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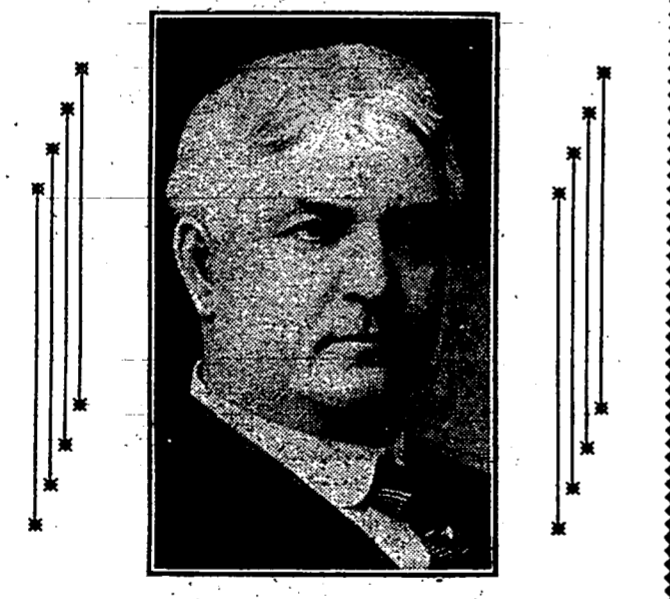
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COMMUNITY CHAUTAUQUA, AUGUST 18-22

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Patriotism will be the keynote of the Chautauqua, and the keynote will be sounded on the opening day in a masterly address by ex-Governor A. C. Shallenberger of Nebraska, speaking on "The True Patriotism." The music for this day will be patriotic. The Mendelssohn Sextet, a company of six talented girls, will appear in striking costumes in musical programs that will be in harmony with the patriotism of the day. One-half of the single admissions on this first day will be given by the Chautauqua management to the local Red Cross or such other patriotic organization as may be designated by the local committee. The Chautauqua program will be patriotic throughout. It was called a few years ago by Theodore Roosevelt, then president, "the most American thing in America." Now the Chautauqua is asserting its Americanism! Governor Shallenberger is a member of the military affairs committee in congress, a magnificent orator and a man to discuss great international and national issues with immense interest.

Community Chautauqua

AYER, AUGUST 18-22

News Items

Mrs. Emma Sayles, aged sixty-one, wife of William Sayles, passed away early Monday morning at the home of Mrs. Dora Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. Sayles belong in Somerville, Mass. They have been spending their summers for the past three years here at the home of Mrs. Hobart. Mrs. Sayles was in poor health when she came about two months ago, and recently she suffered a shock from which she never rallied. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church, and burial was in the South cemetery.

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At the age of sixty-seven years, William H. French passed away on July 31 at the home of George Nye. Mr. French was the most remarkable invalid the town has ever known. Stricken with illness more than twenty-eight years ago, twenty-five years of which he has been confined to his bed, and at times suffering such untold agonies that he begged and prayed for earthly release from his sufferings, yet he has displayed a courage and fortitude that has been an inspiration to his more fortunate friends and relatives. Always cheerful, and with a pleasant welcome for all who came to visit him, it has been said by his friends that they went to visit Will to get cheered rather than to cheer. Up to within the past couple of years he was able to read and he followed all the news and events of the days in the newspapers, being able to converse on almost every subject. About three years ago, the health of Mrs. French failing, they closed their home here and went to live at the home of their son, Fred, in Norton, Mass., and in May, 1915, the wife, who had so tenderly cared for him, passed away. Grieving sorely and growing more and more homesick and lonesome for the old Brookline friends, he begged to be taken back to the town, and last September he was brought here and placed in the care of Mr. and Mrs. George Nye, who have been most faithful and tender to the trust. For the past few weeks his condition has been most precarious, and he suffered a series of shocks, and most of the time could recognize no one.

Mr. French was a native of Nashua, but resided in Brookline most of his life. He was a member of Hollis lodge of Old Fellows and was a very social and fraternal friend. He owed a debt of gratitude to his kindness and faithfulness to a stricken brother. He was also a member of Norton Commandery, U. O. G. C.

The funeral will take place on August 2, with services in the Methodist church, Rev. James Seaver, of Woodsville, officiating. The bearers were Albert Pierce, Charles Dunbar, Freeman Wright and Elmer Blaine. The flowers were many and beautiful, and was laid to rest in the South cemetery.

LUNENBURG

News Items Lunenburg is getting interested in the war in a decidedly serious manner, so many of her boys have enlisted and some, and several have been called out on draft and are taking examinations this week. Charles P. Dickinson has received a telegraphic message from his son Edward of his safe arrival in France, whether he has gone to join the ambulance service, or George M. Stiles enlisted two weeks ago in the aviation corps. He went to New York, where he has been in Camp Slocum until Monday, when he went to Texas to join the corps in training at Fort Sam Houston. Just now everyone is feeling anxious for the fate of our young men who will be accepted and who rejected.

The heavy thundered storm, accompanied by very high wind on last week Thursday afternoon, was the most severe of any known here for years, if ever before, even by the oldest inhabitant. Fruit trees were blown down, uprooted or stripped of their limbs, other trees blown across the street, gardens that before the storm gave promise of abundant harvest were laid waste, corn and potatoes blown down flat. One of the old landmarks, a large tree in the lower part of the town, which was the boundary line between the George E. Jones and C. B. Longley estates, lost a big branch, eighteen inches in diameter, and nearly as tall as the main tree. There was also a big lot of trouble on the electric lines, some of them being put out of commission entirely. The transformer on Oak avenue was burned out and there was trouble at Westport and Gosportville enough to keep the company busy for several hours in order to get everything in good running order again. George S. Winchester's new house, which he has been building on West street, is completed and he is moving in this week.

Old Home Day

In spite of the intense heat of last week Wednesday, the sixteenth observance of Old Home Day passed off as successfully as its fifteen predecessors. The number of people who came was not so large as usual, owing to various reasons. The war, the draft, great heat, difficulty of transportation, heavy rains, many farmers having hay out could not afford to lose the day, even for Old Home Week—were some of the reasons which conspired to render the attendance smaller than usual. All who did come enjoyed themselves very much and expressions of satisfaction were heard on all sides. Quite a number came who had never attended the celebration of Old Home Week before, and were much pleased with the program, the banquet, and everything in general. One feature of the program, greatly enjoyed by all, especially the elderly people, was the automobile trip and the showing of farms. Fifteen automobiles had been secured by the committee, and these were filled by guests from out of town and others. Among the farms visited were those of W. J. Fish, W. R. Proctor, George H. Whitcomb, Charles W. Cushing, Herbert O. Mead, Mrs. S. C. Dickinson, George P. Grant, Jr., and others.

The banquet was served in the town hall at one o'clock to 200 people, who swarmed and sweated and returned to the open air as quickly as possible. On account of the heat it was arranged to have the speaking on the lower common instead of in the church, and it was a most agreeable change. The program, as arranged by Clinton Gowdy, of Springfield, representative of the National Security League of New York was "Democracy—its ideals and its duties." The address was the most interesting and held the attention of his audience for a full hour, in spite of the weather.

There was no ball game in the afternoon, as had been planned, because of the heavy rain. The program passed away the time very pleasantly in social converse, until six o'clock, when the athletic sports and games were announced. They were in charge of Loren E. Brown and Arthur Q. Emerson, and consisted of sack races for two classes, three-legged race, standing broad jump, running broad jump, running high jump, baseball throwing for distance, etc. Prizes were offered for each class and much pleased were the young people who won them. After the athletics came a concert by the Military band and motion pictures by the Universal theatre management of Fitchburg.

James A. Littlefield was in charge of the register and welcomed the visitors as usual. He reports 192 signatures—28 from Fitchburg, 11 each from Leominster and Shirley, 6 from Townsend, 1 from Vermont, 2 from New Jersey and 4 from New Hampshire. The other 33 were from 22 other towns and cities in Massachusetts. Last year 287 names were registered. In 1915, 344. Notwithstanding the number of visitors was smaller this year, all seemed to enjoy themselves very much and expressed the hope and desire to come again next year.

There will be an auction sale at the yellow barn near the cemetery on Lawrence Brooks farm, Gorton, Saturday afternoon, August 11, at one o'clock, consisting of lumber, standing grass, wagons and household furniture. Jas. W. Wilson, auctioneer.

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