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SHALL WE PAY FOR BRIDGE IN TWO OR FIVE YEARS?

ITALIAN GIVES HIS IMPRESSIONS OF AMERICA

GERARD CIMONE IS INTERESTING GUEST

Tells of Success of Mussolini Government in Italy Working Hard.

Mr. Gerard Cimone, who is the guest of Leonard Ruscitti, gave the News an interesting interview this week, and explained to us the impressions of our country, gained by a foreigner only a few weeks with us. He landed in America, Jan. 24, 1924.

Mr. Cimone is a very bright, intelligent Italian, and comes to America to work in his profession, that of civil engineer. He is an old schoolmate of Mr. Ruscitti, whom Andover people have learned to like immensely. They were boyhood chums, coming from the same town in Italy.

In his visit with the writer, Mr. Cimone said that the impressions he had received of America were a revelation to him. He sees America a big country, perfectly organized, with a great heart and a big brain. It seemed wonderful that a country that was so efficient in fighting, was also efficient in its civil life, well organized and prosperous, when the other countries participating in the war had scarcely begun the work of reconstruction. He says that he can account for this wonderful organization of government in no other way than that in America everybody works. Even the rich are hard at work in America, building up and developing her resources.

Mr. Cimone feels that when he can become a naturalized American citizen, having already taken out his first papers, it will be the greatest honor of his life. He sees the great possibilities of our natural resources, our wonderful mechanism, our hydro-electric power, and the genius of our people, all working together cannot help but develop America to an extent not possible to any other country. These natural resources, together with the ambition of our people to develop them, are the first characteristics of America standing out most prominently to the man coming for the first time from Europe. He gives to this new land of his adoption his most gracious salutation, because of its marvelous generosity.

Having done his duty courageously by his mother country in the great war, he is now prepared to do and to give to America the best there is in him, and will always do what he believes to be the right, as he always did in Italy.

In speaking of Italy and its affairs, Mr. Cimone was enthusiastic in his support of the Mussolini regime. In the world war, Italy lost, in killed 700,000 and in wounded over a million of her best young blood. He said that in the years 1919 to 1922, Italy had a very weak government, which was under the control of the Communist Party, which tried in every possible way to turn the country over to the revolutionists, and bolsheviks. But against this arose the Fascista party, which was mostly composed of the World War veterans. They had saved Italy at the time of the great World War, and now found themselves face to face with the problem of saving Italy, from herself. Mussolini, a wonderful leader, headed this movement, and with his iron fist and indomitable will, organized these valiant young war heroes. After getting control of the government, they instituted a most rigid discipline in all civic, military and other lines. The people seemed to want to do little work and receive big pay. Mussolini told them that it would be impossible to ever reconstruct Italy on those lines. They must give hard and conscientious work for small wages if they expected to get their country back on a prosperous basis.

Mussolini immediately put all the people to work on an eight hour basis. He kicked out all the incompetents and officered every department of the government with men qualified to do the work assigned them, and now has a most loyal people, and now has a most loyal people.

WILL CELEBRATE 100 ANNIVERSARY

Decision Reached at Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Monday evening.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Andover Chamber of Commerce, held at Village Hall, Friday evening last, much important business was disposed of.

Among the other matters definitely settled, was the celebration of the 100 anniversary of the organization of the Town of Andover.

It was decided to have a series of their meetings to help plan the celebration with the Chamber of Commerce. These meetings will comprise the committee of general arrangements.

Secretary Fuller will send requests to each society within a few days for the appointment of this committee.

It was the general feeling among the directors that Labor Day would be the best and most appropriate day for this celebration.

operation with the people. He is very severe in the punishment of the one who disobeys or shows disloyalty. He found the Italian government nine billion dollars in debt and after only one year has been able to reduce the indebtedness one billion dollars. Everything, says Mr. Cimone, is in a very flourishing condition in Italy today. The government runs its own railroads and is now proposing to electrify them. A new invention has been discovered and is being put in operation in Italy. A gas engine is put in the tenders of the locomotives and set to pumping air. This compressed air is then sent thru the cylinders of the locomotive instead of steam and develops wonderful power. They expect to equip all railroads with this marvelous mechanism within two years, at a cost of \$8,000,000.

The Italian government is very progressive today, looking well after all the interest of its people. They are cleaning up the plague spots, making malarial districts healthful. They have a fine system of improved highways, and are giving the schools and all educational institutions their very best support. A national school system has been developed in Italy and all favoritism in examinations has been abolished, every scholar having his standing gained only upon the merit system. The communist party had abolished all religious instruction in the public schools, but Mussolini has made religious instruction a requirement in all schools of the state.

Mr. Cimone says Italy today wants peace. Wants to rehabilitate her country. In her efforts to bring about this condition she has made peace treaties with Russia, Spain and Juvo-Slav, on a peace basis, and Italy today respects the rights of all other countries.

All Italians with Mussolini at its head, bears great respect for Americans and Americans, because of their spirit of generosity and also because it has become the home of so many of her sons, who are working to better the condition of both countries.

All Americans going to Italy are given a warm welcome, more so than is accorded any other people. They endeavor to show the true Italian heart and its warmth of affection toward the great, generous people who sacrificed to help them when they were in need of a friend, and saved Italy.

Mr. Cimone wanted the News to impress upon the American people that they should not judge the Italian people solely by those who come here from Italy, especially those who come here to work as laborers in constructing our railroads and highways. He says a true conception of the quality of the Italian people can only be had by going to Italy and becoming acquainted with her people, as they are at home.

The United States and Italy both have great aspiration for their people, and this should bring about a fraternal feeling and relation, that will be of wonderful lasting benefit to the human race.

THAT IS THE QUESTION UP TO THE TAX-PAYERS

Bridge Will be Built. Manner of Payment is What the Voters Will Decide at Special Election Tuesday.

As will be seen in another column of this issue of the News, there is to be a special election for the Town of Andover, next Wednesday, April 2, for the purpose of deciding whether the town of Andover will construct a new cement bridge over Dykes Creek at Stearns Crossing.

This bridge is going to be built anyway. That was decided last year. The Town Board of the Town of Andover have already expressed themselves to the state authorities that they would build this bridge. The Town Board signed the contract with the state to build the bridge with available funds or funds to be furnished by a vote of the taxpayers. Otherwise the improved road would not have been let.

If the proposition carries, the cost will be divided into five equal annual payments. If it is voted down, the state will, without doubt, condemn the old bridge. The road will be built this summer with a 500 foot gap where the new bridge should be, and the town of Andover will then be obliged to build not only a new bridge, and pay for it in two years, but also 500 feet of cement road to fill in the gap left by the contractors.

The cost to the tax payers will be a trifle. In the first place the bridge will be built for about \$10,000, instead of the engineer's estimate of \$15,000. The assessed valuation of the town of Andover was \$1,744,714 last year. To raise \$15,000 it will be seen that the cost will be but \$1.16 1-4 on a thousand dollars valuation. If divided into five payments it will be less than 20 cents a thousand a year.

Is it not worth the money to live on an eighteen foot wide concrete highway. Surely Andover people will keep abreast of the other towns on the line, and give their consent for this bridge, and not place their Town Board in a position where they will be obliged to build the bridge over the heads of the voters.

In a letter to attorney C. L. Earley, the Town Council, County Superintendent Craig writes:

Canaseraga, N. Y., March 22, 1924. Crayton L. Earley, Attorney, Andover, New York. Dear Sir:—

I understand that you have prepared the papers and have given legal advice in connection with the special election to vote an appropriation for a new bridge over Dykes Creek. I am firmly convinced that the legal end of this transaction is in very able hands, but I wish to offer a bit of information regarding the facts which come entirely outside the legal aspect.

Before a road improvement contract is let by the State Bureau of Highways, all bridges on the road to be covered by the improvement are inspected by State and Federal department engineers, the following data arrived at and reported to the Albany office:

Length of span required. Width of roadway. Nature of repairs to existing structure. New construction when necessary. Resolutions are then prepared by the State Highway Bureau in accordance with the recommendations of the engineers, and these resolutions are forwarded to the Town Board of the town in which the work is proposed to be done. Unless these resolutions are passed

Rude Rural Rhymes

WALT MASON

I hail with love and admiration, the lineless verse of Walter Mason. He was the first such rhymes to shoot; the rest of us have followed suit. He's gentled down that flighty cuss, by olden Greeks called Pegasus, who still has fifty-seven galts but uses plain United States, and trots along for working gents on Kansas pikes of common sense. From all the flights he used to take in search of Art for Art's own sake, he's settled down to wear a halter and do the work of Walt for Walter. No Helicon the poet uses to lodge his home-bred, cornfed muses. They furnish him with song and story from level lands about Empory. But the scenery he flut, his poetry is far from that. He shakes his mighty sides with laughter, yet flays our faults before and after. The meanness that we hide away, he drags into the light of day, and makes some comments pert and pat for all mankind to snigger at, till every sin for mercy begs and pokes its tail between its legs. Where'er he finds a rhyme he takes it, and if there be no rhyme he makes it. O let me rise like Walter Mason and versify the whole creation.

—BOB ADAMS

GARDNER—GLEASON

Mrs. Enna Gardner and George Gleason, both of this village were united in marriage, Thursday, March 27, at Perry, N. Y., by the pastor of the Baptist Church of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Gleason will visit friends and relatives at Perry, Mt. Morris, and vicinity for a few days, returning home the first of next week.

Their many friends wish them much happiness.

GEORGE ELWELL WILL SPEAK ON TAXATION

FOUR MILLIONS FOR T. B. CATTLE

Senate Finance Committee Held Hearing at Albany Wednesday.

E. R. Crandall was in Albany Wednesday afternoon, representing the Allegany County Farm Bureau, the Allegany County Agricultural Committee and the Allegany Breeders' Association, at a hearing before the Senate Finance Committee on the bill appropriating indemnity for condemned tuberculosis cattle.

After the hearing the Senate Finance Committee reported favorable a bill appropriating one million dollars to complete the 1923 fiscal year, ending July 1, and four million dollars for the next year July 1, 1924 to July 1, 1925.

The farmers of the state were well represented. Every county but one having representatives present. Two having representatives present. The organizations are taking care of their interests of their members.

Sudden Death of Mrs. Mary Warfield

Andover people were deeply grieved upon hearing of the death of Mrs. Mary Warfield, Wednesday morning at her home on Greenwood street.

Mrs. Warfield had been ill but a short time and her condition not considered serious until a short time before her death.

Funeral services will be held this (Friday) afternoon from the home at 1:30 and at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock.

Anderson Refused New Trial Goes to State Prison

New York, March 24.—William H. Anderson, dry leader and former state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York, convicted last January of forgery, today lost his long fight to keep out of jail.

At noon tomorrow, his counsel said, he will surrender himself to the sheriff in the Tombs. Within a few hours he will be on his way to Sing Sing prison, where he will be held pending a higher court decision on an appeal from his conviction.

The key that unlocked the prison gate to Anderson was a decision handed down by Supreme Court Justice Wagner who denied the former league head a motion for a certificate for reasonable doubt. This automatically cancelled the \$5,000 bond under which Anderson has been at liberty since his indictment by the grand jury last July. He was sentenced to a term from one to two years in prison by Supreme Court Justice Tompkins February 8.

Fairly Convicted. Justice Wagner submitted a review of the case which filled twenty-three typewritten pages and noted decisions in scores of cases to uphold his contention that Anderson had been fairly convicted and that

Comment Refused. Anderson had no comment to make on Justice Wagner's decision. The forgery charge was based upon the testimony of O. B. Phillips, former fund solicitor for the league, that Anderson had ordered a falsification of the league books to conceal payment to him of \$4,400, half of Phillips' commission for the year 1920. Phillips charged that the league superintendent had compelled him to "split" all commissions in excess of \$10,000 annually.

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