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LEHMAN BROTHERS CAR HIT NEAR HORNELL

Guilty Ones Speed off in Darkness Before They Could be Identified

A serious automobile accident occurred Sunday night at about 11 o'clock in which two Andover boys were seriously injured. Herman and Darwin Lehman were both taken to St. James Hospital, suffering from injuries when an unidentified machine struck them on the Almond road, near the Goff bridge.

One of the boys, Herman, has a broken leg and other injuries, while Darwin is reported to have a ruptured kidney.

There were four in the party originally and shortly before 11 o'clock they started for home in an Overland touring car owned by the Lehman brothers. Just before they reached the Goff bridge the left rear tire went flat and they stopped to fix it. The two young men in the back seat offered to help but inasmuch as it was a job that only two could work at they started walking along the road toward home expecting to be picked up again when the tire was fixed. Meanwhile the two Lehman brothers were changing the tire when suddenly the unidentified machine loomed out of the darkness and plowed into them.

The right front wheel struck the stalled Overland on the left rear smashing the spokes and bending the felloe. The two men who were working at the tire had no chance to escape and both were thrown some distance. The driver of the car that had crashed into them, put on more speed and in a few seconds disappeared in the darkness. Later a Chevrolet hub cap was found near the scene indicating it had been a Chevrolet that had hit them.

It is quite apparent that the car that did the damage was also considerably wrecked and if there had been anyone to chase it no doubt it could have been easily caught. The two injured men were placed in another car and taken to the hospital. The two men who had gone on ahead caught a ride into Andover on a truck and knew nothing of the accident until the next morning.

The Overland was towed into Dickinson's garage for repairs. The left rear fender is crushed and the tail light and number plate were torn off. The accident was reported to the police.

No trace of the driver responsible for the accident is known.

ALLEGANY COUNTY

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

The annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. is to be held at Fillmore, Tuesday, Oct. 2nd. Mrs. Clara Jacobs, State Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, is to be the speaker. Mrs. Francis Teasdale and Mrs. R. A. Pease are the delegates elected to represent the Andover Union at the meeting.

BRIGGS — JOYCE

Arling C. Briggs and Mrs. Gertrude M. Joyce were united in marriage at the Presbyterian Manse, Saturday evening, Sept. 22, by Rev. R. E. McGowan. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slocum attending them.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The enrolled Democratic electors of the Town of Andover will meet in caucus Monday evening, Oct. 1, at 8 o'clock at Village Hall, Andover, N. Y. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for Town Office and the transaction of any other business that may be properly brought before the meeting.

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REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The town caucus of the enrolled Republican electors, for the purpose of placing in nomination town officers for the town of Andover, N. Y., and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting, will be held at Village Hall, in the village of Andover, Saturday evening, Sept. 29, at 8 o'clock p. m.

H. F. BUNDY,
F. S. POTTER,
Committee.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Andover Free Library Association will be held at the Library building, Wednesday evening, October 3rd at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.

John E. Cannon, President,
Margaret Baker, Librarian

FIREMEN'S FAIR

Andover Hook & Ladder Company
Benefit Oct. 9 and 10.

The regular Annual Firemen's Fair will be held in I. O. O. F. Hall Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, October 9 and 10. The fair will be held in I. O. O. F. Hall. The supper Wednesday evening in the Banquet Hall and the picture shows both nights in the Auditorium. Following the picture show Wednesday night will occur the annual Firemen's Dance.

Andover people are mighty proud of their fire organization. They are and have been very efficient, and this is a fine time for us all to show our appreciation by patronizing this fair.

The boys are making a big effort to finish paying for their splendid equipment at this time.

Tidbits From Our School

The Beta Mu initiation was held at the school house Monday evening, Sept. 24. The candidates were Gerald Hann and Dalton Werelley.

The Kapa Zeta Girls held their first meeting September 25, at 3:30. The officers were elected as follows: President, Alice Smith, Vice Pres. Louise Folsing, Sec. Treas. Dorothy Dean.

The American History Class have organized into a club. The officers were elected as follows: Pres. Angie Edwards.

The Modern History Class also organized a club to take charge of the Current Topics, which occurs every two weeks.

Officers were elected as follows: President Nathalie Shepard, Vice Pres. Louise Folsing, Sec. Arthur Downer, Treas. Mary McFetridge.

New Tennis Courts

A certain amount of money was voted by the Board of Education at their last meeting for the building of two tennis courts on the school lawn. The courts are now completed with exception of the backstops which are being paid for by the High School students.

The popularity of the courts indicates that the money has been used to good advantage.

Atheletic Association

The first meeting of the Atheletic Association was held Thursday, September 20th at 12 o'clock.

Officers were elected as follows: Pres. Nathalie Shepard, Vice Pres. John Faisant, Sec. Sara Bettenger, Treas. Miss Elizabeth Latimer.

The association voted to buy a tennis net, basket ball, suits for Boy's Basket Ball Team and ties and socks for the girls' team.

Dues for the ensuing year will be fifty cents per member.

Junior Meeting

The first meeting of the Junior Class was held at the school Friday, September 14th. Officers were elected as follows:

President Nathalie Shepard, Vice President Wayland Livermore, Sec. and Treas. Mary McFetridge.

It was decided that the class should get their rings the first term. Samples have arrived and the choice is being made.

YOUNG PEOPLE WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

A Young People's Conference under the auspices of the Young People's Division of the Allegany County Bible School Association will be held in the Houghton College chapel at Houghton, Sunday afternoon and evening, Oct. 7 for all young people of the churches of the county, especially those north of Belmont.

Sacred song services, with special music, conferences on organized young people's class work and their class activities, short addresses by representative young people on "Young People and the Church and the Church School," and inspirational addresses on character, formation and the choice of life work by Rev. C. W. Flewelling of the Christian Temple church, Wellsville, will be features of the program.

The young people of Houghton will entertain for supper those from out of town who remain for the evening session.

TESS OF THE STORM

Mary Pickford's latest picture will be shown at the Babcock Theatre, Wellsville, N. Y., on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, Sept. 30th, Oct. 1st and 2nd. No Matinee on Sunday. Matinees Monday and Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. Evening shows at 7 and 9:15.

Admission: Adults 25c, children 15c.

Letter From Dr. J. P. Cleary

Conditions as They Exist in Germany To-day, as Seen by an Andover Man who is There.—The German Mark and its Intrinsic Value.

Paris, Sept. 7, 1923.

Friend Backus:
After being without sleep for almost two nights and two days I was more than tired when the train arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, about nine o'clock in the morning.

By ten o'clock I was in bed, and on arising the next day at ten o'clock, after a siesta of about 24 hours, I thought about Rip Van Winkle after his long sleep. My face had a three-days growth of whiskers, something unusual for me, and I hardly knew myself after looking in the mirror. My appetite was immense, but I did not have a solitary cent of money—that is German money.

The first place I steered for was a bank, where, when I asked for \$20.00 worth of German money in 100 mark notes the cashier presented me with a pile of bills almost half the size of a bale of hay.

"What is this?" I asked.
"It is money," he replied.

"Well," said I, "a wheelbarrow will be necessary to carry that."
"Yes," rejoined the cashier, with a smile, "but you asked for \$20.00 worth of 100 mark notes, if you will permit me, I would suggest you take 50,000 mark notes, 100 mark notes are practically worthless."

On leaving the bank I had 8,000,000 German marks. Before the war that sum was equal to two million dollars in Uncle Sam's money. It gives one a funny feeling to be suddenly transformed into a multimillionaire; ideas of grandeur, power, luxury, distinction, ease, philanthropy and what not ran thru my mind, but, of course, those notions soon vanished, for Germany at the present time is a land of uncertainty and frenzied finance.

It requires a lot of marks to live. From the bank I made a bee-line for a restaurant, where for a cup of coffee, two pieces of dry toast and a sliced orange I was presented with a bill for 50,000 marks. Following that I felt thankful to the clerk for advising me to take 50,000 mark notes.

The notes were stuffed into the pockets of my coat and trousers, and, besides, had a good sized stack to carry in my hands.

The money situation in Germany is simply bewildering. The value changes from day to day. Previous to the war four German marks were equal to one American dollar, and now it takes in the neighborhood of a million or so to equal a dollar. The worth of a mark is decreasing more and more every day. One day, for instance, an omelette, cost me 100,000 marks, and the next day 150,000. To pay my bills a wad of 50,000 mark notes was kept in each pocket of my pants. These rolls were so arranged that one at a time could be easily taken out. If my bill was more than 20,000 the clerk was told to keep the change. Sums for less than three figures are practically useless.

To convey the reader a better idea of the chaotic condition of finance let me change the present prices of a few ordinary commodities to pre-war charges in American money. A street car ride costs \$2.50; for a hair cut and shave the price is \$25.00; an equal amount to have a trousers pressed, and \$250.00 daily for a room in a hotel. Transpose those amazing sums back from the present day value of German marks to American money, and it is of little consequence. For illustration, after six days of reckless spending in Frankfurt for taxi cabs, first class meals, theatres, treats, guide tips and other things my pockets were still bulging with marks left from the pile I bought for \$20.00.

This disorganized, uncertain, wild and inflated condition of currency is due, as every one knows, to well-planned manipulation on the part of the German government to avoid paying for the destruction she wrought during the World War.

According to the Germans their country is bankrupt and the people suffering untold misery.

If such is the case I failed to see evidence of it. On the other hand, however, I saw unusual industrial activity and but little, if any suffering.

Up to the present time, nearly five years since the termination of the war, Germany is said to have paid the Allies less than one billion dollars.

After the War of 1870 France, then an infinitely poorer nation than Germany is today, in two years paid to Germany over one and a half billion dollars in cash, in addition to the full cost of the German army of occupation, and though the whole of France had suffered severely from the German invasion.

Germany today is far better off than any of the Allies. German territory during the conflict entailed no damage. In France there were one thousand three hundred and forty churches destroyed. From that alone one can gather an idea of the proportionate destruction in other lines. The German government today has not the stupendous expense of the Allies in maintaining an enormous army and navy. It is free from internal debt.

The German people are as defiant as ever. Evidence to corroborate that may be seen daily on the street of Frankfurt, which is about ten miles from the frontier of occupied territory.

Frankfurt is a beautiful, active industrial city. One sees an unusually large number of Germans of the hardy ex-officer type. Many of these men are spies. The ex-officer type flourishes in Frankfurt in congenial surroundings. Because of its proximity to the occupied area, the city very likely is the place where organized resistance to the French, English and Belgian soldiers in the Ruhr section is planned. The train wreckers, mine destroyers, bomb planters, strike agitators, assassins and spies all get their instructions in Frankfurt. It is a cheerful and attractive place, with its spacious boulevards, gardens, impressive public buildings and varied pleasure resorts.

Square shouldered men, well dressed, their breasts usually adorned with the miniature ribbon of the Iron Cross, click their heels ceremoniously as in the days gone by when the Kaiser was looked upon as a divine person. They sit about in the hotels, conversing in undertones, and glancing suspiciously at strangers who happen to drift too

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COMMISSION URGES FEDERAL COAL CONTROL

Report Shows Great Need of Protecting Public From Gougers.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Placing the coal industry of the United States, where it enters into interstate commerce, under the control of the Interstate Commerce Commission is the outstanding recommendation of the United States Coal Commission in its final report, made public here today and signed by John Hays Hammond, chairman; Thomas R. Marshall, Clark Howell, George Otis Smith, Edward T. Devine and Charles P. Neill.

The commission says: "Both to protect the public and to promote the normal development of this great basic industry, the commission recommends the use of the powers of the Federal government over interstate commerce, recognizing that under our constitutional system a substantial part of the responsibility rests on the State and local governments and should remain there, and an even larger part on the industry itself and the public which it serves."

Agency is Needed.

"The government can act only thru administrative agencies, and it is clear that, if anything is to be done at all commensurate with the gravity of the problem, an effective agency, with sufficient funds, experience and powers at its disposal, must be charged with the direct responsibility for such regulation and supervision as is necessary."

"We believe that the logical and appropriate agency to exercise the necessary administrative and quasi-judicial functions, required for the coal industry, already exists in the Interstate Commerce Commission. We recommend the creation for this purpose of a special division in that commission."

WILL CELEBRATE 25th ANNIVERSARY

Andover Lodge No. 786 I. O. O. F.
Have Passed Quarter of a
Century.

At their regular meeting, Tuesday evening, Oct. 16. Andover Odd Fellows are to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the institution of Andover Lodge No. 786.

The committee has arranged a program which includes several selections by the I. O. O. F. band, recitations, etc.

After the program has been completed, a luncheon will be held in the dining room and a pool and penocle tournament enjoyed.

ANDOVER CITIZENS ENJOY FINE LUNCHEON

Andover Chamber of Commerce To Take on New Life is Hope of All.

An informal gathering of Andover men enjoyed a get-together luncheon at I. O. O. F. banquet hall Thursday evening of last week.

Over forty representative men were present. Luncheon was nicely served by the ladies of the Rebekah Lodge. After luncheon B. S. Burnage, president of the Andover Chamber of Commerce called the meeting to order and the following men were called upon and made speeches, J. E. Cannon, Rev. R. E. McGowan, Rev. W. H. C. Whalen, Rev. A. D. Shepard, W. F. O'Connell, A. D. Fuller and J. Harvey Backus.

A fine community spirit was evident from the first and all expressed themselves as being willing to do all they could to advance Andover.

Upon motion made and duly carried the chair was empowered to name a nominating committee, to suggest a new board of directors to the Chamber of Commerce, all the old directors term of office having expired.

President Brundage appointed as such committee, A. D. Fuller, J. E. Cannon and A. R. Baker.

One of the fine features of the gathering was the singing of some of the old songs familiar to all, led by J. P. Cannon.

Surely the meeting was worth while.

Faith in Publicity

"The regulation of commerce in coal among the several states involves the right to know the cost of its production, whether the investment on which a return is claimed is fairly estimated or inflated and what profits are made by owner, operator and dealer, and what are the earnings and working conditions of the miners."

Urges Consolidation of Miners

Consolidation grouping or pooling of bituminous mining companies is recommended as a means of securing more steady production, less speculative prices, wider use of long term contracts with consumer, better living conditions, more regular employment and lower costs. It is proposed to amend anti-trust laws to permit consolidation and to give Interstate-commerce commission the same control over financial arrangements which the commission has in the case of railroad consolidations.

The commission state that regular, systematic, large scale storage of pituminous in helping to solve the coal problem.

The purchase of coal on contract is mentioned as another way in which the public can aid in bringing about more regular mine operation and a steadier market.

H. A. INSKIP HOPES TO BE HERE AT CELEBRATION

Kenmore Has Awakened and Gone to Work. Will Andover do the Same?

The editor of the News is in receipt of the following fine letter from H. A. Inskip, a former Andover boy whom we will all remember as being a teller in Andover State Bank. It is so pertinent, coming at this time that we just have to pass it along to our readers:

Dear Friend Harvey:

Read with considerable interest your article urging Andover men to "wake up." Memories of the three years we spent in Andover, three of the most pleasant years of our lives, come often to Belle and myself, and anything of interest to Andover is of interest to us.

Your description of the dormant if not dead Chamber of Commerce, brings back memories of the many pleasant meetings this organization had while I was in Andover, and particularly that automobile outing to Keuka Lake.

Kenmore too, has a Chamber of Commerce which has, to speak kindly of it, been very inactive. About a month ago a few of the business men planned an outing, and it developed a community spirit or revived one far beyond their first expectations. While no move has been made to revive the organization, it appears to have resulted in a move for a real celebration next year, the 25th anniversary of the incorporation of our village.

With so much similarity, I thought possibly you would be interested in the plans outlined in the enclosed clipping, all of which has developed in about a week.

Hoping to be able to enjoy a real celebration with you in Andover next year, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

H. A. INSKIP

DAY IS PASSED FOR HIT AND MISS FARMING.

Secretary Hamilton Tells of Big Increase in Vocational Farming.

Albany, Sept. There has been a big increase in this country in the number of students taking up vocational agriculture. This was revealed by Secretary James A. Hamilton in speeches this week at county fairs in Richfield Springs, Binghamton and Bath. In 1918, a total of 609 schools were teaching vocational agriculture. By last year, this number had grown to 2,175, pupils increasing from 15,543 to over 60,000.

Secretary Hamilton is firm in his belief that one of the best solutions to present day problems of the farmer is specialized education. He is backing up his statement by figures from the State Department of Education showing how much greater is the farm profit to the man who has availed himself of a course in the state's agricultural schools. The day of farming in a hit or miss manner, according to Secretary Hamilton is a thing of the past.

This is a good time to sell farm land. And most sales of farms are brought about through classified ads.

MONARCH

The Goods of Quality

Canned Goods

Catsup

Coffee

Give These a Fair Trial

MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS