Mrs. E. G Probasco, who has been passing the winter in St. Petersburg, Fla., has returned to New Jersey and will visit friends in Trenton and Fremington before coming to New York State.

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—The Hook & Ladder Company tendered the cast and orchestra an informal luncheon after the play Tuesday night in I. O. O. F. dining hall. The lunch was served by the ladies of the Rebekah Lodge without charge for the use of hall or labor.

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—The morning mail Thursday morning brought a consignment of chicks from the Brookfield Poultry Farm at Versailles, Ohio. They were shipped to Mrs. S. C. Livermore and were very much alive when they reached the Andover post office, and let the fact be known by a chorus of peeps shrill and strong.

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—Undertaker C. E. Brown does not wear his usual pleasant smile this week. Monday, while at work in his store, a large roll of lenoleum fell, striking him on the side, breaking three ribs. He is about but that's nothing as he cannot lay down. A day or so will undoubtedly suffice to get him back into normal sunshine attitude.

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Charles Ray, in "The Son of His Father," will be the attraction at the Auditorium, on Wednesday evening. This will be Ray's initial appearance as a Paramount star, but his twelfth photoplay made under the supervision of Thomas H. Ince during the last two years. Ray will be supported by a cast of such well known players as Vola Vale, who will be seen in the principal feminine role; Charles K. French and Robert McKim, a duo of veteran Ince favorites; George Nicholls and others of similar renown.

CARD OF THANKS

The Andover Hook & Ladder Co., take this method of expressing their thanks to those who took part in the minstrel show benefit, to the advertisers on the program, all who contributed to its success in any way and the generous patronage of the public.

W. S. CALHOUN,
President
Andover Hook & Ladder Co.

MISSIONARY MEETING

The Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will meet with Mrs. H. B. Williams, Tuesday afternoon. Subject: Home. "Mexicans in the United States." Foreign, "Latin American." All response to roll call.

SOCIAL

The Philathea Class of the M. E. Church will hold a social in the church parlors, Wednesday evening, May 21st. Ice cream and cake will be served and a fine program. Everybody invited.

Tidbits from Our School

The school was represented at the Alfred Track Meet, Wednesday by a stock-judging team composed of Maxson Crandall, Charles Clarke, and William Burdick. In the afternoon a number of the high school students attended the track events. None of the students were entered this year for either the track or the oratorical contests.

The 8B Arithmetic Class has been applying what they have learned in recitation by running a store in one of the class-rooms, with "real" package goods, money, scales "in everything."

Professor W. S. Barnhart of Alfred Agricultural School was a brief caller at school Tuesday.

Miss Baker has not yet recovered from the chicken-pox. The eighth grade students are hoping for her immediate recovery.

Cadet Drill has been postponed until Friday night because many of those young men took part in the "Hook & Ladder Minstrels."

A few of the High School students took part in the parade given in Wellsville, Monday afternoon, to advertise the "Minstrels." It was a great success!

Athletics

The latter part of last week was wet and rainy and the baseball nine could not put in much practice, but it is hoped by all players that the weather will be favorable from now on so they can develop the best team ever produced in the Andover High School. We think this will be the case under the guidance of Manager Carroll Tucker.

Simericks

There was a young lady, Miss Clarke,
Who was afraid to go home in the dark.
She went to a show and came back with a beau
Who might have come out of the ark.

In our town there is a Baker;
He went with an outlandish faker
They went to a fair,
And came back, I deleare,
That Baker was ready to shake her.

Here they are as they have been—Celia and Louise, the heavenly twins.
Did one smile?
No, it was both.
One must not unless the other one doth.

Assignments for Next Week

News—Alice Edwards and Clara Nye.
Liberty Loan—Loretto Harrington and Alice Smith.
Setting-up Exercises — Zola Goodridge.

WAISTS

New cotton Voile and Organdie Waists marked down like this:

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