

# The Andover News

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**"If There is not a Way, Cut a Way."**  
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## BRAINS PLUS HANDS

**A**n active brain and two good hands will keep the wolf from any man's door.

They will do more. They will fill the family larder, clothe your body, and swell your bank account from day to day.

Brains without hands are handicapped. Hands without brains are impotent.

The boy in your family has both, but mind and hands are in a formative stage, where exceptional care and training are required to turn out a hundred per cent. man.

The boy who looks for excuses, and performs his tasks with the idea that they are irksome burdens, is using his hands but is not making the proper use of his brains. He may go far, and again he may not.

But the boy who goes at his tasks with a cheerful and willing spirit, with an active interest in his work, and with a determination to do it just a little better than others, is using his brains as well as his hands. His progress will be rapid, and none may even predict where he will stop.

The boy who exhibits these commendable traits will be a persistent and determined climber of the ladder of life, and he will find his employers, or those for whom he labors pushing him upward as rapidly as he is willing to climb.

A combination of brains and hands is invincible.

Your boy has them—see that he uses them.

## EVERY LITTLE HELPS

**GOOD ROADS** is a subject in which all are interested, from the dweller of the large city to the most isolated resident of our farming communities.

But good roads are not made by talking. It requires work, more work, and still more of it.

The advent of the automobile has made it necessary for state authorities to take up the matter of road construction and maintenance.

Local authorities have their duties and responsibilities in furthering the good work.

But responsibility does not end there—certainly possibility does not.

Our town streets and country roads would be in far better condition if each citizen would do just a little of his own volition.

That soft spot in the road along Mr. Farmer's land could be much improved by the dumping of a few loads of gravel where it is most needed. The hauling of a few loads of gravel would neither make nor break Mr. Farmer.

Of course, his neighbors would get the benefit of it, but so would he.

It should also be remembered that a spot of two in the road adjoining his neighbor's property might also require attention by them. Then he would get the benefit of their work.

Mr. Townsman may have a hole in the street in front of his home. A few minutes time on his part would suffice to fill up the hole and tramp it down. The act that the whole town and people from the countryside would benefit from his work should only serve to make him prouder of his act.

If we wait for the state or local authorities to do everything there are many things that will not be done. They are guided by the amount of funds at their command, and beyond that point they can not legally go.

Try it, and make it a pleasure instead of a burden.

## WHAT ARE OUR TREES WORTH?

**H**AVE you ever thot of the value of trees to Andover in dollars and cents? Have you ever thot of them as an important asset to the town, particularly since the universal use of the auto for seeing the country? Some towns value their trees up in the thousands of dollars, and now that tree planting time is nearly at hand it may be well to take stock of what we have and make plans for the future.

The suggestion by "Plain Bill" in a previous issue of the News, that we make a public holiday on or about Arbor Day and reset the Andover Park with valuable trees was a most wise thot. It will be growing in value each year while we are busy with other things, and almost before we are aware of it a fine grove will be there in place of the desolate, limb-strewn slashing that it now is.

In all that has been said the past few years about tree conservation, public attention has been directed to our forests. Trees have been properly emphasized as the first need in soil preservation thru storage of moisture and prevention of erosion, and thus shown to constitute the most important factor in production of food and raiment, as well as material for shelter.

This is as it should be. Nothing is more vitally connected with man's economic welfare, hence forest conservation should be preached and published until its practice becomes a cardinal point in the creed of good Americanism. At the same time we must not forget another phase of the trees value to man—its gifts of beauty, health and comfort to the town.

Since time began the shade tree has been the changeless and unfailing friend of the human race. It has graced earth with its beauty, and to every generation has given freely of its protective shelter. Beneath its friendly boughs man has found refuge from the blazing sun and the angry storm. To every human being the shade tree is a benefactor; to every community a blessing and a benediction.

Springfield, Mass., which boasts more trees per inhabitant than any other American city, lists its 25,000 among its financial assets, giving them an average value of 100 apiece, making a total of \$2,500,000 on this score alone.

Dwellers in towns and cities are not the only persons with a definite duty as to the planting of shade trees. Rural communities also have a responsibility in this respect, since shade is as necessary to country roads as to city streets. The farmer certainly deserves as much as the urbanite in the way of beauty, health and comfort.

With the gigantic road building programs before the different states of the country, plans should certainly be made now for the tree-lined approaches to every town. First impressions are everything with an individual, and so with a community. It is all very well to put up the "Welcome" sign at either end of the village limits, but why not look the part with some inviting trees?

Why not have the entire community join in the tree-planting investment, and celebrate the centennial of Arbor Day in 1972, fifty years before it happens, by planting trees NOW?

## AS THE EDITOR SEES IT

**S**OME people are very touchy. They do not like to read or hear the plain and unvarnished truth when it affects them.

This fact was rather tragically demonstrated some years ago in the case of a certain country editor, who was put out of business because of the use of three simple words.

They were: "Live where you trade."

**D**ON'T pay any attention to the fellow who knocks Andover. He didn't make it, and he can't bust it. The town was here before he showed up, and it will still be here after he shuffles off.

He is like a blank charge of powder in a shotgun. He makes a lot of noise but doesn't hit anything.

**T**HE radio is rapidly becoming a great fad.

This new invention is really worth while. In time it will become as great a necessity as the automobile is to-day.

The farmer on his isolated acres can sit in his easy chair and listen to the stock reports, receive warning of weather changes, learn just what his produce is worth that day, and wind up by listening to a high grade concert.

If he is tired on Sunday morning, he can take life easy and listen to a sermon by some noted divine a thousand miles away.

And when the family jar becomes

Too lively he can turn on the radio and drown it out.

There are wonderful possibilities in that invention, fellows.

**I**f you know of a choice piece of scandal that would set this town by the ears, don't tell it. Pushing it along would be hard on the ears.

Besides, retailing scandal doesn't do anybody any good, and it does do a lot for harm. Too many innocent people have to suffer for the acts of a few.

Then again, if you are not climbing up toward the perfection mark you can never tell when your own lid will be blown off.

A still tongue may not always make a wise head, but it will keep a fellow out of many a nasty mess.

**A**NDOVER is a fairly decent town, and is getting better and better each day, and we have strong hopes that the time may come when the gossips will be reduced to the extremity of throwing the hooks into each other.

That will help some.

**A**SCHOOL teacher is something more than the instructor of your children. She is the guardian of their mentality until such time as it leaves her care.

Does that fact impress upon you the importance of giving your full co-operation and support to the teachers in our public schools?

Think a little, and then do a lot.

When the fool babbles the wise man keeps still.

If you have reached the age of discretion, why not be discreet?

Start your boy right and he will travel the rest of the way on his own mettle.

The fellow who kicks the cat seldom stays long enough to get kicked himself.

The fellow who brags about his birth generally has nothing else to brag about.

Don't orate about your own virtues. Talking about nothing is an unwise habit.

The fellow who has his eye glued to 5 o'clock will never break loose from his own glue.

Send us in your opinion as to who is the brainiest man in this town. We are not at all modest.

There are many rungs to the ladder of life, but they are easy to mount for the young man who starts out with a determination to give full value for all that he gets.

Stop listening to the croaker who continually paints a picture of ruin. As long as you give heed to him his tongue will wag, and every wag means a jab at the future of this town.

People who have been emulating the mule and pulling in the wrong direction should wake up for once in their lives and compel themselves to realize that property in or adjacent to a prosperous and growing town is far more valuable than holdings in a dead community.

Many young boys are growing up in this town whose futures are yet to be carved out. If taught the proper use of their brain power while young they will become self-made men of the future. If allowed to drift along until they arrive at manhood they will find greater use for the hand than for the head. They may not become failures, but at best they will simply be cogs in the machinery of better men.

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