

THE ANDOVER NEWS

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Everybody fights but Uncle.

Vera Cruz is on the map again.

Mexico is sh. on foot ditto brains.

Mr. Bryan warns Americans to leave Mexico. Walking is good, you know.

The greatest puzzle of the century is, "How many presidents has Mexico?"

Drug users have suddenly sprung into prominence as a drug on the market.

The professional kicker kicks at everything in sight and dents nothing but himself.

If a man talks too much he is a gossip. If he talks too little he is a clam. Poor man!

"Letting good enough alone" is all right, but it never gets you to the top of the ladder.

If you haven't that dollar you owe us handy, just bring around an ounce or two or wheat.

Work will fill the stomach, but more work will fill both stomach and pocketbook. Step lively!

A good wife and a good smoke are enough to soften the hardness of any man's disposition.

Too bad! Dear old Congress quit and went home and we clear forgot to comment on the joyful fact.

When a man wants a thing he wants it mighty bad, and when he don't want it at all he often wants it anyway.

It may be true that there is nothing new under the sun, but there are a lot of funny things flirting around in the shadows.

Germany is to grow potatoes along the right of way of railroads. In this country the railroads would hog all of the potatoes.

"Hello, Bill! Is your foot in good condition?" "You bet." "Then kick yourself."

If the rest of the European countries get the itch and jump into the scrap, we won't have to bother about the immigration question for the next few weeks.

American women are wearing military frocks this season, and American men are trying to steer as clear of European "fashions" as honor and common sense will permit.

The time is rapidly approaching when Uncle Sam will have to take the Mexican across his knee and administer a good sound spanking - provided the official spanker is not out of repair.

The handsomest, keenest and most brilliant man in this community owes us a dollar on subscription, and we are expecting him to favor us, with an early calf. (That ought to bring 'em all in.)

When you see a young blood racing down the street with wildness in his eye, and his mane floating in the breeze, and a pair of elephant's feet held firmly in his grasp, do not become alarmed and phone for the police. It is only the return of the base ball fever and will run its course by the time snow flies again.

Congress has made Colonel Goethals a major-general for his work in digging the Panama canal. And we'd just like to know why in Heck some people are always falling into soft snags while us men of brains have to peg away ten hours a day diggin up a few nickels for short-cake. This old world has sure slipped a cog.

THE GOSSIPS

What is a Gossip? Webster tells us that a gossip is a person who runs about telling and hearing news.

But Webster was a chivalrous gentleman, and times have changed since his day. His definition of gossip has become weak and lacking in descriptive force.

But common consent is more up-to-date, more accurate and just in its verdict and by common consent the professional gossip has been designated as a thing in human shape with more mouth than brains.

The small town gossip can do more harm in one hour than a whole community of people can overcome in a lifetime of effort.

The gossip is the breeder of scandal, the wrecker of reputations and the blighter of hopes.

The gossip is the buzzard of society, the bane of humanity and the advance agent of the devil.

The gossip has but one creed, and that is the crucifixion of innocence and the perpetuation of infamy.

The tongue of the gossip is so forked it would bring the blush of shame to the face of that other reptile of the split tongue species—the snake.

The gossip lives up to revel in the slime of insinuations and innuendoes and calumnies.

Scandal is the bread of life to the gossip, and the greatest desire and most intense longing of the professional is for "more gossip."

The stock-in-trade of the gossip is like the rainbow—it has no end. It just keeps on going and enlarging, and crucifying until it blights everything it encounters.

It is like the breath of hell upon the fair cheek of an angel.

The gossip's tongue begins to wag in the morning, wags all day, keeps on wagging into the night, and, like caecarets—wags while you sleep.

The gossip construes the idle pastime of the innocent maiden into the intrigues of a subtle and poisoned brain.

If a man looks twice at a woman, the gossip rips his character to shreds and nails his hide to the wall of obloquy.

The gossip meddles in the private affairs of everybody within reach of the vitriolic tongue, peers behind the curtains of every home, and erects skeletons in closets where none exist.

The tongue of the gossip is the most poisonous and deadly instrument of torture in existence, for it has no regard for truth, veracity, or for human suffering.

The poisonous reptile strikes, and inflicts a mercilessly quick death.

But the gossip maims, and lacerates and crucifies until the human soul is seared with its burden of agony.

When God created the heavens and the earth He inflicted humanity with the presence of snakes and other slimy and oozy and pestiferous and ororiferous objects of loathing.

And He also inflicted us with the gossip—for what reason only He in His superior wisdom can tell.

Is there a hereafter for the gossip? And if so, WITKIE IS IT?

Heaven won't have them, and hell don't want them.

Are they to pass down through the ages of eternity as a people without a final place of abode?

Or are they, like the reptile, a thing without a soul?

The question is too deep for the human mind to solve, but perhaps the gossip can tell.

WHY PEOPLE READ THE ADVERTISEMENTS

Suddenly ask twenty people why they read the advertisements in this paper every week, and fifteen out of the twenty will probably hesitate, and stammer, and become more or less embarrassed before they can call to mind the "Real Reason" why they read the ads.

People buy this paper and read it for two very simple reasons—they want to know the news of their home community, and they want to know of the commercial advantages that are placed before them each week in its advertising columns.

This paper goes out each week to an enlightened people—to a people who are accustomed to think and act for themselves—to a people who know exactly what they want, "and want to know where they can get it."

Hence the natural course for them to pursue in their search for information is to turn to the advertising columns of the paper.

The live merchant knows this—recognizes the fact that he is catering to a people of high mental attainments, and shapes his business policy to meet their commercial desires.

Such merchants live and prosper, and "grow with the community."

Their advertisements are constantly placing the desirability of their goods before the buyer, and the merchant is thus brought into contact with the buyer through the medium of his advertisement.

The information contained in the advertisement saves the buyer the time of chasing from place to place in search of some article of which he stands in need.

It thus becomes a time saver to the buyer, and an impulse spurs him on to a constant perusing of the advertising pages of the paper.

This habit of reading the advertisements is growing upon the people day by day, for the public realizes that it is the one and only sure means of reducing the "killing of time" to a minimum.

These are strenuous days, and time is money, and the well written advertisement becomes a thing of great value to the consumer as well as to the seller.

And of late years the consumer has become educated up to the standard of "expecting" the merchant who wants his trade to talk to him through the medium of his advertisement in the local paper.

And the merchant who talks thusly DOES THE BUSINESS.

GROUND LIME STONE \$1.50 BULK - BAGS \$2.50 WRITE FOR FREIGHT RATES ROCK-CUT STONE CO. 531 Union Bldg., Syracuse, N. Y.

COMMUNICATED

Ed. News: Two of the most frequent suggestions made to consumers are "Patronize home industries" and "Don't trade out of town."

But are they? Not long ago we overheard a merchant's wife admit that her new garment came from out-of-town. She evidently forgot the criticisms made by her husband on others who followed her example.

Now we come to the real object of our communication, does Andover need a bakery? If so, it should receive the undivided support of the community. The bread baskets from out-of-town concerns should only be available after the "home industry" failed to supply the demand.

We can't keep a bakery in Andover if out-of-town bake shops are receiving first support.

We can't keep a bakery in Andover if our different organizations resort to "Bake Sales" to help raise money, and such affairs should not be patronized. When a church supper or a banquet requires fresh rolls or other baking, it would be much handier and perhaps more satisfactory to be able to go to the "home bakery" instead of ordering (through a merchant) from some out-of-town shop.

If the merchant must sell bread he should supply his customers with bread "Made in Andover" or else cut out the side line entirely, and give the home man such a show as he asks for himself. "Patronize Home Industries."

CONSUMER

Auditorium Saturday Night Special Five Reel Program

The Great Revolutionary Story of Francis Marion

"THE SWAMP FOX"

in three parts will be a treat. Saturday night that all should enjoy.

Two other Laughing Comedies will also be shown, making a program of five reels.

Prices as Usual--5 and 10c

The Auditorium March 29 Thursday Evening

Sara Ruth Bates and Company

Miss Sarah Ruth Bates and her Company supporting artists are offered for the fourth season with but one change in the personnel. They are adding this year to their already varied program consists of Reading, Sketch, Their present program consists of Reading, Cello Solos, Violin Solos, Instrumental, Trio, Lady Quartet, Costume Songs and a Sketch.

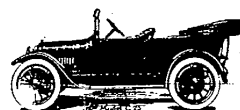
This most excellent company is offered by the Home Enterprise Co. as the last number on the season's course.

PERSONNEL

Sara Ruth Bates, Reader Josephine Curtis, Violinist Edna Childress, Soprano Frances Parkinson, Cello

Seat Sale 9:00 A.M. Wednesday at Brundage Drug Store Prices 25, 35 and 50 Cents

Buick Motor Cars



WE GUARANTEE the BUICK VALVE-IN-HEAD MOTOR to develop and deliver more power than any other type of automobile motor of the same size—American or Foreign make.

In addition to the great power of the Buick Motor it is unusually economical, giving more miles per gallon of gasoline than less powerful motors of different types.

The 1915 Buick is a beauty—graceful and aristocratic on the boulevards—but a Giant of Power when called upon.

What is true of one Buick is true of all sizes from \$900 to \$1650—Fours and Sixes

P. C. Lynch & Son Andover, N. Y.

TRY a News "Want" or "For Sale" adv. and quick results.

Good Crops are Impossible UNLESS HIGH GRADE SEED

is sown. We are offering all manner of field seeds—Timothy, Mammoth Clover, Alsike, Alfalfa, Red Top, Orchard Grass and Blue Grass, etc.—of the very highest quality, both in purity and germination.

We use every available means to insure our customers seeds that will produce the growth they have a right to expect.

Your experiment station says: "It is poor economy to use cheap seed. Cheap seed is generally low grade seed—low in germination and foul with weed seeds. Most farmers would find it to their advantage to be less particular about the price and more particular about the quality of seeds they sow."

Our Peerless Brand Timothy is especially recommended to you.

Honest in Quality



Honest in Price

GATHERED WHERE THE BEST SEED GROWS

Get in the habit of using this brand and you won't have to worry about your grass crop. Time to place your orders now—we will protect you against any decline in price.

BAKER BROTHERS "If It's Hardware We Have It"

The Burro

Condensed St... from Re... Ma...

Loans and Discou... Overdrafts U. S. Government Bonds, Securities, Fixtures Cash on Hand and Federal Reserve B... Redemption Fund

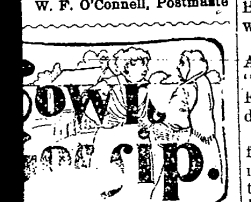
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New York

MAILS CLOSE.

Table with train schedules: Going East, Train 222, 26, 24; Going West, Train 25, 541.

W. F. O'Connell, Postmaster



gun club has been organized with fifty-three...

and Mrs. Charles D. Belmont have a son March 6th.

rs. Bonnie Clark and Leons of Wellsville were in marriage March 16th.

Love of Belvidere has the Bellamy place that village and Friend-

the little son of Robert Min- at the Hornell Hospital, he was operated upon for Bictis last Saturday.

Herk' Mills of Friendship rested last week by Hu- Officer Shaffer of Cuba- with not feeding his sufficiently.

rs. Flora B. Deming's name as one of the three in ny Co., that was made a member of the Woman's an Temperance Union.

he Edward L. Bartlett farm acres, located on the Ias- as been sold to John N. an- Armstrong of Portville for 0. The deal includes 34 of registered Holsteins, 6 all tools and machinery crops.

very pleasant evening was ed at the home of Hope Friday night. About of her friends were pres- The evening was passed music and games. after refreshments were served reported a very pleasant