

## BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ALLEGANY COUNTY W. C. T. U.

### WAS ORGANIZED IN ANDOVER IN 1880

#### Tribute Paid to Some of the Old County Leaders in Temperance Reform.

Following is a brief history of the organization of the Allegany County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, prepared by Jennie M. Baker of Angelica:

In looking up the history of our county organization, we find that it was established under the name of The Allegany County Woman's Temperance Union, and its object was to lend its influence against intemperance because of the fact that women were the greatest sufferers from this evil.

The first names subscribed to the articles of the constitution were received at Andover, January 28, 1880 and numbered nineteen ladies, among whom we find names which afterward became conspicuous in the work of the Union. We will mention only three representative women, viz.: Mrs. N. V. Hull, Mrs. H. M. Barker, and Mrs. V. A. Willard, names which to many of us are household words.

At Friendship, July 20, of the same year, 29 more members were added. At Cuba, the following February ten regular and two honorary members were received. These first hono- raries were D. B. Gill and Rev. V. A. Sage, both of Cuba.

November 15th of the same year, at Andover, six regular and three honorary members were received. I noted that while regular members paid 50 cents as membership, the hono- raries paid \$1.00.

At the first County Convention, the minutes of which are recorded, which was the meeting held in And- over in January 1880, an informal meeting was called with Mrs. H. M. Barker of Friendship in the chair and Mrs. V. A. Willard of Belmont acted as secretary. The exercises were opened by prayer by Mrs. N. V. Hull and Mrs. Barker. Brief re- marks were made by Mrs. Hull, Mrs. D. G. Bradley, Mrs. Dr. W. W. Cran- dall and Mrs. V. A. Willard. The Constitution was then presented. This constitution was prepared by Mrs. B. C. Rude of Wellsville and was adopted with one amendment, which provided that the payment of the fifty cent fee should not be a re- quisite to membership.

An Executive Committee was then appointed consisting of Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Rude, Mrs. Hull, Mrs. A. Cort of Wellsville and Mrs. Willard. At the close of this meeting there was \$6.54 in the hands of the treas- urer. In this financial report men- tion is made of a convention having been held in Friendship in July 1879 but as no officers were elected no minutes preserved, it must have been merely preliminary.

At the next convention which was held in Friendship, we notice that the fifty cent fee was again made a requisite for membership. At this meeting Mrs. B. C. Rude was elected president with Mrs. Barker as vice president. Mrs. Yale of Stan- ards Corners and Mrs. Nash of Cuba were added to the executive com- mittee. In the evening Mrs. Rude addressed the citizens and especial- ly the fathers who were present. This address is described as probably the most able address of the kind ever delivered in the county.

Prohibition law enforcement and the election of officers sympathetic with the temperance cause were the keynotes of this meeting. It was also earnestly recommended that young men form themselves into Anti-Treat Societies and that young ladies be earnestly invited to co- operate in this work in the cause of temperance.

Already the organization had be- gun to prosper, for within the year there was more than \$20 dollars in the treasury.

New names began to appear on the various committees as the mem- bership and work enlarged.

Advocacy of county wide prohibi- tion was approved. Unfermented wines for sacramental purposes were recommended, and that cider be included in all total abstinence pled- ges, and fathers and husbands and brothers were entreated to abandon the use of tobacco. Even in those early days of the organization pre- natal influences was a subject of serious convictions.

At the Andover convention in 1881, Mrs. E. J. Potter of Alfred Center, was elected president with Mrs. W. Wisler of Cuba, vice-presi-

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### U. S. Army Heroes and Planes in First Round the World Flight



"On, on" was the spark that burned in Lieut. Lowell Smith's heart when Commander Martin was lost in Alaskan mountains. With five fellow airmen the three planes turned west—ever west—and now they sail home from the East—the first air flight around this world of ours an actual accomplishment. These are the men (lower left, right to left) who have made history. Sergt. Ogden, Lt. E. H. Nelson, Sergt. Murner, Lt. Leigh Wade, Lt. Lowell H. Smith, in command, and Lt. John Harding, Jr.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF ANDOVER SCHOOL

#### Following is the Financial Statement for Year 1923-24.

Receipts of School District No. 1, Town of Andover, from July 5, 1923, to July 15, 1924:	
Balance on hand July 5, 1923	\$ 2,949.98
Public money from super- visors	3,854.58
Amount raised by taxation	8,990.07
Academic quota	800.00
Non-resident tuition from state	833.88
Tuition	48.00
Amount deducted by Board of Education from teachers' salaries for retirement fund	184.00
From County Treasurer	58.67
Total receipts	\$17,719.18
Balance on hand July 15, 1924	\$ 1,359.40
Disbursements July 5, 1923 to July 15, 1924.	
General Control	
Secretary's salary	\$ 50.00
Secretary's supplies	13.00
Compulsory education	50.00
Census enumeration	10.00
Other expense	23.01
Total	\$146.01
Instructional Service	
Principal's salary	\$ 2,000.00
Teachers' salaries:	
Elizabeth Latimer	1,500.00
Ella B. Wright	1,350.00
Emmett Dawson	1,100.00
Edith M. Thorne	1,150.00
Annette Taylor	1,100.00
Nora McAndrew	1,075.00
Ruth Taylor	1,075.00
Mary Snyder	940.63
Nellie Monaghan	134.37
Floye Lever	177.55
Supplies	67.44
Other expense of instruction	62.86
Text books	69.57
Commencement exercises	
Total	\$12,877.42
Operation of School Plant	
Janitor's salary	\$ 750.00
Fuel	733.68
Water	27.80
Light	40.89
Janitor's supplies	37.82
Other expense of operation	9.26
Total	\$1,599.39
Maintenance of Plant	
Material for roof	\$576.69
Labor on roof	160.65
Repair and replacement of furniture	10.75
Repair and replacement of equipment	29.35
Other expense of maintenance	73.28
Total	\$850.72
Fixed Charges	\$67.25
Insurance	
Capital Outlay	
Furniture, chairs	\$ 75.58
Laboratory equipment	199.72
Electric lights	10.70
Material and labor for gymnasium ceiling	126.00
Total	\$412.00
Auxiliary Agencies	
Tennis courts	\$ 50.00
Song books	23.85
Medical inspection	76.75
Nurse service	195.00
Fumigation	44.59

### Westward Ho, and Home Again Triumph of First Flight Around the World to American Airmen

Mitchell Field, L. I., N. Y., July 23.—Weary of body but with the pride of conquest in their hearts, America's intrepid air forces are again on United States soil and com- pleting their tour of the world by air. Like a page from Jules Verne or the Arabian Nights, their story is one of adventure unequalled in his- tory. It remained for the Ameri- can Army, in keeping with its tradi- tions, to accomplish this remark- able feat.

Six army officers, Lieuts. Smith, Wade, Nelson and Harding and Ser- geant Ogden and Murner formed the squadron which has broken all records for long distance flying. They have traveled almost 25,000 miles, visiting places where white man had seldom set foot and the air- plane was unknown.

#### Another Flying Record to U. S. Airmen

Starting at Santa Monica, near Los Angeles, California, they jour- neyed north thru Alaska and Si- beria, south thru Japan and China and west thru India and Turkey. Crossing Europe with stops at Vi- enna, Paris, London and Brough, they jumped across the Atlantic to Ice- land and Greenland thence to Can- ada and landed on American soil at Mitchell, Field, Long Island. The last leg of their journey will take them back to the starting point at Santa Monica. The elapsed time

was less than five months while the actual flying time represented the greatest speed at which man has ever travelled for sustained periods.

Major Martin, commanding the squadron when it left Santa Monica, was forced to abandon the flight when his plane was dashed against a mountain in Alaska and he and his observer narrowly escaped death. They were missing for days but was finally rescued and he returned to his wife, who had given him up for lost.

#### New Dangers to Face in Every Land

Constantly facing unknown dan- gers the fliers never faltered. From sandstorms in India to the biting cold of the Arctic the airmen expe- rienced hardship and privation al- most beyond belief. On one occa- sion they were forced to fly thru mountain defiles so narrow that the wings of their planes actually scraped the rocky sides. One false move spelled certain death.

Lieut. Howell Smith, who com- manded the squadron after Major Martin's accident, flew from Asia across Europe and the Atlantic Ocean suffering from a broken rib. No amount of persuasion would in- duce him to abandon the flight.

The successful completion of this globe-encircling flight goes down in history as the most daring exploit of modern times, and again finds Ameri- can airmen first in a great achieve- ment.

#### Harvest Bulletins

For the second year the Andover News is furnishing the people of this vicinity thru the Allegany Mutual Telephone company the special Harvest Weather Bulletins pre- pared especially for Western New York by the U. S. Weather Bureau at Ithaca.

These bulletins are sent direct to the Andover News from Ithaca at about 10:30 A. M., and cover a pe- riod of three days and proving of much value to all whose work is at all dependable upon the weather.

This special bulletin will be con- tinued until after harvest is over.

Telephone direct to the Andover central and our obliging operators will gladly read to you the harvest bulletin every day in the week ex- cept Sunday.

#### W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. picnic will be held Friday, August 8th. A more extended notice will be given later.

Other expense of health service 16.80

Total \$406.99

Total disbursements \$16,359.78

Balance on hand 1,359.40

Total \$17,719.18

FLOYE G. LEVER, Secretary.

JOHN E. CANNON, Treasurer.

#### Mrs. Hiram D. Smith

Mrs. Mary B. Smith was born April 23, 1848 in Andover, N. Y., daughter of the late Robert and Delaney Green Boyd and died at her home on Maple street, this village, Monday, July 20, 1924.

Some weeks ago Mrs. Smith un- dergoed a surgical operation from which, for a time, she rallied and hopes were entertained of her re- storation to health. For the past two weeks her condition had been criti- cal.

Deceased is survived by her hus- band, Hiram D. Smith, and three sons, Frank of Paulding, Ohio, Raymond of Altona, Pa., and Fred Smith of Andover, one sister, Mrs. Ida Baker and one brother, Thomas Boyd, both of Andover.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. G. Chapman Jones of Hor- nell from the home, Tuesday after- noon, July 22nd, with interment in Hillside cemetery.

#### Frank Searles

Frank Searles died Monday morn- ing July 21 after an illness of seven weeks at the home of H. W. Boyd. Mr. Searles was seventy years of age and a resident of Oramel and Belfast. A sister, Mrs. Elmer of Oramel survives. The body was taken to Belfast Wednesday for funeral and burial.

The people who would buy what you would like to sell—or who would sell what you'd like to buy—are, of course, readers of the classified ads.

## MUSCLE SHOALS IS CURE FOR WAR, SAYS FORD

### Famous Manufacturer Points to the Possi- bilities of Producing Nitrates for War Beyond Anything Ever Known.

New York, July 23.—Henry Ford believes great wars can be ended by the United States wielding the big stick. In an interview with Samuel Crowther in Collier's, the National Weekly, for July 26th, Mr. Ford de- clares that potential nitrate produc- tion of Muscle Shoals will make the United States independent of Chil- ean nitrate and able to manufacture high explosives on a colossal scale, undreamed of by munitions manu- facturers, and thus "develop war power beyond anything that has ever been known. In the interests of peace," he declares, "it seems that we shall have to do it."

Mr. Ford states that war is not inevitable. "The world does not seem to be tired of war in spite of the fact that everybody lost and nobody won in the last war. Peo- ple are still thinking that force and force alone, is important, and they are going to go on thinking in that way until a force appears which makes the biggest forces they can muster trivial in comparison." He believes that force is latent in Mus- cle Shoals, and that it can and must be developed unless an enormous emergency expenditure is to be to- tally scrapped.

#### "Boosting Nitrate Prices a Poor, Petty Business."

"Our bid for Muscle Shoals," he says, "has been talked about a good deal, but we have not been doing the talking." He adds that his in- terest in Muscle Shoals was that of preserving a national asset of vital value in a future national emer- gency, and that if there is a better way of developing the project than the one he suggested it ought to be adopted.

He describes the boosting of the price of nitrates for agricultural use as "poor, petty business," and that

nitrate profits could be readily mul- tiplied by selling nitrate products to the farmers as cheaply as possible.

"Petty larceny wars," he states, "will die out of themselves," add- ing: "We cannot prevent all war, but we can prevent great wars."

Mr. Ford believes that that po- tent instrument of war-making, the aeroplane, "can be commercially de- veloped as soon as they (airplanes) are taken up in a commercial way." Ground at Dearborn has been given over to an aviation field. "As soon as we know as much about them as we do about automobiles—and that will not be long—then they can be built by the thousands or by the millions," he declares.

#### It's Power vs. Power Not Right Against Might

"International justice is very apt to be power balanced against power, instead of right balanced against right," and Mr. Ford believes that the "queer combination" of banking and business abroad, which he says is not commonly the case in Ameri- ca, results in war as a contest for markets. "The home market is our chief concern," he concludes. "We have no temptation to make war for trade purposes."

In the same interview in Col- lier's, Mr. Ford refers to the recent oil investigation and its disclosures, asserting that "No people other than our own would have kicked up such a fuss. The worst evidence that has been turned up concerns action which in many countries could be taken as a matter of course. They expect their politicians to act that way. These investigations would scarcely have been started even in this country twenty or thirty years back. We shall have nothing to fear so long as political rascality is exposed."

## ANDOVER CELEBRATION HAS BEEN CALLED OFF

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the celebra- tion of the One Hundredth Anniv- ersary of the founding of the Town of Andover met at the And- over Free Library Wednesday eve- ning and voted to cancel all arrange- ments made and abandon the cele- bration entirely.

This action on the part of the committee is final, and puts a com- plete stop to the celebration. This will be very unwelcome news to many hundreds of former Andover people who were planning to come here in September and help us celebrate our one hundredth birth- day. After the report of the chair- man of the Finance and Entertain- ment committees, it was decided that under the circumstances it was not possible to proceed, as it was

impossible to procure the use of the Auditorium at anything but on a prohibitive commission basis. In fact, the management absolutely re- fused to rent the Auditorium at any set price.

Therefore the celebration is called off entirely.

#### Origin of Oath

The custom of swearing on the Bible comes from the ancient Jews, who, at first, in taking oaths, touch- ed small cases containing strips of parchment on which were inscribed texts from the Old Testament.

#### Closing Notice

Our blacksmith shops will close hereafter at noon Saturday. Mortimer Driscoll J. A. O'Leary.

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