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## WAR IS URGED

### Extracts From Address By Editor of Hardware Magazine Given Before New York State Convention.

In conclusion, Mr. President, may I suggest something of a practical nature?

There is one thing that this big and industrial association can do that would be an example and a suggestion to hardware dealers everywhere. Would it not be a good idea in one of your meetings of this week, to pledge a campaign that would, if successful, save several hundred millions of dollars to America each year?

I read from a dispatch sent from Washington some days ago: "It keeps 200,000 men working full time to support the nation's rat population. That assertion is made by the biological survey bureau in figures issued today showing that there are as many common brown rats as humans in the United States, and each of these 100,000,000 or more destroys \$2 worth of foodstuffs a year. They also maintain an efficient transportation system of black death and other plague germs, the bureau adds in urging a starve and slay campaign to check a real hazard against American lives and property."

Let's start something here and now. No man can be so influential and so practical in his community for the extermination of rats, as the retail hardware dealer. It is a part of his daily business to supply the means for the war upon these horrible, dangerous, and expensive pests. He handles the traps, the poisons, for their extermination. There is a practical, profitable reason why he should push this war to the limit.

There is a greater reason than merely his own profits. The savings to his neighbors, his customers, his community.

Two hundred million dollars worth of food provided each year for these rats is a sum that would support every orphan child in the United States.

Tens of millions of dollars spent for seeds for the crops to be eaten by them.

Two hundred thousand men on full time all the year around to provide food. Millions of dollars expended each year by carpenters and masons, and tinsmiths to repair the damage done to houses, to barns, to grain sheds.

One refuses to believe that this unbelievable economic insanity should go on from year to year, from generation to generation; refuses to believe it, while knowing that it is actually so.

Why not make a decided stand on this matter in this convention? Why not issue a declaration of war; raise a slogan, "War on the Rats?" Why not urge the dealers of each town to get together on their return to their homes, and start a campaign to their communities? To call the attention of the people to this subject? To show how traps and poisons and traps and rat terriers and active boys who have in their hands the means of extermination, can be made effective in the community? To urge each home to get to work on his own premises, or on his own farm? To talk and act in their more able? To offer, perhaps, prizes to the man or

## MICKIE SAYS:



## Tidbits From Our School

Program for Friday Morning: Song, School—"How Can I Leave This?"

Recitation, "The Day Is Done" by Margaret Wilcox.

Violin Solo, "The Old, Old Love" by Harold Howland.

Recitation, "Tomlinson" by Marie Joyce.

A musical selection, by Clara and Frances Nye.

Recitation, "The Grid Iron" by Elton Greene.

School will close Friday, March 13 for a week of Easter vacation.

A game of Basket Ball was played last Saturday evening, between the Friendship and Andover Girls on the Andover court. The game ended in a score of 13 to 9 in favor of Friendship.

There will be a game between Andover and Scio on Friday evening, Mar. 19th. We want every one to come.

The Senior Class were entertained at the home of Raymond Thorne, Tuesday evening. An enjoyable time was reported by all.

The perfect spellers are:

- Sixth Grade: Evelyn Gill, Birdie Sandberg, Edna Barrett, Albert Rogers.
- Fifth Grade: Pauline Martin, Rose Dawson, Mary Horan.
- Fourth Grade: Georgia Broughan, Mildred Campbell, Blanche Chapman, Margaret Folsing, Edwin Gardner, Lillian Holmes, William Hammell.
- Third Grade: Ila Chapman, Loretta Lehman, Margaret Perry, Florence Waverly.

Clara, what does "John" do in Biology Class?

Ask Raymond where he spends his evenings after school. We think he believes in the old saying "Old Hawks like Young Birds."

What are the six functions of all living protoplasm?

Deacons and Sinners should not sit on the same seat, Nellie.

Oh! Dick! It doesn't do for you to read to Evelyn.

Ask Ruth where Pedro went?

Sylvia; Dick said that he had a Ford the last time we saw him.

I wonder why it took so much coaxing to get Emmett to go to the Senior Party.

The second number of the entertainment course which was given at the Auditorium on Friday, March 11, was exceptionally fine. Those who were not present missed a real treat.

The next number which will be given on Friday evening April 1, is expected to be even better. My money is probably the best speaker in the United States to-day. You will miss a great deal if you do not come.

The reporters for next week are Dora Wagner and Harvey Sutsen.

Games played, won, lost, standing	Alfred	Almond	Andover	Belfast	Cuba	Wellsville	Friendship
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Games played, won, lost, standing	Alfred	Almond	Andover	Belfast	Friendship	Wellsville
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boy who can show the most mistakes in a given time?

How does this strike you? Can it be done? Do you think it should be done? Are you as a dealer willing to help?

If the New York State Convention were held this week, it would be held in every corner of the State. I will be glad to see you at the news of the State Convention in the country.

## THE CONNECTICUT BLUE LAWS

### Some Very Remarkable Drastic, Old-Time Measures—Reprinted From Papers of Those Times.

So much is being said these days about the old time Blue Laws, some saying that they did not exist, that we are glad to publish the following showing just what they were.

The copy was furnished us by O. E. Vane, who has copies of the newspaper in his family published at that time giving the laws. Read the Blue Laws; they are interesting, and see if you do not believe that we are evolving from barbarism to a more humane civilization.

"The territory now comprised in the State of Connecticut was formerly two colonies, Connecticut and New Haven. The Colony of Connecticut was planted by emigrants from Massachusetts at Windsor, in 1635, and Hartford and Wethersfield, in 1636-37. The other colony styled by its founders the dominion of New Haven, was founded by emigrants from England, in 1637. The two colonies were united in 1655. The statutes copied below, from an ancient volume relating to the history of the American colonies, were enacted by the people of the "dominion of New Haven," and being printed on blue paper came to be known as the blue laws.

The Governor and magistrates convened in General Assembly, are the supreme power, under God, of this independent dominion.

From the determination of the Assembly no appeal shall be made.

The Governor is amenable to the voice of the people.

The Assembly of the people shall not be dissolved by the Governor, but shall dismiss itself.

Conspiracy against the dominion shall be punished with death.

Whoever says there is power and jurisdiction above and over the dominion shall suffer death and loss of property.

Whoever attempts to change or overturn the dominion shall suffer death.

The judges shall determine no controversies without a jury.

No one shall be a freeman or give a vote unless he be converted and a member of one of the churches allowed in the dominion.

Each freeman shall swear by the blessed God to bear true allegiance to this dominion, and that Jesus is the only King.

No Quaker, no dissenter from the established worship of this dominion, shall be allowed to give a vote for the electing of magistrates or any other officer.

No food or lodgings shall be offered to Quaker, Adamate or heretic.

If any person turns Quaker he shall be banished, and not suffered to return but on pain of death.

No priest shall abide in the dominion; he shall be banished, and suffer death on his return.

Prisoners may be seized by any one without a warrant.

No one shall cross a river but an authorized clergyman.

No one shall run on the Sabbath day, or walk in his garden, or elsewhere, except, reverently to and from meeting.

No one shall travel, cook, visit, make beds, sweep houses, cut hair or shave on the Sabbath day.

No one shall kiss her children on Sabbath or fasting days.

The Sabbath shall begin at sunset on Saturday.

To pick an ear of corn growing in a neighbor's garden shall be deemed theft.

A person accused of trespass in the night shall be judged guilty, unless he clears himself by his oath.

When it appears that the accused has confederates, and he refuses to discover them, he may be racked.

None shall buy or sell lands without permission of the selectmen.

A drunkard shall have a master appointed by the selectmen, who are to ban him from the liberty of buying and selling.

Whoever publishes a lie to the prejudice of his neighbor, shall be set in the stocks, or be whipped ten stripes.

No minister shall keep school.

Every rateable person who refuses to his proportion to support the minister of the town or parish, shall be fined by court 5s 4d. every quarter, until he or she pay the rate to the minister.

Men-stealers shall suffer death.

Whoever wears clothes trimmed with gold, silver or horse lace above the knee shall be presented by the selectmen, and the selectmen shall set the offender in the stocks.

Whoever is convicted of being a

## CITY DICES NOW LIKE THE "RUBES"

### Farm Jobs Are About the Only Ones On Tap For the Laborers at Present Conditions.

Not entirely out of luck among the thousands of unemployed wage earners in the cities is the man who was raised down on the farm. He can step out of the ranks of the jobless and go back to the comfortable, if unexciting, occupation of farm hand at a reasonable and assured wage.

While forced to turn away thousands of men who work with brawn, brain, or mechanical skill, the New York State Public Employment Bureau at Buffalo daily directs many farm workers to employment in the country. College trained executives, wizards with pen and pencil, skilled artisans and craftsmen find no market for their services, while any man who really knows the how of farm work can shake hands with a job at the State Bureau.

From a strictly utilitarian standpoint today, it seems that the ability to extract from madam cow a full and ungrudging contribution to the monthly milk dividend is more to be desired than knowledge of trial balances, machine shop practice, or even the laws of arts and sciences.

At the present time the farm department in the State Employment Office at 257 Washington St. is a very busy place. A large number of farmers now avail themselves of this free service in securing farm help. Mail requests for farm hands reach the office from points as far as one hundred miles from Buffalo, and under present conditions the farm hand is on his way within a few hours after the order is received.

Many farmers however come to the office and interview the assembled applicants. In either case the farmer generally secures the right man. The official in charge of farm help placement knows the ways and wants of the farm, and by close observation and use of a few adroit questions, seldom errs in selecting that distinct type of worker, the all around farm hand.

Prompted by necessity and the absurd but prevalent idea that farming requires no skill, many city bred workers besiege the employment officials for farm jobs. Some applicants, in an effort to "get by" the examiners, glibly relate imaginary experiences on the farm, although the interview develops that they cannot pick the high hoos from the off one in less than two guesses nor distinguish between a potato planter and a Roman chariot. They are surprised to learn that the desirable farm hand is very much a skilled worker and is really as ingenious and perhaps more resourceful than most tradesmen.

The Public Employment Bureau offers to the farm a decided advantage over the old system of picking up farm help from the drifters and knights errant of the road. The calls for farm help are much heavier than last year, indicating that farmers are not discouraged by the losses suffered in the past season.

## CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all the kind friends for the assistance given during the illness and burial of my wife.

GEORGE HUNT

crime shall be imprisoned without benefit of bail.

Whoever brings cards or dice in this dominion, shall pay a fine of \$5.

No one shall read common prayer-books, keep Christmas or set days, eat mince pies, dance, play cards, or play on an instrument of music, except the drum, trumpet and Jew's harp.

No gospel minister shall join people in marriage. The magistrates only, shall join them in marriage, as he may do it with less scandal to Christ's church.

When parents refuse their children convenient marriages, the magistrates shall determine the point.

The selectmen on finding children ignorant may take them away from their parents and put them in better hands at the expense of their parents.

Adultery shall be punished with death.

A man that strikes his wife shall pay a fine of \$10.

A woman that strikes her husband shall be punished as the law directs.

A wife shall be deemed good evidence against her husband.

No man shall court a maid in person or by letter, without first obtaining consent of her parents; if he do not, he shall be fined \$40 for the first offence, and for the second, \$60 for the third, and for the fourth, \$80 for the fourth.

## STATE ASSEMBLY OFFICERS VISIT ANDOVER

### Andover Rebekah Lodge was honored by the presence, at their meeting Wednesday evening, of the President of New York State Rebekah Assembly Mrs. Ida Y. Smith, of McGraw, also the District Deputy President, Mrs. Elsie Collins, of Angelica, and Past Assembly President, Mrs. Minnie Leonard, of Hornell.

The superior officers were received and introduced with honors by conductor, Miss Anna Courtney, in a gracious manner.

There were guests present from the following lodges; Hornell, Canisteo, Angelica, Wellsville and Galeton, Pa. The spacious lodge room being filled to capacity and extra chairs required.

The degree was conferred upon two candidates by the degree staff of Andover Lodge.

Remarks were made by Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. Collins and Past District President Mrs. Anna Lee, of Wellsville. The visiting members very kindly complimenting the work.

The local lodge presented Mrs. Smith a beautiful cut glass fruit dish. The presentation speech being made by Past Noble Grand, Mrs. Flora C. Deming.

Following the work the large company were invited to the banquet hall where they were served a dinner by the committees in charge.

## PLANNING GOOD TIME

Local Three Linkers. Enthusiastic Over Party Tuesday Night

Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, and their families, together with friends fortunate enough to draw an invitation from the General Committee, are anticipating one of the season's best times at I. O. O. F. Hall, Tuesday evening next, after the regular lodge session.

The party is not a masquerade, but an old clothes exhibit. Overall for the men and calico for the women, or pay a good stiff fine. So don't come logged up in your "Sunday go-to-meetings."

Prizes will be given the most approved outfit for both men and women.

The Committees are: General Committee—E. S. Patton, Wm. Childs, and Fred Stebbins. Reception—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Backus and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Snyder.

Floor Committee—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Childs and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stebbins.

Supper Committee—Fred Potter, James Rogers and Archie Kemp.

Amuses—Fay Boyd, Miss Helen Folsing, Mildred Rogers, Miss Gladys Lobdell; Eugene Nobles and Miss Anna Courtney.

The ladies will bring sandwiches and one other article of food for the lunch.

## HURRAH! FOR HOME BUREAU WORK!

Andover Bureau Meeting Held At M.E. Church, Tuesday Afternoon

A tureen dinner was enjoyed and a very pleasant time spent, by the members of the Andover Community Home Bureau, at the Methodist church, Tuesday afternoon. Over forty ladies were present.

Twelve dress forms were made breaking the record for the number made in one day at any meeting in New York State, as far as reported. All to the credit of Home Bureau Manager, Miss Woods.

Several more members wish dress forms and the work will be done right away, and then other work will be taken up.

Ladies wishing to join the Home Bureau and learn to make dress forms a most useful labor-saving device, or take part in other work which will be taken up later, kindly see or phone HATTIE CONLEY, Chairman

## IS MANAGER OF NEW SHOE STORE

### Lawrence Bloss, a Former Andover Boy Given Responsible Position With a New Store at Waverly.

Sayre, Pa., Mar. 16.—Announcement was made this morning that the R. A. Sharping chain of retail stores will open a store in Waverly April 1, in the store now occupied by the Weeks Hardware. The Weeks firm is closing out its business and will soon be in a position to give up the store to the new firm.

The Sharping Shoe firm, its methods and its general line of shoes is the best known in the valley thru its Sayre store, managed by Ralph Conrow. Under Mr. Conrow this store has been built up step by step, until today it is one of the prosperous business concerns of the valley.

A representative of the firm when interviewed this morning made the following statement:

"We have closed a deal whereby we are to take possession of the Weeks store in Waverly in the near future. We will open for business April 1 with a complete line of men's and women's shoes, boots, rubbers, etc. We will sell shoes from \$2 to \$4 cheaper than we were able to sell them last fall. This is mainly because we buy in large quantities for our various stores."

Lawrence Bloss, who is at present employed in Sharping's Sayre store, will be the manager of the Waverly store. Bloss is a young man who is being given a better position because of his good work in Sayre and his determination to master the shoe business. He is an experienced shoe man and is enthusiastic over the Waverly outlook.

## MRS. GEORGE HUNT

Charlotte, wife of G. H. Hunt, died Monday, March 14th. Mrs. Hunt had been suffering for a year with Bright's disease, which developed an acute form.

Besides her husband she was survived by two sisters, Mrs. Mary McCaugherty and Mrs. Susan Porter, of Rochester and one brother, George Carr of Keating Summit, Pa.

Services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Sutton, of the Baptist Church. Burial was made in Hornell.

Those from out of town in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McCaugherty Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Porter of Rochester, George Carr and daughter, Della, of Keating Summit Pa.

## MRS. ELECTA HAND

Mrs. Electa Hand, widow of the late Jacob Hand, died last Sunday, March 13th, at the Wellsville Hospital, after a short illness with pneumonia, aged 75 years.

Funeral services were held at Elm Valley Chapel, Tuesday. Rev. W. H. Smith, of the Methodist Church, preaching the sermon. Burial was in the Hand Cemetery.

## GRANGE MEETING

Regular meeting of Andover Grange next Wednesday, March 21. The supper planned by the men of the defeated side will be postponed one meeting on account of its being Holy Week.

The first and second degrees will be worked at the next meeting.

Mrs. Agnes Robinson Lecturer

W. C. F. U.—The Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Roxana Burrows this (Friday) afternoon.

## U.S. Rubber Boots

Both High and Sport

## Bass Work Shoes

MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS