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TERMS: One Dollar Five Cents

WICKEN DOWN WITH TYPHOID

Reed, Well Known Hornell Estate Dealer, Dies Unexpectedly, After Short Illness.

W. Reed, 35 years of age of 60 Maple street, Hornell, died at his home Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock after a brief illness of typhoid meningitis. He was one of the most respected and highly respected men in the Southern tier and one of the most widely known, and his death is a loss to the community, in which he resided practically his entire life. He was born in the town of Almond and received his early education in that place, graduating from the grammar school and later from the Almond High School.

When a young man he went to Hornell and engaged in the real-estate business and from a poor start gradually built up his business until it was the largest in the city and one of the largest in the state. Some time ago he sold the real-estate business in connection with his real-estate business and devoted his entire time to the operation of Elmhurst at North Hornell, which was a promise of being one of the best resorts of the state and which was not closed until the summer and at that time was still a good business.

Some years ago Mr. Reed was married to Miss Ina, daughter of Chas. Hahn, at that time a resident of this place. In company with his wife he has been a frequent visitor in this place where a large number of friends learn of his death with deep regret and sympathy.

The news of his decease comes as a great shock as he had been well at a short time and only under the physicians care since Sunday evening, when he was forced to give up and take to his bed under the care of a nurse.

J. D. COMSTOCK DIES

J. D. Comstock died suddenly Friday morning at five o'clock at his home on North Main street. Comstock had been in usual health until the day before his death when he suffered an attack of indigestion. He walked to his post office in the evening, however, and read the papers upon his return before retiring.

On or before the 20th pay bills and save discount. EMPIRE GAS & FUEL CO. Ltd.

AUDITORIUM'S BIRTHDAY

Seventh Anniversary of the Opening of Andover's Beautiful Playhouse to be Celebrated Next Wednesday Evening

To commemorate the seventh anniversary of the opening of the Auditorium Home Enterprise Company will offer a double Paramount show, Wednesday evening, Dec. 15th. Mary Pickford, America's most popular screen star, will be seen in the delightful drama, "In the Bishop's Carriage." Victor Moore, who will be remembered for his clean impersonation of "Kid Burns" in "Forty-five Minutes from Broadway," and erstwhile vaudeville star, will be seen in the laughing comedy "Snobs." The length of the program makes it necessary to give but one show which will begin at 7:30. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

NEWS HAS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

Special Andover News Reporter Sails With the Ford Peace Ship For Europe. Will Send Descriptive Articles.

The Andover News is pleased to be able to announce to its readers that it has a special correspondent on board the Ford Peace ship, now sailing for Europe. Mr. J. E. Jones, who for the past five or six years has been on the News staff as special Washington correspondent, and who has in the past given us such splendid letters, weekly from Washington, was honored with an invitation by Mr. Ford to accompany the peace-delegation to Europe.

In a personal letter to the editor just before sailing Mr. Jones says in part:

Dec. 2, 1915.
Editor Andover News:
I have been honored with an invitation from Mr. Henry Ford, and Mrs. Jones and I will sail on the Peace Ship. We will go to Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland. I am arranging for a service from here part of the time during my absence, and am figuring on giving you a full account of my travels and experiences. This will perhaps give you the best feature that your paper has ever had, and I hope that you will feel as I do that Mr. Ford has given to you and to me a wonderful opportunity. In the heat of all this war excitement a great many people are inclined to be rabidly partisan, but I trust that nothing that comes from my pen will ever put me in this class. There are positively no restrictions on my work. I shall attempt to do my full duty by you. Therefore during the next six weeks part of our letter service to you will be supplied from Europe. I hope that I may be able to write in a way that will be of interest to you and your readers.
Sincerely yours,
J. E. JONES.

DEATH ENDS A USEFULL LIFE

Leslie Roy Hahn, Assistant Manager Washington, D. C., Station of the Associated Press, Succumbs to Tuberculosis

Leslie R. Hahn, twenty-nine years old, an able newspaper man who started his brilliant career in the office of the Andover News and rose to assistant manager of the Washington, D. C., Associated Press office, died Monday night, Nov. 29, 1915, at Louisville, Ky., of tuberculosis, developed from typhoid fever.

It is with the deepest sorrow that the writer attempts to give an outline of the work accomplished by this talented newspaper man who was born in Andover, N. Y., Feb. 27, 1886, and who received his schooling and early training in this vicinity.

Leslie Roy Hahn came into the office of the Andover News one evening selling the Buffalo Evening News. He was a lad of only about 13 or 14 years of age at that time. He was immensely interested in the methods used in producing a newspaper. The writer went to considerable pains in showing him how it was all done.

Of his own accord he wanted to know if he couldn't come into the News Office and "learn the trade." The matter was taken up with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hahn, and Leslie was added to the Andover News force on a contract for four years apprenticeship with the understanding that he should only work nights and mornings, before school and week-ends and vacations.

He was a willing worker, industrious and honest to the last letter. It soon became quite evident, however, that his forte would not be the mechanical end of the business, but rather the reportorial.

After finishing his school work in Andover he soon took a position with the Oswayo Valley Mail, of Shinglehouse, Pa. He also worked at Colliar on the Breze for a while.

When the Hornell Times was purchased by the new company in an endeavor to make a metropolitan daily of it, Leslie R. Hahn was made assistant editor. His connection with that paper lasted until the publication was sold to Mr. Greenwood and consolidated with the Tribune.

From Hornell Mr. Hahn went to the Binghamton Republican where he was employed several years. His rise from the time he went to Binghamton until the time of his death was rapid and continuous. He was connected with the Albany Knickerbocker Press, Montgomery, Ala., Daily Times, and New Orleans Item in editorial capacities.

During the Nicaraguan trouble in 1909 and 1910 Mr. Hahn was special correspondent for the International News Service, and the Cosmopolitan Magazine. After returning from there he accomplished the one great ambition of his life, to get in on the big game in New York City. He accepted a position with the Hearst Newspapers.

Following employment with them he joined the Associated Press at Louisville, Ky., in 1911, working there a year. In 1912 he was advanced to the Washington, D. C., service covering the assignment of the government departments, at first and later being made first assistant general manager of the Washington Station.

PARTICULARS ABOUT AUTOMOBILE TAGS

B-1. is in Big Demand, but Wiser Motorists Want More Numbers, Not so Easy to Read in Distance.

Gustav C. Miller, deputy secretary of state for the Buffalo district, finds that there are fads in automobile numbers. Under Francis M. Hugo, Secretary of State, the state has been divided into three zones for issuing automobile licenses. There is the Albany zone, the Buffalo zone, and the New York City zone. All licenses issued in the Albany zone will carry numbers in a series lettered A; all issued in the Buffalo zone will bear the letter B, and those in the New York zone will have no serial number.

The Buffalo zone consists of 22 counties in the western part of the state, including Onondaga County on the east. The fiscal year for issuing automobile licenses begins on February 1st. But Mr. Miller has already received scores of applications with requests for special license numbers for the year 1916.

There were in Mr. Miller's hands on Saturday night just 59 applications for the number B-1. "If I can't have B-1 I want B-2 or the nearest thing to those numbers I can get," writes more than one applicant.

But a sophisticated owner, who says that he has had an automobile for twelve seasons, has written to Mr. Miller: "See if you can't hold out for me a number of not less than five figures, three fives and two twos, or three twos and two fives, like 25,255, something that a fellow thinks that he's got at a glance, but finds that he's twisted when he comes to tell about it."

"Here's an applicant from Howard A. Forman," said Mr. Miller. "He wants five ones in a row. Just a fad I suppose, or can it be? Well, anybody might have a hard time to say whether it was —B-1,111, or —11,111, that they had read. I must ask him about it."

There are automobile owners who, when asked why they insist upon certain numbers, frankly say that is the number of their sweetheart's home and they wish it on their cars. One man told Mr. Miller that he wanted the number of his automobile the same as his home, here had been nights when he was puzzled to recall his home number, while, if a friend was along, he could refer him to the back of the automobile.

Some like to have their automobile number correspond to their telephone number. Others want a number the same as the year in which they were born. Numbers that they believe have been an element of luck in their lives are sought by many. The year in which they were married, their age, the amount of money invested in their car are reasons advanced by applicants for particular numbers.

"It is the exception and not the rule where we find folks who will take without question any number we offer," said Mr. Miller.

The number of automobile licenses issued in the Buffalo district this year was 60,000. Mr. Miller expects next year that 70,000 licenses will be issued. He thinks that the number of chauffeurs' licenses next year will be about 10,000.

If a store's advertisement is full of "self-interest" to the reader of a real appeal to the thrif-sense—it will "pay."
—Everything in Hats in our store, to close out \$1.50 Haugh Millinery.
Bucknell University, Louisburg, Pa., and one sister, Miss Boza Hahn of Norwich, N. Y.
Funeral and interment were at Mrs. E. L. Hahn of Norwich, N. Y., one brother, Harold Hahn of Louisville, Ky., Dec. 1, 1915.

ANDOVER GRANGE OFFICERS

The following officers were elected at the Andover Grange Wednesday evening:

- Master, W. W. Pingrey.
- Overseer, Henry Baker.
- Lecturer, Jennie Fosbury.
- Secretary, C. A. Robinson.
- Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Warfield.
- Chaplain—Harry Smith.
- Steward, Annette Taylor.
- Assistant Steward, Rodney Robinson.
- Gatekeeper, Miss Frances Beebe.

POMONA GRANGE OFFICERS

The following are the newly elected Pomona Grange officers chosen at the Almond meeting, last week:

- Master, C. A. Robinson, Andover.
- Overseer, I. D. Karr, Almond.
- Lecturer, E. E. Poole, Alfred.
- Steward, Nobel Hall, Birdsall.
- Ass't. Steward, Lewis Middaugh, Friendship.
- Chaplain, Mrs. J. S. Bardwell, Canaseraga.
- Treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Karr, Almond.
- Secretary, E. P. Ayers, Cuba.
- Gate Keeper, F. W. Miller, Canaseraga.
- Ceres, Mrs. C. A. Robinson, Andover.
- Pomona, Mrs. I. D. Karr, Almond.
- Flora, Mrs. E. P. Ayers, Cuba.
- Lady Ass't. Steward, Mrs. Lewis Middaugh, Friendship.
- Nomination for District Deputy, C. R. Seeley, Belfast.

ANNUAL FARM BUREAU MEETING

Alfred, N. Y., Dec. 6, 1915.
To the members of the Allegany County Farm Bureau Assn.
The annual meeting of the Allegany County Farm Bureau Association will occur in the village of Belmont, Thursday, January 14, 1916. A committee appointed by the directors to revise the Constitution and By-Laws will report and the adoption of their report considered. Three directors will also be elected.
All members are urged to be present.

Respectfully,
A. F. RANDOLPH, Sec.

—On or before the 20th pay gas bills and save discount. EMPIRE GAS & FUEL CO. Ltd.

—Remember the Eastern Star Bazaar and chicken-pie supper, Wednesday, Dec. 15.

—See the fine Leather Belts for the men at Bassett's.

A WORD FROM THE BUSY BOOSTER BUNCH

The New "Get Together" Fellows Take a Hand in Ousting Itinerant Auctioneer, and Say a Word for Village Officials.

Last Saturday afternoon and evening an itinerant vender by the name of Moses, conducted an auction sale in the Lynch Building on Main street, and between sales entertained the audience by the time worn method of attacking our village officials, one or two of our business men and some organizations with which they are affiliated.

The gentleman had evidently been coached by some "patriotic" citizens who are nursing a grinch and are "just agin the government" anyway.

Mr. Moses sought to win sympathy through posing as a victim of misrepresentation at the hands of our Village Board, but the facts do not bear out this contention. Moses came to Mr. Lynch, and withholding from him the information as to the kind of a business he really intended to conduct, rented the building for one month, and so much a month if he should stay longer. He saw the Village Clerk, and asked about a license—but did not see the Village President or any other member of the Board. When it was found out what kind of a business Moses intended to carry on, several citizens went to the President of the Village and asked that a resolution be passed, setting a price for the license fee, for this particular instance and for all time to come. It was noted in last week's paper, that the resolution was passed by our Board in a business like and thorough manner, establishing a modus operandi for cases of this sort in future.

If any individual or firm wishes to come and do a legitimate business in our village, no one will prevent it, we shall be glad to have them remain with us; but it is not fair for an individual to come here just at this season of the year, to auction off goods. Our merchants' money is tied up in Andover, and the extra business brought about by the holidays should go to them, as it partly makes up for the dull periods they have during the year.

We congratulate and thank Mr. Aywood for the manner in which he attended to this affair. It is characteristic of him any way to handle any matter that is good for Andover, in a thorough and decisive manner. He is the right man in the right place, he is doing things, and he can make Andover what we all want it to be. The knocks he can get from small outsiders or insiders do not hurt him, on the contrary, they help to make us appreciate his efforts more, and he is held higher in our esteem.
J. H. FAISANT,
Pres. Busy Boosters Bunch.

Presbyterian Church
SUNDAY, DEC 12, 10:30

- The sermon will be of such importance that we wish to share with many.
- The theme will be of special interest to Masons.
- All, not having other church engagements, are cordially invited.
- A church with a Town-vision.

:- CANDIES :-

A strong line of quality goods at 10 and 20c you will pay more at other places.

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FRUITS—we have taken considerable pains to get better goods. We are in right on cranberries, grapes and grape fruit.

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