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

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Every good citizen does his part. Have you done yours?

These are the days when the subject of booze is given a lot of sober thought.

A healthy appetite is a priceless possession, but an expensive thing to have.

Financial reverses never take the starch out of some men. They have none to lose.

Society welcomes the new millionaire, but it frowns upon his telling how he made it.

We once heard of a very beautiful woman who never looked into a mirror. She was blind.

It isn't always safe to tell what you know about other people. They might retaliate in kind.

Some women are never so happy as when they fondly believe that they are supremely miserable.

It is said that in a 500-mile race a man can walk a horse to death. If you don't believe it, try it.

Some married men take an awful lot of comfort in their pipes. But pipes, you know, can't talk.

A hair switch in a show window attracts a lot of attention, but never from a woman who needs it.

Criticism is always welcome to the editor of the News. We believe in making a virtue of necessity.

'Tis said that perseverance brings its own reward, but bad debt collectors don't always find it so.

A new shoe is advertised as the joint product of master minds—but not from the League of Nations.

Fifty American families control more than one hundred million dollars each. But we are not guilty.

Some people say that half a loaf is better than no loaf at all. But that depends upon who does the baking.

When you want something for nothing just stand in the way of one of our speed maniacs. You'll get it.

A booze nose is now considered a badge of honor. It indicates that the owner is sharper than other people.

A wise husband never detects his wife going thru his pockets. He feigns sleep until she gets back to bed.

Some people crave newspaper publicity, until the editor begins to tell the truth about them. Then they howl.

It's comparatively easy to offend a witty person. Just laugh at the wrong time when he tells his favorite joke.

When a fellow feels that he is nearing the point of perfection he complains of being continually misunderstood.

We object to the statement that the fires of hate are smoldering throughout Europe. They are full size flames.

If you want to keep a friend never ask him to lend you a dollar. It embarrasses him to refuse you so small an amount.

PYRAMIDING WEALTH

A New York dispatch recently stated that fifty families in the United States control more than \$100,000,000 each; one hundred families more than \$10,000,000 each.

John D. Rockefeller's estate is now said to be between \$3,000,000,000 and \$4,000,000,000.

It is the hoarding of such vast fortunes as these into the hands of a few that has made Russia bolshevistic and driven its ruling class to pauperism and death.

It is the wedge that has divided the wealthy class from the great mass of the people throughout the countries of Europe, and has created widespread dissatisfaction that has brought on wars and toppled kings and emperors from their thrones.

Only the blind and the foolish will continue to consider this country immune.

It is difficult to induce people to believe that such gigantic fortunes can be accumulated by honest methods in the space of a few years and dishonesty is the rock upon which governments and individuals sooner or later come to grief.

The pyramiding of wealth is the most dangerous disease with which our country is afflicted to-day.

It indicates the existence of profiteering combinations which are inimical to the welfare of the republic.

Official complaisance will not ease the tension, and doing out a few thousand will not wash away the sins of its accumulation.

Shaking a red flag in the face of a bull maddens the animal and starts it on a wild rage of destruction.

If a halt is not called there may come a time when pyramided wealth becomes the red flag of destructive revolution.

When governments become blind the people are forced to do their own seeing, and under stress of great provocation they are too often inclined to "see red."

It is time for all advocates of the square deal to sound a warning call.

Washington should sit up and take notice.

People who love their country do not care to see it come to grief thru the cupidity of money maniacs.

PAMPERED BRAINS

WE all admire a smart young man, but we do not admire him when he becomes "too smart."

That is the trouble with many young men of to-day.

They are endowed by nature with more than the average allotment of brains, but they lack the poise and judgment necessary to keep them under control.

This deficiency, however, is not so much their fault as it is the fault of their parents.

When a baby shows indications of being quick witted too many parents immediately begin to humor it and spoil it.

Instead of maintaining a gentle but firm control over the child they give in to its whims and encourage it in its wilfulness.

It grows up with the idea firmly implanted in its mind that it must have its own way in everything.

If it makes a pert remark and is not corrected that remark calls for others in kind and this leads naturally to the spirit of "smartness" which we so greatly deplore in many young fellows entering man's estate.

Brains in the cradle require nursing.

Pampering only converts them into the egotism of maturity.

A bill in Congress proposes the creation of a department of public welfare and the addition of a new member to the president's cabinet. But what's the use? The welfare of the public is too vital to receive political consideration.

The fellow who kicks his home town shouldn't complain if he finds that in time the town begins to kick him. Kicking is not a profitable pastime at best, and people would do well to keep this fact in mind when they assume to emphasize their own judgment against that of an entire community.

KEEP GOING

EVERYBODY expects 1921 to be a prosperous year, but that is no reason why anyone should slacken his efforts. That is the one thing that should be avoided.

The situation calls for energetic and persevering production on the part of all people, regardless of how great or how humble their station in life may be.

We cannot expect great prosperity to come to us if we leave the burden of production to a few, nor can we expect confidence to be maintained if idleness and shiftlessness prevail where thrift and energy are possible.

We have reached the crest of our wave of depression which follows every great war, and are descending safely on the other side.

What we want to do now is to keep going until we float into the harbor of commercial sanity and permanent prosperity.

Production, conservation and the square deal in business will get us there.

Beauty, they say, is only skin deep. But possibly that is because some skins are so thick they can't be penetrated.

Prize fighters are becoming active again, which would indicate that we are not in any immediate danger of another war.

And still it is possible for the meaneast of cusses to be a man of good habits—providing they are riding ones for women.

We fear that many of the unemployed are still unemployed simply because they want everything reduced in price but labor.

Values are presumed to be regulated by the law of supply and demand, but in many cases they are controlled by that of greed and grab.

If our American millionaires continue to spend so much time and money in Europe they will soon be poor enough to go back to work again.

Doctors continue to tell us mortals that kissing is dangerous, but many a man finds it productive of excellent results after he has been married a few years.

Chicago women say a wife has no right to open her husband's letters. But we suspect that is only a feminine dodge to get rid of some marriageable daughters.

The attainment of success is easy. It only requires knowledge, energy, perseverance, good judgment and an iron determination to surmount all obstacles. Go after it.

Mr. Harding is still casting around for available cabinet timber, but we regret our inability to help him out. These second fiddle jobs never did look good to the distinguished citizens of Andover.

Word comes from England to the effect that gas will be the principal weapon of defense in the next war. In that case we don't need an army. Congress ought to be able to stand off the whole world.

It is charged that the railroads are milking the public in order to fight the unions. But the public is not greatly interested. It expects to be milked anyway and it makes no difference which side turns the trick.

A Danville, Ill., woman, weighing 210 pounds, has been on an extended hunger strike in order to force her husband to attend her church. But hubby remained hilarious and declares the eating fine now that he has it all to himself.

After he rids himself of the Vice Presidency Mr. Marshall may be considered of sufficient importance to break into the public prints occasionally. We never could understand why a brainy fellow like Thomas R. should ever allow himself to become so terribly handicapped.

WEIGHTS & MEASURES ALLEGANY COUNTY

RECENT WEIGHT VIOLATIONS

A hay presser was recently fined ten dollars and costs by Justice Bliss of Cuba for using an improper scale for weighing baled hay. It appears that one of the pivots in the pressers scale beam had become lost and had been replaced by a wire nail. Said nail having served in this improper use for some considerable time.

On January third a resident of Allegany County was fined ten dollars by Justice Peck of Belmont for delivering a quantity of meat which was short in weight. This man represented the weight of the meat to be five hundred forty-three pounds but its actual weight proved to be four hundred nineteen pounds, making a shortage of one hundred twenty-four pounds.

Other cases are pending. County Sealer A. W. Corwin has also received an unusual number of complaints regarding short measure stove wood. In some cases the shortage has amounted to thirty-five per cent.

A. W. CORWIN.

Marriages

Miss Eunice E. Dake, of Nike, and William L. Granger, of Oramel, were married Jan. 10th.

Miss Dora L. Damon and Guy Morrison, both of Centerville, were married Jan. 12th, at Fillmore.

Miss Reva Reed and Lyman D. Hodges, of Wellsville, were married Jan. 8th.

Births

Jan. 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Cady Kinney of Belfast, a son.

Miss Alice V. Carman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin M. Carman, of Wellsville, died Jan. 18th, after a short illness, aged 18 years.

C. C. Richardson died Jan. 17th, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Hall, of Elm Valley. Funeral was held Wednesday and interment made at Whitesville.

Deaths

James McDonald died at his home in Wellsville, Jan. 13th, aged 83 years. Mr. McDonald was a landscape gardener and for several years was the caretaker of Island Park, Wellsville.

King Solomon Black died at his home on the Vandermark, Scio township, Jan. 13th. Deceased was born at Alfred, Jan. 8, 1840. He was a successful farmer.

Edward Egan, Sr., of Wellsville, died Jan. 15th, at Bradford, Pa. where he had gone to visit his son, Edw. Egan Jr. Deceased was 83 years of age. The body was brought to Wellsville Sunday.

Advertisement for Pennsylvania Auto Tube Tires, featuring an image of a tire and the text 'FREE! PENNSYLVANIA AUTO TUBE TON TESTED'.

Advertisement for Parker's Garage, featuring an image of a tire and the text 'PARKER'S GARAGE' and 'TRY a News "Want" or "For Sale" adv. and quick results.'

Large advertisement for Rockwell Bros. & Co. featuring 'GREAT PRE-INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE' and 'FUR COAT SALE' with dates and location details.