

# THE ANDOVER NEWS

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OUR KEYNOTE:  
There is not a Way, Cut a Way.  
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No work, no happiness. Go to it.  
Yes, Winnetka, Ill., is on the White House map.  
Christmas in the trenches! Wonder what it will be?  
Christianity may save the world, but the biggest gun will rule it.

The loud mouthed bully is heard — the gentleman is seen and heard.  
Dollars and sense make a great team, but neither will travel far in single harness.  
Do not be afraid to stand when talking with a friend. Life is too short for long sits.

Beware of the convivial spirit. His attractiveness usually lies solely in his conviviality.  
Affinities are becoming so commonplace they are not seldom able to creep into the headlines.  
We energetically protest against the statement that war at its best is barbarous. There is no best.

Before classing another as a fool, just remember that he may have the same opinion of you.  
As a happy result of sitting tight the King of Greece may preserve his sinner for future sits.  
As an appropriate badge of office, we suggest that postal employees attach a button to their lips.

The man who exercises his jawbone and not his backbone will soon have nothing but jawbone left.  
While planning for a 1916 increase in other products, let us not forget the minor one of population.  
The fellow, who is always looking for something for nothing, is himself an overgrown wad of nothing.

In all polite circles it is assumed that a prize husband sews on his own buttons. What is your status?  
Occasionally we hear of a man who isn't ever affected by the modern display of female hosiery. Blind, of course.

Give us plenty of guns and the men to use them and it will lessen the danger of our ever having to use them.  
Some men are continually harping on their virtues, but that's because the rest of the world is unable to see them.  
Don't be eternally asking the advice of your friends. To do so is to admit that you have few brains of your own.

Some employees get the business, while others are just ornamental. Each is paid in proportion to his value.  
Why turn it "a handsome profit"? A dollar's worth of soap grease is just as valuable as the same amount in gold.  
If, as Mr. Bryan asserts, christianity will prevent war, they must be a devilish bunch of heathens across the water.

A fortune teller, for a fifty-cent fee, will tell you how to get rich and yet live in poverty himself. Hang on to your fifty.  
Adequate defense measures will cost millions. Paying the indemnities of defeat will cost billions. Which do you prefer?

Just hike right off to the big city, youngster. There's a world of sport and excitement in a hand to mouth existence.  
The talker is a man of words; the producer is one of deeds. We can worry along without the one but never without the other.

## WHO ARE THE BUSY BOOSTERS BUNCH?

For a number of weeks the NEWS has had occasion to refer to the "Busy Boosters Bunch" in these columns. It is no wonder, therefore, that we have been repeatedly asked, who comprise the "Busy Boosters Bunch."

To answer this inquiry it will be necessary to give a little inside history connected with this organization, as at the present writing there is no membership list available.

Some six or eight weeks ago you will remember that the NEWS called for leaders, to volunteer to lead Andover citizens from the wilderness into the promised land of progress and prosperity.

Much to our pleasure there came forth five or six gentlemen ready to play the Moses act. We knew what would happen once the ice was broken.

It didn't take much time to show them what was needed, the facts were only too evident. They took off their coats, rolled up their sleeves and have been ban a ring away ever since with wonderful success so far for their efforts.

These gentlemen have not yet completed their organization in the absence of a name the NEWS has dubbed them the "Busy Busters Bunch."

True, the membership has grown, until there is quite a crowd enrolled under the "Don't knock but Boost" banner. We anticipate that when the "Busy Boosters Bunch" shall choose a motto it will read something like this "Throw away the hammer and get a drum."

These gentlemen are ready and on hand to boost anything that is boostable, and for the good of Andover. Already they have given the weight of their influence to three propositions that are for the good of Andover.

They saw so much good in a local man with a message that they boosted him along with words of encouragement and cheer. The installation of a new industry in Andover has been boosted by these modern Mosses.

They are standing back of the Seniro Class of Andover High School in their efforts to get a good house for the Wickersham lecture next Monday evening and incidentally help swell the fund of the class for their annual trip.

Every citizen eligible to membership in this "Busy Boosters Bunch" if they will just qualify by getting into the game with the others. There is no black balls to reject; your own actions toward this community either admit or reject you as you yourself may determine.

However a knocker in this busy bunch of boosters would have about as much chance of enjoyment as would a sinner in paradise. We will let you, dear reader, name those in Andover who are members of the "Busy Boosters Bunch." You know them as well as do we.

Every town has its boosters and its knockers. No community is ever found without both and all know who they are.

We have a healthy respect and a profound admiration for the booster, but our opinion of the chronic knocker would be unprintable.

Why can't we all be boosters in this town? Why have any knockers at all?

Who are the boosters in this town? Who are the men and women who always have a good word for Andover? Who are the ones who always speak well of its people and of its past accomplishments and of its prospects for the future?

We would like nothing better than to have a vote taken by the whole population with each citizen naming those he or she considers to be boosters. And then we would like to publish the names of the boosters and hold them up to the public as just what they are—our most progressive citizens.

When you have a little spare time suppose you just sit down and write out the names of the fifty people, men or women, whom in your judgment are the greatest boosters for Andover. It will give you quite an insight into the character of many people, for it will cause you to weigh their good qualities with their bad ones, their virtues with their vices and their progressiveness with their slumber.

You might tell your friends what you are doing and ask them to do the same and then all of you could hand your list of fifty in at the News office and we could tabulate them and announce to the public who are members of the Andover Busy Boosters Bunch.

For they would be the same people. It would be a deserved recognition of the sterling qualities of the boosters—of the fifty greatest BOOSTERS—and it might even spur others to the point of hustling for Andover and climbing into the booster wagon.

It might even start you to moving! Who are our boosters anyway?

### PROSPERITY AT LAST

There is no longer any doubt of the return of prosperity. Our old friend is with us again. He is not here in great chunks, with bags full of shimmering gold and automobiles for everybody, but the old boy has brought a steady increase in the values of business and a relaxation in the money markets, and a renewed confidence in business circles and in the agricultural districts.

Men of all classes are loosening their purse strings, money is on a hunt for investment, employers are taking on more men and the wheels of industry are humming at a more rapid rate than for many months past.

Merchants report increased sales and easier collections. Buyers are selecting better and more expensive articles and a spirit of relief and confidence is in evidence everywhere.

There are bright spots ahead for the future. Lets all steer for them and keep head and eyes to the front.

### As The Editor Sees It.

We just feel it in our bones that the boys will walk right up and hand us all of that delinquent subscription money before old Christmas gets around again. And because of our "sublime faith" in the boys we are going to place an advance order for a whole turkey for our Christmas dinner. Thanks in advance boys, and thanks again when you fork over.

How many of our good citizens realize that our town is dependent to a considerable degree upon the good will and patronage of the farming community surrounding? And how many ever give a second thought to the comfort of the farmer and his wife and children when they come to town?

If we have never done anything along this line before it is not too late to begin now. Let's begin.

We cannot do everything at once but we can make a start in the right direction by selecting a convenient site and build sheds where the farmers can leave their rigs and hitch their horses and feel safe in their minds that their teams will not be frightened by the innumerable automobiles that are constantly whizzing by.

Some may argue that there are livery-barns and feed stables where the farmer may stable his team for a price. True there are. But when a man from the town drives out into the country and stops at a farm house does the farmer charge him a quarter for a place for his team to stand? Not a bit of it. That team is put right into the barn or hitched in a safe place away from the road and there is no price attached.

And if the town man is thus taken care of in the country why shouldn't the farmer be shown equal courtesy when he comes to town and spends his money here?

If we want the farmer's trade we will have to treat him right when he comes to see us. If we don't he will find other places to go and no one will have just reason to complain.

This is but one of the items in the count. Let's dispose of it and then tackle the others.

Just why should George Burkitt worry over his job as assistant postmaster of the little village of Winnetka, Ill. Getting fired by the Post office Department for commenting adversely upon the engagement of the President and Mrs. Galt and then being promptly and emphatically reinstated by the President himself, has made him a national figure and is rapidly qualifying him for stage life or the lecture platform. And really, now, if Mr. Wilson wants to marry Mrs. Galt, and the lady is willing, whose business is it? And if Mr. Burkitt wants to exercise the American right of free speech in gentlemanly language, whose business is it? Seems to us the daily press has been making a whale out of a tadpole. But then, again, that's their business, and they are experts in their line.

NOTICE TO LOT OWNERS  
Valley Brook Cemetery Association  
A meeting of the lot owners of Valley Brook Cemetery Association will be held at the Village Hall, Thursday, Dec. 9th, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. The meeting is called to consider a proposition for beautifying the cemetery grounds, and every lot owner is earnestly requested to be present.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MAY PUT HIGHER TAX ON ALL BEER  
Washington, Nov. 20.—When ever the government gets pinched for money it turns to beer for more revenue. The present tax on beer is \$1.50 a barrel, an increase of 50 cents having been authorized in the emergency revenue act passed at the last session of Congress. There is talk now that when Congress comes to re-pass this act which will expire on Dec. 31, the rate on beer will be raised to \$2 a barrel. That was the rate levied at the time of the Spanish war. Beer produced \$36,000,000 revenue in the last fiscal year. It is estimated that an increase of \$2 a barrel would augment the yield to near \$50,000,000.

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## New York

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Going East.

A. M. Train 222 ..... 8:  
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P. M. Train 224 ..... 6:  
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A. M. Train 25 ..... 11:  
P. M. Train 541 ..... 6:  
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## Gossard's Gossip

—Special Sale now going at the Hough Millinery.  
—Specials every day at Hough Millinery. All goods reduced.  
—A new Erie timetable goes into effect Sunday. Allegheny division trains are not gre affected.  
—Cohocton has organized civic league of thirty members to improve the social and m condition of that town.  
—The Ladies Aid of the S B. church will serve its regular supper at the church par Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 5:30.  
—A large number of And Odd Fellows attended the Canton ball at Hornell Wednesday evening. They reported splendid time.  
—The federated Thanksgiving service was held Wednesday in the Methodist church for Chas. Colling preaching Thanksgiving sermon.  
—Ten thousand cases of A lean eggs will be shipped within the next four months to B Aires. Heretofore these were purchased in England.  
—So well has L. B. W sham pleased audiences section of the state where lectured that he is now his third visit to several gany County towns.  
—Patrick Nugent of B died Monday afternoon from pleisy. He was 70 years of daughter, Mrs. Chas. McCh was the wife of the proprie the Clark House that Sunday night.  
—A telephone message from A. McKibbin at Bolivar to News that the contract his pany, the Greenfield Const Company, has had for the struction of state road in vicinity, has been entirely pleted and Mr. McKibbin's ily are back in their Winto in Hornell.