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News Items.

Miss Lydia Sullivan returned home from teaching in Wakefield this week, being too much indisposed to attend to her duties.

Miss Gladys O'Neal is making excellent recovery from her operation for appendicitis at the Massachusetts General hospital last week. It is expected that she may be able to go to the home of her sisters in Norwood soon, before getting strong enough to come home.

Regular meetings of the local Red Cross branch have been held on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, and a special meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon of last week. A request was forwarded to the city for "property bags" to be furnished the base hospital at Camp Devens, where the wounded are now coming in, and thirty of these were made on Wednesday, in addition to a large amount of sewing on the refugee garments, for which urgent appeal is made, that a certain number may be completed before March 1.

Rev. Boynton Merrill, chaplain of the warship Pennsylvania, has been called to the Second Congregational church, Putnam, Conn.

Miss Emmie Wright, youngest daughter of the late Prescott Wright, of this town, writes to a friend here from

Hudson, N. H., where she is living with Mrs. Jennie Twiss, her address being R. F. D. 2. She retains a lively interest in Pepperell people and things and wishes to be remembered to all her old friends. At the time of the burning of the Episcopalian church she wrote of her grief at the destruction of the ancient church, where she had attended services in years past with her father, mother, sisters and brothers, making a whole pew full. Miss Wright speaks with pleasure of a letter recently received from Mrs. Edna (Kittredge) Clement, and would like to have others remember her.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Willoughby, from Leominster, were in town a few hours last Sunday to see Ray Willoughby, who has lately returned after a year in the aviation service in France. They came from Ayer by auto with Ralph Willoughby, and returned there the same evening to take the trolley back home. Their three children were left with a relative in Leominster.

J. A. Saunders attends the New England Congress in Tremont Temple on February 7 and 8, as a delegate to represent the National League to Encourage Peace. President Tamm, president of the league, is to address the congress.

Mrs. Laura Herrig Kelley, who assisted at the concert at the Methodist church on last week Friday evening,

remained over at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Pierce, returning to her home in Lexington on Monday morning.

Gerry Nutting, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Nutting, of this town, returned here from Camp Taylor, Ky., Monday evening. He was in the officers' training school and received his discharge after receiving the rank of second lieutenant. He is in very good health, aside from a throat trouble, which recently confined him to the hospital here for nearly three weeks. He went to Lawrence on Tuesday to visit the Hall family, who were former residents here. After a few weeks' vacation, in order to recover from his illness, he intends to take up his work again in the line of engineering.

Miss Ethel Hall has recently received her degree as registered nurse from the Lawrence General hospital, where she has been in training for three years. She was graduated in December and has already had one of two cases. It is expected she will return with Mr. Nutting to spend the last of this week with the Nutting family and former-friends in town.

Misses Marguerite Doward and Lillian Dunton, who have been attending the business college in Nashua, have finished the course in stenography and typewriting.

Joseph Attridge is under treatment from the bone specialist, Dr. MacAuland, of Boston, for trouble with one of his knees. The cause is said to have been infection from the tonsils and defective teeth, in the opinion of the physician.

A message was received here on Tuesday that Private Edward McCord, of the 101st Infantry, who recently returned from overseas and has been at the U. S. hospital at Parker Hill, Brookline, was granted a furlough in order to accompany his father, Edward P. McCord, to Sackville, N. B., to attend the funeral services of the boy's uncle, George McCord, to whom he was much attached.

Dr. L. R. Qua was in Boston on business, Tuesday, and through poor train service was not able to reach home until afternoon.

News from Germany.

Letters have been received from Charles H. Parker, who is in the 2nd Division, Army of Occupation. He is stationed at Neiderbreitbach, in the Rhine Province, Germany, and has lately been appointed orderly to the officer of his division, which entitles him to many more comforts, and he is billeted in the same quarters, the house of a Prussian woman. His letter was dated December 31, and although he has received all the letters sent from home, apparently, he says he has not yet received his 9x43, or Christmas box, from home, but thought it might come along later. In the region where he now is, it takes much longer for mail to reach him, anywhere from twenty-five to thirty days.

According to the latest letters from Joseph Sullivan, who was a well-known grocery clerk in town before the upheaval of the war, it seems very probable that he and Parkie are not so very far apart, as Sullivan is in the 28th Infantry, 2nd Division, Army of Occupation, stationed in the Rhine Province. He has written as though he was entirely recovered from his

wounds, and spoke in one letter of being among those who threw the bridges across the Moselle when the 6th and 6th Marines, mentioned by Charles Parker, were to cross for the attack.

Both the boys are to be advised by their relatives here of the whereabouts of the other in hopes they may meet. It is anticipated that there would be "something doing" about the time they caught sight of each other.

Pepperell Boy Returns from France.

Another of our Pepperell boys has arrived home safely from service in France. He is Charles H. Parker, who went across in December, 1917, and has since been serving as mechanic at the aviation stations in France. He enlisted in the spring of 1917 and was in training at the Squantum aviation camp, also, at the naval station, Boston, during the summer. He was transferred to the Pennsylvania at a naval station, where he was in training for about three months. His division was sent north to Philadelphia in November, and sailed for France from New York on December 7, 1917.

After he commenced his duties as a mechanic at the station for the training of gunners and observers at Montchic-Lacanar. He made an attempt to be transferred into the Northern Bombing Squadron, which was sent into the active warfare, but was told that understanding the work he was performing at the station so well he was as essential there as elsewhere.

After the armistice was signed he was transferred to the U. S. naval station at the port of Pauillac, France, from which post he sailed for home in France on January 12, after being at Hoboken about twelve days later. He was detained at the Pelham Bay station until Friday of last week and arrived in Pepperell on Saturday morning. He will spend a part of his fifteen days' furlough with his brothers while in France, and will return to Boston, and is to report at the Pelham Bay station on February 15, and hopes to get his discharge soon.

In common with many of the returning soldiers he speaks of France as a "land of rain and mud," rubber boots and raincoats being needed for the winter. Mr. Willoughby is also pointed in some respects that he did not get into the thick of the war, even if he was instrumental in helping through his skill as mechanic in the aviation work. He says he never heard a gun or shell from the front while in France, but after peace was declared he took advantage of a few days' leave of absence to visit the devastated battlefields from Chateau Thierry up north to the Forest of Argonne, and through all that territory where the famous battles have been fought, before he passed into history. He was also at Paris when the president arrived at Brest, and remained there a few days to witness the event of his reception.

Speaking of prices, he claimed that everything was high, and food was not too plentiful at times. He tells an incident concerning a wooden garage which was to be built, although nearly all the buildings are of brick or stone. The lumber was shipped from here for the purpose, but the ship was torpedoed. Later, the lumber was procured for the purpose there by the payment of \$400 per thousand, and very poor quality at that. Although everything was hardly in the same proportion, yet frequently it was shown that the storekeepers took advantage of the Americans, who did not know their language or money values. Mr. Willoughby is just now feeling that New England is good enough for him, even if the weather is a bit more frosty than that he left behind him. The experience has seemed to agree with him, however, as he is in excellent health, and is somewhat heavier in weight.

Fine Entertainment.

A prophecy made in these columns two weeks ago, concerning the concert and entertainment which was to be held in the Methodist church on Friday evening, January 31, as an affair of unusual excellence, was fully sustained on the date set. Too much praise can hardly be given, first to those whose planning and efforts brought the event to pass, and secondly, to everyone who participated in the program. With Mrs. Bartlett, the chorister at the church, the idea of a first-class concert originated, and through her perseverance, with some assistance from the pastor and others, was well carried out. Every number on the program presented was of artistic value, and was thoroughly appreciated by the large audience which filled the auditorium of the church.

The opening number was a piano and organ duet, one of Chopin's "Nocturnes," rendered by Mrs. Laura Herrig Kelley, as organist, and Miss Lillian Dunton, pianist, and they responded to an encore. Mrs. L. C. Fairchild, of the Boston Lyceum, next gave a group of readings. Her selections were varied, although in all, her manner was pleasing and natural. Mrs. Fairchild was particularly happy in her delineation of boys. Miss Ruth Walker followed with the solo, "O promise me," a selection which proved well suited to her voice, and which was rendered with much expression. She graciously responded to an encore.

The ladies' trio, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Copp and Miss Wood, gave as their first selection a very modern production, dealing with the fad which has had such sway of late among the ladies particularly. It was entitled "Knitting," and was a great hit with the audience, judging from the applause. The encore of entirely different class, was "Stars of the summer night," the union of the voices blending finely in the perfect harmony of the song.

The appearance of L. C. Fairchild, impersonator, was greeted with pleasure and anticipation. He is also of the Boston Lyceum and his reputation as an entertainer had preceded him. His first selection was taken from one of the poems of the "North Country," of the author, Robert W. Service, who has come into prominence through his "Rhymes of a Red Cross man," written since the war began, as well as through his former poems of the Klondike region. Mr. Fairchild followed the selection by an impersonation of a French soldier, changing

from that direct to a story in dainty dialect, and following that by assuming the character of the college professor. His ideas on the "German-proof" problem and his final rendering of the poem in which the line "Some little bug will get you some day" appeared, were irresistibly funny and provoked continual laughter among his audience.

A contralto solo by Mrs. Elsie Copp, "Little mother of mine," was sung with much feeling, and called forth repeated encore, to which Mrs. Copp responded. The selections by Mrs. Kelley, violinist, were to many the finest part of the evening's program. During the months which have elapsed since her Pepperell friends have heard her in anything but sacred music at this church, it seemed to many that her proficiency had increased to a remarkable degree, and she was able to cause her violin to respond to her

slightest touch, as some say, "to talk." Her selections were artistic and extremely well balanced, the first being a grave, legato measure, and the second, in direct contrast, a light, staccato action. Mrs. Kelley kindly responded to her encore with still another style of playing, the last being a southern melody, very beautiful in rhythm.

Mrs. Alice Bartlett was in fine voice and much enjoyed in her solo, "One fleeting hour," with violin obligato by Mrs. Kelley, and gave as an encore, "The parting hour," the applause showing her popularity with a Pepperell audience.

The concluding number was the presentation of the original playlet, "For he's a jolly good fellow," by Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Fairchild. This was very cleverly produced, in spite of the lack of stage properties and accessories which might have added to

some of the situations as the play developed. Mr. Fairchild was imitable in his portrayal of the genial clubman, Mrs. Fairchild, in her role of the "abused wife," ably supporting the part of her husband, the climax finally being a happy one. Throughout all the parts assigned to Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild they were true to the character they were impersonating, and are to be congratulated on the manner in which they were able to produce a purely good comedy without commonness.

The net proceeds of the evening were not large, as this was not the point aimed for, but rather that the entertainment should be satisfying both to those who had the affair in charge, and to the people who came to enjoy it. Both of these objects were entirely successful, and the church will receive the benefit of the amount of the proceeds.

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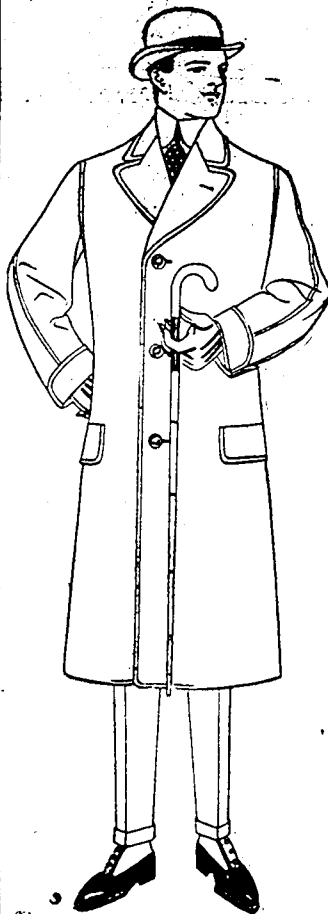
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WESTFORD

Center.

A new ruling from telephone headquarters is that the central office shall not be called up to give information concerning the no school signal. It congests the service on a stormy morning and the request comes mostly from children. Perhaps this ruling holds good better in the city where there are more calls, but it applies the same in our own community.

Sergt. Ralph Yettou, a grandson of Mrs. and Mrs. J. E. Knight, who was formerly at Camp Devens and who later went to Camp Grant in the officers' training camp, has recently received his discharge and Monday evening was the guest of honor at a gathering at Mr. and Mrs. Knight's home.

Mrs. Frances B. Prescott, who was taken ill last week, is reported as much more comfortable. Her sister, Mrs. Charles Pickering, is also improved.

The reading circle of the Tadmuck club will meet with Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth next Tuesday afternoon. Another Shakespearean play complete in the afternoon is the plan for the afternoon. Any club member who would be interested is cordially invited to be present.

Frequent reports of robins seen come in this pleasant time of day. Also reported is very little frost in the ground.

Mrs. Augustus Prescott observed her eighty-eighth birthday anniversary January 23 in comfortable health and good spirits and surrounded with all possible comfort that loving relatives and friends can arrange in her pleasant home.

Another birthday anniversary was made pleasant for Mrs. David Desmond last Saturday, who lives at the south part of the town. She was the guest of Mrs. John Connell for the day in Lowell enjoying dinner and the theatre together, and which was a return in neighborly kindness for helpfulness and sympathy during Mrs. Connell's recent illness. Three handsome chairs and other gifts added to Mrs. Desmond's birthday pleasure.

The teachers at the academy have carried on their work with difficulty this past week. Principal Roubenbush had a severe cold and Miss Cohen was so sick with a head cold that she did not return to school until Wednesday. Mrs. Hildreth, the third teacher, carried on extra work with characteristic capability.

Mrs. A. W. Hartford has been housed all this week with a hard cold. That interesting document, the annual town report, has been received by the taxpayers this last week and warrants a careful perusal from cover to cover. Vital statistics for the year are births 81, marriages 32, deaths 68.

An additional electric light has been added on Main street near the town house.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning a Roosevelt memorial service will be held in unison with many other churches. At the morning service, "Christian testimony" with special music. Last Sunday the good attendance in the morning was commensurate with the attendance of about fifty. There will be an all-day Ladies' Aid meeting at the vestry next Thursday.

Owing to sickness and other causes there was a smaller attendance for work on the Red Cross relief garments Wednesday at the library. Let all who can plan for next week and set this consignment of refugee garments completed with the expectation that it will be the last one.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade was held in the town hall Wednesday evening to discuss the warrant for town meeting. Informal discussion was very interesting and in some points quite instructive. Major Sprague, medical director of the extra cantonment zone of Camp Devens, was present and gave a short talk under the last article of the warrant, where a town nurse is suggested. Miss Eva Crockett, the public health nurse, also spoke. Both made convincing arguments.

Men's Supper.

The men's supper, social and entertainment last week Friday evening at the Congregational church was most successful and enjoyable. Mr. Hanscom, president of the men's class, was the guiding spirit in all the activities and was cheerfully assisted by the other men of the church. The dining-room was filled to capacity for the roast beef supper with vegetables of mashed potatoes, squash and onions supplemented with coffee, rolls and abundance of fancy pies. The entertainment consisted of music and singing. H. Thompson of Lowell gave an address on "The Pilgrims and the Puritans." The other speaker was Rev. O. L. Brown, pastor of the church. A special mission number was by Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. W. H. Taylor and Miss Sutherland. The assets were a good social evening and fifty dollars for the treasury.

Tadmuck Club.

The speaker at the Tadmuck club, Tuesday afternoon was H. Alfred H. Hussey, pastor of the church. He spoke of the time when the men of the church were contemporaries of that period and women with equal cleverness. A good-sized audience enjoyed this pleasant hour's departure from the tediousness of the times. At the business session later the president, Mrs. Roubenbush gave a report on the recent Boston identification conference in Boston attended by her.

The next meeting, February 18, at the Congregational church will be in charge of the Economics and Conservation committees and will be a sale and entertainment. Each member is asked to contribute two articles, one to the fancy table and one to the food table. Mrs. Mary Ballie Bartlett, the

author-entertainer, who has proved a favorite with Westford audiences, will give the entertainment of the afternoon. Tea will be served after the entertainment. Mrs. William R. Carter is chairman of the afternoon's arrangements.

To the Editor:

To explain an entry that is misleading in town report. In the treasurer's report for the Red Cross please find on the debit side the entry—Mrs. Williams, care of "utter" children \$51. Both should have been entered under Civilian Relief. Mrs. Williams owes nothing to the Red Cross and I extend to her my sincere apology and hope she will have no further criticism. Westford Branch, Red Cross, H. M. Bartlett, treasurer.

About Town.

The third farmers' institute of the season under the management of Middlesex-North Agricultural society will be held at the Page street Baptist church, Lowell, Wednesday, February 19, beginning at ten o'clock, when Dr. George M. Twitchell, of Maine, will speak on "Economic, industrial and social conditions as they affect farming and farm life." At the noon hour there will be the dinner and the usual literary fixings. At two o'clock Dr. Eleanor Miller will speak on "Health and dress." From Dr. Twitchell's address there will be an informal discussion on "Should we not have agricultural colleges and experiment stations determine by actual farm tests, costs as well as production of the staple farm crops to help the farmer obtain living prices for his products." The place of meeting is only two minutes' walk from Merrimack square and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Dr. H. L. McCluskey, of Worcester, a one-time scholar in our schools, has been visiting friends in town and resting from hospital treatment. As state president of the Y. M. C. A., he gave an address in Lowell on Tuesday evening in the interest of Y. M. C. A. work.

Mrs. Addie Day Keizer has been spending a home at her home in Lowell and sister, Otis and May Day. She has returned to her home in New London, Conn., where her husband, Roy Keizer, is employed as machinist in making and repairing submarines.

Robins and bluebirds are reported seen and heard. Oh for a shot at those charming inspirers with the eye. It is not harmful to the birds and prevents their becoming as scarce as mosquitoes in zero weather.

A European authority says that \$3,000,000 is a conservative estimate of the amount expended thus far in the world in the new year. Money from America, and while this show is going on we are appropriating \$100,000,000 to show them our bread to keep down starvation. God save the commonwealth of common sense, including silk dresses.

Yes, we plead guilty to "barking up the wrong tree," but as we are barking at something about all the time it isn't surprising that we sometimes bark where there is no game. About the only thing that we have not barked at for five years is a cold. So excuse us and we'll start all over again in the railroad business some other time, but as government control in the interest of better efficiency and serving the public has closed up some stations and removed the timetables from all the rest, we are liable in starting a railroad again to meet with a head-on collision.

Mrs. Herbert E. Fletcher, after four years of ideal service as superintendent of the Sunday school at the village church, West Chelmsford, has declined further service and George Whitley has been elected to the post. The school never was in a more flourishing condition.

A game of hockey last Saturday afternoon at West Chelmsford was won by West Chelmsford by the score of 4 to 6.

A food sale last week Friday evening by the ladies of the Benevolent society of the Village church, West Chelmsford, was a success in victuals and money. Miss Lottie Snow had general charge, assisted by Mrs. Eather Taylor, Mrs. Thomas Brown, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. E. W. Jordan, Mrs. C. A. Naylor and the Misses Margaret Reid and Bernice Brown.

The Board of Trade held a special meeting Wednesday evening to prepare the warrant and speeches for town meeting.

Seth Banister, who is in the aviation department near Germany, at home that he has got badly hurt, but gives no particulars.

Nearly all the sick ones are better and others are substituting in their places.

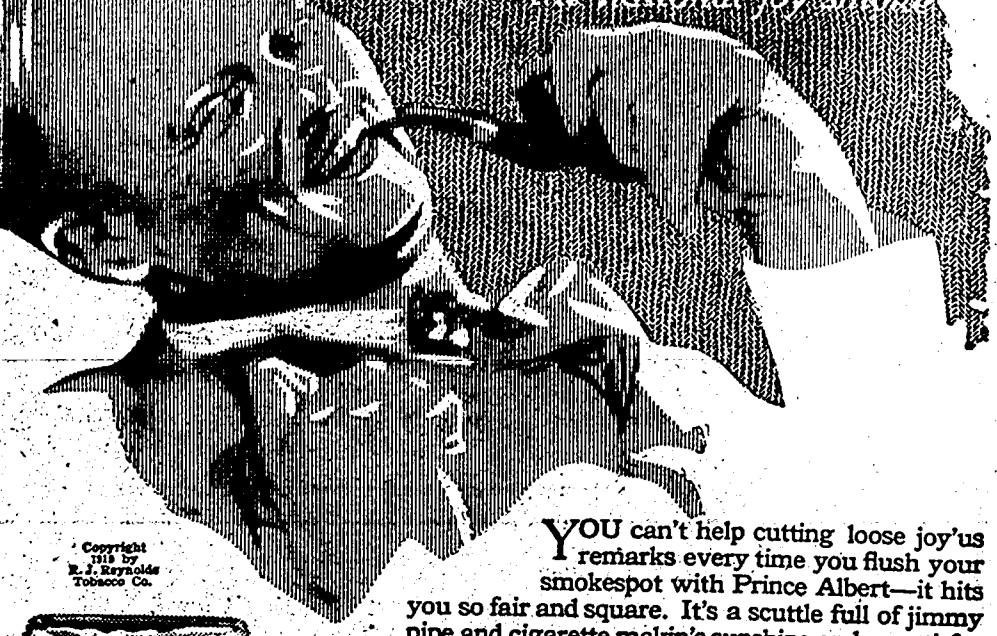
Warrant Posted.

The annual town meeting will be held on Monday. Voting will start at eight o'clock, if anyone is there to start it. The afternoon session is listed as "may be closed at one o'clock." That is the shut-off for the election of town officers.

There are thirty-seven articles in the warrant, the first of which is to choose a moderator, and the thirty-seventh and last, is to see if the town will raise money for the employment of a public health nurse. Article 1 calls for \$300 for military purposes for the town. Article 2 calls for a lawful cash to aid the branch line from Westford to Brookline. Article 24 relates to a memorial to commemorate the patriotism of the young men from Westford who served in the recent unpleasantness. Article 25 doesn't want any money. It wants an act to receive money from the town monthly, which shall be distributed to the town. Article 26 is to see if the town will change the name of the town. Article 21 calls for the sale of land on the north side of the Spring road. It will be nine hundred and thirty-two acres. The town has a session of this kind to settle some property titles.

Article 20 is desirous of knowing if the town wishes to sell the village house, with or without the building. Article 19 is desirous of knowing if the town wishes to sell the village house, with or without the building. Article 18 is listening to the report of the committee to investigate the purchase of a motor-driven fire engine. Article 33 wants us to have someone fifty dollars worth of "apple sass" generally. Article 28, and in some respects one of the most important, is to appropriate the compensation to the fish as some of the committee to investigate the purchase of a motor-driven fire engine. Article 33 wants us to have someone fifty dollars worth of "apple sass" generally. Article 28, and in some respects one of the most important, is to appropriate the compensation to the fish as some of the committee to investigate the purchase of a motor-driven fire engine. Article 33 wants us to have someone fifty dollars worth of "apple sass" generally. 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Center.
Notice is given that anyone desiring articles in the town warrant must present same to the selectmen not later than Saturday, February 8.

The Parent-Teachers' association meeting to be held next Tuesday evening in the high school room, it is expected that Miss Ellis, the public health nurse, will be the speaker of the evening.

Three of our village lads had a narrow escape from drowning, Wednesday, while skating on the river. Ralph Wilson, while skating near Black Rock, broke through the ice and his companions, Edith Lacey and Charles O'Brien, bravely rushed to his rescue.

The February meeting of the Birthday club was held on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. George Davis, with Mrs. J. Sawyer, Mrs. H. Miller and Mrs. Grace Wright, hostesses. The afternoon program was in charge of Mrs. Bliss, a Washington and Lincoln afternoon. Readings were given by Mrs. Heyward, Mrs. Atwood and Mrs. Bliss, and roll call quotations from Washington, given by the members. Mrs. Clarence Meade read a poem on "February." Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

The Roosevelt memorial service is to be observed on Sunday at the morning service of the Congregational church with sermon by the pastor on "Sources of democracy." By invitation of the Methodists, the Congregationalists will worship with the sister church on the hill, when the pastor, Rev. J. O. Long, who is a western man from Illinois, will speak on "An Illinois view of Abraham Lincoln."

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Investing Address.

Rev. A. J. Dyer, the newly-appointed secretary of the Total Abstinence society, spoke in the Congregational church last Sunday morning and also shared the time with Mr. Long at the union service in the evening. Mr. Dyer spoke of the phenomenal victory for nation-wide and constitutional prohibition and said that the victory demanded radically new methods in the work of the society in that they were no longer working to secure prohibition but now to reap the best results of what they have already gained. The speaker also emphasized the fact that the remarkable victory was a part of the world-wide movement for civic righteousness which is seeking to secure the largest and truest liberty for humanity. The present work of the society is to be a campaign of consciousness and to teach the people to appropriate this freedom for action and greater efficiency that the destruction of the liquor traffic has been put in our hands.

Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Elva Parker King, aged twenty-five years, who died from pneumonia last Sunday at Gresham, N. H., was held here at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elsie Parker, on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. A. L. Struthers, pastor of the Congregational church, in charge of the services. Mrs. R. Cowdrey and Mrs. F. B. Higgins sang by request. "Let the tower lights be burning" and "Leaning on the everlasting arms." Interment was in the family lot at the Hillside cemetery. Mrs. King had lived in town since her early childhood days and had attended our public schools. She was an industrious woman and in times past, when in town, she was a willing worker in the social life of the church. Grange and Birthday club, of which she was a

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The supper and entertainment held on Wednesday evening in the vestries of the Congregational church, under the auspices of the L. B. S., was largely attended. At supper some of the tables were re-set and the vestries well filled at the evening's entertainment. The program consisted of pleasing piano duets by Miss Hazel Copp and Albert G. Seaver, Mrs. Isaac Crowdy and Mr. Seaver; a reading, finely given by Principal Frank Altman and the closing number, a laughable playlet, "Packing the missionary barrel," the characters being impersonated by Mrs. C. Meade, Mrs. W. Seaver, Mrs. G. Clarke, Mrs. E. Lacey, Mrs. E. Spencer, Mrs. A. Bliss, Mrs. L. Seaver, Mrs. G. Gates and the Misses Swimm and Copp. Albert G. Seaver also rendered piano solos during the evening's program. A social followed.

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Club Meeting.

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West.

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While Mr. Dearth was instructing them in the upper hall Miss Fannie Bond was giving a talk and a demonstration on "Child welfare" in the lower and prepared several dainty appetizing dishes, which were sampled by the ladies of the audience and pronounced good.

At 12:30 basket lunch and the Grange members, then coffee for all. At the opening of the afternoon session the audience had greatly increased, from the attendance of the morning. George E. Story was the speaker for the afternoon. He said that a farmer's success depends largely upon his proposition—production of live stock, or business, crop yields, efficiency of feeding, use of labor and diversity. Nearly all the money taken on the farm comes from the sale of live stock and their products. If we compete with western farmers we must adopt their methods and improve them, and get a better product of business. Mr. Story took up each of the six propositions in a very capable manner to the entire satisfaction and instruction of his audience.

While he was speaking upstairs Miss Franc B. Hancock in a charming manner, giving a large audience of ladies. On designing and cutting garments, colors, combinations, etc.

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News Items.

The fire alarm which sounded at 3.45 last Saturday evening was occasioned by the 6.30 train from Worcester to Nashua, which set fire to the grass near the barn belonging to Mrs. Ellen A. Barrows. The neighbors, seeing the blaze, went immediately to her assistance, and the fire was soon extinguished.

Mrs. M. J. Blood enjoyed having her son over the week-end, Albert Blood, who is Beverly, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bruce are entertaining for a few weeks Dr. and Mrs. Powell, of Hudson, N. H.

Miss Augusta Hartwell, an aunt of Amos Ames, who took care of Mrs. Lillian Ames Stevenson in her last sickness, is ill with the influenza at Dr. Kibourn's hospital.

Mrs. Frank Woods, having been out of health for several weeks past, is able to be out of doors again.

It is understood that Joseph Marcellus, who has been working at the Groton Inn for some time, is soon to open an automobile garage in the building known as the Forbes blacksmith shop on Station avenue.

Lawrence Stevenson is sick with the influenza at the home of his grandfather, Amos Ames, Champany street.

Mrs. George Wade has returned from Greenfield where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Egan.

The meeting of the Community club, which was held last week Wednesday, was at the home of Mrs. James F. Cliver, instead of with Mrs. George Cliver, as given in last week's issue.

Several letters have recently been received from Groton boys who are with the Headquarters Company, 101st Engineers, France, saying that they have been asked to pass in their ammunition, rifles and other equipment, and expect to start for home soon. It is thought they will reach the United States about the first of March.

Miss Elizabeth Gibson has recently been visiting with relatives in Worcester.

Leslie Blood, who for a short time was working at the Smith garage, has accepted a permanent position at the Hoess House, Camp Devens.

The next meeting of the Groton sewing school will take place on Saturday afternoon, February 8, at two o'clock. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance, as there is much work to be done for the little destitute children of France and Belgium, which has been sadly interfered with by the prevailing epidemic.

The selection held Tuesday evening, February 11, to choose a committee to plan for the ways and means of welcoming and entertaining the boys on their return home from overseas. A large attendance is desired.

The meeting of the Current Events department of the Women's club is postponed from this week Tuesday to Tuesday afternoon, February 11. The gathering will be at the home of Mrs. Charles Earle.

At the meeting of the school committee Tuesday evening, Everett Gerish was elected chairman and Stephen Sabine secretary for 1919.

Chief of police Dowling of Groton and chief of police Beatty of Ayer with the assistance of the local officers of West Groton made a raid on the premises of Anthony Roman of West Groton and found a barrel of cider and a barrel of wine.

Miss Audrey Burkinshaw of Pepperell, who has been teaching in the Moors school, has been transferred to the Boutwell school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Marion B. Gauthier. Miss Inez D. Cornewell of Ipswich has been elected as teacher in the Moors school. Mrs. Sylvia Robinson of West Groton will succeed Mrs. Lee Bixby, teacher in the Tarbell school, who has resigned.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will hold a business and sewing meeting in the church parlor next Thursday afternoon at 6.30 with Mrs. Wallace Brown as chairman. The entertainment, under the direction of Mrs. Charles Earle, will be given at eight o'clock.

Mrs. Nelson Morse of Worcester is a week-end guest of Mrs. W. M. Tyrrell.

At the regular meeting of the Grange next Tuesday evening, February 11, 1919 will be installed by First Master Willard G. White of Shirley, past master of Ayer Grange.

Mrs. Charles Earle, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Providence for the past few weeks, has returned home.

The Relief Corps held an all-day meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. McKee to do Red Cross work.

Mr. Irving, Mrs. Everett Hudson's father, who has been visiting his son's family in Lawrence for several weeks, has returned to Groton for an indefinite stay.

The Girl and Boy Scouts of West Groton meet alternate weeks with their leader, Miss Elizabeth Hill. The boys meet with her Saturday afternoon at 2.30 for the first time this season.

The committee on public information would like to have the men who have been in the United States service let the committee know when they were discharged. If parents or friends wish this information it will help the committee very much in its work. Figures are to be put on the service flag of the town for the number of men who have been in the service and for the number discharged. The information can be sent to Miss Boutwell or Rev. C. B. Ames.

Miss R. M. Graham, of Ayer, announces that she has a complete line of spring hats and trimmings.

Mrs. William Southern is visiting with relatives in Cambridge and Boston.

Miss Margaret Bruce is entertaining in Groton, friend, Miss Elizabeth C. O'Brien, of Lowell, N. J. Her sister, Miss Ethel Bruce, is also with her.

There have been three fire alarms sounded during the past week. The last one was at George Shattuck's place in West Groton when the corn barn was totally destroyed. The main barn to which it was attached caught and at one time it looked as if all buildings would go when a second alarm was sounded just as the fire department arrived. They were successful in extinguishing the flames. This occurred about 2.30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Blood spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Blood.

Miss Edith Carpenter, of Cambridge, is boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wood, Whiting avenue.

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Mrs. William Gleason left town on Wednesday for Newton, where she will enjoy a visit with her sister, Mrs. David Gibson.

The annual Washington birthday party given by the ladies of the Unitarian church will take place in the town hall on Friday evening, February 21. Dancing from eight until nine. Newhall's orchestra of Marlboro will furnish the music.

Mrs. Everett Hudson and daughter Dorothy returned home on Sunday from a few days' visit in Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blodgett have moved into the tenement in Dr. Kibourn's house on Pleasant street.

The house on Station avenue now occupied by Odber Folkina and family is soon to be repaired and new improvements added, and later will be occupied by its owner, Miss Ellen Denahy.

The Alliance held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Ames, Thursday evening, February 6. A good number present. The members were pleasantly entertained by the reading of poems by Mrs. Henrietta Chase.

Baptist church, Sunday services—Morning at 10.30, subject, "John the Baptist and his ministry." Evening at 7.30, subject, "The essential and up-to-date message of Christianity."

The great spy picture, "Spying on the Front," by Charles Chaplin comedy, "The Fireman," and Gaumont News makes a big show for today at Proctor's Strand, Ayer. Sunday, End Bennett in "Seeking Happiness." Sunday matinee at 3.30; evenings at six and eight o'clock.

Town Meeting.

The annual town meeting held on Monday in the town hall was attended by a larger number of Groton's electorate than for many years past. This large attendance was probably due to the agitation over the road situation and previous to the meeting being called to order the general topic of conversation was the part Moses Hale and Richard M. Shaw intended to take in the meeting, they being generally considered the prime instigators of the movement for better roads.

The meeting was called to order by Town Clerk Torrey and Rev. George M. Howe offered prayer. H. W. Whiting was chosen moderator and the various articles in the town warrant were taken up and disposed of in routine manner, there being little debate on any except the motion of William Taylor to appropriate \$250 for the purchase of a Holstein bull. Mr. Taylor stated that while there were many Holstein cattle in the town, there was no registered bull and that milk was almost wholly sold on a quantity basis and that the town ought to encourage the milk producers of the town by purchasing a bull for public use. R. M. Shaw seconded this motion. Mr. McKee for the overseers of the poor opposed the motion on the ground that the town already owned a Guernsey bull and that they doubted the wisdom of changing the breed. Moseley Hale spoke briefly and hoped the motion would pass. The motion was defeated.

A motion to extend the cement sidewalk on Hollis street was vigorously opposed by John Lawrence on the ground that the residents on Farmers' row were entitled to first consideration, as they had to be content with a very unsatisfactory gravel sidewalk. Frank A. Torrey retorted that some time ago he had offered to build the sidewalk on Farmers' row and that Mr. Lawrence had objected on the ground that cement would wear his shoes out. The motion was carried.

The motion to extend the street lights on the Boston road was debated by Messrs. He, Collier, Dodge and Richards and was carried. The article relating to the Groton-Ayer road on Farmers' row and the Groton-Littleton road precipitated a warm discussion. Mr. Griswold of Groton School addressed the voters in favor of rebuilding Farmers' row. He called attention to the fact that the road was travelled by a larger number of people than any other and that it was for Groton's benefit to have a good road there as well as a matter of civic pride. Lawrence Brooks favored the Farmers' row road. Moseley Hale stated that he had seen in the Boston-Littleton road, and that he had no doubt that the road would be built. He then made a motion to appropriate up to \$5000 for the town's share of the cost of the Groton-Ayer road. Rev. End Bennett made a strong plea for Farmers' row and urged the town to take immediate action. Representative J. A. Torrey spoke in favor of the Groton-Ayer road and told of his efforts to get the Groton-Littleton road completed and he had no doubt that the road would be built. He then made a motion to appropriate up to \$5000 for the town's share of the cost of the Groton-Ayer road. Rev. End Bennett made a strong plea for Farmers' row and urged the town to take immediate action. Representative J. A. Torrey spoke in favor of the Groton-Ayer road and told of his efforts to get the Groton-Littleton road completed and he had no doubt that the road would be built. He then made a motion to appropriate up to \$5000 for the town's share of the cost of the Groton-Ayer road.

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After three weeks of closed schools, churches, etc; the ban has again been lifted. School began on Monday. This is the third time since last September that influenza has broken out in this part of the town.

There will be an illustrated lecture on Sunday evening by Rev. William Ganley; subject, "Lincoln"; 100 slides. A large attendance is desired.

G. H. Bixby was ill for two or three days last week, necessitating his absence from the store.

Mrs. Heaps and daughter, of North Adams, were recent guests of Mrs. M. J. Doherty.

Mrs. R. H. Burgess visited her friend, Mrs. Alfred Bunn, in Leominster, Wednesday.

Robert Bixby was home over Sunday. He is evidently making good at his work in Boston as he has been advanced rapidly.

Ruth Mellich spent the week-end with her friend, Hazel Ballou, in Shirley, and attended a dance on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Emma Wells, of Winthrop, was in town a week or two, visiting her sister, Mrs. Murch, and later, her friend, Mrs. R. H. Burgess.

Mrs. Talmage Kierstead passed away a short time ago at her home in Medford, the cause of death being heart disease. Mrs. Kierstead was well known here, her husband being superintendent at the leatherboard mill for a time. Mr. Kierstead and son survive her.

Lee Bixby has accepted the position of farmer at the Sabine farm in Groton. He expects to take up his duties as soon as he receives his discharge from the army. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby will occupy a house nearby and will begin their married life together in Groton. Mrs. Bixby was formerly Miss Marian Watson and was until very recently, teacher in the primary grade, Tarbell school. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby's many friends wish them happiness and success in their undertaking.

John Robinson keeps on with his clerical work at Camp Devens. He has been given the rank of sergeant major.

Mrs. Joseph Woodson visited friends in Pepperell on Tuesday.

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Mr. Ganley attended church in Fitchburg on Sunday and dined with his friend, Charles Woodbury, who is principal of the Fitchburg high school.

Tuesday was a busy day at the branch library. Seventy-five books were borrowed during the afternoon and evening.

The fire alarm was sounded from the Sattuck farm on Tuesday afternoon. The call was given in Groton instead of West Groton, and Fred Blood, who was working at the Hoess place, heard it, and realized at once the district from which it came. He immediately notified Foreman Lawrence, who was fortunately working at the same farm. Mr. Lawrence jumped into his machine and hurried to the fire and was the first person to arrive, none too soon, as a corn house had burned to the ground, destroying from fifty to sixty bushels of corn. Flames had caught on the side of a big barn in which hay was stored. Mr. Hayes and her farmer, Fred Beaulieu, were doing what they could with pails of water, but they could not accomplish much, as they could not reach the flames without ladders. Mr. Lawrence hurried to the big house occupied by the family,

where he put in another call for help, and going to the cellar for a ladder he was dragged to the scene of the fire on the opposite side of the road. As he reached the spot the chemical engine arrived. Mr. Lawrence gives the credit for the property saved, first to Mr. Blood for his quick action, and second to the chemical engine, without which many buildings would have been destroyed.

AYER
To the Editor:
In the recent permission of Sunday "Movies" in the town of Ayer we have an example of how important a change in public policy can be made without consultation of the public opinion. But this change is not necessarily permanent and can be revoked if the public will it so. What finally becomes of Sunday will depend entirely on what people make of it. It can become gradually a working day like Monday or a wide open holiday like Saturday. On the other hand, what it has been, a day when business and commercial entertainment are restricted and encouragement given to the best things in life, the things that are really crowded out of the rest of the week; home life, good reading, thought, religion, and the things that we all know perfectly well that these best things are readily pushed aside by the noisier or more exciting things. Any child will choose the movies rather than school if given a chance. But we encourage school attendance, for we become a member of the community, because we think it is worth more to the community than the movies.

Shall we encourage by law a Sunday given over to the best things? Shall we make it as easy as possible for the growing children of the community to observe Sunday? Shall we make Sunday into a plain holiday, or keep it as any sense a holy day? That is the issue before the people of Ayer in this matter of Sunday movies at the local theatres. — Angus Dun.

Federation House Notes.
The motion picture play for Saturday afternoon and evening will be Elsie Ferguson in "Rose of the World."

Sunday evening there will be a large Roosevelt Memorial service at 7.30 o'clock. The program has been arranged in conjunction with the War Camp Community Service. All the churches and schools in town, have been invited to join in the service. There will be extra music by an orchestra, good singing and an address by a well-known speaker.

Tuesday, February 11, will be game night.

Wednesday at 7.30 p. m. there will be an illustrated lecture free to all soldiers and the public, commemorating Lincoln's birthday, the subject being "The History of the Flag." The lecturer will be E. H. Marble of Worcester. The school children have been especially invited.

Friday evening, February 14, at 7.30 the entertainment will be given by the young people of the Leominster Baptist church.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson, who has been hostess at the Federation House during the past few months, left on Tuesday for New York. Miss Johnson expects to leave very soon for Y. M. C. A. work in France.

To the Editor:
Permit me to present in your paper as a witness of Ayer a protest against moving picture entertainments upon Sunday in any of our moving picture theatres. We cannot afford for the sake of our citizens and especially our children to permit commercial interests to further encroach upon Sunday by the means of the entertainment.

I appeal to the men and women of Ayer to maintain the high moral tone of our public sentiment, which is the real power in our community life. To lower this at the behest of commercial interests is to injure ourselves and all we hold valuable in our town. John R. Chaffee.

Federated Church.
The pastor's Sunday morning subject will be "Abraham Lincoln." Mrs. George McCarter will sing. Sunday school at twelve o'clock; S. Bassett Dickerman, men's class leader; woman's class meets for the regular lesson. At 6.30 the young people's meeting will be led by Dea. Herbert A. Polard; ten minutes will be devoted to mission study. At 7.30 the congregation will unite at the Federation House for the Roosevelt memorial service.

THE ORANGE CYPRIA

A Story of Lincoln
By Olive Harper

CANNONS were booming down the valley and at intervals there was the sharp rattle of musketry. Bodies of soldiers, some in blue and some in gray, were seen in places along the valleys and broken ground. But they were all far from the little rain-washed crevice on the side of the mountain where an old negro stood scanning the distant scene as well as his half-blind eyes would permit. After looking he would return to the farthest end of the crevice.

"Is de fitin' all over yit, so's we kin go 'long, Louzo?"
"I reckon hit 'niver git done," said the old man, nodding his head to the frightened woman, who crouched down into the smallest possible space.

It was no wonder she was afraid, for the war had swept away the last member of her old master's family. And nothing remained of the fine plantation and home but blackened chimneys, for the tide of war had swept back and forth over it until all was gone.

Alonzo went to the edge of the little rift in the mountainside and looked down the valley, but his bearded eyes were filled with tears he dared not shed, and his broad chest heaved with the sobs he held in check. Finally he cleared his throat with a mighty effort and said:

"I reckon we might git over the ridge fo' dahk, but we got ter creep mighty close to de gully tel we reach de timber. Mebbe we fin' a fahmeh w'a'll give us a bite an' let us sleep in hees 'b'n. Come."

With many groans the woman rose to her feet, tottering with weakness, for since the sweeping away of her master's family, the destruction of the plantation, and the death of their children these two had suffered terribly from privation. For the last three days they had lived entirely upon wild fruit. But they struggled onward toward Washington, where in their simple hearts they believed the good, tender, the human Lincoln would make them welcome.

They had their Sunday garments in little bundles, and in her bosom carefully wrapped from injury or contamination was an orange cypria. Its rich colors and beautiful form had so charmed her that her young mistress, whom she had loved and nursed with the unselfish devotion of a dog, gave it her. She held it in her hands the night she died and when Lureeny had asked if it were not very precious the dying girl said:

"Yes, Lureeny, it is precious, very precious. Cousin Godfrey brought it to me, and he has gone where I shall



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soon follow. Never part with it so long as you live, and when you die give it to the best person you know."

Then she kissed the cypria. In that moment her eyes closed, and her last sigh drifted into the beautiful shell. Now, Lureeny was going to give this precious thing to her hero, the compassionate Lincoln. Who but he was worthy of this gift over which had swept the pure breath of the maiden who died of a broken heart? Sometimes Lureeny put the shell to her ear and the soft breath of her young mistress seemed to be sighing inside.

Days the poor old couple journeyed on, weary and disappointed that the way was so interminable. At last they reached a bright from which they could see in the distance the goal of their efforts, the city of Washington. They both lifted their hands in joy and thankfulness. It was more beautiful than they had dreamed.

"Oh, Louzo, it is like the new Jerusalem. But I see too plum tuckered out to go on tonight. We'll eat a snack, an' den set our tin daylight, and den put on your store cloze an' go on. What yo reckon Mass' Linkum 'll say?"
"I dunno, but I reckon he'll be mighty kin', especially w'en he larn all 'bout us. You lean back agin the

Eyes Had to Be Blue. Blue-eyed babies always claim a preponderance of admirers. The fact has just again been emphasized—this time at Hampstead, England. It was announced in the press that the town officials had a "bonny blue-eyed baby" for adoption, and straightway 350 would-be adopters wrote to secure it. Unfortunately it was found that the infant's eyes had been wrongly described. The eyes were not blue, after all, and when they heard of this some of the ladies withdrew their offers.

tree an' I'll cubber you up wid our bes' cloze."
The feeble eyes of the old man were clear enough to see that Lureeny was very weak and weary. She replied:
"You hasn't got a bit o' sense. But, I duz feel kinder chillin'. 'Pears like sumpin in hyar is plum wore out, dess like a ole clock mos' run down. And, if we tu'n 'em inside out—"
Lureeny felt strangely weak and cold. A chill such as she had never felt before benumbed her by degrees. So strange did she feel that she called her husband.

"Louzo, I is awful col'. I reckon I's gwine ter die right now, in sight of de promise' lan'. Louzo, ef dat is so, I want you to take dis yere 'n'ange cippurus to Mass' Linkum, an' tell him to keep it till de longes' day he live, and den give it to de bes' pusson he know, an' tell him 'bout de chilluns, an' dat I axed him to befrin' you. You've been a good man to me, 'Louzo—"
Here the husky voice broke off and Alonzo was alone.

Who could depict the grief and anguish of the poor old man as he sat that long night through beside the dead form of his wife? In the morning some other refugees came along and helped him to bury her wrapped carefully in her "store clothes."

Then Alonzo started on his mission. Days of misery, anxiety, hunger, cold



Before Him Stood the Tall Form. and rebuffs passed, but always the white head and wrinkled face haunted the grounds. He was not allowed to see the president.

At last, one day, worn out by his sufferings he sank at the foot of a tree just as the joyous voice of a child was heard. The boy was none other than Tad, the Benjamin of his father's heart. Tad saw the poor old man vainly trying to rise and went to him frankly and fearlessly. "Young as he was he saw that the old man was in a sad state and asked if he wanted anything."

"Yes, young massa, I wants to see Mass' Linkum, I done got sumpin berry precious fo' he all, but dey won't let me see him."

"Well, you come with me," said the lad, with spirit.

Alonzo could scarcely suffer to a place where the boy seated him on a bench saying:
"Walt here a minute. I'll bring him."
Tears streamed down the old man's face. He was weak from hunger and exposure, and the death of his wife was a great blow. He fumbled in his pocket and brought out the shell, and thinking that the cloth around it was too soiled he threw it away, and then—before him stood the tall form, with the rugged features of his face aglow with deep compassion that was part of his nature. The great man, gray in all things, sat down by Alonzo saying pleasantly:

"Well, uncle, what is it?"
"Oh, Massa Linkum, praise de Lord dat I done lib to see dis day. Here is a gif' fo' you from Lureeny—my wife. She died afo' she could gib hit herself. She say hit am berry precious, and she done hab to gib hit to de bes' pusson libbin'—and she was a chillin' fo' death when she gin hit to me fo' you."

Saying this Alonzo held out his toil-deformed hand with the beautiful shell glittering in a ray of sunshine that filtered through the tree on his dark palm.

"I thank you for the gift, and she who is gone, but I do not feel that I deserve it."

"Oh, yes, Ted, do, daddy. Yes, you do," said Tad eagerly.

Then the homely face of Lincoln quivered and his eyes suddenly burned. Only Lincoln's great heart could understand the pathos of this gift and appreciate it. It was all the giver had. He coughed two or three times before he could speak.

"Tell me about yourself and where you come from."

Alonzo was a man of few words, but his tale was even the sponger for that, as he told of their sufferings on their way toward the realization of their hopes. As he finished, the old man faintled and sank to the ground. Kind hands raised him, fed him, and took him to a hospital where he ended his days in a comfort he had never known. His last words were: "Lord bless Mass' Linkum, and give him the desire of hees heart."

The orange cypria is in the Smithsonian Institution, now with its mate, which was found in the pocket of a young Confederate officer. Few know its history or how it came into the possession of the "best person in the world."
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Several Guesses Allowed. "Copper to Remain Fixed."—Puzzle headline for gentle readers to solve. Guess whether it refers to the copper's post, or something else again.—Buffalo Express.

Bank-Note Engravers. It is said that there are scarcely more than 100 men in the whole world who are trained to be expert bank-note engravers.



No. 1—Cartwheel hat with crown of black satin and brim of straw slightly rolled up on itself back and front. It is trimmed with an immense bunch of paradise.
No. 2—Palestine turban of copper-colored tulle with a jeweled sword run through the front. The material is wrapped around the head and worn low over the eyes.
No. 3—Street turban of French blue taffeta with a wide bandeau of black straw. Alsatian bow of taffeta at side.
No. 4—Restaurant hat of chestnut-colored tulle gathered to a wire edge at the brim. It is trimmed with a roccoco rose with glided leaves.

HATS THAT START SPRING FASHIONS

Headgear Styles Made Up of Fads of Long Ago.

BOBBED HAIR FOR ALL AGES

Florentine Coiffure Is No Longer a Caprice of the Extremists—Milliners Decide They Must Meet the New Demand.

New York—Yankee Doodle, who stuck a feather in his cap and called it "marron," thereby creating a slang word for a gayly dressed man which has gone over two continents and lived in history, could not have felt prouder than the French king who put a piece of straw over his head to keep away the rain, and created hats.

Both the feather and the straw were trivial incidents in the life of each of these characters (for the satire on Yankee Doodle was rhymed around a man), but they were the foundation stones of millinery.

Women have always pilfered from men their tricks of apparel, asserts a fashion writer. They are sly little thieves, when it comes to petty pilfering from those who consider themselves superior beings. After all, it is a form of coquetry, and women discovered centuries ago that nothing so pleased a man as to do what he did, say what he said, and hold on to his hand socially, financially, politically and mentally. A woman might hate another woman for stealing her fashions, but a man would only look with more pridelike adoration upon a woman who fashioned her clothes after his.

Nothing so delighted the French kings, the great and haughty Bourbons, as the fact that their women did what they did in clothes. They gave them their magnificent brocaded coats with the full skirts, the knee-length waistcoats, the precious lace ruffles and the silver and diamond buttons as a guide to their apparel. They allowed them to borrow their coiffures in order to have their hair perfumed, powdered and curled. They saw themselves reflected, as in mirrors, by the groups of women surrounding them.

The milliners have not permitted themselves to be limited by any one period of history. They have dipped with eager, curious hands into all the ashes and embers of the planet's past and produced for the modern woman a jumble of things that were once worn by her predecessors.

It makes for the gaiety of a crowd, this bobbing up and down of hats from Babylon to the French trenches. There is nothing dull in millinery today. If one could get together all the hats worn on the American continent, classify them, and divide them into chapters, one would be presented with a sartorial history of the world.

Novelties in Dyed Suede. Here and there one sees a new material attached to an old shape. Such is the case when dyed suede is used for an oblong turban, with its surface perforated in an edelweiss design taken from the Swiss Alps and copied from the patterns used in the Madras shawl. Right here you have a jumble of people and nationalities all in one. The cap tilted over the left eyebrow of a girl. These suede caps are dyed bright pink, horizon blue and pearly red. Their sole ornamentation is the perforation.

Someone has insisted that the revival of perforated designs on all our clothes came through the use of paper napkins in the war. Good thought, but hardly true. Whatever the source, the fashion is here. The milliners may have originated it, but the dressmakers borrowed it over

Night Air Not Dangerous. There is still a prejudice among some against night air. For that reason some foolish people sleep with their windows closed. Night air is not dangerous. On the average it is more pure than that of the day. In malarious sections exposure at night may be dangerous, not because the air is bad but because malarial mosquitoes bite only at night. The danger is in the mosquitoes, not the air.

night, for the midseason frocks of white broadcloth and velvet, or beige-colored gabardine and black taffeta, are perforated along their edges in set designs.

It is too late to talk of the Alsatian bow, for it was obvious that the milliners would revive it; but a certain woman of distinction started a fashion for it that the milliners quickly looked upon with envy.

She came to lunch in a restaurant wearing the genuine Alsatian bow, black and immense, placed across the middle of her head, with a mere apology of a little cloth cap in front of it. It stood upward and outward, and her hair was coiled high behind it. This was the real thing, and her darning made her the target of all eyes. It may be that the Alsatian bow in this form will be introduced for the evening. Let us hope that it will never appear at the theater. At the present rate of prices and the scarcity of seats, the addition of a hundred or so Alsatian bows in the audience would be the straw on the camel's back.

Charlotte Corday Cap. The Charlotte Corday cap, minus its bow, has been introduced for the South and is taken up by the North. It is made of brilliant, dark tulle, always double, but entirely transparent. The best one is in copper tulle, its high crown trimmed at the base with a twist of tulle and one of those roccoco red roses with gold outer petals and leaves which have been brought into fashion by a well-known designer of individual evening gowns.

The transparent hat is beyond question one of the smart fashions of the hour. It means that the coiffure must come back into orderliness and loveliness. The crowns of these hats are often high and gently manipulated by the fingers to give grace, and one of the best French hats takes the crown of the American doughboy hat as its model.

As brown rules in tulle, so it seems to rule in these tulle hats. It is often in the color that the French call "marron," that chestnut brown which is soft and becoming. Over these smart women wear stockings of light blue eyes and a face that once had been vivaciously pretty, but now was sad and wistful. People had decided that Ella Flagg had begun to droop from the moment that Will Chandler left Littleford and went to California. Some wondered whether Ella ever heard from Will, but Myra could have told them that she did

Hats and Bobbed Hair. The Florentine coiffure is no longer a caprice of the extremists; it is no longer a sensational bit of bravado. The war has instated it as a strong fashion. Women with gray hair wear it bobbed to the nape of the neck or curled under to appear as though it were cut. Girls with every shade of hair wear it. Matrons with half-grown children adopt it. So the milliners, after a frantic wringing of the hands, have decided that they must meet this new demand. There must be a large and creative impulse for hats that will go with this Florentine coiffure. The broad, flat hat of Naples has been brought out and is adopted by one young matron whose face figures in half the periodicals of the day, and her side companion, who also wears the ancient Italian hair coiffure, adopts the Florentine velvet hat with its trimming of two rows of coral

beads. It must be admitted that the women themselves have seen to it that they had good hair, whether it be turban or flat hat. They cannot, of course, wear hats of exceeding dignity, but they try a certain type of distinguished hat which is considered the leading thing by the milliners; and they carry it off with great skill. This is the immense black-thread lace hat, transparent, with its broad Alsatian bow wired across the front. This is the hat that will supersede, for the spring the upturned, many pointed, theatrical hat of silk plush and velvet, with its aigrettes.

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Health Improvement in Brazil. The famous saying "Brazil is a vast hospital" is in a fair way to being outlawed. Yellow fever is stamped out and the government has made an immense appropriation for supplying the entire community. To these achievements must be added the labors of the Oswaldo Cruz institute in the realm of scientific prevention of communicable diseases of all kinds. —Brazil-Medico.

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BY NETTIE E. NEHAN

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ENDORSED BY WILSON

Massachusetts to Help Starving Armenians

DRIVE STARTS FEBRUARY 9

Committees of men and women in every city and town in Massachusetts outside Boston will begin on the week of February 9 the task of raising \$1,500,000, the state's quota of the fund of \$30,000,000 to be spent by the American Committee for Relief in the Near East among starving Armenians, Syrians, Greeks and Persians. The drive lasts two weeks.

Armenians have suffered unpeakable atrocities at the hands of the Turks during the war. Driven from their homes into the wilderness, thousands are without food and clothing. There are more than 4,000,000 to feed, and 40,000 orphans to be cared for.

President Wilson has issued three proclamations endorsing the campaign. One of these says: "I again call upon the people of the United States to make even more generous contributions than they have made heretofore to sustain through the winter months those who, through no fault of their own, have been left in a starving, shelterless condition, and to help re-establish these ancient and sorely oppressed people in their former homes on a self-supporting basis."

The commissioners who have already rallied for the Near East, and who will direct the relief work, are headed by Dr. James L. Barton of Boston. Dr. Barton has been designated a divisional food administrator for the Near East by Mr. Hoover. The state campaign manager is Mr. Clarke Fennell, who has headquarters in the Littlefield building, Boston.

Dr. Charles W. Eliot of Harvard College has been elected honorary chairman of the campaign committee in Massachusetts. Among others who have accepted appointments on the committee are ex-Governor Samuel W. McCall, Bishop William Lawrence, ex-Mayor James Logan of Worcester, ex-Senator W. Murray Crane and State Senator Augustus P. Loring.

Cablegrams are coming into the state headquarters of the American Committee for Relief in the Near East almost daily, telling of the great suffering among the Armenian, Syrian, Greek and Persian refugees. Food and medical supplies are needed immediately, the messages state.

The coming campaign is in no way connected with the appropriation asked of Congress by the President, to handle the big food problem in Europe. The following cablegram was only recently received by the American Committee for Relief in the Near East from President Wilson explaining this point, as follows:

"The appropriation asked of Congress for handling food relief is not intended in any way to take the place of the subscription being asked for relief and rehabilitation in the Near East." I hope that this subscription will not in any way be interrupted or reduced. The need is immediate and very great."

A number of Massachusetts women are among the workers who have sailed or will sail soon to take a hand in the relief work in Asia Minor.

Three ocean steamships, the Mercurius and Western Belle, and Pensacola are already speeding across the Atlantic with cargoes of food, fuel and supplies valued at approximately \$2,500,000 for men, women and children suffering from famine, plague and destitution.

The cargoes on these relief ships include every article for relief work, from spoons and needles to two-ton motor trucks. Items which will bring comfort to the sufferers are 200 tons coal, 35 two-ton motor trucks, 15 ambulances, a large number of tractors and thousands of cases of condensed and evaporated milk. The medical outfit includes kerosene stoves, heaters, lamps, towels and soap. On the Western Belle is 8075 tons of flour, purchased for \$1,500,000, which will help save many thousands of lives.

A short time before his death, former President Theodore Roosevelt wrote a letter to the American Committee for Relief in the Near East, saying: "With all my heart I wish you God-speed in the work of relief you have undertaken for the Christians in western Asia. And particularly do I wish you success in your efforts to raise \$30,000,000 for the maintenance of the tens of thousands of Christians and other refugees and sufferers, wherever found in the Caucasus, in Persia, in Palestine, or in the interior of Turkey."

The unofficial representative of the Catholic church in America on the field committee of the American Committee for Relief in the Near East is Walter George Smith, of Philadelphia, an attorney and a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. He will join the relief workers in Constantinople.

One of the most interesting phases of the relief expedition will be that headed by Dr. George H. Washburn, a son of the former president of Roberts College, Constantinople. He will superintend the work of no less than 15 hospitals, for the construction of which \$800,000 will be needed.

The hospitals will be scattered throughout Turkey from the Black Sea to the Persian border. Existing missionary hospitals will be utilized as the basis of building, wherever possible. Whence the Red in Flagg. The actual defenders of the red flag do not know or have forgotten that red was formerly the color of the church militant, and also of royalty until the epoch when Henry VI, king of England, took the title of king of France. Then red came to be considered as an inimical color in France and was replaced by white, which in its turn was given up by the English. The red flag was displayed by the Catholic troops of Charles IX and Henry III, while the flags of the Protestants were white.

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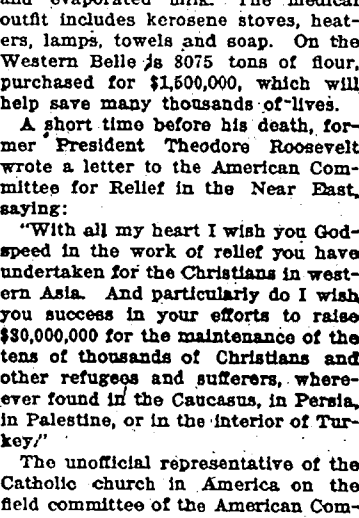
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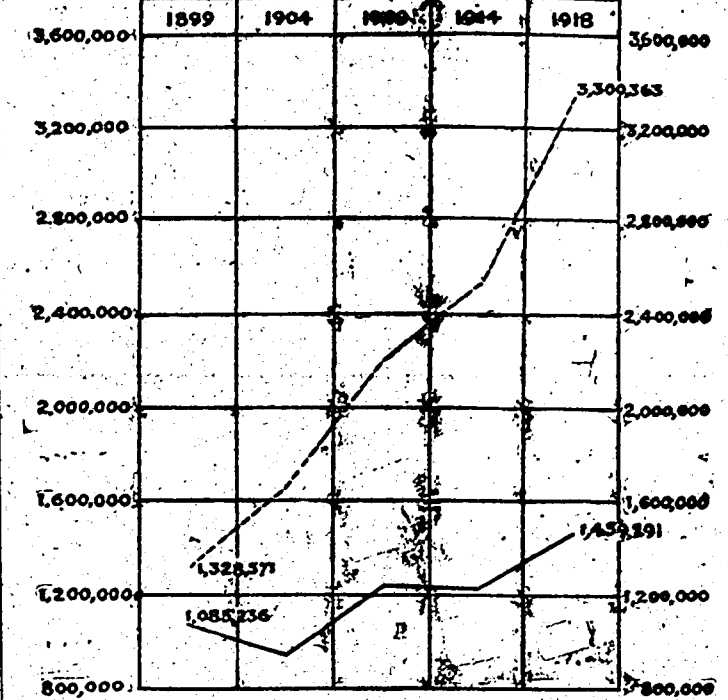
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

BOYS WANTED to sell vanilla flavoring after school hours and Saturdays.

MASSACHUSETTS COTTON TEXTILES LOSING IN UPHILL FIGHT; SOUTHERN STATES MAKING BIG GAINS

Longer Hours With Less Pay Reason for Rapid Growth—Forty-eight Hour Law Will Bring Disaster



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Nothing better illustrates the expansion of a mill than cotton consumption. Nineteen years ago Massachusetts used 1,052,238 bales of cotton in her industries.

As cotton consumption means cloth production again we find the same four southern states making big gains on Massachusetts. During the last fifteen years...

Spiders' Strength. The amazing strength of spiders is shown in a number of well-authenticated instances.

Country's Peat Deposits. Peat is so antiseptic and absorbent that it is used as a dressing for wounds, and is an excellent substitute for medicated cotton.

Chinese Fish Propagation. The Chinese have a novel way of propagating fish. The spawn is carefully collected from the surface of the water...

When the Swans Migrate. It is said to be impossible for any one who has seen only the common, mute swans floating about in the artificial lakes of city parks to imagine the grandeur of a flock of the great whistlers in their wild state.

Making Airplane Invisible. Many efforts have been made to make the airplane invisible from the earth when it is soaring through the ether.

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'SHIRLEY'

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Shirley citizens having surplus funds to care for are asked to consider the merits of the Andover Savings Bank, Andover, Mass.

The Brotherhood of the Congregational church will hold its regular meeting on next Tuesday evening at the home of Walter Knowles.

At the session of the Sunday school at the Congregational church last Sunday Miss Sarah S. Stevenson was elected as secretary.

Sunday will be observed as Roosevelt day at the Congregational church. Men of the town are most cordially invited to be present.

Arthur C. Annis, radio electrician of the navy, has returned to his home in town. He has been placed on the reserve list for a period of four years.

An evening school has been opened by the town in the little brick school-house on Church street.

Mrs. Bessie Jacobs is visiting this week in Roxbury, 20 H.

Mrs. C. P. White will open her dancing school in Odd Fellows' hall on Saturday afternoon, February 15, at one o'clock.

Mrs. Baril, assistant at the home of Dr. Charles J. Peirce, has purchased a new house on Center street.

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Miss R. M. Graham, of Ayer, announces that she has a complete line of spring hats and trimmings.

Town Meeting. Town meeting was held on Monday in Odd Fellows' hall. No special interest was manifested; only 175 voters were cast out of a registered list of 2000.

City Within a City. One of the most unusual and interesting parts of New York is that quaint triangle cut off by Mott street which curves the Bowery in a half moon, commonly known as Chinatown.

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\$3,000 to be used with an equal amount furnished by the state highway commission for the purpose of rebuilding Lancaster road beginning near the residence of Anson Parker to the Lancaster line.

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Art. 6. Voted that the salary of the tax collector shall be \$1400.

Art. 7. Voted that the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year, beginning January 1, 1919, an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$10,000 and to give a note of notes of the town therefor, payable within one year.

Art. 8. Voted that the next annual town meeting be held in Shirley Village.

Art. 9. Voted that the sum of \$1250 be appropriated for the hydrant service for the year 1919.

Art. 10. Voted that the sum of \$1200 be appropriated for police protection.

Art. 11. This article, relative to an appropriation for \$1200 for police protection if the town should vote for license, was passed over.

Art. 12. Voted that the sum of \$150 be appropriated to enforce the liquor law.

Art. 13. Relative to an appropriation for the extermination of the elm tree, was passed over.

Art. 14. Voted that the sum of \$70 be appropriated to pay the bonds of the town treasurer and tax collector.

Art. 15. Relative to an appropriation for band concerts, was passed over.

Art. 16. Voted that the sum of \$1200 be appropriated to sprinkle the principal streets of the town with dust laying oil.

Art. 17. Voted that the sum of \$350 be appropriated for the purchase of a new road grader.

Art. 18. Voted that the sum of \$25 be appropriated for demonstration work in agriculture, and that Edward M. Davis be a director to serve in cooperation with the county agricultural trustees.

Art. 19. Voted that the sum of \$200 be appropriated for the purpose of observing April 19 as a day of welcome to returning soldiers, sailors and marines.

Art. 20. Voted that the town accept as a public highway Tolman street and Whitey street, so-called, leading from Phoenix street over property of the Samson Cordage Works to Chapel street.

Art. 21. Voted that the town accept as a public highway Chapel street extension, so-called, extending from Phoenix street easterly by land of St. Anthony's society, and Samson Cordage Works on the south, and other abutters on the north to land of Kate E. Hazen, on the east, a distance of about 300 feet, more or less.

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PEPPERELL

It may be that we are bound to have a return of winter, since Candlemas day was fine, but everyone can probably stand it, if the second part is no worse than the first has been...

Edward Duffey writes from France, under date of January 17, that he is in good health and still driving a supply truck, but would like to get home again, although there are no signs of a release of his corps yet.

Donald Jacobs is heard from, still cruising in the northern waters, his last trip being from Japan to Russia. He had the pleasant experience while on leave in Japan of searching out some relatives of his father who were living there.

Lieut. James Irvine has taken a position in Athol and Mrs. Irvine, who is remaining for awhile with her mother, Mrs. Lawrence Morgan, is still teaching in Townsend, although she may join her husband later.

Mrs. N. W. Appleton recently heard from her sister, Mrs. William Channing Appleton, who has been in war-relief work in France during the past year, that she is taking a two-weeks' rest at Cannes, in Southern France, and may sail for her home, Boston, this month.

Mrs. B. J. Milroy, main street, has been entertaining her two brothers, Wallace and Forrest Love, from Everett, Wash. They have just arrived in this country from France after a year in the naval aviation corps. They enlisted at Seattle and were transferred to San Francisco, from which port they sailed for France, coming first to Charleston, S. C., and New York, by way of the Panama canal.

The West Neighborhood club have been holding meetings regularly on Wednesday afternoons at the home of Mrs. Leon Richardson, and have been sewing on the garments for the Red Cross society, local branch, and also working between meetings, to make up for the decrease in numbers during the winter.

The families of Mr. and Mrs. Angell and Mrs. Charles Goodwin moved on Wednesday from the house on Tucker street to a tenement on Leighton street, as their former rent had been purchased by Mrs. Constant Jagielovitch, of Parker hill.

Timothy Lorden, who has been working with his team at the saw mill in Brookline, N. H., moved there temporarily this week.

The anxiety of some of the American boys to reach home is forcibly illustrated by an anecdote related in one of the home letters. One of the young soldiers, probably becoming weary of waiting for a transport, secured a common dory at the port of debarkation, and when discovered and rescued was taken along to the pier, with nothing but two oars, his determination, and for provisions a little bread and water. He was persuaded to return to land and wait for a larger ship.

News was recently received by Mrs. W. W. Gillespie of the serious accident which her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Wesley Gillespie, had suffered at her home in Erie, Pa. She was using an electric washing machine and in some manner her hand was caught and drawn into the rolls, injuring it very badly.

Mrs. William Shattuck, of North Chelmsford, Mass., was a visitor in town last week.

John Andrews spent the week-end in Boston.

The Loyal Workers will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Dunbar on Wednesday afternoon.

On Saturday evening, February 15, at 7.45, there will be an entertainment in the red schoolhouse on the North road. Major Arland of the British army will speak. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. D. M. Patterson, of Gardiner, Me., is visiting her son and family, J. R. Patterson, who resides in the Swasey place on Hollis street.

Mrs. D. H. Hardy is able to be up about her house, although still in rather poor health. The little boy, who has been boarding with her for some time, has been very ill with typhoid fever, but is now out of danger.

Mrs. Amos Boulla has been suffering from stomach trouble, and her daughter, Miss Doris, was sent for from Nashua. She is somewhat improved at last reports.

Our aged townman, Augustus Shattuck, whose illness was spoken of last week in these columns, is now reported more comfortable and has made a remarkable rally in the last few days, which proved surprising to relatives and physician. It seems almost safe to predict that he will celebrate his ninety-fourth birthday in April.

Miss McDonald, the district nurse, will be found at the home of Mrs. E. P. Nowell, Main street, after this week Friday, and a telephone is to be installed. She has formerly had board at the Homestead.

Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Child were in town on Tuesday, motoring up from their present home in Hudson for a few hours with friends and at the home of Mrs. Child's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bowman, Townsend street.

Calvin Pierce is quite ill at his home at the Pierce homestead, suffering from influenza due to his advanced age, ninety years, and heart weakness. His niece, Miss Harriet Dow, came on from New York for a few days this week to assist her sister, Mrs. Cushing, and a suitable nurse is to be procured, if possible.

Miss Ruth Cushing, of Wellesley college, has been the guest of Mrs. Lucy Dow Cushing a part of this week, having a short vacation following the mid-year exams.

Several students of the Northeastern college, Boston, under the direction of one of the instructors, Mr. Pinkham, have been making a survey of the lines of the Shirley Electric Company, in the past week. They have all been quartered at the Homestead, where they are well located. The five towns, Pepperell, Dunstable, Tyngsboro, Hollis and Brookline, N. H., are included in the work.

We are informed that over \$203,000.00 were subscribed last fall during the United War Work Campaign. Citizens of Pepperell raised \$3500.00. Of the hundreds who subscribed all have paid except some thirty-five persons. Those who are paying on installments are asked to have their pledges paid before March 1, as the committee are anxious to close the account. Postmaster Drumney of East Pepperell is authorized to receive pledges. The Victory Boys and Girls are paying their "earn and give" pledges through their school teachers.

Corp. George E. Boutwell, of the 73rd Infantry, Supply Company of the Plymouth or 13th Division, who has been stationed at Camp Devens since the outbreak of the war, received his honorable discharge on Wednesday, January 29, and has returned home to North Pepperell.

The regular meeting of the Community Church Workers will be held in the ladies' parlor of the church on Thursday afternoon, February 13, at 2.30. Every woman interested in the Community church work is cordially invited to join this society. A large attendance is requested at this meeting, as plans will be made for the future work.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid society will be held at the home of Mrs. J. N. Annis, High street, Wednesday afternoon, February 12, at three o'clock. All members and those interested are invited to be present.

The relatives of Mr. Earl Farnsworth, Ayer, received the news of the serious illness of the little five-year-old daughter, Janet, of pneumonia. At last reports she was better and in a fair way to recover.

A town caucus is to be held in the town hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30. Other Pepperell matter on first page.

Woman's Club

The large audience which gathered at the meeting of the Woman's club on Tuesday afternoon was very gratifying, both to the speaker and the officers of the club. The business meeting has postponed until the conclusion of the program and only a short musical entertainment offered, so that the entire time might be devoted to the address. The opening number was a solo by Mrs. Copp, who sang, by request, "Little mother of mine," and the closing number, Mrs. Hutchinson rendered the patriotic solo, "We live in America."

The speaker of the afternoon, Rev. William Porter Niles, occupied the hour and more allotted him and all could have listened for a longer period. His talk of a half hour and perhaps a quarter, he condensed more facts than many would have been able to tell in three hours. He was a very rapid speaker and taking for his theme, "Current events," he showed remarkable talent in his ability to glean from here and there, and yet make a connected and comprehensive address, this being considered one of the rare gifts of those who occupy the lecture platform.

In his introductory remarks he cited the condition of the country as it was at the beginning of the war, to refresh the memories of his hearers, and then brought them along to the present day conditions. He exhibited a wonderful familiarity with matters of the foreign countries and with the names of cities and towns in France, Belgium and even Germany, which are either passed over or avoided by many.

In closing he spoke of the methods of the present day and the work of the many societies who are pouring out time and money so that our American boys who are coming back to us are being kept from vice and degradation. And that the American people had much to be thankful for in the present crisis, that these same agencies had accomplished so much and our boys were coming back in most instances, so clean, morally.

The address was admirable in all respects and well worth the large attendance, both of club members and guests.

A short business session followed the program.

Copy under this heading may be sent to the hands of the publisher by Wednesday noon of each week.

Rev. E. S. Forbes, of Boston, supplied the pulpit at the Community church last Sunday in the absence of a preacher scheduled to be present as a candidate. There was no evening service.

Rev. Dwight F. Mowery of New York, will preach as a candidate at the Community church, Sunday, Sunday school at noon, with a special Lincoln-Roosevelt service. A conference of Sunday school workers will be held in the vestry at three o'clock Sunday afternoon. All the newly-elected officers and teachers are urged to be present.

The Press committee, Florence E. Kemp, Mrs. H. N. Tower and Mrs. Minnie G. Green.

Drum training class at the parsonage Tuesday evening, 7.30; subject, "The art of questioning."

Methodist church, Sunday morning, subject, "An untutilled resource"; evening, "An ancient wrestler. Sunday school at noon. Prayer meeting on Tuesday evening: 'Fulfilling the law.' The Ladies' Aid society will meet at three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jerry Annis, High street.

The Patriotic Helpers will meet with Mrs. Charles Marchant, Mill street, Friday afternoon.

Special Aid Society Notes. The work on Monday afternoon was on the consignment of men and boys' shirts for the refugees, commenced at the previous meeting. The garments were packed and returned to the Red Cross headquarters on Wednesday.

Most of the aviation kits and helmets have been turned in and sent to the Special Aid headquarters in Boston.

Mrs. P. W. Flynn will represent the society at the business meeting to be held in Boston on February 14.

At the suggestion of C. B. Hamilton, the society voted to purchase a service flag, which should have the proper number of service and gold stars, be raised at Railroad square, that our home-coming heroes may know they are not forgotten, and see some sign to that effect.

It was voted to continue the work for the Red Cross headquarters in Lowell, in conjunction with the regular Special Aid work.

Red Cross Home Service Branch. The Home service branch of the Red Cross, which has been interested during the past year in the welfare of the families of the soldiers and sailors, has been established here for the year 1919. While in the service and after discharge, men often wish information concerning the various laws passed for their benefit and about matters of insurance, arrears of pay, compensation, training courses for disabled soldiers, legal advice or employment. It sometimes has happened that the wives and mothers cannot get any word from the soldier or his family about the receipt of allotments, taxes or insurance.

All these troubles may be brought to the Red Cross Home Service representatives, who in this town are Chester B. Hamilton or Mrs. P. W. Flynn, or anyone may apply to the Red Cross headquarters, Market street, Lowell, for legal matters. Francis G. Hayes, a lawyer, has offered his services. The visiting committee in town are Dr. C. G. Heald, Mrs. James Attridge, Mrs. Albert Parker and Miss Marguerite Deware.

Red Cross Notes. An all day meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. S. Durant, Wednesday, February 12. Box lunch at noon; hot coffee served by hostess. There is plenty of work. Business meeting at two o'clock.

The Lebanon Community associates met for Red Cross work Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Arthur Keyes, resulting in a quantity of finished garments. Lunch was enjoyed at noon, with cocoa and coffee served by the hostess. Mrs. Bannon, president, read the treasurer's report at the business meeting in the afternoon. A report was also given by the secretary, Mrs. Barbara Bancroft. The next business meeting will be held with Mrs. Hayes next Wednesday; box lunch.

Grange Notes. Friday evening, February 14, will be "Birthday and patriotic night" at Prescott Grange, with the following program: Piano selection, Miss Mollie Frazer; recitation, "We live in America"; Blood; selections from the Vanophone, Miss Sarah Tucker; anecdotes of Washington, any member of the Grange; singing, "Star Spangled Banner"; chorus; sketch of Lincoln's life, Lester Lawrence; anecdotes of Lincoln, any member of the Grange; song, "The long, long trail," Mrs. Grace Shuck; reading, George Stewart; selections on the Vanophone, Miss Sarah Tucker; sketch of St. Valentine's life, Wendel Messer; march of all members to present gifts to St. Valentine; song, "America," Grange chorus. After the entertainment there will be a social gathering for which each member is asked to bring a childhood picture of himself or herself. Light refreshments will be served and a social time enjoyed.

Patrons are invited to dress in any old-fashioned costume, from 1732 to 1918. To still further carry out the spirit of the evening, the representing "olden time" patrons may bring gifts to St. Valentine, the products of their own labor on field or farm or elsewhere, which he will sell at auction for the benefit of the Grange. If no other token is convenient, bring just what common cents—or common sense—more than they have with them by the years of the birthday.

It is hoped to have represented at the meeting George and Martha Washington, Abraham Lincoln and St. Valentine. Be present and make and have a good time.

Deaths. The funeral of Mrs. Marjorie Bonyon, who died from tuberculosis last week Thursday, was held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Blood, Main street, last Saturday afternoon. Burial in the cemetery. The funeral hymn, "Lead, kindly light," was sung by Miss Ruth Walker, wife of Mr. McDonald.

Mrs. McDonald was but twenty-three years of age. She has always resided in Pepperell and was educated in our public schools, a member of the high school class of 1914. Her marriage to Oscar McDonald, of this town, occurred four years ago, and they have made their home, though they have recently established themselves in the Boynton cottage on Shirley street, where they hoped to enjoy many happy days with their little ten-months-old daughter Hazel. Mrs. McDonald had not regained her health and strength since the birth of the child, but there was no thought of anything serious until a few weeks before the end came. She was naturally very quiet and uncomplaining, always pleasant and agreeable, a loving child, whose departure is a great shock and grief to the entire family. She is the first of a large family to pass into the Great Beyond.

The young husband and the members of her immediate family, have the sympathy of friends.

The deceased leaves three brothers.

Estus, Harlan and Ernest, of this town, the latter being at present at Camp Devens, in the service, also five sisters, Mrs. Albert Wood, of Shirley, Mrs. Julius Greenwood, Mrs. Antoinette Welch, Misses Dorothy and Carrie Blood, all of this town.

There were many beautiful floral tributes from loving relatives and friends. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery, the burials being her three brothers, Ernest and Harlan, and a brother-in-law, Albert Woods, from Shirley.

Mrs. Henrietta E. McCord, whose home is with her sisters at "Oak Knoll," received on Sunday the news by telegram of the sudden death of her sister, George Harlan, McCord, of Sackville, N. B., from heart disease. His brother, Edward P. McCord, of this town, left Boston Monday night to attend his funeral. Their mother is unable to take the long journey in winter.

In the absence, as yet, of definite information, Mr. McCord's friends infer that his death resulted largely from the strenuous years in the service in France. He received honorable discharge from the service before the war ended, and has since been constantly busy in after-the-war work. His death is related in a clipping from the St. John (N. B.) paper as follows:

"Few, if any, of the gallant boys who went forth into service have won more distinguished laurels than George R. McCord, of Sackville, who has just returned to his home in Sackville, the son of that town. Mr. McCord enlisted as a private in the 12th Battalion from New Brunswick in September, 1914. He soon won his sergeant's stripes, but these he relinquished when he found it was his intention to make the 12th Reserve Battalion. He crossed to France with the 'Princess Pats' as a private on January 8, 1915, and shortly afterwards was promoted to the rank of sergeant for efficiency in action. Mr. McCord was in every engagement in which the famous 12th Reserve Battalion participated during the months of continuous service on the firing line he won his commission as lieutenant."

"In April, 1916, Lieut. McCord was transferred to the Trench Mortar Company of the 9th Brigade. He went through the heroic fighting of the Somme and also took part in the famous action at Coquelette, where the 26th Battalion from New Brunswick covered themselves with glory. After twenty-three months of service he was recommended for the D. S. O."

Without a doubt Mr. McCord has participated in more real fighting than any other soldier of the 12th Battalion who have gone overseas. He was never severely wounded, but contracted the trench fever, and was granted a two-months' leave of absence, and subsequently received his discharge and returned home.

The early death of Mr. McCord, at the age of forty-four years, has been a great shock to his mother and other relatives here in town. He had a brilliant future before him which he left voluntarily to serve his country. He was graduated from the University of New Brunswick, and also from the law school. His early education and training were carefully attended to by his mother, who was left a widow when this lad was but seven years of age. While attending Harvard he spent his vacations with his aunt in Winchester, where he is still remembered.

Mr. McCord leaves a wife in New Brunswick; also a sister, Mrs. Burton Ford, of Sackville, N. B.; a brother, Robert McCord, of Ontario, Western Canada, and the brother previously mentioned, Edward McCord, of this town. His sorrowing mother and relatives have the sympathy of the community in their affliction.

TOWNSEND

Harbor. Mrs. Charles Monroe, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Helen Warner, returned to Beverly on Monday. Mrs. Monroe was accompanied by Mrs. Warner, who will spend several weeks at the home of her daughter.

Mrs. Helen Proctor and little daughter Katherine spent Thursday at Hickory farm.

Jane Worcester of the Center is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. B. Adams. Mrs. Charles Richards with her little son Frank Luther were out riding Wednesday.

Mr. Allen, who formerly lived in town, is filling the position at Knowlton farm recently vacated by Charles Blanchard.

Miss Emily Lawrence during last week visited friends in Gardner.

The social feature of this week was a progressive whist party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bagley, given in observance of Mrs. Bagley's birthday. The occasion was an unusually enjoyable one, at the close of which refreshments were served. Mrs. Charles Hagar and Mrs. Bennett won first prizes. Second prizes were awarded to Mrs. Petterson and Mr. Joseplyn.

During the noon hour at the Harbor school last Monday Leon LaFountain, while skating, fell and broke his left leg at the ankle. The accident occurred on a small pond hole by breaking through the ice. There was no water underneath. A doctor was called and after first aid treatment Leon was taken to the Burbank hospital to have the X-ray applied, and where he will remain during the recovery of the broken limb. Leon has a little sister about two, who is receiving treatment at the Children's Hospital in Boston.

HARVARD

News Items. Miss S. Elizabeth Pollard is spending a few days with Mrs. Mary G. Hill, at her home in Cambridge.

Proctor's Strand, Ayer, Sunday, End Bennett in "Seeking happiness." Sunday matinee at 3.30; evenings at six and eight o'clock.

Still River. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Walker have received a letter from their son Raymond, saying that he is with the army occupying somewhere in Germany. It is the first letter from him for over six months. They also received a letter from their oldest son Willis, who is still in France.

William B. Haskell is able to be about the house, but as yet not able to get out of doors.

Mrs. Chester Willard is improving. She has had an unusually severe attack of influenza. Her four children have recovered and are attending school.

Mrs. Anna Flanders of Worcester spent Monday with friends here.

Miss Ruth Willard of Littleton and Miss Vera Willard of Fitchburg spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell B. Willard.

Rev. and Mrs. Morse have entertained a day friend from East Willingford, Vt., a few days this week, her husband being in the Y. M. C. A. work at Camp Devens.

Mrs. Burnett and daughter of Clinton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Haskell, Wednesday.

SHIRLEY

News Items. Miss Helen M. Winslow of Center road was one of the delegates to the New England conference for a league of free nations in Boston, this week, representing the State Federation of Women's clubs. Miss Winslow is spending the winter at 100 St. James avenue, Boston.

The great spy picture, "Stolen orders," a two-ree Charlie Chaplin comedy, "The freeman," and Gaumont News makes a big show for today at Proctor's Strand, Ayer, Sunday, End Bennett in "Seeking happiness." Sunday matinee at 3.30; evenings at six and eight o'clock.

LITTLETON

News Items. J. H. D. Whitcomb attended the real-estate sale this week, where he had stock on hand, which he will spend three months with friends.

Miss Margaret Thacher left home on Monday for California, where she will spend three months with friends.

The Thursday evening meeting this week was held with John E. Gardner.

Mrs. Myrtle Northrup Keirstead died suddenly near her home in Medford late last week and was brought to Littleton on Monday for burial in the Keirstead family lot at Westlawn cemetery. Mrs. Keirstead was thirty-four years of age and leaves a husband, Theodore Keirstead, and a son of eight years.

Sergt. Lester W. Griffiths, who recently arrived in New York from France, has been assigned to Camp Merritt. Mrs. Griffiths, upon receiving a telegram from him, started from Laredo, Texas, where she has spent the early winter with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Nye, and reached Littleton on Monday.

Rev. Paul G. Favor has been appointed assistant rector of St. Bartholomew Episcopal church in New York and will take his family to that city in about two months.

Mrs. Annie C. Smith has returned from a visit of two weeks with friends in Worcester, and recently visited her cousins in Arlington Heights.

Mrs. Amelia C. Wakefield has recovered from an illness and is now with her sister in Lexington.

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