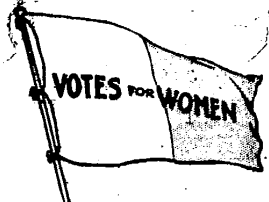


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OUR KEYNOTE:
"If There is not a Way, Cut a Way."
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Life is just one darned war after another.
Consigning rich men to hell will not keep you away.

A good way to get rid of afflictions is to forget them.

Life is short at best, and should be shorter at worst.

Girls who chew gum in public should quit aping the cow.

Old General Diaz is the best Mexican of them all. He's dead.

A good spender is frightfully sure of friends—while he spends.

The chronic fault-finder is a nuisance, but he doesn't know it.

Fortunately there is no fighting in heaven, but it is a long way off.

Some men like to appear in a class by themselves, and they are.

A man may wear a No. 8 hat and still house his brains in his heels.

Mexico City has changed masters so often we've forgotten the count.

The man who cannot control himself seldom has any others to control.

Every man knows his own good points, and the world knows his bad ones.

There's many a man of presidential timber in this country, and they know it.

Don't be afraid to tell the truth. It has never harmed better men than you.

You may have a good opinion of yourself, but the other fellow's is the one that counts.

If you want to make money work, if you want to save it, keep right on working.

A cheerful liar has the saving grace of being cheerful, but he is a liar just the same.

The difference between a wise man and a fool is that one is wise and the other is a fool, fact.

We'd trade our plug hat for a late copy of a daily newspaper that does not contain a word of war.

When a crab grabs your toe while in bathing, your thoughts immediately turn to the submarine.

With cheerfulness, energy and self-confidence, there is no great obstacle between you and success.

Say, let's make Tom Edison a general and an admiral and turn him loose on those darned chumps over in Europe.

It's a positive relief to know that we will have another presidential election, coming along soon. It will give us something new to talk about.

When you hear a man bragging about what he would do under certain conditions you may rest assured he will never catch up with those conditions.

A "matrimonial pessimist" is a woman who disposes earnestly and disparagingly on the marriage relation, and yet has never been able to hook a husband.

THE NEWSPAPER AND THE COMMUNITY

Every loyal citizen of a community should take his home paper.

The local newspaper is one of the greatest assets of any section of country, and should be supported and encouraged as such, not with a feeling of charity toward the editor, as is too often the case, but in the firm conviction that in supporting the paper you are contributing to the uplift of the community, and the consequent enhancing of the value of your own holdings.

Without your home paper, your town would lose much of its attractiveness as a place of abode, would become a barren spot in the field of knowledge.

The community would be groping around in the intellectual darkness of uncertainty and speculation while other cities and towns would be climbing upward and onward toward better things.

The dissemination of news would return to the ancient methods of mouth to mouth, with its consequent delays and distortions and omissions.

The business interests would suffer for lack of a medium of communication between buyer and seller, commercial rivalry would be on the wane, and the American spirit of "I will," would sink into disuse and eventual oblivion.

How many years have you been reading this paper anyway? And don't you feel that it has been worth more to you than it has cost you?

How would you like to be deprived of the opportunity of ever seeing another issue of it?

In other words, just how would you like to live in this community if there was no paper published here, no medium from which you could ascertain the doings of the people of the community, no medium of exchange in the matter of barter and sale to the people except by climbing into a buggy and spending days in driving from one place to another?

Just how would you like that?

The pill would be somewhat bitter wouldn't it?

Well don't worry—you are in no danger of losing your home paper.

This article is written merely for the purpose of causing you to do a little thinking along the right lines.

We want you—all of you—to realize that this paper is not being published just for the glory of the editor.

It is a public institution. It is an important part of the community itself. It is about the only industry with which the community could not dispense without intellectual stagnation, for when people cease to read about home affairs their intelligence pays the penalty.

This paper is for progress, for commercial advancement, for community pride, for the development and encouragement of every legitimate interest that will be of value to Andover people.

We are laboring to that end and we want you to labor with us.

And that our labors may cover a greater field and bear better fruit, we want every family in this community to read the paper, to know what others are doing, to lend a helping hand in making of this one of the most thriving and prosperous sections of the State.

Get rid of the idea that when you hand us a dollar you are "helping the editor along."

You are helping the editor, yes; but you are helping yourself more than you are helping him, for you are getting more than your value received for your money.

You are supporting a business enterprise that labors diligently day by day, for the social, intellectual and commercial advancement of yourself and every other citizen of Andover.

And no other business enterprise can speak louder or more to the point.

A GOOD THING

The Secretary of the Navy has asked Thomas A. Edison and many others of the great inventors of America to serve on an advisory and research board for the purpose of devising new inventions for repelling an attack by a foreign foe.

It is a good move and come's none too soon. It would have been a better move a year ago and a still more effective one five years ago.

These men have the brains if they are allowed the time for the development of their ideas and the manufacture of the engines of destruction.

But will they have the time?

As The Editor Sees It.

DID YOU ever pass a little kid on the street and have him turn around and find him still looking at you with those gaze-wistfully up at you until you passed by, and then appealing little eyes? Indeed you have, and it is an every-day occurrence right here in Andover. It wouldn't do us "grownups" a bit of harm to give a kindly word to these little fellows as we meet them, and it would do them a world of good. A bright smile and a cheerful word to them will flood their hearts with the sunshine of life and lift them up to that higher plane which creates men among men.

NOW IS an opportune time to turn yourself loose among the weeds and refuse of your lawn, your garden and the surroundings of your home generally. Your joints need exercise and your brain will profit by a closer contact with nature and it will be an improvement to the appearance of the town and a relief to the community eye. It is these little things that start a town on the upgrade—where we should all be.

The man who continually knocks his home town is generally the one who does the least for it and receives his all from it. And he is most surely the one who receives the least respect from the rest of the people of the town. If a town is worth living in it is worth boosting. To give it a knock is to insult your own intelligence.

FOR PLEASURE—why not for business? Do the dictates of pleasure wield a greater influence over man than the requirements of business? It would seem so if we may judge by the conditions of our country roads.

The automobile people of this country are aye, wide awake and up-to-the-minute in aggressiveness and as a result we see trunk line auto roads springing up all over the country. But these roads have been constructed primarily for the purpose of adding to man's pleasure in this life and they furnish an eloquent practical demonstration of what can be accomplished when men have the will to do.

If the people can construct great car highways for pleasure why cannot we of Andover improve our country roads for both business and pleasure?

It is highly pleasing to note that Superintendent Howland has made a small start along this line this year, and it is to be hoped that more will be constructed each year until all the roads are improved stone highways.

Muddy, sticky and heavy roads are not conducive to travel, and wherever you find them you see a farming community that is not making the most of its opportunities.

Why can we not use as much energy and ingenuity for business purposes on the highways of this community as the automobile people employ elsewhere for pleasure alone? If we first make a success of our commercial pursuits the pleasure will follow as a natural sequence.

Improved country roads will increase wonderfully the material welfare of our people and stimulate the upbuilding of our home community.

THE German Kaiser is reported to have told a delegation of bankers that the war will end in October. If sooner or later, why not sooner? We give our consent.

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The Metropolitan Glee Club
A lively quartet, offering both vocal and instrumental numbers. Their alds trombones playing in concert approaches pipe organ music, and their Swiss bell ringing will please all.

The Venetian Players
They play novelty numbers on the violin, cello and concertina. High class and very popular.

Miss Mae Sheppard
Miss Sheppard has an exceptionally pleasing dramatic soprano voice. She delights her audiences with selections from Grand Opera and with her rendition of old time favorites.

Vitale's Italian Marine Band
Vitale is but a boy in his teens, yet he directs one of the world's best known bands. A program of popular and classic numbers is given, including cornet solos by Vitale himself.

Swiss Alpine Singers and Yodlers
A company of native Swiss mountaineers brought over especially for the St. Louis Exposition, one of the most popular numbers on the program.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS
In addition to the musical attractions enumerated above, we are to have the privilege of hearing such well known speakers and entertainers as Miss Elma B. Smith, child impersonator; Charles Brandon Booth, noted prison reformer; Herbert and Floy Sprague, in character delineation; Douglas Malloch, community lecturer; Harry G. Hill and Charles L. Seasholes, inspirational lecturers; and Hans P. Freese, on the inside of Mormonism.

Buy a Season Ticket and Save Money
You can buy a season ticket from the local committee for \$1.50 or at the gate for \$1.75. Adult single admission tickets, afternoon, 25 cents; evening, 35 cents, except on Band Day, when the afternoon admission will be 35 cents and the evening admission 50 cents. Thus if you expect to attend only part of the sessions it will pay you to buy a season ticket. Let some other member of your family or a friend use it when you can't go. All season tickets are transferable.

Children—Season tickets 75 cents from the local committee, \$1.00 at the gate. Single admission tickets 15 cents, both afternoon and evening, except Band Night, when the admission will be 25 cents.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myers of Belfast July 12th.

Miss Loretta C. Bolender and D. Morrow of Bolivar were married July 12th.

Miss Pearl Ockerman and Allyn of Scio were united in marriage July 13th.

The Empire Gas & Fuel Co. has just completed a good project on the Geo. Kenyon farm.

Monroe Mingus has joined ranks of auto drivers having purchased a car of Reynolds of Whitesville.

The merchants who postponed advertising until the end of the year are now advertising it—never are able to afford it.

G. W. Probasco, formerly president of this village, is ill at home in Flemington, N. Y. His son, Dr. L. G. Probasco, Whitesville, is with his parents.

Rev. Leo A. Gates, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Columbus accepted a call to the Central church at Rochester, as a permanent minister.

The body of John Henry Coffey, whose death occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fulton, N. Y., for interment. Mr. Coffey was 83 years old.

Mrs. Byron Clair of Alford, formerly of Andover, died from Mt. Clemens, Michigan. Mrs. Clair has been in Andover for two months and is unable to walk about the house.

Henry Weir died at the home of his son E. D. Weir on last July 12th. Mr. Weir was born in 1830 and was well known in political affairs of this county, having served as superintendent of the County Home.

Wm. Curtin attempted to cut his throat with a knife. He was discovered and committed the act and immediate attention given immediately. The gash cut was six inches long. For several days Curtin had been acting in an unusual manner and was watched by friends.