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JUNE 16

FIVE TO EIGHT

SHIRLEY

News Items.

Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen with her sister, Miss Harriet Winslow, attended on Thursday the graduating exercises at Thompson's Island, an endowed school for boys. Mrs. Hazen was a former principal for seven years, 1897-1904. The school was recently endowed with an additional \$150,000 by a friend of the school.

The primary and intermediate schools closed Friday for the annual summer vacation.

If conditions are favorable the Albatross club will hold a picnic in the pine woods at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Lindenburg on Thursday, June 22.

The Universalist church will hold their annual picnic at Whitson Saturday, June 24.

The Alliance met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. David L. Lindenburg. A large number were present and enjoyed a fine program as follows: Song, Mrs. Emma S. Horton, reading, Miss Josephine Cannon, Stockbridge; Miss Helen Winslow and Mrs. Abbie J. Wells gave reports of the biennial meeting recently held. Lunch was served.

Three of the children who attend the church street school had their dinners stolen by a hobo. The children following their usual custom left their hobs as seen by a couple of the children but made good his escape.

The question of closing the Shirley high school has finally been decided. The freshman pupils will go to Ayer high school, and the sophomores, juniors and seniors will go to Fitchburg. The freshmen can also go to Fitchburg if their parents are willing to pay one-half the tuition and all the transportation.

Tenth Anniversary.

Miss Virginia Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Wheeler, celebrated the tenth anniversary of her birth Thursday. A number of her friends were invited to help her celebrate, which they did in a most enjoyable manner from three to seven o'clock. The young hostess received many dainty and useful gifts, games were played both indoors and out on the lawn. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and wafers were served. A most pleasing feature of the affair was a large birthday cake with ten lighted candles on it, each of the guests receiving a share. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler were assisted in serving by Rev. E. L. Halfacre and Mrs. Susan C. Anderson.

The following guests were present: Rev. E. L. Halfacre, Mrs. Susan C. Anderson, Mary Anderson, Earl Pomfret, Millie Parker, Moody Parker, Vivian Wheeler, Dolly and Doris Knowles, Clarence and Ruth Hooper, Harold Watson, Blanche and Everett Barnard, Richard Lilly, Alice Cole, Ruth and Howard Lynch, Nina, Leona and Warren Birchstead, Louise Doherty, Kenneth Clarke, Fred John and Edith, Helen Daddum, Virginia, Harriet, Hazen and Junior Wheeler.

Planning Better Water System.

The question of the State Industrial school having an independent water supply of their own is now under con-

sideration by the trustees of the school. The reasons or motives that have prompted this new move is the fact that they do not get the pressure they want from the town water supply, and while they have dug wells on the school grounds and have had samples of the water analyzed, they have not as yet fully decided, as the trustees are also considering other propositions such as a reservoir or standpipe which would give them the required pressure of water from the town supply. The legislature has appropriated the sum of \$10,000 to be used under the direction of the trustees of the school for an improved water system. Besides the above amount the sum of \$75,000 has also been appropriated for the financing and equipping of the new administration building. If the trustees decide to operate a water system of their own it will be a loss to the Shirley Village Water District of about \$1500 per year.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Mrs. Lucy A. Pickard, who visited in Littleton for three weeks, returned to Littleton for a visit of a few days and attended the Unitarian conference before going to Chelmsford, where she will make her home temporarily.

Miss Sarah Priest has been keeping house for her brother, Dr. H. B. Priest, of Ayer, during the absence of Mrs. Priest, who attended Wheaton commencement.

Miss Florence Whitcomb opened her home Saturday afternoon to a number of friends who joined with her in giving a miscellaneous shower to Miss Mildred Flag, whose marriage to Jerome Bart will be solemnized next Tuesday.

Littleton high school baseball team was defeated by Westford academy, 6 to 0, at Westford on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Esten and Eugene attended Tufts college commencement Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Murray are enthusiastic over the dog show that they visited on the grounds of the Woodland Park hotel in Auburndale on Thursday of last week. There were 800 dogs on exhibition, some of which were raised from dogs Mrs. Murray owned. There were representatives of the canine kingdom from all over America and a few from Europe. The proceeds are to be used to help swell the blue cross fund for aid to disabled horses of all nations in war times.

The Board of Trade met Monday evening and aside from routine business discussed the subject of transportation, train schedule, etc., and the Fitchburg division, Boston and Maine railroad.

Rosa, Elizabeth and Frances Hill and Elizabeth and Winnifred Plekard were among the Littleton pupils who attended Mrs. Graydon's surprise party and recital in Ayer last week.

A Heywood Knowlton arrived home from Dartmouth this week, a full-fledged senior.

The conference of Unitarian churches held with the Littleton church on Thursday was one of the best in its history. The various churches were represented by some over 200, and the program was exceptionally good. The

dinner served at noon was in keeping with other features of the day, both in quality and quantity.

The meeting held last Monday in the interest of sufferers among the non-combatants in Europe met with a hearty response from Littleton women. Mrs. Locke, of Lexington, presented the cause and described the work as taken up by women in her town. A nominating committee was chosen to name committees for different phases of work, the same to be selected from the four religious societies, the Old Ladies, the Woman's club and the King's Daughters.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield and other members of the family attended the commencement of Boston Tech this week.

Mrs. C. F. Watts has spent the week with her daughter, Mrs. Dexter, and family, in Orange.

An all-day session for qualification of members of the Bible club for marksmen under the new regulations is planned for Saturday, June 17. The girls at 11 a. m. and dramatic treat of the summer will be given on Saturday afternoon, June 17, when members of the Woman's club will present the Greek play, "Endymion," in Littleton town hall at 2:30 o'clock, under the direction of Miss Nina Oschman of the Boston School of Expression. Solo dancing will be given by the distinguished dancer, Miss Louise Hateman, of Arlington.

Elmer Flagg's house on Shattuck street, and Clarence Conklin's cottage at Port pond have been wired and connected with the current of electricity. L. A. Hazer has also had connections made with his barn for the purpose of separating milk by motor power.

A special meeting of the Woman's club will be held at Mrs. P. L. Brown on Monday afternoon, June 19, at 2:30 o'clock to discuss some matters of business. A committee will be chosen to nominate a treasurer in place of Mrs. Clara E. Spairs, resigned. A large attendance is desired.

Miss F. A. Sanderson has attended many of the Wellesley college functions during commencement week.

Commencement Exercises.

Commencement at Littleton high school will begin with the laudatory sermon Sunday evening, June 18, at seven o'clock, and Rev. Herbert L. Caulkins will give the address.

The graduation exercises will be held in the town hall on Friday afternoon, June 23, at 2:30 o'clock. The following is the program: Entrance of School Invocations.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield, Gounod Class Anthem, Address, for Efficiency.

Winthrop H. Kelley, Wilton Music, Carmina.

Graduation Address, Prof. John C. Thompson.

Principal Fitchburg Normal School, Mrs. H. H. Bright, Abode Wagner.

Over the Tea Cups, Prophecy and presentation of class gift.

Musical Class Song, Awarding of Diplomas.

Benediction, Rev. Benjamin Conant.

Exit of School, Graduates—Charles Whitney Caulkins, William Alfred Cook, Paul Daland Fletcher, Robert William Hartwell, Winthrop Hall Kelley, Veronica Helena McNiff, Wenona Evelyn Rowe, William Stephen Tobin, Ruth Isabelle Wesley.

Class officers—William S. Tobin, pres.; William A. Cook, v. pres.; Ruth Wesley, sec.; Robert W. Hartwell, treas.; Class flower, Ward rose; motto, "Deeds, not words"; colors, green and gold.

The reception will be held in the town hall on Friday evening, June 23, at eight o'clock.

The alumni banquet is slated for Saturday evening, June 24, at seven o'clock.

Baptist Notes.

The children of the Sunday school had their day last Sunday after the morning service. They performed their parts much to the satisfaction of the grown-ups, who were also present in good numbers. The platform was tastefully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers. The recitations by the

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children of the junior department were unusually well done and are deserving of special mention. The good results were largely due to the good work of the program committee, Misses Emma Tenney, Edith Whitcomb, Marjorie Dodge and Mrs. Caulkins, under the direction of the superintendent, Miss Ruth Robinson.

"The Africans in America" will be the topic of the closing meeting for the season of the Woman's Missionary society to be held in the vestry on Wednesday afternoon, June 21, at three o'clock, in charge of Mrs. Frank Dodge. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Mrs. E. N. Robinson, Mrs. Everett Kimball and Rev. H. L. Caulkins were delegates to the annual meeting of the Wachuset Baptist Sunday School association in Fitchburg on Tuesday.

The union service, with the sermon before the graduating class of the high school will be held in the Baptist church on Sunday evening at seven o'clock. "Real sunshine" will be the theme of the morning service.

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WESTFORD

Center.

Much interest has been felt in the appointment of the R. F. D. mail carrier filling the place of Frank C. Wright, who resigned earlier in the year. The appointment has been received by Frederick H. Myers and he will begin his duties June 18. There were about 100 in Middlesex county who took the civil service examinations, among which were a good number from Westford. Mr. Myers' rank in the examination was 5.9. He will use his automobile in covering the route. William E. Green has been substituting on the route since the resignation of Mr. Wright in February.

It was pleasant last Sunday, just as people were dispersing from the Congregational church to find Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Boynton just outside greeting old friends. They had driven from Medford in their automobile, planning attendance at church, but the traveling after the rains made them late in getting to town. With them was Miss Gertrude and two other auto guests, the latter from Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth were in attendance the first part of the week at the dedication of the new Technology buildings in Cambridge and other attendant festivities of the occasion.

Sunday will be children's day at the Congregational church and Supt. Wood has put much thought into making the occasion one of interest. The exercises will be given by the members of the Sunday school and at least two children will receive the rites of baptism.

Miss Mary P. Bunce was in attendance last week at the sessions of the state library convention, and Miss Alice M. Howard was her efficient substitute at the library during her absence.

The William E. Frost school closed this week Friday. The out-of-town teachers have returned to their homes, Miss Grant to Gloucester, and Miss Crocker to Brockton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Abbot are residing an attractive porch to their residence.

The West Chelmsford baseball team will meet the Westford A. A. at Whiteley playground on Saturday, June 24. This will be the first game of the season at Westford by the association management. The members of the A. A. plan a good celebration for July 4, with the cooperation of the Boy Scouts and the Grange, as well as the townspeople. Funds to make it a success will have to be solicited from the townspeople and a good response is hoped for. J. Herbert Fletcher is the treasurer and kindly send subscriptions to him. A parade, two ball games, etc., will be among the attractions.

A good number of national emblems were in evidence throughout the village on flag day. The big parade in Lowell in the evening attracted a large number from Westford. Mr. Wright conveyed a large truck filled with passengers to the city and many automobiles filled with people went down for the evening.

The events of this next week are the graduating exercises of Westford academy, the alumni dinner and the dance in honor of the graduating class in the evening, all taking place next Wednesday. There are six in the graduating class.

About Town.

At the annual meeting of the Lowell Fish and Game association held on last week Tuesday evening, 572 new members were added. It was unanimously voted to hold the annual outing at Long Sought pond on the Grotton road, Westford, on the grounds of the Alpine club, Labor day.

Herbert A. Walkden will graduate from the Massachusetts Agricultural college this June.

The camp at Nabnasset for the Y. M. C. A. boys of Lowell is being put in readiness for the season and the registration is larger than any previous year, which will hold in July and last nine weeks. It will be a camp of systematic sports, industries, health, literature and observation of the Lord's day.

It treated the days of the Spring and prosperity of the harvest and greeting of Elizabeth S. Abbott of the Unitarian church last Sunday. She has been spending the winter in Washington and was on her way to her summer home in Brookline.

Westford Grange will neighbor with Lowell Grange on next Tuesday evening and will furnish the entertainment. Lowell will furnish the supper.

The next meeting of West Chelmsford Grange will be held at Historic hall on Thursday evening, June 22. Dr. Frances H. Drew, of Lowell, will lecture on "Responsibility on the Child of Today."

Miss Roberts, of New Brunswick, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. R. P. Deane, at the old Capt. Peabody Fletcher place on the Lowell road.

John A. Taylor will return this week from the University of North Dakota. He has given a number of commencement addresses in various places and this week was stage manager for the play given at the open-air theatre on the grounds of the school in honor of the tercentenary of Shakespeare's death and was called "Shakespeare, the play maker." It was a very spectacular affair. Some of the Chippewa Indians took part.

Yes, we are going to have peas for dinner today in memory of Banker Hill monument, as well as a memory of the scramble to have them first. Will some one volunteer to hold an umbrella over the rain while we pick.

Frank C. Drew has the largest field of corn any one in the Stony Brook valley. It totally covers the acre and the rows hold the same opinion.

There are twelve bushels of potatoes in the Stony Brook valley in one field all budded to blow. Corn in the same field is not lush because the weather has not and the crows have taken the rest.

The selectmen are reconstructing the railing on the arch bridge on Stony Brook road. The individuals should be reconstructed who have been lying gravitate to the bottom of the brook by the "laying on of hands."

Grantville.

The members of Court Westford, M. C. O. F., held a well attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on last week Thursday evening with Mrs. Julian B. Wall, chief ranger in the chair. Business of importance was transacted and several applications for membership received. The court will hold a class initiation in Healy's hall here next Sunday afternoon. A

degree staff from Merrimack court, Haverhill, will assist in the initiation ceremonies and members of the high standing committee of Boston will also be present. A banquet will be held in the lower hall at six o'clock. Some twenty odd candidates will be initiated into the order on Sunday and the high initiation promises to be very interesting.

Children's Sunday was fittingly observed in the M. E. church here Sunday morning and in spite of the inclement weather there was a large number present.

Mrs. Charlotte Day has recently returned from a visit spent with friends in Lawrence.

The members of Cameron circle, C. F. of A., held a well attended and interesting meeting in Oak Park on Tuesday night with Miss Marion Lord the chief companion in the chair. Business of importance was transacted and several applications for membership were received. Miss Lord has recently been elected grand trustee at the annual convention held in Fall River recently. She is now a member of the executive council.

George B. Paddock of Oak Park, Benton county, Minn., has been a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blodgett of Milestone road. Judge Paddock is the owner of a large registered stock farm in Oak Park and was deeply interested in all things of a like nature in this vicinity.

Forge Village.

Two new cottages are being built by the Abbot Vested Co. One on Pine and the other on Pleasant street.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gerard have returned to their home in Worcester, after visiting relatives here. Mrs. Gerard was formerly Mrs. Mary A. Deane of this village and was married to Mr. Gerard on May 25 by Rev. Mr. Chase of Auburn. Mr. Gerard was until four years ago a resident of Ayer. He was one of the first conductors on the Ayer and Fitchburg electric railway. Mr. and Mrs. Gerard reside at 121 Boylston street, Worcester.

A little daughter entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Daly of Clinton were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. Daly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Daly.

Mrs. Hartley and son Redmond of Keelighy, England, arrived here Saturday. At present they are the guests of Mrs. Jane Dare.

The office employees of Abbot & Co. of this village and Grantville are enjoying the pleasures of camp life this week at Forge pond. The party is chaperoned by Mrs. Reuben Taylor.

The new pews which were installed at St. Andrew's mission this week arrived on Monday evening.

Special services will be held at the mission on next Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The choir of St. Andrew's church of Ayer will combine with the mission choir and will render special music during the services. The singing will be under the direction of Miss Sarah Precious, organist of St. Andrew's mission. This will be the first time in the afternoon for the remainder of the summer. Sunday school will close next Sunday for the summer.

LUNENBURG

New Items.

All the grade schools closed last week Friday for their summer vacation. Special closing exercises were held in nearly all the grades in some of the closing exercises, the purpose being to find out "Who's who" in a lot of pictures taken of the children in their babyhood, quite a number were recognized. An amusing contest of the pupils very much enjoyed the closing of school, while others are "class babies."

Children's day exercises were observed in both churches here last Sunday, with appropriate exercises. Rev. Alfred Noon's morning sermon, although not particularly for the children, was along that line, his subject being an educational topic, entitled "A Sunday School." A Sunday school concert, in charge of Mrs. Herbert Eaton proved a very interesting entertainment for the evening. Rev. James Perkins, of the Congregational church, also had an appropriate sermon for the morning and the Sunday school hour was occupied with the children's day exercises, consisting of singing and recitation. At the P. E. meeting in the evening Hoyt Barter was the leader and the subject was "The Will and the Way."

Rev. Alfred Noon will deliver the benediction and sing to the graduating class of eight pupils on Sunday. This will be upon service and will be held in the Methodist church at the usual time on Sunday morning, Friday evening, June 24, the following program will be given by the graduating class: Essay, "George Washington and our Nation today," William E. H. Sherwood, essay, "Dignity and what it means to America," Ethel E. Sherwood, essay, "Some phases of child labor," Gladys B. Simpson, essay, "Character," Ruth G. Gilbert, recitation, "The extra essay," "How farmers cooperate and increase profits," Ralph A. Price, "Some aspects of the modern high school," Edith M. Johnson, recitation, "Midnight Lullaby," Modern American humor, Edith A. Goodnow, followed by presentation of diplomas by Edward B. Saunders of the school committee.

It is reported upon good authority that Edward H. Day, of Fitchburg, has bought the William H. Dodd place, north of the Center of seventeen acres with house, barn and garage. It is situated on the Northfield road, opposite the Sukey Dunsmore place, so-called. Miss Beckonert, from whom the purchase was made, intends removing to New Hampshire. It is also reported that the Stephen Adams place on the state road in Goodrichville, has again changed hands and that it will now be occupied by C. A. Hayes, who will set up a repair shop for autos and keep a stock of supplies. E. S. Boutwell, a contractor of Fitchburg, has begun work on a new garage for Mr. Hayes and has had considerable experience in auto factories and garages.

Miss Florence J. Lowe, one of the teachers in the Center school, and who contemplates a trip across the continent, and who has been in Hawaii, a girls' school in Hawaii, was the guest of all the other teachers in the Center building at a luncheon a few days ago, when she received a fountain pen and a present in the form of a reminder that when she is "over the seas and far away" she can write them a line without the trouble of hunting for a pen. Miss Lowe is now expected to leave town in July for a three-year's engagement and the best wishes of her many friends will go with her.

Six pupils in the Center schools have a No One record, having made perfect attendance during the past year—Helen Mead, Dwight Davidson, Carolyn McIntyre, primary; A. Roland Lancy, intermediate; George Wakefield, Ellsworth Wakefield, grammar.

Miss Blanche Lancy's pupils of the sixth grade presented her with a fine large mounted engraving of six girls had at the closing of the school exercises last week Friday.

SHIRLEY

Center.

The Girls' Sewing Guild were pleasantly entertained on last Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss E. Bradford.

Mrs. A. L. Bumpus and little daughter Theodora, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard, arriving last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Taylor, of Lunenburg, were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Robert J. Evans, who has been spending a short vacation with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Evans, leaves soon for Maine, where he is to have charge of a mission during the summer.

The Center primary and grammar schools close this week for the summer vacation.

Although it was reported last week that Fred W. Holden had purchased Mrs. Cynthia Lynch's bungalow on Center road, it is now understood that the property is still in the hands of the original owner.

Miss Margaret Longley spent the week-end at Halifax with her sister, Miss Christine G. Longley.

Mrs. E. S. Woodard, of Fitchburg, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Bradford.

Miss Ruth M. Graves, who has been teaching school in Lancaster, completes her duties this week, and will return to the home of her parents for the summer.

The meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening, June 20, will be children's night. The committee for the entertainment is Mrs. Bessie Buxton and Mrs. Jennie Bradford. Miss Carrie Bradford has charge of the prize speaking, for which two prizes will be given. The contest is open to the school children of Shirley and enough entries have been made to insure its success. A good marking is expected.

The home of the late Mrs. Grace E. Winslow, one of the most beautiful in town, is soon to be closed on account of the settlement of the estate, and has already been advertised for sale for some months. Miss Esie Kirby, who has made her home for some years, expects to go to the home of her brother, John Kirby, in Caldwell, N. J. Miss Helen Weston, Miss Service and Miss Eleanor Kyme will go to Wollaston, and Miss Mary McPartlan will return to her home in Pepperell.

BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS COMING

Greatest Show on Earth Will Positively Exhibit in This Vicinity

At last the welcome news has been announced that the Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Earth is expected to exhibit in this vicinity. This year Barnum & Bailey announce an all new novelty circus, composed of more foreign born talent than any other important feature is the new, Oriental spectacular, "Perla, or the Paganini Circus." In this gorgeous display more than 1350 persons participate. The Oriental music includes 250 musicians, and 3500 costumes are worn in the various acts of the program.

The circus program will be one of unusual novelty and variety. More than 150 scenic articles will appear in the various acts, and a grand parade of numbers and an army of fifty of the finest clowns on earth will keep the audience entertained with laughter. Among the new acts to be offered for the first time this season are four great troupes of Chinese acrobats, presenting a complete Chinese circus, together with thrilling aerial and acrobatic feats. The famous Hinderford family champion riders of Europe are another new importation as is also the famous Italy's famous "The Circus of the Circus," more than twenty trained animal acts will be included in the program, headed by Kaiser's two marvelous troupes of trained bears.

The Barnum & Bailey Circus is larger this season than before, and will require eighty-nine cars to transport it. It carries 1100 persons, 750 horses and a greatly enlarged menagerie of 298 tigers and 41 elephants.

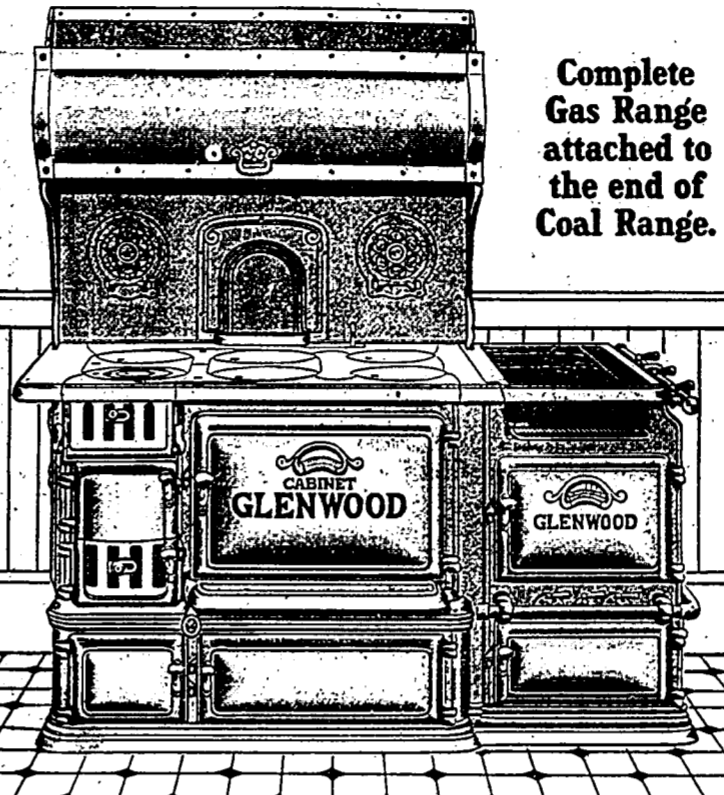
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AMY ANN LOUGEE, Executrix.
Ayer, Mass., May 31, 1916. 2139

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

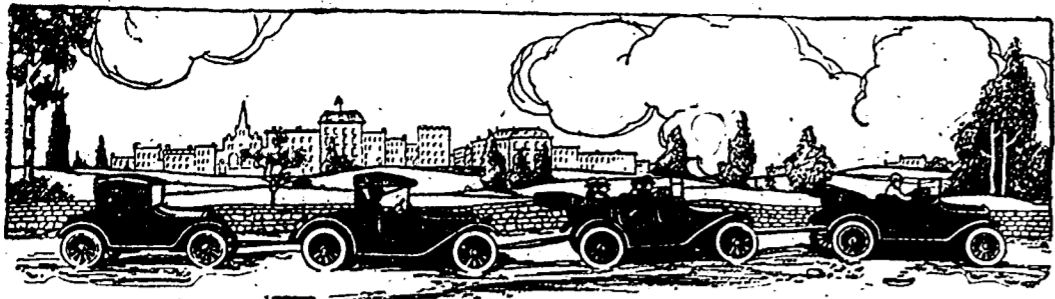
By virtue of a power of sale in a certain mortgage deed given by Joseph LaFortune and Julia LaFortune to Katherine T. Geroy, dated February 1st, 1915, and recorded with the Middlesex South District Deeds, book 3345, page 508, and for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of enforcing the same, will be sold at public auction on the premises on Monday, July 3d, 1916, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the real estate described in said mortgage deed, to wit:

A certain lot of land, with the buildings thereon, situated on the northerly side of Babery Hill Road in the southerly part of said Township, containing 6.42 acres and being part of the old John Farmer Place, 800 of said, and bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the southerly corner thereof on the northerly side of said Road at the southerly corner of the Babery Hill schoolhouse lot, which point is distant easterly 219 feet from land of Nester Kowin, formerly the Jenkins Place; thence N. 16° 27' E. by said schoolhouse lot 39.7 feet to a corner; thence N. 35° 20' E. 890 feet to a stump and stone; thence N. 45° W. 207.5 feet to land formerly of Kate Nutting, now Francisella Whitney; thence N. 34° 45' E. by said Whitney land 1209 feet to the spring lot owned by L. U. Clement; thence by said lot S. 55° E. 297 feet and N. 34° 45' E. 330 feet to land of Worcester and Reed, formerly the Lawrence Place; thence S. 55° E. by said Worcester and Reed land, land of L. U. Clement and land now or formerly of John Westling, formerly known as the Ball farm, 2030 feet to a corner; thence N. 84° 40' by land now or late of William Barnaby, formerly of one Adams, 1500 feet to a stake and stones; thence S. 33° 40' W. by said Barnaby land and land of Hugo Pukkinan, formerly of one Moore, 1316 feet to the end of the wall at said road; thence westerly by said Road 1347 feet to the place of beginning.

The above described premises are to be sold subject to a mortgage held by the Fitchburg Co-operative Bank, and also subject to all unpaid taxes, assessments and other liens.

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It nettled Bill Parr considerably! So many motorists had carelessly stated that all Tire Tubes are just Rubber. He determined to show some folks the difference, in a way they would never forget.

There were four Cars at the door, and their Owners or Drivers at his elbow.

To these he said—

"Boys—how strong do you think this Goodrich Brown Tube actually is?"

"Do you believe it is strong enough to tow Mr. Oden's five passenger Car, with four people in it, for 20 blocks?"

"You don't, eh?"

"Well now here's a bit of a Det I want to make with any, or all, of you."

"I will bet you a Dinner that this little old regular Goodrich Tube (34x4) will not only tow Mr. Oden's Car, but will tow all three of your Cars—fully passengered,—through the streets, for the full 21 blocks (more than a mile and a half)—starting and stopping as many times as the crowd makes it necessary."

"I will,—if you Gentlemen are agreeable,—line up all four of your Cars, right here and now, take three regular Goodrich Tubes—help-hazard out of their boxes,—tie one tube between each two Cars, (which means hauling three Cars on the first Tube) and tote You—all that way to 'The Corners.'"

"Are you willing to bet a Dinner that any one of the three Tubes will 'go broke' on the way, or show a flaw which would look Air, or prevent its being used for its original Tire purpose afterwards?"

"You are, eh?"

"Well,—the Bet's on!"

"Come along, and you'll be the Judges."

shape after such a tug, even if they did hang together at the finish.

"Look you," said he, "when we released the load,—after the Haul,—they instantly snapped back into just three-quarters of an inch longer than they were at the start!"

"And that 3/4 of an inch, they took up again in less than two hours rest."

"WELL, boys,"—Bill Parr remarked,—as he smoothed out a wrinkle in his well-filled vest, "that'll stop the Argument about all Tire Tubes being 'just Rubber,' won't it?"

"If the Brown Stuff that toted all your Heavy-weights,—and your 'Cars,'—for 21 blocks, without a Sign of Heavy Duty afterwards, isn't something MORE than 'just Rubber,' like other Tubes,—then you'd better buy the 'Just Rubber' kind hereafter."

"I'm going to ask all of you to sign your names to this 'Texas Tire Tube Test,'—just to show that you have taken part in a regular Exploit which is mighty well worth recording."

So indeed they did,—and here is the affidavit:

AFFIDAVIT.

This certifies that we, the undersigned, took part in and witnessed, the Texas tube test referred to in the advertisement entitled "How the Texas Tube Test Happened"—that the test was made on the date of Nov. 11, at Waco, Texas, the distance covered being twenty-one blocks and that the result was as described.

Signed— W. M. ODEN,
J. M. NASH,
B. A. FRITZ,
W. A. FARR.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by W. M. Oden, J. M. Nash, B. A. Fritz and W. A. Farr, this 3rd day of May, A.D. 1916, at Waco, Texas.

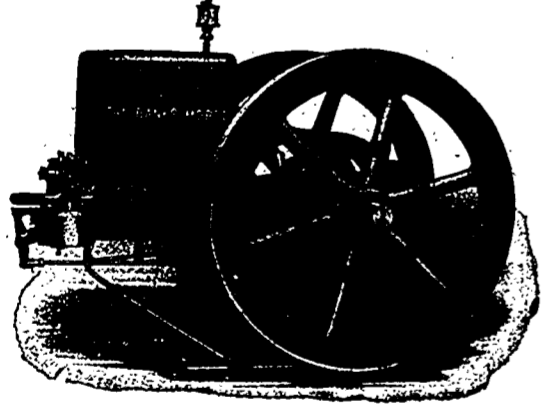
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the Baptist church, where they will listen to a sermon by the pastor, Rev. William Gibson. After the service they will march in a body to the village cemetery and decorate the graves of deceased members.

Leonard H. Parker, of Cambridge, visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Charles H. Bliss, Sunday.

Alfred Shearer, office manager of the Shirley Electric Company, has gone to the Newton office of the company with Miss Lillis, stenographer of the Shirley office. They will spend the time between the Newton and Shirley offices of the company.

The boys of the Industrial school, who were attending services at the Congregational church every Sunday morning, have not done so for the past year, owing to the epidemic of diphtheria at the school. Until further notice services will be held at the school every Sunday, beginning at 9:30 under the direction of their pastor, Rev. G. E. Woodman.

Miss Helen M. Winslow, Mrs. Harriet Winslow and Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen spent a delightful afternoon last Tuesday when, with the Boston Authors' club, they were entertained by Miss Clara Stars at her beautiful home on Prospect Hill, Harvard.

Miss Lena Tewksbury returned home on Wednesday from a ten-day visit in Greenfield and Chippewa.

At the superior court at Cambridge last Monday Samuel J. Devarney pleaded guilty to the charges of breaking and entering the Lane and Evans cottages at the center three months ago. Owing to their age, the former nineteen and the latter twenty-one, they were placed on probation and discharged on parole on condition that they pay Messrs. Evans and Lane the sum of \$140, which is the value of the goods stolen from the two cottages that was not returned. Upon failure to do this they will both be brought into court again and given a sentence.

Miss Ben Churchill has returned home and is now employed in her former position as a stenographer at the President Suspendor Co.

Miss Grace Tewksbury is spending this week at her home in Boston.

Miss Inez McMurray will arrive on Saturday, June 17, in town.

The Tewksburys have sold their farm in Harvard to Ole Gabrielson of that town.

Carl Baystübler graduated last week from the Wentworth Institute in Boston.

Robert Evans leaves Saturday for Lisbon Falls, Me., where he will engage in missionary work during the summer. Mr. Evans is a student at the New York General Theological seminary.

D. Chester Parsons, grand advisory counsel of the A. O. U. W. of New England, also Thomas E. Whitaker and Walter Knowles attended the reception at the Wednesday evening given to the newly-elected grand master Fred A. Maxfield, making the trip in Mr. Parsons' auto.

Death.
Mrs. Emma Lucena (Balch) Cummings, widow of Waldo F. Cummings, passed away at her home here on Tuesday morning at four o'clock. Mrs. Cummings was 65 yrs. 8 mos. and 1 day old and death was due to heart disease from which she had been a sufferer for some time.

She was buried at the village cemetery on Friday afternoon at two o'clock, where she had been a member for about half a century and was active in all the branches of the Baptist church of this village. Her husband died in 1871. She was the daughter of John and Laura O. Balch, and was born in Shirley, some sixty years ago with her parents and residing here ever since. She was united in marriage to Waldo F. Cummings in 1878. She was a devoted woman of exemplary habits and the friends of character and will be greatly missed in the community.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church of this village at two o'clock, where she had been a member for about half a century and was active in all the branches of the Baptist church of this village. Her husband died in 1871. She was the daughter of John and Laura O. Balch, and was born in Shirley, some sixty years ago with her parents and residing here ever since. She was united in marriage to Waldo F. Cummings in 1878. She was a devoted woman of exemplary habits and the friends of character and will be greatly missed in the community.

Children's Day.
Children's day was observed at the Baptist church last Sunday evening. The decorations consisted of cut flowers and foliage, and the following program was rendered:

Opening song, "Little seeds," school; prayer, Rev. William Gibson; recitation, "Come with gladness," school; recitation, "My mission," Bertha Penneau; "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may," school; "Why don't you laugh?" Arnold Hoquard; Ruth Wheeler exercise; "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may," school; "My prayer," Marjorie Wheeler; "My prayer," Mabel Penneau; song, "A child of a morning," school; exercise, Edward and Austin Dunn; Henry Dunn, address; pastor, closing song, "Hallelujah," school.

Children's day was observed at the Congregational church last Sunday morning, a goodly number being present to enjoy the occasion. The decorations consisted of potted plants and cut flowers attractively arranged. The pastor, Rev. G. E. Woodman, gave a practical address to the children from the subject, "Teachers," which held the close attention of old and young. There was special music given by the church choir and appropriate songs by the children. At the close of the service the ordinance of baptism was conferred upon the two young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Heuston, Clara Mae and Frances Evelyn. Potted plants were then distributed to each child in the Sunday school and congregation.

Children's day was a great success last Sunday at the Universalist church, a large audience being present to enjoy the elaborate program prepared by the committee. The decorations consisted of potted plants, cut flowers and wild foliage. The children entered into the spirit of the occasion with much enthusiasm. The psalms of Rev. Edgar L. Hildreth gave a brief but interesting address to the children and the exercises of the children, as follows, was most interesting:

March; song, "This is children's day," school; prayer, E. E. Hildreth; responsive reading, Mrs. Binney, school; and school; song "Pinging in the springtime," school; recitation, Harry Will, Howard Lynch, Laura West, Harriet Wheeler, Edith Hodgman, Millie and Moody Parker; song, "Behold the clouds are breaking," school; recitation, Mildred Farnsworth and Leah Wheeler; vocal solo, "Oh golden days,

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A handsomely illustrated program booklet has been issued that gives full particulars, prices of tickets, description and list of talent and the program for each day. Wouldn't it be a fine thing to give yourself and the family a five day treat right here at home? Then get season tickets and attend the

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LITTLETON

News Items.
Mrs. D. G. Houghton's sisters, the Misses Read, of Barre, and Mr. and Mrs. Boynton, of Medfield, were the guests of the Houghton family last Sunday.

While cranking his father's automobile preparatory to going to church Sunday forenoon, Warren Hartwell broke his arm, and the car was directed towards the doctor's shortly afterwards.

Julien Lovejoy, of Tufts college, is at his grandmother's, busily engaged with his wireless telegraphy equipment.

Miss Emily Adams is at N. H. Whitney's where she will remain next week Thursday from her winter sojourn in the south, and subsequent visit with friends in New Jersey.

Miss Olive Thatcher and Northfield primary teacher, arrived at J. P. Thatcher's last week.

Miss Gertrude Griffiths, of Waltham, has been at home, sick and threatened with diphtheria. She is now gaining and hopes soon to be about the household.

Thomas Hodgson, of Georgetown, is visiting his son, Mrs. C. A. Kimball.

Mr. George O. Carter is staying for the night at Mrs. A. M. Hendon's.

Misses Lily Houghton, and Marjorie Pillsbury, have sent a card of sympathy and thought in compiling a register of high school alumni, present addresses and other available data concerning them. Copies will be placed on sale at the annual banquet Sunday night, June 24, and corrections and further information are solicited. The register and banquet of the alumni committee to be one of the best ever given, music and entertainment, and in addition to the banquet that is always beyond a doubt should attract a large company.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Alvord were at home to several friends who called informally on their eighteenth wedding anniversary last week Thursday.

Mrs. Arthur Wright, of Alston, visited her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Douds, and family, last week.

A fire that threatened destruction to Mrs. John A. Kimball's home last week Friday afternoon originated in the chimney of the oil and burst out through the workroom surrounding the dining room, parlor and under the floor of the chambers, making quick work for members of the family, the fire department and others who helped quite necessary. Frequent contributors to some of the work has been continued very damp. It is expected that repairs will be under way soon. Meanwhile Mrs. Kimball is making her home with her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Kimball, of Russell.

A copy of the superior court returned a verdict of \$264.91 in favor of the plaintiff in the suit brought by Louis E. Fletcher, a Fitchburg horse trainer and driver, formerly of Littleton, against the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, last week Thursday afternoon. The case had been on trial near four days and attracted much interest. The plaintiff sought to recover \$1200 for injuries sustained by Tom Paul, a pacing race horse with a record of 2:18 1/4, in an accident at Palmer in 1912. The horse was being shipped and it was contended that he was hurt while in charge of agents of the railroad.

Mrs. and Mrs. Osborne Leach, of Danvers, are week-end guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Alvord, coming in time to attend the Woman's club play. Mrs. Leach was Miss Alice Perkins, a frequent contributor to some of the leading American magazines.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Alvord were pleasantly surprised to receive calls from several of their neighbors and parishioners last week Thursday, the eighteenth anniversary of their marriage. The house was decorated with lilies-of-the-valley, as theirs was a lily-of-the-valley wedding. Mrs. Alvord was gowned in her wedding dress

of handsome white made on train. The wedding was performed by the bride's cousin, Rev. and Edw. Brooks, D. D., in the church at St. Johnsbury, Vt. As a token of esteem and appreciation for her efficient leadership the bride's class presented Mrs. Alvord with a gold watch.

The ministers of the protestant churches attended the ministers' meeting at the Federal church in Ayer on Tuesday, Rev. J. C. Root was the chief speaker.

The evening meeting of the Congregational church will be held on Sunday on account of the recreational exercises at the Baptist church. The collection on the pastor's Sunday at the Congregational church will be for the golden anniversary gift and will be sent to Dr. Parker's hospital in Madura, India.

Mrs. Arthur Wright, of Alston, visited her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Douds, and family last week.

Mrs. F. A. Sanderson and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell attended the meeting of Massachusetts Woman's club presidents at Hotel Vendome, Boston, last week Friday. In the evening Miss Sanderson and Judge and Mrs. Sanderson of Ayer attended the senior reception at Walnut Hill school in Natick. Mrs. Helen Swift Morris, of Chicago, was a recent guest of the Misses Sanderson.

Children's Concert.
The Congregational church was decorated by a committee from the Philathea class last Sunday. The attendance at the concert was the largest in a long time and the program was superior. Besides the hymns and an anthem by the choir, responsive readings, prayer and the benediction there were the following numbers:
"Our Father," Delmer Webster; "Our Father," Mrs. Arthur and Richard Douds; "Give a little sunshine," Edith and Ada Hosmer and Winnifred Kimball; "Blessed are the meek and lowly Jesus loves the little children," primary class; recitation, "Who is this child," Phyllis and Cora; recitations, Howard Houghton and Helen Kimball; song, Mrs. Parker's class; "The children of the world," Edith and Margaret Simford and Arthur Scott; song, Elizabeth, Charlotte and Winifred Kimball; Richard Kimball; Julia and Prescott Kimball; Josephine, Holbrook; "The children of the world," recitation, offering, a story, Rev. J. C. Alvord.

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Evelyn Dodge,
Hannah Dodge,
Richard Dodge,
Marjorie Dodge,
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CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to relatives, friends and neighbors for sympathy and prayers during the death of our wife and mother.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of **JUSTIN H. PROCTOR** late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased **ELIZABETH H. PROCTOR** of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

And whereas she has appeared at a Probate Court to appear at a Probate Court in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-sixth day of June A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner in hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in **Turner's Public Spirit**, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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