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Could hemp save family farms in Washington County?

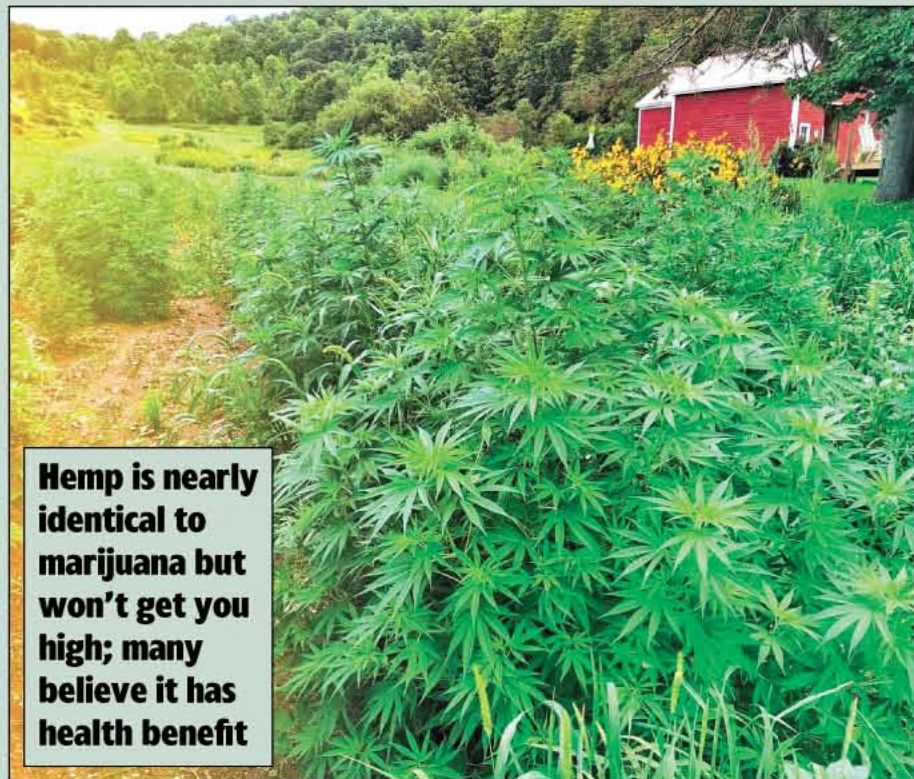
By Cathy DeDe
Chronicle Managing Editor

Could hemp be the savior of the family farm in Washington County?

Seth Jacobs of Slack Hollow Farm in Argyle says yes. "I can't think of another time when small farmers had such an opportunity to get in on what looks to be an important pharmaceutical commodity," he said. "Only once in every few generations does an opportunity like this come."

Iris Rogers of one-year-old Homestead Hemp Farm in Hebron says, "There's so much trouble in the dairy farming community. Our main goal was really to bring hemp to Washington County."

Hemp is nearly exactly the same plant as marijuana, except it won't get you high. By law it can contain no more than 0.3 percent THC, the psychoactive compound stoners crave and law enforcement chases.



Hemp is nearly identical to marijuana but won't get you high; many believe it has health benefit

Meanwhile, hemp-derived cannabidiol, the non-psychoactive cannabis component commonly known as CBD, is all the rage.

Entrepreneur.com pegs it as a \$1 billion industry, with potential growth in sales to \$22 billion by 2022.

CBD is increasingly seen in the wellness community and even among some medical practitioners as a natural — though mostly so far only anecdotally validated — treatment for a host of ills, from chronic pain and in-

flammation to heart disease and even acne. It is sold in oils and salves, creams, foods, cosmetics, even dog treats.

One drug — Epidiolex — has been tested and approved by the Food and Drug Administration for treating epileptic seizures.

Hemp itself is used in a myriad of products from fiber, clothing and paper to rope and grain.

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Two things happened in December to advance hemp's pros-

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Deal with it, Glens Falls Hospital!

By Mark Frost
Chronicle Editor

Glens Falls Hospital has a full-blown crisis on its hands. So far it's failed to find a way through it.

The Post-Star's investigative reporting that revealed a catastrophic failure in 2017 of the hospital's billing software, costing it \$38-million, is devastating — and the hospital still hasn't managed effectively to address it.

I don't doubt there are ways in which the hospital starts with its hands tied as to what it can and can't disclose, but it's time they Houdini the knot or else con-

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Photo: Queensbury, 'Once on This Island'

Dan Ladd's gun views draw fire

To the Editor,

I would like to respond to Mr. Daniel Ladd's editorial (*The Chronicle* Feb. 21, 2019) on current NYS legislative efforts regarding sensible gun laws.

Mr. Ladd addresses several pieces of legislation, his opinion requiring a bit of clarification.

He first raises the issue of S2451/A2689, the so called 'red

flag' bill. Aside from the ridiculousness of his use of the NRA's opinion to support his point (when has the NRA ever opined in favor of anything but more guns for everyone?) his assertion is wholly false.

Dan, read the bill. A temporary protection order can be issued only if there is adequate supporting evidence. Then there must be a hearing within one week, the subject must be advised to consider getting an attorney, and the petitioner (the complainant) has the burden of proof "by clear and convincing

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