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HOW TO PRODUCE WAR.

One of the best ways of getting the United States involved in war is to create a big navy with a corresponding large army and then it will not be long before we'll be fighting too. Europe had been preparing for war for the past fifteen or twenty years and now she is getting the results of her preparation. What need is there of this country becoming alarmed about any European power coming across the Atlantic to fight us! Those nations are all weak and tottering, bleeding to death, all bankrupt, and think you they want a fresh foe! Without money war can't be carried on and with money you can lick the world. Those who go about in the morning looking for trouble to test their strength generally only need to travel till ten o'clock till they find it. As with individuals so with nations.

Those who are loudest in their clamors for war are they who are filling their purses because of the war or because of the scare we must have a preparedness. Do you want to fight? I don't. Let the American stay at home during this European scrap. When I see two big bullies fighting I stay some distance away, or find that I have important business elsewhere.

Say, humanity has been carrying out the war idea since Adam's day, and what a sorry mess has been made. Isn't it time for a change of regime? There are those who would impose a thousand millions of tax on us to equip a great big army and navy, and impoverish us like the peasantry of Europe. It is time that war and bloodshed be undefined and that the arts of peace and philanthropy, and industrialism and love for one's fellows be enthroned. War on both sides is a failure, and it is a monstrous mistake to prepare for war. Either in winning or losing the cost is too great.

VIM

C. W. Tressler made a business trip to the County seat on Tuesday of last week.

Martin Meyer spent last week in Somerset in the capacity of a Petit Juror.

Mrs. W. W. Nicholson spent Wednesday and Thursday in Larimer twp. at the home of P. W. White.

Mrs. Henry Baugard spent last Thursday at the home of Annantas Hoover of near Salisbury.

Mrs. Frank Thomas of Salisbury spent Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Engle.

Henry Suder spent Sunday at Deal with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Suder.

Mrs. Wm. Ray of Meyersdale spent several days of last week at the home of Lawrence Gishbert.

The snow blizzard on Tuesday put the Street Car out of commission for awhile.

UNION VALLEY

Butchering is the go of the day.

Mrs. W. W. Nicholson of Vim spent Wednesday and Thursday at the home of P. W. Whites helping them to butcher.

Henry Tidenberg our noted butcher is kept busy almost every day.

Henry Tressler has purchased a very fine team of horses; he is now rolling the props at Mance.

Myrtle Burket who has been working at P. W. White's, has gone back to live with her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Keefer.

R. Brant made a business trip to Meyersdale on Saturday last.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Citizens National Bank of Meyersdale, Pa., will be held Tuesday, January 11, 1916 at the banking rooms between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

R. H. Philson, Cashier.

ORANGES, ALL SIZES, NUTS, ALL KINDS, IN SHELL OR KERNELS, ALSO APPLES, DATES RAISINS, GRAPES etc. AND ALL KINDS OF CANNED FRUIT FOR CHRISTMAS
HOLZSHU & WEIMER.

Try SELF RISING BUCKWHEAT, and Pancake Flour at BITTNER'S GROCERY.

FINE DRESSED CHICKENS AND TURKEYS at DONGES MARKET.

HENRY FORD'S EFFORTS TOWARDS PEACE.

From the Steamship Oscar II, carrying Henry Ford and other Americans to Europe on a peace mission, on Monday, the following appeal to the rules of Europe, was sent out by wireless to each reigning monarch asking them to declare an immediate truce.

"Sir—We come in this time of trouble not to add to your troubles, but to help lift them; not to consider which nations are most to blame for the disaster that has befallen Europe, but to end the strife; not to intrude ourselves upon your national life and national ideas, but rather with an earnest desire to understand them and a heartfelt wish to aid in realizing them.

"The love of country for which every day tens of thousands of lives are sacrificed is the same in every land. Your nation, like the people of all the other belligerent countries, is fighting for its national existence and its best national traditions, and so there can be no irreconcilable differences. Such common ideals surely must afford a basis upon which to establish a magnanimous and honorable peace.

Further slaughter and the civilization of the world from anarchy and ruin. Has not war been tried enough in sixteen months of fighting? Is it not proven that war cannot solve the problem but that it leads only to loss and misery? Must lives be crushed and wives and mothers bereaved before we recognize that Europe is bleeding to death and that the grievous wounds must be stanching?

"We neutrals are about to join in a conference which shall, without delay, frame and submit simultaneously to you and all the other belligerent nations proposals as a basis for discussion leading to the final settlement. Therefore, we do most earnestly entreat you and the rulers of all the other warring nations to declare an immediate truce. Let the armies stand still where they are. Then let the negotiations proceed so that the soldiers may be delivered from another bitter winter in the trenches and sent back to their labors and fire-side contentment. BGKQJ AOILLY sides. As there is no other way to end the war, except by mediation and discussion, why waste more precious human life? For the sake of humanity,
HENRY FORD.

THROUGHOUT COUNTY

Cyrus Berkebile, a well-known citizen of Shade township, died recently aged 78 years.

A civil service examination will be held at Windber and Somerset on January 22 next to fill positions of rural carriers out of Bosell and Windber, and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other postoffices in the county.

John P. Brennen of Scottdale and Miss Agnes C. Shannon, of Meyersdale, were married at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning of last week, in St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Tyrone, by the Rev. Father Looney. After a wedding trip in the west they will make their home in Scottdale where Mr. Brennen is a prominent coke operator. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Shannon.

John King, aged 89 years, died at the home in Upper Turkeyfoot township Saturday morning following a lingering illness. He was a veteran of the Civil War. One daughter, Miss Sarah King, a brother, Green B. King, and a sister, Miss Marie King, survive him. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon.

Robert Walters, aged 20 years, of Rockwood, was taken to the Western Thursday night, suffering from a broken nose and other bruises about the face, having been kicked by a mule. The young man is a blacksmith and was in the act of shoeing the animal. Walters was thrown across the shop by the blow. He is recovering.

Gilbert Thomas, who opened a barber shop recently at Somerset in the Somerset House basement, has been arrested on a charge of bigamy. His first wife from Pittsburg had him arrested. He is said to have married the woman with whom he has recently been living, at Indiana, October 19.

MEYERSDALE LADY ENTERS MOVIE CONTEST

Miss Beatrice Weigle of Meyersdale, has entered the "Beauty and Brains" contest being conducted by the Photoplay Magazine in conjunction with the World Film Corporation.

The proposition is to send eleven young women to the studios at Fort Lee, New Jersey, across the river from New York City, where they will be given a thorough tryout as film actresses.

A big blizzard on Tuesday in New York and the Eastern states caused millions of dollars of damage and the loss of eight lives. Somerset county had a heavy snow storm but no damage was done.

MEYERSDALE HIGH SCHOOL BRIEFS

On Tuesday afternoon after a petition had been put in by the members of the High School, they were all allowed to go down, and inspect the new Domestic Science Department, during the regular recreation period. The students, as a whole, were very much pleased with the Department especially as they were served with candy by the young cooks.

The High School Orchestra and Glee Club made their first appearance Friday evening at the meeting of the Parent Teachers Association. The Orchestra and Glee Club rendered two selections in a pleasing manner which made their debut a decided success.

The classical Seniors have taken up the study of "Sound." Judging from the inventive genius of the class, you can bet that they will be making some new sounds before long.

The Meyersdale High School Basketball squad started practice on Thursday evening (Dec. 9) at Reich's Auditorium. The manager of the Auditorium has given the High School boys the use of the floor on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of each week after school. A large number of the boys turned out and the prospects for a strong team is bright. Mr. Paul Clutton is going to help coach the team, so the students can be assured to have a smooth working combination by the time the High School season is opened. The boys will probably open the season at Reich's with the strong Beall High School quintet as an attraction. Last year the Beall quintet defeated M. H. S. by the score 24 to 22 but this year the boys are out for revenge, the probable date will be Friday Jan. 7th. A strong schedule is being arranged so the public and H. S. students can be assured of some interesting battles.

(John H.) "Say Joe, what makes you fat men so good natured?"

(Joe.) "We have to be: we can neither fight nor run."

Frank Boucher has again resurrected, "Good Consideration" We thought he had it buried for sure but he hasn't.

We wonder why Wm. Leckemby has not been tardy for the last two weeks. "What has become of the Girl Hiker's?" This has been asked quite a number of times. The reason they have not been hiking for a while is that their hiking hours have been devoted to Chorus practice or Senior Nightmare practice or Orchestra practice or some other kind of practice, for the last few weeks. The week before the Thanksgiving vacation a hike had been planned but it rained. However last Friday a crowd four of them went for a hike. They walked up to the Sand Spring School and back; although it was a bit cold coming back they enjoyed themselves immensely. They are now planning for a sledding party one afternoon this week.

Dear Howl and Growl Editor:

I would like to protest through your noble column about the way the Senior Class in Solid Geometry arouses our appetites when we are trying (?) to study. All we hear is "Pi Pi, Pi" and just sounds like "pie! pie! pie! pie!" Please see if you can't induce them to use as a substitute some such word as "pickles" so that it will only affect the love sick.

A Hungry Sophomore.

Michael Hady seems to think that laziness or "hookworm" disease is only prevalent in the South. We think Michael must have been raised in the South.

Margaret Wilson is again at her old work of inspecting wood. She found out that wood was hard rather than soft.

Someone asked the question, in the biology class—if it were spring, would Irene (Blume) bloom?

Grace Michael's plea for news is put into verse by Mary Gregg Darrow as follows—

Oh! Sophomore, list to this little plea Scrape up some news and send it to me;

For the sophomore column will be vacant this week.

If to me no news you will repeat.

Orpha Meyers told the freshmen that the early Athenians studied Shakespeare and Robinson Crusoe.

The Freshmen all expect to get a lot for Christmas as Miss Livengood is teaching them how to write letters and most of them are now able to write first class letters to Santa.

Frank Opel wrote a letter to Santa but instead of putting it up the chimney he thought Santa would come to school so he left it in his desk. The scholars thinking it was for the public reader found that Little Jakey wanted a little white poodle dog, a choo-choo train etc. We hope he will get them.

RIPE OLIVES HAVE REAL FOOD VALUE; TRY A CAN AT BITTNER'S GROCERY.

Glessner's Great Christmas Store
This line of holiday goods is full of quality, variety, beauty and good taste. It is easy to select from and supplies exactly what you want. Just the right thing for old, middle-aged or young.

Dolls in Doll-dom
Hundreds of little girls in Meyersdale and vicinity will spend all Christmas day rocking, cuddling and dressing hundreds of new dolls selected in Doll-dom at Glessner's Store. You'll be pleased at the low prices.

Toys in Toyland
Did you hear the children say, "Go to Glessner's for your Toys?" The slogan is heard on all sides. They have seen with their own eyes and have handled with their own hands these pretty toys, the praises of which they are now singing on every hand. This line is made up of everything that should enter into a well selected stock ranging in price from 5 cents to \$1.00 with the 10c and 25c range predominating.

Practical Presents
If you are looking for more practical presents you will find a good selection of such articles here too, for this is really a Christmas Store in the full sense of the word. Not under any other roof in the town has such a variety of gift goods been put on display.

The Store with the Christmas Spirit
Now Announces Its Full Preparedness
To meet the onslaughts of the buying public. Let Fathers Come! Let Mothers Come! Let Children Come! Let Everybody Come!
I INVITE YOU
ALBERT S. GLESSNER,
Meyersdale, Penn'a.

MRS. NETTIE KNEPPER.
Mrs. Nettie B. Knepper, 34 years of age, died Saturday morning at the City hospital, Johnstown, after an operation. The deceased had been at the hospital since the previous Wednesday. She was the wife of the Hon. Amos W. Knepper, of Somerset. Surviving are her husband, her mother, Mrs. Lavina Friedline, and one brother, Ira W. Friedline. The body was taken to Somerset for burial.

JOHN MENSER.
John Menser, aged 69 years, died Monday evening at his home in Paint Borough, following an illness with cancer.

BRETHREN CHURCH—Rev. H. L. Goughnour, Pastor—On Sunday, Dec. 19, the Women's League will meet in connection with the Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. Church services in Meyersdale at 10:30 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor at 6:45 P. M. All are cordially invited.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, Rev. W. M. Howe, Pastor—Services for next Sunday. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "White Gifts." Evening Subject, "The Seventh Seal." Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Christian Workers' Meeting at 6:15 p. m.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION, Rev. Clewell E. Miller, Pastor—Sunday School next Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. Y. P. A. on Sunday evening at 6:30. Prayer-meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30, the services for St. Meyersdale. The services for St. John's are Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Prayer meeting on Sunday evening at 7:30. Services for Glencoe are Sunday School at 10 a. m. Revival meetings are to continue until Sunday evening with services at 7:20.

OUR WINDOW SHOWS YOU SOME OF THE KINDS OF CANDY WE HAVE. STEP INSIDE TO SEE THE REST. ALSO OUR LINE OF CAKES AND CRACKERS.
HOLZSHU & WEIMER.

Get a Substantial Christmas Present for the Family—
AN AUTOMOBILE
One of these four cars from which to choose at the Meyersdale Auto Company's Garage
MAXWELL HUPMOBILE BUICK FRANKLIN
This kind of snow and rough weather doesn't stop the Meyersdale Auto Company from selling cars. They sold and delivered in the last few days six cars as follows:
John Trimpey Maxwell Touring
Edward Kimmel " "
Mrs. Clayton Stotler " "
Frank Ball " "
H. M. Hay Buick Touring
J. O. Ream Buick Roadster
MEYERSDALE AUTO CO.

POCAHONTAS
Miss Minnie Rembold entertained a few of her friends with a card party on Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th; a luncheon was served at 10:30 after which a few more games were played and returning to their homes every one saying they enjoyed themselves very much. The following were present: Misses Grace Murray, Jennie Shockey, Sarah Brancher, Pearl Baer, Minnie Rembold, Rachael Marie Rembold, Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Sass, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Landis, W. R. Snyder, Lawrence Snyder, Fred Shockey, Norman Barnoy, Wm. Baker, Wm. Miller, Marshall Miller, D. C. Baer and Ulysses Rembold.

Plenty of snow in this vicinity now and sleigh bells are being heard on every side.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS at HABEL & PHILLIPS.

C. B. Kelly attended the opening of the Great White Way in Cumberland The public sale of Dr. F. E. Sass on Saturday was well attended. Santa Claus has been seen in this vicinity during the past week. Sunday School at St. Mark's next Sunday at 1 o'clock. Services at 2.

THE BEST SAUSAGE 10c PER lb at DONGES MARKET.

TWO CARLOADS OF GOLDEN LOAF AND GOLDEN MEDAL FLOUR JUST ARRIVED. THE MARKET IS ADVANCING AND WE BELIEVE YOU WILL SAVE MONEY BY BUYING A BARREL OR TWO. \$6.30 AND \$6.50 PER BBL. at HABEL & PHILLIPS.

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