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## WILL PREDICTS HIGHER TAXES

### War is Over and Taxes Will Go Up. Be Business Spurt Readjustment.

Jan 4.—The one we may be sure of is will be higher." as James J. Hill's answer to the question: "Will the war end?" when the war ends?" is not a pessimist. No one could live in this northwest country coupled to strength perhaps the greatest in it. When he boat Mississippi for the first years ago, an Indian hidden behind every was the one product of commercial industry. Its imports were axes and gunpowder. Territories of prosperity would be incredible if they were parked by money in the wheat in the shock-better than any other northwest Mr. Hill at the surface has been scratched. But as to which shall immediately the end of the war he certain conservatism. Rates will be higher, said he. "We have a more persistent commerce there may be a spurt during the period of adjustment. No one can define what will happen next never been a situation this. We have no past by which to measure."

### World is Smaller

This war is greater than any that occurred to Mr. Hill. The business world is not so far apart as it was in the days of our Civil war. It is long ago that a merchant ship out on wandering waters which the capture of trade in every port can base to-morrow's skin on what he hears yesterday in Europe. Will money be high?" the war is over Mr. Hill has probable that the governments will reform some convenient form they have made to the war. He suggested might be issued—remenable in five years the option of the government. These bonds will command high interest on the huge sums owed.

### Subsidies? That Depends

"The American ship owner does not ask for any favor not granted to the foreigner," he said emphatically. "But he does think he is entitled to the same favor the foreigner gets." "Do you believe in a ship subsidy?" "If the foreign ship is paid one, yes. Not under other conditions. The American needs no more of a subsidy than is needed to put him on even terms with the foreign owner?" "How about government ownership?" "Government ownership in America has not proven itself yet," said he. "Take the Panama railroad case, for example. It charges for a short haul far more than any American railroad does. If the railroads of the country collected freight charges at the same rate per ton mile there would not be enough money in the country to pay the American freight bill. But that is not all. If the government goes into the shipping business the private owner of ships must go out. He could not meet the competition the government might set up for political reasons. He must make

more precisely approach the exact cost of living in Europe than ever before. It may be that the European governments will prohibit the emigration of the armies of men which have supplied common labor for our mills and furnaces in the past. They will be needed at home. Meanwhile labor in the United States is constantly increasing in value under the influence of war's forced draft. Munition plants are making fortunes in dividends. They have been forced to pay their men mining camp wages. Other industries must pay their men somewhat in proportion in order to hold them.

### Labor Troubles Possible

"Will we have labor troubles here during the period of adjustment to the post-war conditions?" "It is probable," said he. "It is an easy matter to put wages up. It is a slow matter to get them down."

"Conceding that we have no labor troubles and that high money does not unduly hamper us after the war, there is still the question of ships. The world's trade has been dropped in our pocket by the accident of war, but it is being carried in foreign bottoms. Thoughtful men insist that England and France and Germany will need their own ships in that first desperate rush for trade when the war ends. The United States may be left with plenty of goods to sell—perhaps already sold—but no way of delivery. "We should have a merchant marine," said Mr. Hill. "Unless we have ships we cannot compete."

"What is needed to build up a merchant marine?" "Just an even chance with foreign ship owners," said the master of the northwest's transportation. "The American ship owner can compete successfully with any foreign ship owner if he is just given a chance. He cannot win if he is asked to carry a handicap."

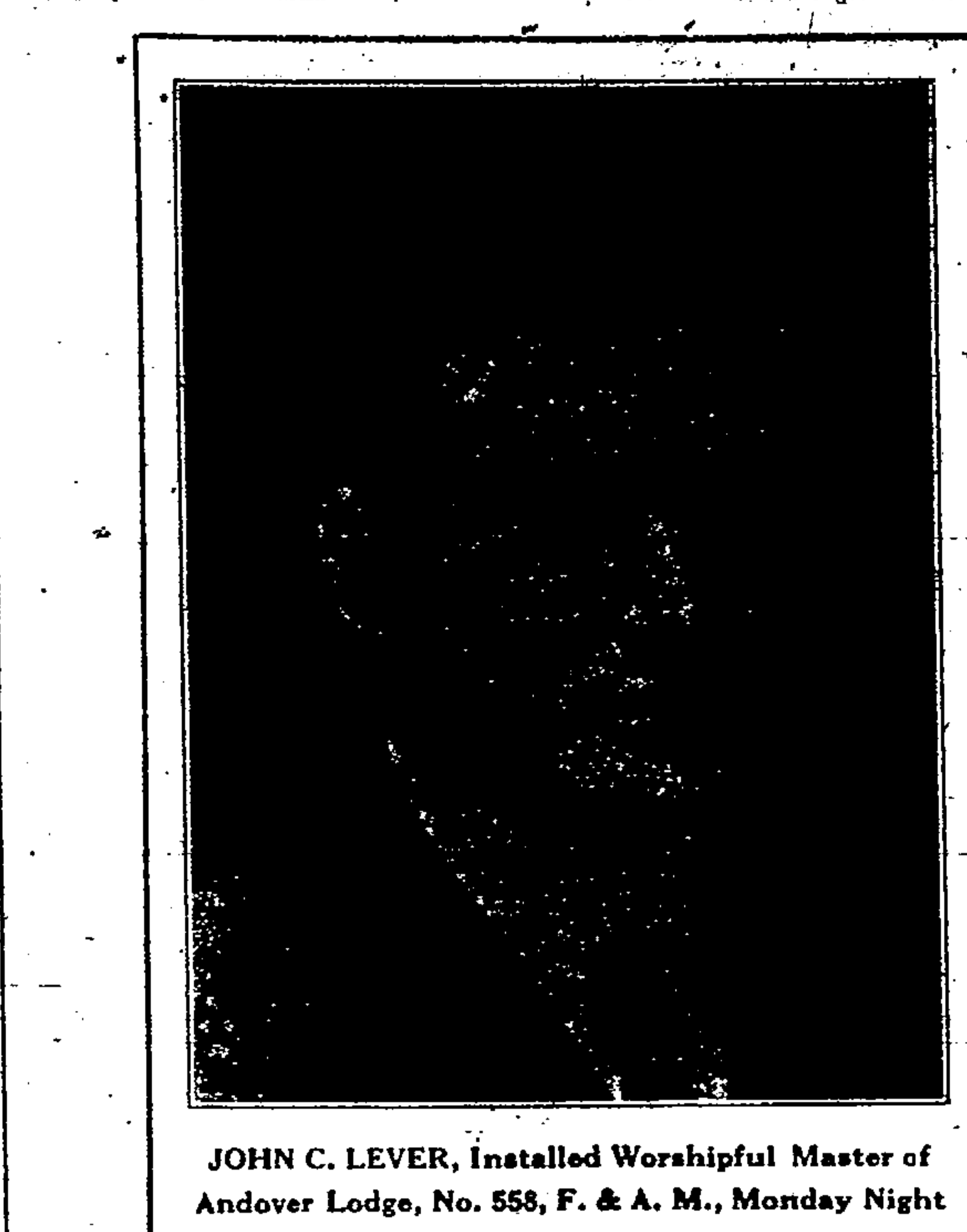
Mr. Hill spoke here with some personal feeling. It is not so long ago that a special and extra legal permission was secured from Washington for the Great Northern Railroad company to send two brand new steamers through the Panama Canal to the Pacific coast. By going through the canal they carried a passenger cargo and made a \$50,000 profit each. Under the law they should have gone around the Horn—the canal not being opened to railroad owned ships—and thereby earned a loss of \$50,000 each. Meanwhile any British or French or Italian tramp might have made use of the Panama Canal that was denied the American-owned vessels. This was evidently one of the incidents Mr. Hill had in mind when he spoke.

### The Furuseth Law

One of the chief causes of complaint by ship owners lately has been the Furuseth bill, which insists upon a higher scale of wages and living for American seamen. "I own a yacht," said Mr. Hill, "and I haven't seen an American seaman on it in 5 years, except that now and then a youngster comes aboard to get the experience as quartermaster needed to get a position as mate on some other man's yacht." American banks are laden with money just now, as Mr. Hill pointed out. Interest rates very around 3 1/2 and 4 per cent. An ocean freighter will pay for itself in four or five trips. "Why do not Americans put their money into American ships, if it is such a good business?" asked Mr. Hill. "Other nations do. Why do not Americans?"

### ALLEGANY COUNTY MINISTERS' CLUB

The Allegany County Ministers' Club met this morning at 9:45 in the Baptist church of this place for their regular monthly meeting. Eleven persons were present from Alfred, Andover, Belmont, Scio, Hallsport and Wellsville. The paper of the morning was given by Rev. H. R. Williams, of Andover, on "The Relation of the Minister to the Community." It was a splendid, practical and helpful paper, appreciated by all as was shown by the discussion which it evoked.—Wellsville Reporter.



JOHN C. LEVER, Installed Worshipful Master of Andover Lodge, No. 558, F. & A. M., Monday Night

### CANTON DANCE

Over 100 Couple Enjoy Holiday Dance at Auditorium

The Canton ball held in the Auditorium last week Thursday night, was a highly successful affair. There were over one hundred couples enjoying the dance. Canton Loyal No. 43 put on some fine floor work at the opening of the dance, in full uniform. They did exceptionally well for the time they had to drill for it and other things that handicapped them.

### BEST MARKETING TOWN ON MICHIGAN CENTRAL

A copy of the Decatur (Mich.) Republican finds its way to the editor's desk, evidently sent by E. G. Hinchey of that place. From the appearance of the paper and the local advertisements it would appear that Decatur is some live wire town all right, and that it had a lot of energetic progressive business men. We quote the following item: "H. H. Campbell shipped four cars of hogs and one car of cattle to the Chicago stock yards Tuesday. Farmers came from Sister Lakes and north of Gendale to deliver their stock in Decatur. This village has long enjoyed the reputation of being the best marketing town on the Michigan Central."

### BOLD ROBBERY AT CANISTEO

As Mrs. Guy Eherman was preparing supper at her home in Canisteeo Thursday night of last week, she was suddenly seized from the back by a robber who gagged her and stole the sum of \$690.00 which she had hidden in the front of her dress. Her husband returned from his work in the Hornell silk mill at 6:45 and upon entering the kitchen found his wife unconscious upon the floor. A handkerchief was stuffed in her mouth and a second one tied under her chin and over her head so tightly she could not open her mouth. It was thought she had been drugged as well.

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Mrs. Sherman claims not to have seen her assailant or to have had any warning of his entrance to the house. Mr. Sherman was suspicious of banks and therefore kept their money in the home, the amount stolen being the savings of eleven years. Try the job printing department of the News for quality printing.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION

#### First Meeting of the Eighth District to be Held in Hornell

The first eighth District Empire State Christian Endeavor Convention, comprising the counties of Wyoming, Livingston, Allegany, Cattaraugus and Steuben is to be held in the First Presbyterian church in Hornell, Friday and Saturday, January 21-23. A long list of eminent speakers and leaders have consented to be present and assist in the work. Free entertainment (Harvard Plan) provided.

### MASONS INSTALL NEW 1916 OFFICERS

Past Master V. L. Eggleston Conducts Installation Ceremonies Monday Evening, at Andover Lodge, No. 558 F. & A. M.

The officers of Andover Lodge No. 558 F. & A. M. were installed by Past Master V. L. Eggleston, Monday evening, as follows: J. C. Lever—W. M., C. M. Lash—S. W., W. W. Pingrey—J. W., J. M. Brundage—Treasurer, H. D. Smith—Secretary, B. B. Hann—Trustee for three years, E. D. Baker—S. D., L. P. Crandall—J. D., Rev. W. H. Randall—Chaplin, Charles Burdick—S. M. C., Geo. Barrett—J. M. C., J. L. Williams—Tyler, John Snyder—Marshal.

### ALLEGANY COUNTY INVENTORS

Patents Granted the Past Year

The following are the Allegany County people who have invented things and had them patented the past year:

- Wm. H. Appleman, Belmont, steering gear for motor vehicles.
- Lewis M. Browning, Belmont, self adjusting bearing for pitman.
- Charles V. Kerr, Wellsville, centrifugal pump, compound blower, steam turbine, exhaust for steam turbines, gear lubrication, blower, condenser, condensing apparatus, flexible coupling.
- Geo. E. Patton, Almond, potato digger.
- Charles E. Robbins, Belfast, tie tongs.

### AUDITORIUM, SATURDAY EVENING

"The House of the Lost Court" a dramatic adaptation of the novel of that title, will be given at the Auditorium, Saturday evening, at 7:30 and 9 o'clock. Viola Dana the star, is new to Paramount Patrons, but will be enjoyed for her powerful portrayal of Dolores Edgerton. The story is the quintessence of power, picturesque and dramatic artistry.

## OUR COUNTRY FACES GREAT CRISIS

### The President and Congress Are Worried. May Come Break at Any Time—Feeling of Uneasiness Universal.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Congress re-assembled to-day, after the holiday recess, with the nation's foreign affairs uppermost in the minds of members of the two houses. On all sides the international situation was admitted to be the gravest the country yet has faced. Issues growing out of the submarine warfare of Germany and Austria and Great Britain's interference with neutral commerce figured chiefly in the discussions of Senators and Representatives. The situation has caused a general feeling of uneasiness among them.

Although the international situation holds for the moment chief interest in Congress it was believed that the questions of national preparedness would be taken up at once. It seemed assured also that the Senate foreign relations committee would take up promptly Senator Hoke Smith's resolution providing for an inquiry into British interference with neutral commerce and Senator Lodge's amendment calling for an inquiry into the Lusitania disaster and other acts by belligerents resulting in the loss of American lives.

### COUNTY SEALER'S REPORT

#### Showing Work Accomplished During the Year Past

In his report to the Board of Supervisors Allen W. Corwin, County Sealer of Weights and Measures, gives the following information:

- Number of business places visited, 677.
- Number of miles traveled, 5,200.
- Number of tests made, 33.
- Railroad Track Scales . . . . . 2
- Wagon Scales . . . . . 326
- Platform Scales . . . . . 441
- Counter Scales . . . . . 45
- Spring Balances . . . . . 15
- Beam Scales . . . . . 257
- Computing Scales . . . . . 29
- Prescription Scales . . . . . 343
- Dry Measures . . . . . 942
- Liquid Measures . . . . . 79
- Glass Graduates . . . . . 96
- Oil Pumps . . . . . 250
- Small Fruit Baskets . . . . . 391
- Counter Tacks . . . . . 2
- Surveyors' Tapes . . . . . 2604
- Avoirdupois Weights . . . . . 54
- Troy Weights . . . . . 455
- Apothecaries' Weights . . . . . 296
- Metric Weights . . . . .

### MRS. LOUISE CRONK

Mrs. Louise Cronk died Thursday morning at the home of Jerome Remington, on 1st street, of pneumonia, aged 70 years. The funeral arrangements have not been made at this writing.

Try the News ads for results.

## Famous Food Products

- FAMOUS CATSUP, pure, good tasting, cheap.
- FAMOUS PORK AND BEANS, large cans, finest quality we have ever seen. price 10c.
- FAMOUS COFFEE, a big reputation with us, 30c and 35c grades.
- FAMOUS PREPARED MUSTARD, 10c—good as the rest.
- FAMOUS SPICES, not only pure and strong, but selected with regard to the aroma.

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