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## THE SIXTH BLOSS FAMILY REUNION

### Pleasant Day Passed at the Home of Letts F. Thompson of Canistota.

The sixth annual reunion of the descendants of Jacob and Sophrona Parker Bloss was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Letts F. Thompson in Canistota, Wednesday, August 19. Relatives were present from Wellsville, Scio, Whitesville, Independence, Andover and Alfred, to enjoy the bountiful picnic dinner and pleasant visit.

During the past year two of our number have passed to the Great Beyond: Mrs. Angie Bloss, widow of Ormus Bloss, died at her home in Hornell and Edmond Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman, died at the home of his parents in Wellsville, April 22, 1925, following a brief illness of pneumonia. Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families.

One member was added to the family by the marriage of Eldyn Bloss, and Miss Helen Florence Kern of Waverly.

The business meeting was called to order by Pres. Robert Coleman. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, Robert L. Coleman.  
Vice President, Elvora B. Bassett.  
Secretary, Reva C. Thompson.  
Treasurer, David W. Smith.  
Program Com., Edna B. Smith.

It was voted to hold the next reunion in Island Park, Wellsville, the last Wednesday in June, 1926.

The following program was very much enjoyed:

Vocal Solo, "Sing Me to Sleep," Robert Coleman

Piano Solo, "Moon Winks" Original Poem, "Can't," written by Emily J. Clarke and read by Mrs. Smith.

Piano Solo, "Fifth Nocturne," Reva C. Thompson

"I Cannot Sing the Old Songs," By the Family

Vocal Duet, "Who Knows," Robert Coleman

Vocal Solo, David Smith

Below is Miss Clarke's poem:

To My Bloss Relatives:

Another milestone in our reunion's history has been passed and I am to be able to be a part of it, not in person but in thought. When asked if I would send something for the program, one little insignificant word came into my mind—"Can't," but with that word came its meaning expressed in words:

"CAN'T"

Can't is the worst word that's written or spoken;

Doing more harm than slander and lies,

On it is many a strong spirit broken, And with it many a good purpose dies.

It springs from the lips of the thoughtless each morning

And robs us of courage we need thru the day;

It rings in our ears like a timely-sent warning

And laughs when we falter and fall by the way.

"Can't" is the father of feeble endeavor,

The parent of terror and half-hearted work;

It weakens the efforts of artisans clever, And makes of the toiler an indolent shirk.

It poisons the soul of man with a vision,

It stifles in infancy many a plan;

It greets honest toiling with open derision,

And mocks at the hopes and the dreams of a man.

Can't is a word none should speak without blushing;

To utter it should be a symbol of shame;

Ambition and courage it daily is crushing,

It blights a man's purpose and shortens his aim.

Despite it with all of your hatred of error;

Refuse it the lodgment it seeks in your brain;

Arm against it as a creature of terror,

And all you dream of you some day shall gain.

Can't is the word that is foe to ambition,

An enemy ambushed to shatter your will;

It's prey is forever the man with a mission,

And bows but to courage and patience and skill.

Hate it, with hatred that's deep and undying,

For once it is welcomed 'twill break any man;

Whatever your goal you are seeking keep trying

And answer this demon by saying: "I can't."

EMILY J. CLARKE,  
Bridgeton, N. J.

## FIRE DESTROYS GROSSMAN HOME

Fire completely destroyed the home of Jesse Grossman at Independence, better known as the Rev. Jared Kanyon property, about ten o'clock Wednesday morning.

The fire caught in the roof over the kitchen, where they were baking, with a wood fire, caused by a defect in the chimney.

Although assistance from the neighboring homes came quickly the fire gained headway so rapidly that efforts to save the building were fruitless, however by quick work, nearly the entire contents of the home were saved.

Several nearby buildings which caught fire were quickly put out, holding the fire to the one building.

A call was sent to the Andover fire department but when the chemical got up there the fire was too far advanced for them to be of any assistance.

The loss is partly covered with insurance.

## NEW YORK STATE LEADS IN DAIRYING

### State Dept. Report Shows Production of 6,900,000,000 Pounds in 1924.

In a report just received by Commissioner Berne A. Fyrke, of the Department of Farms & Markets, on dairy products for 1924, it is shown that New York State continues to hold a leading place as a dairy state, with a total production of milk for 1924 of 6,900,000,000 pounds. The report shows that on January 1st, 1925, there were 1,395,000 dairy cows and heifers, two years old and over, on the farmers of the state, as compared to 1,482,000 on January 1st, 1920.

The report shows that herds in New York State are maintained by cattle raised within its borders, since more than 15,000 cattle for dairy and breeding purposes were shipped out of the state, while less than 6,000 were shipped into the state during 1924.

Of the total amount of milk produced in the state during the year, 1,200,000,000 pounds, or 18 per cent., were used on the farms for household purposes, making butter, or feeding calves to be raised or "reared." About 600,000,000 pounds of milk were sold at retail directly by farmers, or sold to small retailers for redistribution, while 5,100,000,000 pounds were delivered to the 1,326 milk plants and factories of the state for shipment to cities to supply the demand for fresh milk and cream, and also for making various manufactured dairy products.

The average butterfat test of milk in 1924 was 3.62 per cent., varying from 3.50 per cent. in June, to 3.85 per cent. in November. The county having the highest yearly average test was Delaware, with 4.02 per cent.

Of the milk received at 1,326 plants in 1924, 48.7 per cent. was shipped or sold for direct consumption in fluid form, 13.9 per cent. was separated to make cream for fluid consumption, while only 9 per cent. was made into butter, 8.9 per cent. made into whole milk American cheese and 11.3 per cent. into condensed and evaporated milk, the rest being used for products of lesser importance.

The milk delivered to the 1,326 dairy plants during 1924, was valued at \$172,000,000, on the basis of conservative wholesale prices. The greatest single market for milk produced in New York State was New York City. The plants approved by the New York City Board of Health, to the number of 575, received about two-thirds of all the milk delivered at plants in New York State, and shipped a much larger proportion of all the milk and cream sold for fluid use. The average distance of these approved plants from New York City is 248 miles, the some are 500 miles distant. About one-third of the milk sold for fluid use was shipped from a distance of 200 miles or less, while two-thirds was shipped a greater distance.

The production of Grade "A" milk in plants approved by the New York City Board of Health is on the increase. In 1924, approximately 3,500 farmers delivered 388,000,000 pounds of milk to 72 approved plants in New York State.

## Card of Thanks

The undersigned wish to express their thanks to the neighbors and friends who assisted in words and deeds in our recent bereavement, also the music and those who furnished flowers and automobiles.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Witter,  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blauvelt,  
Mr. and Mrs. John Glace,  
Mrs. Jennie Flint.

## Our "Hide and Hush" Policy

Some months ago an editorial under this heading appeared in one of our daily papers. It was written by the eloquent pen of Dr. Henry Van Dyke. In the article, Dr. Van Dyke dealt with the "Hide and Hush" policy which is adopted by many in regard to religious questions. I would like to write briefly of it in regard to civic matters. But how closely related are these two questions? Can we really separate them? I believe not. Surely that person who is listening to and being controlled by his best conscience—his religious self—is lending his influence towards civic improvements. And just as truly, those who think and work much for better home conditions very naturally find that they are often working thru the religious channels of the town.

Is it not true that here in Andover our policy has been to hush up the real misdemeanors which we know have been committed, hide the names of the culprits, at least, if they belong to the "best" families of town? Oh, of course, the gossips have to gossip more or less, usually more, but they enjoy quite as much gossiping about events which never happen and people who never do anything. We have not been willing to call black, "black," nor to call crime, "crime." We think it best for the newspaper to use the "Hide and Hush" policy, mention no names for fear of hurting someone's feelings,—in other words we say, "Better keep on the soft pedal, he may never do it again." Is there any better way imaginable to encourage just the lawlessness which we have here in Andover than by this policy? It has been tried long enough to prove that it works and that it works well.

Now, how many of the citizens of Andover are for a "right-about-face," for changing this old policy to a better one—one which will drive into the open the bunch of mischief-makers who are making our town an object of ridicule to those on all sides of us? Don't wait until you are caught in some wrong-doing before you decide to change your policy, like a person who was recently caught. He begged hard for his release, promising that if he was allowed to go free he would help clean up the town so that "in two weeks Andover would be a clean town." That is using his own words. Of course, that would have been too great a shock for us all, so his offer was not accepted.

But there are many chances for you all to put into action your ideas of good citizenship, and to direct them along the lines of law and order at the same time—ineffective as some of our laws do seem to be. You can voice your approval, or disapproval, of the efforts which have already been made, whether those efforts have been fully successful or not. You can show your policy by being ready to give financial aid, for you must know there is a big expense of time and money required for any thoro "house cleaning." Another way you can help materially is by informing yourself to the best of your ability in regard to matters which come up to be voted upon, that you may vote intelligently. KNOW if possible, and it usually is, whether the men you vote for are conscientious men, men who will stand for the same sound principles which you advocate. In conclusion, let us not play with our citizenship, as we have done too long, but use it honestly to make better homes, a better town and a better country for us all.

—CITIZEN I.

## SECOND ANNUAL CLASS BANQUET

### Enjoyable Affair of Classes of '21-'22, Held at Hotel American.

One of Andover's most delightful social functions of the season occurred last Thursday evening, August 20th, at the Hotel American. The occasion was the second annual banquet of the classes of '21 and '22 of the Andover High School.

At 7:30 o'clock a sumptuous banquet was served by Miss Kate Joyce, assisted by Miss Florence Cocoman. Class competition was forgotten while all felt a common spirit of love and loyalty for the Alma Mater whose royal purple and white was attractively predominant in the decorations. Favors were autograph books of purple felt tied with white.

Following the banquet, Mr. D. E. Flynn very aptly presided as toast master of the evening. Several members responded with toasts.

It was voted to organize this social function into a club which shall be an annual affair. "Kappa Beta" was chosen as a name by which this organization shall be known henceforth. These Greek letters have a significance for they are derived from the names of the two high school societies: "Kappa Zeta" of the girls and "Beta Mu" of the boys.

Committee for arrangements for August 19, 1926 are: Mrs. Gordon Borden, Miss Helen Pingrey and Miss Florence Edwards.

Members and guests from out of town attending were: Everett N. Clair, Elmira, Mrs. Allen M. Harvey Olean, Miss Sarah E. Jones, Miss Helen Pingrey and Donald Pingrey, Alfred; Miss Elizabeth Latimer, Arkport; Miss Harriett Williams, New York City and Miss Dora Wagner, Wellsville.

## Labor Day Picnic

All former students, teachers, friends and neighbors of the Voorhees Hill school will hold an old time basket picnic at the Pine Grove, Voorhees Hill, on Labor Day. A full program will be rendered including speakers and a base ball game between the married and single men.

## INCREASED ENROLLMENT

### State School of Agriculture at Alfred to Open on Sept 29th, This Year.

The State School of Agriculture is to open for its seventeenth year on September 29th. The advanced enrollment to date indicates an increased student body from last year's attendance.

Perhaps no better barometer of the changing attitude of farmers toward a more optimistic frame of mind can be found than the attendance of their sons at Agricultural schools. Continued favorable prices for sheep and hogs, together with indicated better prices for potatoes and hay, with cheaper feeds likely, would indicate improvement for the New York State farmers.

## ANDOVER BOY GETS SCHOLARSHIP

### Wayland Livermore Has Second Highest Standing in the County.

In a list sent the News by the State Department of Education of those who won university scholarships in 1925 we find that Wayland B. Livermore, graduating from Andover High school last June with an average standing of 89.65, ranks second in Allegany county pupils, Lowell B. Fox of Houghton, being the only one in the county with a better standing. He had 90.14, having but .49 more to his credit.

These scholarships are issued each year to the pupils of each county, five times as many scholarships as there are assembly districts in the county. Allegany county having one district was awarded five scholarships, which were given as follows: Fox, Lowell B., 90.14, Houghton, Livermore, Wayland B., 89.65, Andover.

Sallberg, Carl W., 88.43, Houghton.

Roth, Ida K., 85.82, Canadea. Long, Florence H., 85.68, Houghton.

## Alfred Woman Dies Suddenly

Mrs. Mae Davis Truman, widow of the late George Truman of Alfred, died Monday evening, August 24th, at Bethesda hospital, Hornell, where she had been taken in the early afternoon. Mrs. Truman attended her work as usual in the morning, calling at the home of her son during the noon hour. She was suddenly taken ill, becoming unconscious from which condition she failed to rally. Mrs. Truman was 57 years of age, a woman held in high esteem by all with whom she came in contact. The greater part of her life had been lived in Alfred.

A son, DeForest Truman and daughter Miss Edythe Truman survive.

Funeral services were held from the home Wednesday and interment made at Alfred.

## Livingston Couple Mark Anniversary

Nunda, Aug. 17.—Rev. D. H. Conrad, former pastor of the Nunda Baptist church and Mrs. Conrad celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Yorkshire, Wyoming county, yesterday. During the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Conrad renewed their marriage vows assumed fifty years ago, this ceremony being performed by their youngest son, Rev. Clare C. Conrad of Andover. On behalf of the guests Dr. Ernest M. Poate gave Mr. and Mrs. Conrad a purse of gold. Among the guests present were:

Mr. and Mrs. Poate and daughter of Southern Pines, N. C.; Rev. and Mrs. Clare C. Conrad and their two sons of Andover, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Conrad and their two sons and daughter of this village, Mrs. Austin Frost and her daughter and Mrs. Thomas Galbraith and her three sons, of Mount Morris—Rushford Spectator.

## ENFORCING THE 18TH AMENDMENT

### Frank Chapman Arrested and Cocoman Place Raided.

Federal enforcement officers, county deputies and local officials were much in evidence Saturday afternoon in Andover. At about noon, Deputy Marshal Lord of Buffalo, armed with a warrant issued by U. S. Commissioner Colin McLennen of Hornell, with Deputy Sheriff Witter and local officers made a raid on the John Cocoman place on West Center street in an effort to get evidence of the violation of the prohibition law.

The deputy marshal took samples of brew found in the place and sent them in for analysis.

It is generally believed in Andover that the place had in some way been tipped off and were prepared to receive the officials.

A dry law detective by the name of Mead had been in Andover a few days and is supposed to have secured the warrant to raid the place.

Saturday night officials were tipped off that a jug of "hard stuff" had been "planted" in the brush on the East side of the pond, for some one. Local men set a watch and discovered the jug. Then a vigilance committee remained all night—watching to see who came to take the jug away. They were partly successful at about 9:30 Sunday morning when Frank Chapman came along and filled a bottle from the contents of the jug.

As Chapman finished filling his bottle officers sprang up from hiding and placed him under arrest. He was taken before Commissioner McLennen of Hornell, Sunday night and held under \$500 bail to appear before Justice Hazel at some future date. George Hunt went his bail.

## ANGELICA FAIR NEXT WEEK

The Allegany County Agricultural Society announces its 81st Annual Fair, to be held at Angelica, N. Y., Sept. 1-2-3-4, 1925.

The premium list has been revised and comes out in fine form this year. If you don't receive one write the secretary for it.

The Society is making every effort to make this the biggest and best year in its history, and the entries should be larger than ever.

The list of amusements are all high class. The Guidless Wonders and the funny stunt races on the track and the wonderful acrobatic acts on the platform in front of the grand stand, with May Collier in her thrilling high dive give amusement to satisfy all.

The midway bookies are filling up fast and the rides and amusements on the "Great White Way" will be better than ever.

Don't forget the night carnivals Wednesday and Thursday evenings with all the free acts and the best fire works ever.

Get your exhibits ready and make your entries early.

Other free attractions to be announced later.

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